

JAVIER MARTINEZ

Positions Held to Date:

- Since 2016 Professor, Medical University of Vienna.
2004-2015 Junior Group Leader, IMBA, Vienna, Austria
2001-2003 Post-doctoral Fellow, T. Tuschl lab, Max Planck for Biophysical Chemistry, Göttingen Germany, and Rockefeller University, USA.
1995-2000 Post-doctoral Fellow, A. Virtanen lab, University of Uppsala, Sweden.
1990-1995 Ph.D. Student, J.J. Cazzulo lab, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Main Area of Research:

RNA Biology; RNA processing in mammalian cells.

Teaching and Mentoring:

- 301585 Molecular Medicine 1.
301591 Advanced Cell Biology.
301652 Molekularbiologie der RNA.
MUW Coordinator of module „Diseases of Enzymatic Insufficiency“, within the new Master Program in Molecular Precision Medicine.

Awards and Prizes:

- 2007 European Young Investigator EMBO-YIP and BioRad European RNAi Award.
2015 EMBO Member.

Publications: Most important papers in the last 5 years and other relevant papers:

Sekulovski, S., Devant, P., Panizza, S., Gogakos, T., Pitiriciu, A., Heitmeier, K., Ramsay, E.P., Barth, M., Schmidt, C., Tuschl, T., Baas, F., Weitzer, S., Martinez, J.[§], Trowitzsch, S[§]. (2021). Assembly defects of human tRNA splicing endonuclease contribute to impaired pre-tRNA processing in pontocerebellar hypoplasia. co-corresponding authors. **Nat Commun.** 2021 Sep 28;12(1):5610. doi: 10.1038/s41467-021-25870-3. PMID: 34584079.

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Weitzer, S. and **Martinez, J.** (2007). The human RNA kinase hClp1 is active on 3' transfer RNA exons and short interfering RNAs. **Nature.** 447(7141):222-6. doi: 10.1038/nature05777.

Martinez, J., Patkaniowska, A., Urlaub, H., Lührmann, R. and Tuschl, T. (2002). Single-stranded antisense siRNAs guide target RNA cleavage in RNAi. **Cell.** 110, 563-574. doi: 10.1016/s0092-8674(02)00908-x.