

## University of Vienna and Medical University of Vienna extend successful collaboration with Max F. Perutz Laboratories

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**The University of Vienna and Medical University of Vienna are extending their successful collaboration with Max F. Perutz Laboratories. Rectors Heinz W. Engl from the University of Vienna and Markus Müller from MedUni Vienna signed an agreement to extend the Joint Venture until 2025.**

### Unique interface

Max F. Perutz Laboratories Vienna were established by the University of Vienna and the Medical University of Vienna in 2005 as a joint research and educational facility in the field of molecular biology. Max F. Perutz Laboratories therefore perform a unique function within Austria as an interface between basic research and university education. Both universities have pooled their expertise in basic molecular biology research within Max F. Perutz Laboratories, which are named after the Austrian Nobel prize-winner Max Perutz, a chemist and molecular biologist. The Institute is also focused on training young scientists.

"MedUni Vienna maintains a close-knit scientific network with many Austrian companies and universities and its own spin-offs such as Max F. Perutz Laboratories. Through these partnerships it is now possible for Austria to not only catch up as an international scientific location but to lead the field in biomedical research. Working together with the University of Vienna, Max F. Perutz Laboratories will also play a major role in this going forward," emphasises Markus Müller, Rector of MedUni Vienna.

"Max F. Perutz Laboratories are a success story: 500 scientists from 40 countries are analysing molecular and cellular biology mechanisms in 60 different research groups, thereby making an important contribution to basic medical research under the general heading of mechanistic biomedicine," explains Heinz W. Engl, Rector of the University of Vienna. Together with the University of Vienna's planned Biology Center, Max F. Perutz Laboratories are helping to create one of Europe's most comprehensive Life Science Clusters in Vienna.

Since Max F. Perutz Laboratories were established, they have evolved to become an internationally respected research institution. Scientists working at the Institute have won numerous international prizes and funding grants, including eleven European Research Council grants.

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## **About the MFPL**

The Max F. Perutz Laboratories (MFPL) are a center established by the University of Vienna and the Medical University of Vienna to provide an environment for excellent, internationally recognized research and education in the field of Molecular Biology. The MFPL are located at the Vienna BioCenter, one of the largest Life Sciences clusters in Austria, and host on average 60 independent research groups, involving more than 500 people from 40 nations.