Alexandra Kautzky-Willer

Key Researcher

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SCIENTIFIC & ACADEMIC CAREER

1988: Awarded Doctor Medicinae Universae Diploma (MD): Medical school, University of Vienna,

Austria

1996: Specialist for Internal Medicine

1997: Habilitation

1998: Awarded official title Associate Professor (a.o. Univ.-Prof.): Tenured position, Dep. of

Internal Medicine III, Div. of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Medical University Vienna

Since 2010: Professor of Gender Medicine at the Medical University Vienna, Head of the University

Course Gender Medicine, Head of the Gender Medicine Unit

2014-2018: Deputy head of the Dep. of Internal Medicine III of the Medical University of Vienna

Since 2018: Management Team of the Department of Medicine III and Head of the Division of

Endocrinology and Metabolism of the Medical University of Vienna

MAIN AREA OF RESEARCH

Alexandra Kautzky-Willer is Professor of Gender Medicine. She has specialized in Internal Medicine, in Endocrinology and Metabolism, and in Geriatrics and Palliative Care. Her research interests include women's and men's health, gestational diabetes, fetal programming, overweight, obesity, type 1 diabetes/autoimmunity, type 2 diabetes, metabolic syndrome, insulin resistance, beta cell function, inflammation, adipokines, endothelial dysfunction, and hormonal disorders - in general, and sex-and gender-specific aspects in particular.

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH ACTIVITIES (10 most important)

2001-present: Acquisition of 23 third-party funded research grants (€ ~2.60 Mio)
 Since 2013: President of the Austrian Society of Gender-Specific Medicine
 2017-2022: President of the International Society of Gender Medicine

2017-2019: President of the Austrian Diabetes Association

2022-2024 Vice-President of the Austrian Society of Internal Medicine

Honors & Awards

2023

Joseph Hoet Research Award of the Diabetes and Pregnancy Study Group (DPSG) of the European Association for the study of diabetes (EASD)
One of the Women Inspiring Europe (an initiative of EIGE European Institute for Gender Equality)
Gabriele Possanner Staatspreis
Award of the City of Vienna for Medical Sciences

Grete Rehor Award in the category "Education, Science and the World of Work"

10 MOST IMPORTANT PUBLICATIONS

- Simmons D, [...], Kautzky-Willer A, [...], Cheung NW TOBOGM Research Group (2023)
 Treatment of Gestational Diabetes Mellitus Diagnosed Early in Pregnancy. N Engl J Med 388(23):2132-44. doi:10.1056/NEJMoa2214956.
- Mauvais-Jarvis F, [...], Kautzky-Willer A, [...], Rubin JB (2021) Sex- and Gender-Based Pharmacological Response to Drugs. Pharmacol Rev 73(2):730-62. doi:10.1124/pharmrev.120.000206.
- Paolino M, [...], Kautzky-Willer A, Penninger JM (2021) RANK links thymic regulatory T cells to fetal loss and gestational diabetes in pregnancy. Nature 589(7842):442-7. doi:10.1038/s41586-020-03071-0.
- 4. Harreiter J, [...], **Kautzky-Willer A (2021)** Combined exenatide and dapagliflozin has no additive effects on reduction of hepatocellular lipids despite better glycaemic control in patients with type 2 diabetes mellitus treated with metformin: EXENDA, a 24-week, prospective, randomized, placebocontrolled pilot trial. **Diabetes Obes Metab** 23(5):1129-39. doi:10.1111/dom.14319.
- 5. Leutner M, [...], **Kautzky-Willer A (2019)** Diagnosis of osteoporosis in statin-treated patients is dose-dependent. **Ann Rheum Dis** 78(12):1706-11. doi:10.1136/annrheumdis-2019-215714.
- Harreiter J, [...], Kautzky-Willer A (2019) Nutritional Lifestyle Intervention in Obese Pregnant Women, Including Lower Carbohydrate Intake, Is Associated With Increased Maternal Free Fatty Acids, 3-beta-Hydroxybutyrate, and Fasting Glucose Concentrations: A Secondary Factorial Analysis of the European Multicenter, Randomized Controlled DALI Lifestyle Intervention Trial. Diabetes Care 42(8):1380-9. doi:10.2337/dc19-0418.
- 7. Leutner M, [...], **Kautzky-Willer A (2019)** Glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) drives postprandial hyperinsulinemic hypoglycemia in pregnant women with a history of roux-en-Y gastric bypass operation. **Metabolism** 91:10-7. doi:10.1016/j.metabol.2018.10.006.
- Harreiter J, [...], Kautzky-Willer A (2019) Decreased beta-cell function in breastfeeding obese and non-obese women: A prospective observational study. Clin Nutr 38(6):2790-2798. doi:10.1016/j.clnu.2018.11.035.
- Kautzky-Willer A, Harreiter J, Pacini G (2016) Sex and Gender Differences in Risk, Pathophysiology and Complications of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus. Endocr Rev 37(3):278-316. doi:10.1210/er.2015-1137.
- 10. Stefan N, [...], Kautzky-Willer A, [...], Furst-Recktenwald S (2014) Inhibition of 11beta-HSD1 with RO5093151 for non-alcoholic fatty liver disease: a multicentre, randomised, double-blind, placebocontrolled trial. Lancet Diabetes Endocrinol 2(5):406-16. doi:10.1016/S2213-8587(13)70170-0.