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• Full Name: Jo A. Van Ginderachter

• Current Position & Affiliation: Professor Immunology at Vrije Universiteit Brussel,

Group Leader at VIB, Brussels, Belgium

Belgium Country:

• Educational Background:

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1995: MSc in Bioengineering Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium

2002: PhD in Applied Biological Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium

• Professional Experience:

October 2002 - December 2003 :

- 50% post-doctoral researcher, Lab of Cellular and Molecular Immunology, Dept of Molecular and Cellular Interactions, VIB-Vrije Universiteit Brussel.
- 50% Research & Development coordinator of the VIB Department of Molecular and Cellular Interactions, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

January 2004 - December 2006:

Post-doctoral researcher, supported by a competitive post-doctoral "Prospective Research for Brussels" grant, granted by the Brussels region (Innoviris). Lab of Cellular and Molecular Immunology, Dept of Molecular and Cellular Interactions, VIB-Vrije Universiteit Brussel.

January 2007 – December 2010 :

Staff Scientist, Dept of Molecular and Cellular Interactions, VIB-Vrije Universiteit Brussel, supported by a Stichting tegen Kanker research grant.

October 2010 – September 2014:

- 10% Zelfstandig Academisch Personeel (Assistant Professor), Faculty of Sciences and Bioengineering Sciences. (research theme: Mechanisms of tumor growth mediated by tumor-host interactions)
- Principal Investigator in the lab of Cellular and Molecular Immunology, Dept of Molecular and Cellular Interactions, VIB

From October 2012 onward:

Group Leader, Myeloid Cell Immunology Lab, VIB, Brussels, Belgium

From October 2014 onward:

- Appointed as full time lecturer and professor (Tenure Track) at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium.
- Program director of the MSc in Biomolecular Sciences, Faculty of Sciences and Bioengineering Sciences

From October 2019 onward:

Tenured professor Immunology at Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium

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Research stays and guest lecturer:

- May-June 1998: lab of Prof. Dr. Lea Eisenbach, Weizmann Institute, Rehovot, Israël.
- September-October 2016: Guest lecturer at the Ghent University Global Campus, Incheon, Korea
- October-November 2016: Guest lecturer at the Universidade de Sao Paulo (USP), Brazil
- Easter holidays 2017: Guest lecturer at the Universidade de Sao Paulo (USP), Brazil
- July 2017: Guest lecturer at the Universidade de Sao Paulo (USP), Brazil

• Professional Organizations:

- Board member, Belgian Immunological Society
- Board member, Belgian Association for Cancer Research
- Board of Directors member, Flanders Vaccine
- Faculty Council member, faculty of Sciences and Bio-engineering Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Educational Commission member, faculty of Sciences and Bio-engineering Sciences, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Educational Board member and co-founder, Master of Science in Molecular Biology, Vrije Universiteit Brussel
- Co-founder of the VUB spin-off company Abscint, employing Nanobodies for non-invasive molecular imaging
- Editorial Board member, Cancer Research
- Editorial board member, Frontiers in Immunology

• Main Scientific Publications:

- 1. Pombo Antunes AR,..., Van Ginderachter JA[#], Movahedi K[#]. (* shared co-senior). Single-cell profiling of myeloid cells in glioblastoma across species and disease stage reveals macrophage competition and specialization. Nature Neuroscience, 24(4):595-610, 2021. IF=20.071; CIT=156
- 2. Van Damme H,..., Laoui D, Van Ginderachter JA. Therapeutic depletion of CCR8⁺ tumorinfiltrating regulatory T cells elicits antitumor immunity and synergizes with anti-PD-1 therapy. Journal for Immunotherapy of Cancer, 9(2):e001749, 2021. IF=10.252; CIT=41
- 3. Laoui D, Keirsse J,..., Van Ginderachter JA. The tumor microenvironment harbors ontogenically distinct dendritic cell populations with opposing effects on tumor immunity. Nature Communications, 7:13720, 2016. IF=11.329; CIT=165
- 4. Laoui D, Van Overmeire E,..., Van Ginderachter JA. Tumor hypoxia does not drive differentiation of tumor-associated macrophages but rather fine-tunes the M2-like macrophage population. Cancer Research, 74(1):24-30, 2014. IF=9.55; CIT=291
- 5. Movahedi K,..., Van Ginderachter JA. Different tumor microenvironments contain functionally distinct subsets of macrophages derived from Ly6C(high) monocytes. Cancer Research, 70: 5728-5739, 2010. IF=7.543; CIT=833.

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6. Movahedi K,..., Van Ginderachter JA. Identification of discrete tumor-induced myeloidderived suppressor cell subpopulations with distinct T-cell suppressive activity. Blood,111(8): 4233-4244,2008. IF=10.432; CIT=934