



Prof Christoph Kraus

Biography



Christoph Kraus is tenured research psychiatrist (Ap. Prof.) at the Department of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy and in the Neuroimaging Laboratory at the Medical University of Vienna, Austria. He received his M.D. at the Medical University of Vienna and completed his training in clinical psychiatry as well as cognitive behavioral therapy there. His PhD-work was on the mechanism of serotonin and neuroplasticity measured in humans *in vivo* with PET and fMRI. Dr. Kraus conducted a post-doctoral visiting fellowship at the National Institute of Mental Health, U.S.A., where he worked on resting-state fMRI markers of major depression. His current research aims to establish biological correlates and optimize treatments for severe and chronic forms of mood disorders and related diseases. To this end reliable markers are urgently needed to introduce staging models that will inform patients, their relatives and healthcare providers on disease severity and potential future outcomes. His vision is to improve outcomes of severely sick psychiatric patients by psychiatric neuroscience.