Curriculum vitae of Christian Körner

Prof. Dr. DDr h.c. Christian Körner (1949) is Austrian citizen, Swiss resident (CV updated: 15 Apr 2021) ch.koerner@unibas.ch, https://duw.unibas.ch/en/koerner

1973-1977
Ph.D. Univ. Innsbruck, Austria with W. Larcher, part of IBP (Water relations of alpine plants).
1977-1980
Postdoc: Austrian MAB alpine program (alpine water cycle, hydrology).
1982-1989
Assoc. Prof. Innsbruck, Austria (forest and alpine ecology, plant carbon relations)
Postdoctoral fellow, Res School Biol Sci, ANU, Canberra, (tree water relations, isotopes)
Full Professor for Botany, University of Basel, Switzerland
Postdoctoral fellow, a plaine program (alpine water cycle, hydrology).

2014- Prof. emeritus, chair alpine research station ALPFOR (2008-)

General Research interest

- The influence of increasing atmospheric CO₂ concentration on natural vegetation
- · Forest carbon and water relations under global change
- Alpine plant ecology and biodiversity (see GMBA and ALPFOR)
- High elevation treeline research
- · Various projects in bioclimatology and range limits of plant species

Memberships

- Austrian Academy of Sciences (Vienna)
- · German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina (Halle)
- National Academy of India Foreign Fellow
- Swiss Academy of Sciences Counsellor
- German, Swiss, British & American Botanical/Ecological Societies

National Committees

- Past president and member of ProClim (Forum for Climate and Global Change, SCnat)
- · Past president and member of Swiss Forum Biodiversity (SCnat)

International Committees (examples, past and present*)

- Chair and SSC* of the Global Mountain Biodiversity Assessment (GMBA) (2000-2014; 2014-*)
- Task leader, Global Change & Terr. Ecosys (GCTE) and SSC of IGBP for CO₂ effects (1998-2004)
- Convening Lead Author (ČLA) Global Millenn Ecosys Assess (MA) Chap 24, Mountains (2002-2005)
- Science advisory board EASAC, Brussels/Halle a.S. (2009-2014)
- Reviewer* /contributing author of IPCC (2005-; 2020*-)
- Various advisory boards (e.g. Senckenberg Museum Frankfurt; EURAC, Bozen; Austrian National Park Hohe Tauern*; Czech Globe, Brno*)

Academic achievements

- Highest cited author ISI since 2000; Scores Jan 2022: ISI 30'500 citations h-Index 93, Google Scholar 64'000 citations h-Index 128, i10 Index 424
- Advisory board/vice president of International Botanical Congresses (St Louis 1999, Vienna 2005, Shenzen 2017)
- Co-author 'Strasburger' Botany textbook (founded 1894, 35-38th German, Ital., Span., Russ., Engl. eds)
- Plenary opening lecture of the International GCTE-LUCC Conference (Barcelona 1998)
- Plenary speaker for the millennial ESA/BES conference (Orlando, 2000)
- Tansley lecture of the British Ecological Society (London 2002)
- Private Royal Colloquium on alpine ecology, Swed. Acad. Sci, with the King of Sweden (2003)
- Plenary keynote 8th SBSTA /CBD Convention of Biodiversity (Montreal 2003)
- Plenary lecture, International Botanical Congress (Vienna 2005)
- Plenary lecture/opening session Earth System Science Partnership ESSP (Beijing 2006)
- Marsh Award, British Ecological Society for outstanding achievements in the science of ecology (2007)
- King Albert I Mountain Award for outstanding high elevation research with a global perspective (2010)
- Dr. h.c. University of Innsbruck, Austria (2013), Dr. h.c. Illia University Tbilisi, Georgia (2014)
- Elected life time Foreign Honorary Member of the Ecological Society of America ESA (2013)
- Ramon Margalef Prize in Ecology, Prize Jury (2012-2014)

Editorial boards

Oecologia (editorial board 1988-, editor-in chief 1998-2012); Frontiers in Functional Plant Ecology (editor-in-chief 2010-2015); Science Magazine (editorial board 2000-2004); Trends in Ecology and Evolution (editorial board 2000-2021); Global Change Biology (editorial board 1998-2011); Plant Ecology & Diversity (editorial board 2011-); GAIA (1996-2014); Alpine Botany (editorial board 2010-); Facultyof1000 (PubMed 2007-); Biologie in unserer Zeit (1990-)

Publications: >400 ISI papers, c. 59'000 citations in Google Scholar; 20 authored or edited books.

Major books: Alpine Plant Life (2003, 2021; Chin. transl. 2008, Georgian transl. 2008); (2012) Alpine Treelines (2012; Chinese transl. 2017); Plant Ecology (2021) in Strasburger Plant Sciences; all with Springer, Basel/Berlin