

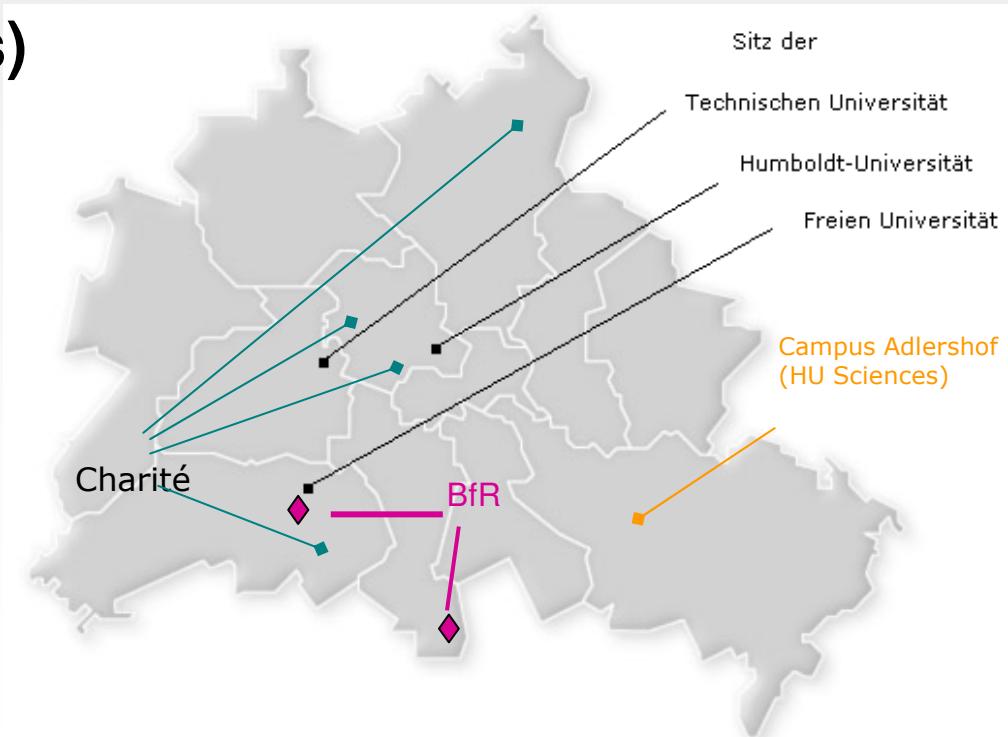


# Cooperation between FU Berlin and ZEBET on Alternatives

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# Berlin – Science City

- Berlin – a multicultural city in Central Europe
- 3.4 m inhabitants (about 14% foreigners)
- 134.500 Students (about 14 % internationals)
- 4 Universities
- 3 Schools of Arts
- 11 Universities of Applied Sciences
- 15 Private Universities
- > 70 Other research institutions

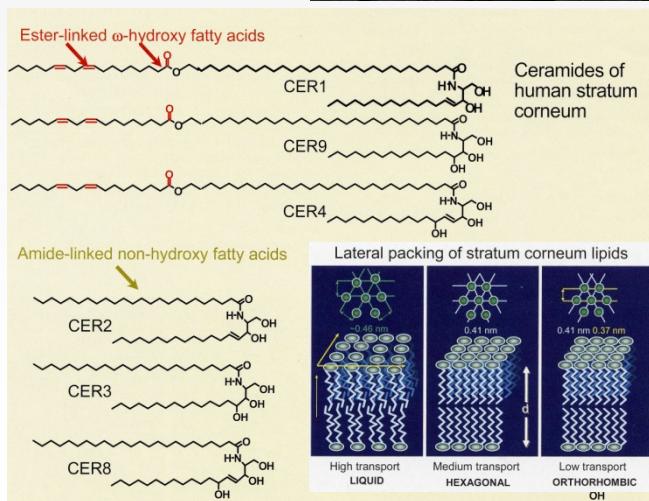
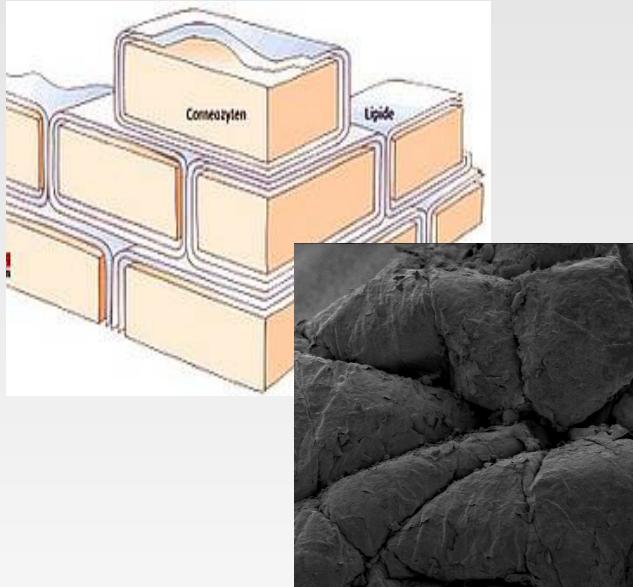


# Cooperation ZEBET and FU Berlin

- Research:
  - Skin Penetration and Skin Metabolism (BMBF)
  - Angiogenesis Model Development (ZEBET)
- Teaching
  - Undergraduates (Biology, Chemistry, Pharmacy)
  - PhD Students
- Continuing Education
  - INVITROTRAIN (EFRE)
  - DUW: Drug Research & Management
- BfR - Scientific Advisory Board
- Deutscher Tierschutzforschungspreis - Jury

Since 1995

# Barrier Function of Human Skin



**Relevant for**

- **toxic agent**
- **drugs**
- **actives of cosmetics**

**Cosmetic directive  
REACH**

**Stratum corneum**

**Corneocytes:** rich in keratin

***Intercellular space:*  
highly hydrophobic lipides**

**Skin penetration:**

**Mw < 400 (- 800) g/mol; logP 1-3**



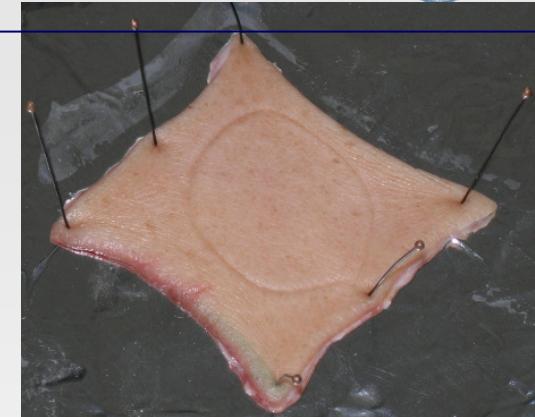
## Validation - Modular Approach

- Characterisation of the test matrix reflecting target structure *in vivo* (GD 431)
- **Method development** (close to TGD 28)
- **Method transfer**
- **Prevalidation**
- **Validation (Biostatistics!)**
- Prediction model

Hartung et al., 2004

# The German Study

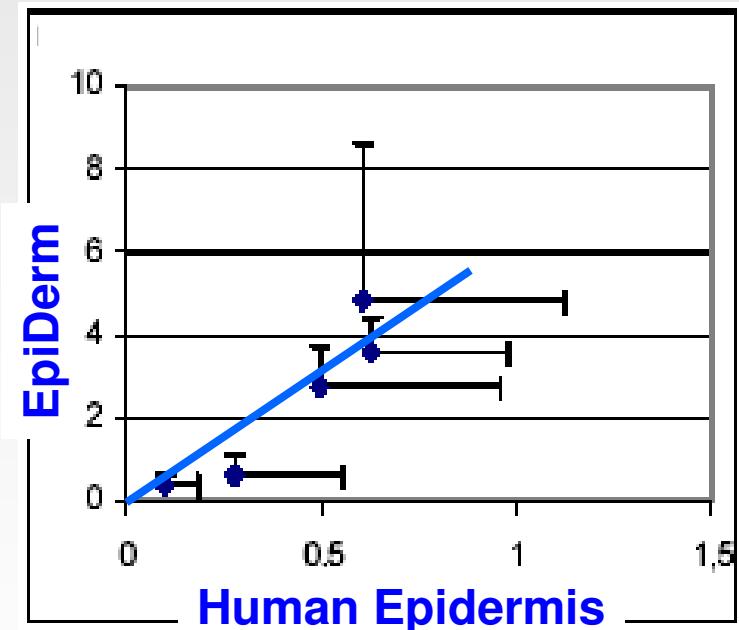
- Skin: human, pig
- 3 commercially available RHE
- 3 OECD standard compounds
- 6 other compounds  
including ivermectin,  
digoxin, mannitol
- Infinite / finite doses
- 3 Laboratories per skin



# Results: $P_{app}$ Values

Pearson Correlation		$r^2$
Pig Skin	EPISKIN®	0.920
Pig Skin	SkinEthic®	0.918
Pig Skin	EpiDerm™	0.842
Pig Skin	HES	0.861
HES	EPISKIN	0.707
HES	SkinEthic	0.803
HES	EpiDerm	0.932
EpiDerm	EPISKIN	0.637
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SkinEthic	EPISKIN	0.906

Scatter Plot  $P_{app}$



Schäfer-Korting et al., ATLA 2008

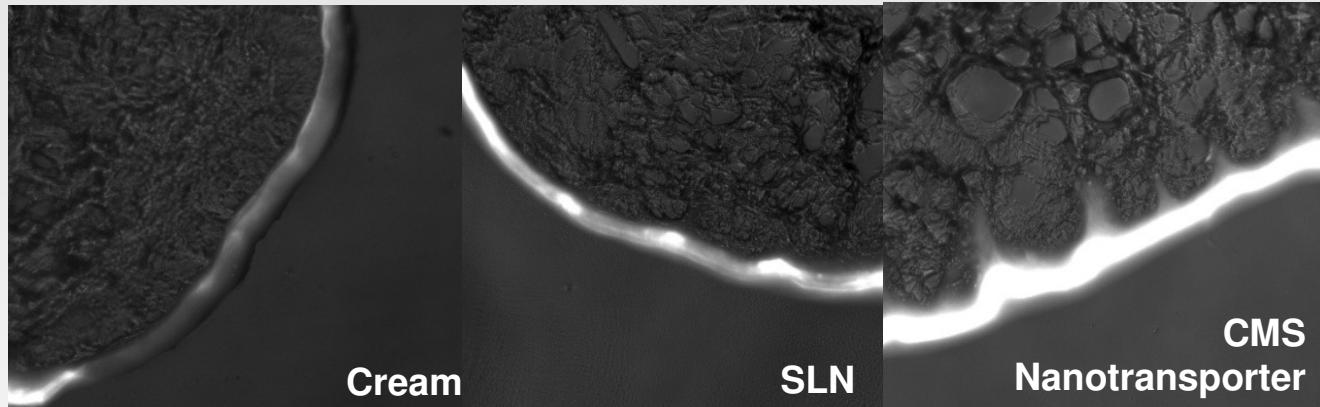
# Research Partners



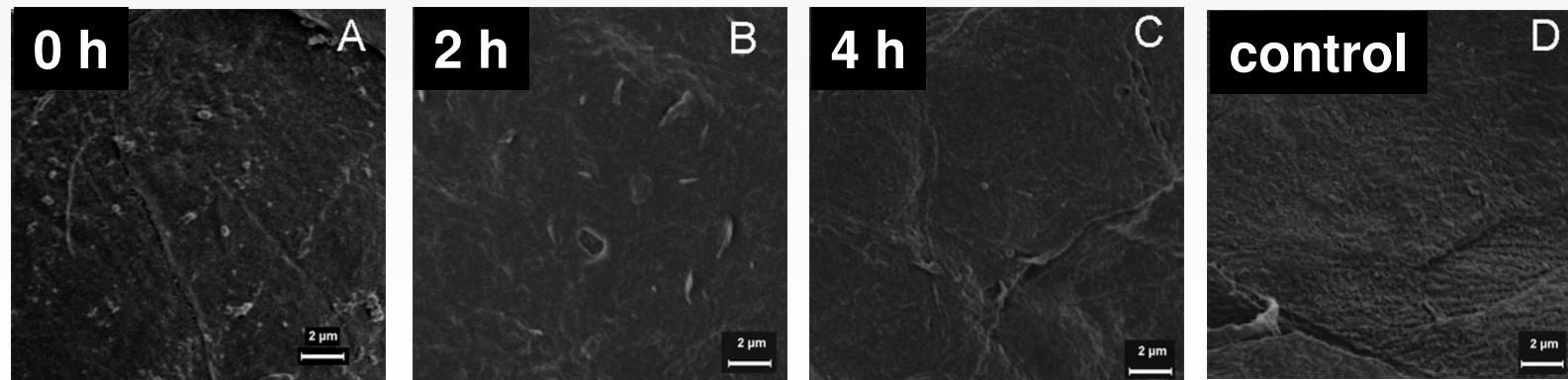
- Freie Universität Berlin  
Universität des Saarlandes  
Tierärztliche Hochschule Hannover  
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München  
Technische Universität Braunschweig
- Fraunhofer Institut IGB, Stuttgart
- Across Barriers, Saarbrücken  
BASF, Ludwigshafen  
Beiersdorf, Hamburg  
Cognis, Düsseldorf
- ZEBET am BfR, Berlin
- **Funding: BMBF 2002-2006**

# Nanocarrier: Efficiency

## Nilred Penetration of Pig Skin



## SLN: Interaction with Pig Skin ex vivo

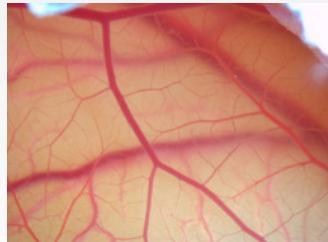


Küchler et al, EJPB 2009

# Nanocarrier Tolerability

## Eye Irritation (HET-CAM Test)

baseline



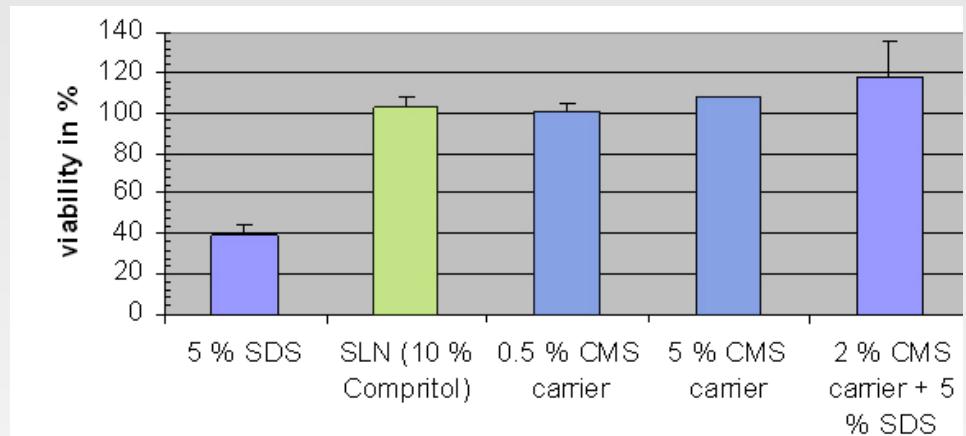
NP (50 µl)



SLN



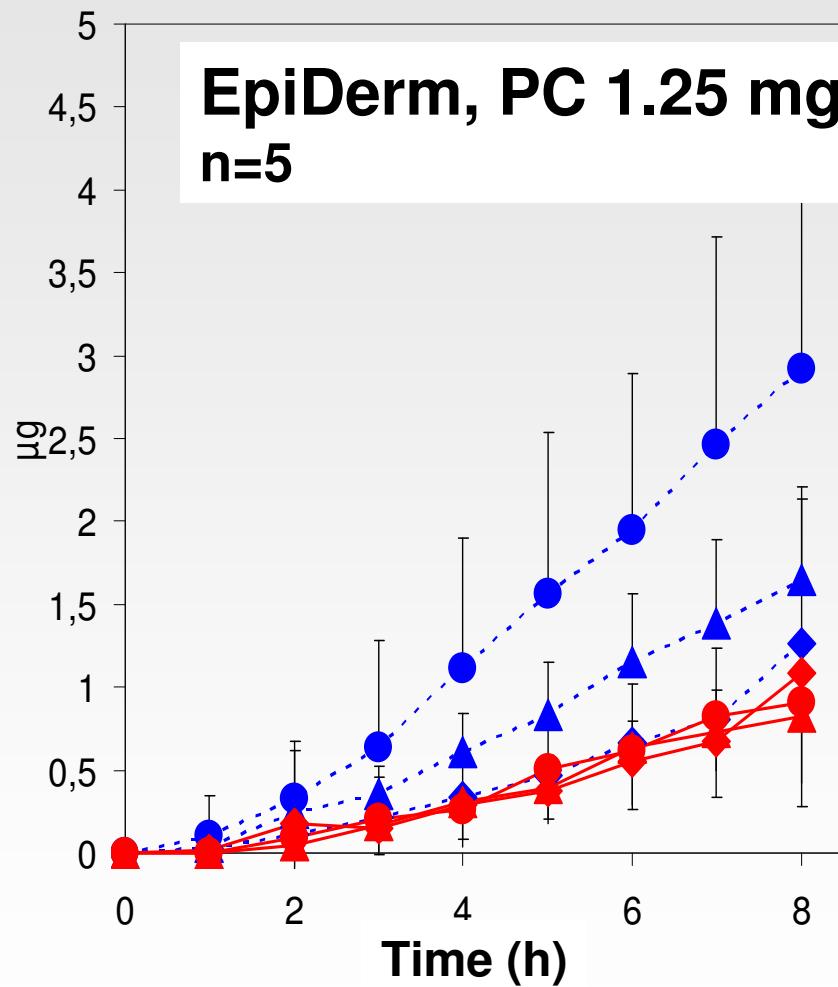
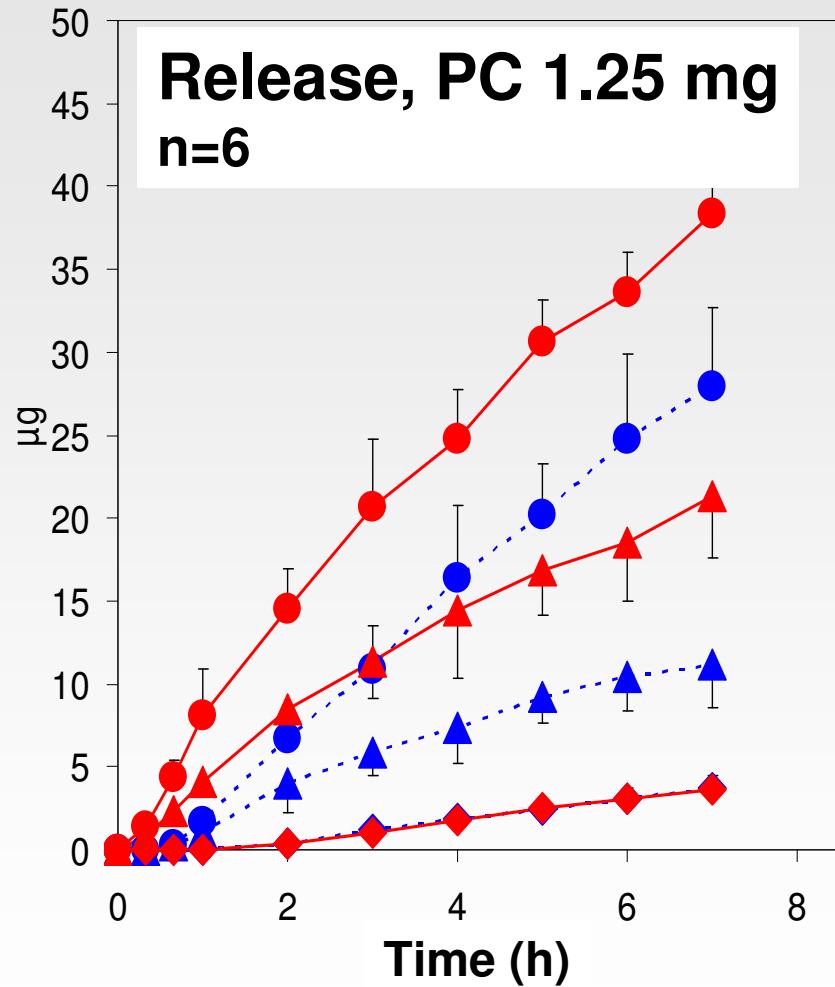
CMS NT



## Skin Irritation (Episkin Test)

*Wolf et al., EJPB 2009*

# Formulation Effects

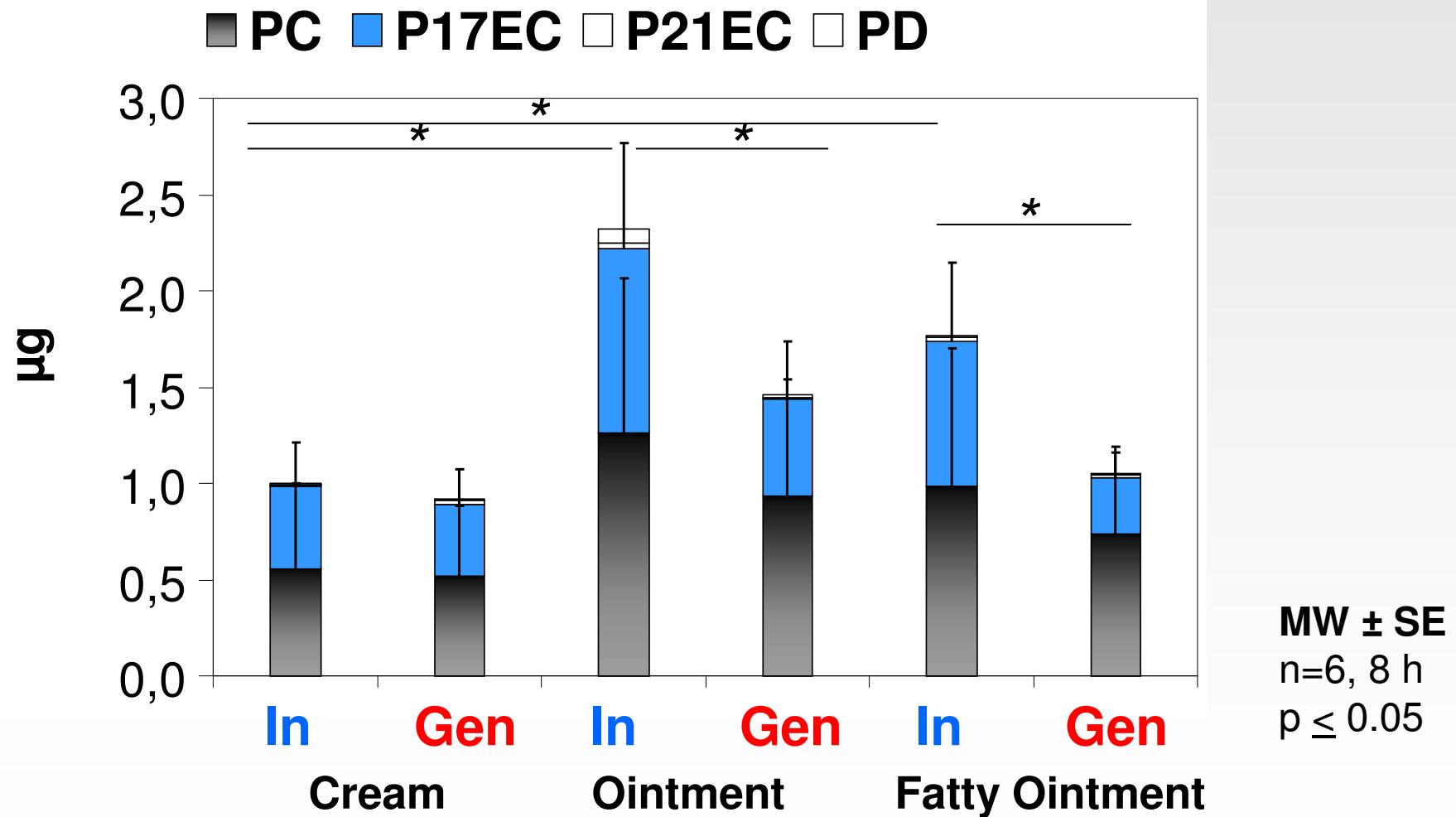


Cream ♦♦, Ointment ●●, Fatty Ointment ▲▲

MW ± SE

Lombardi Borgia et al., EJPB 2008

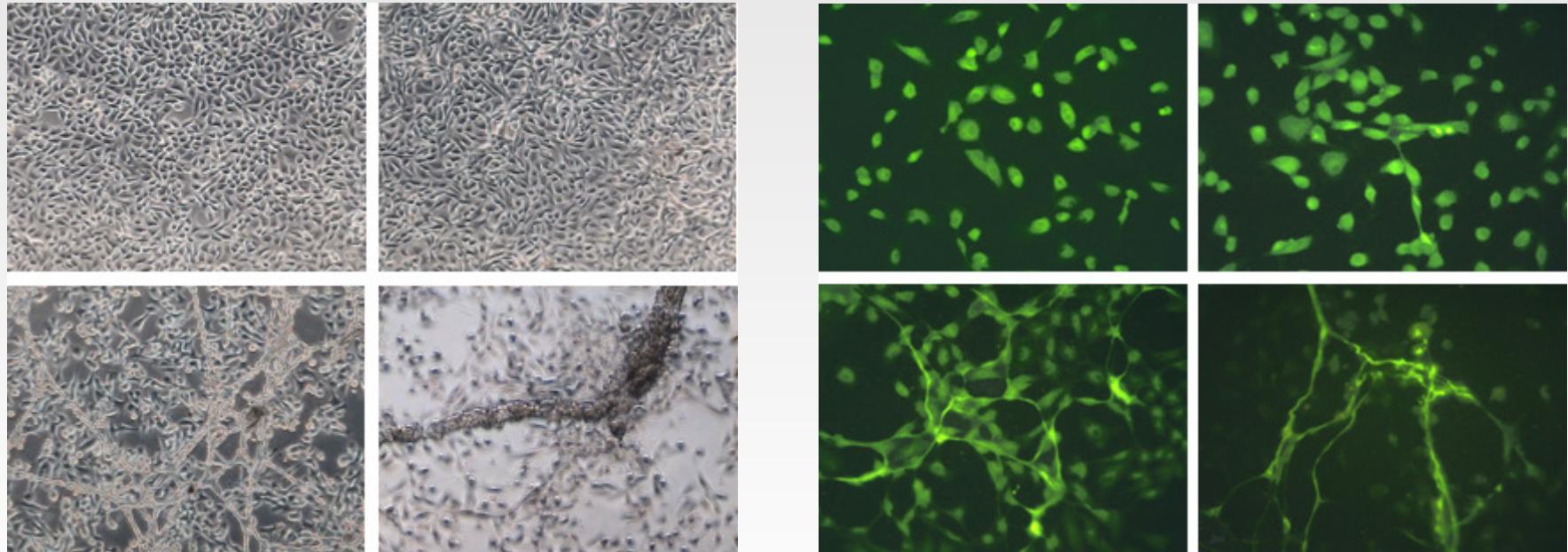
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# Angiogenesis - Antiangiogenesis

## 1. In vitro test protocol



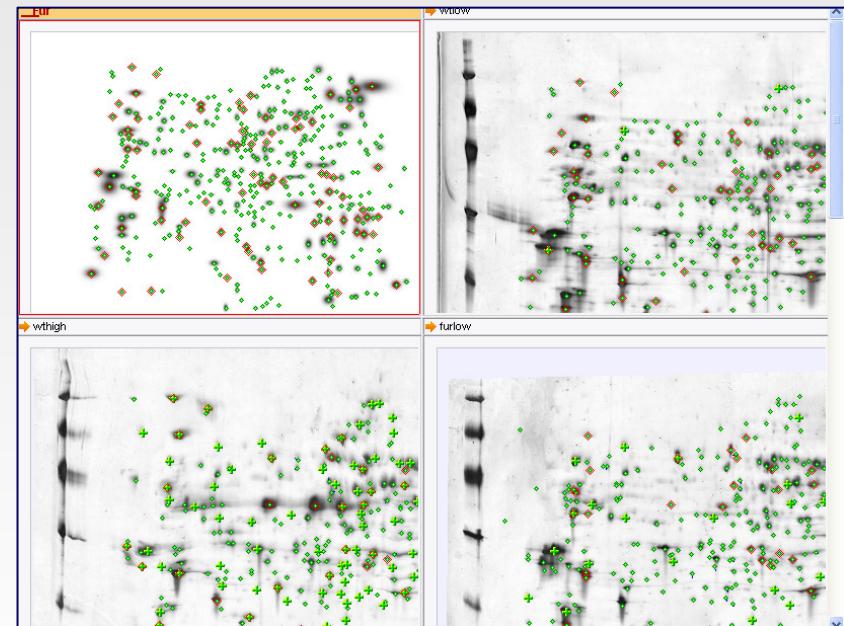
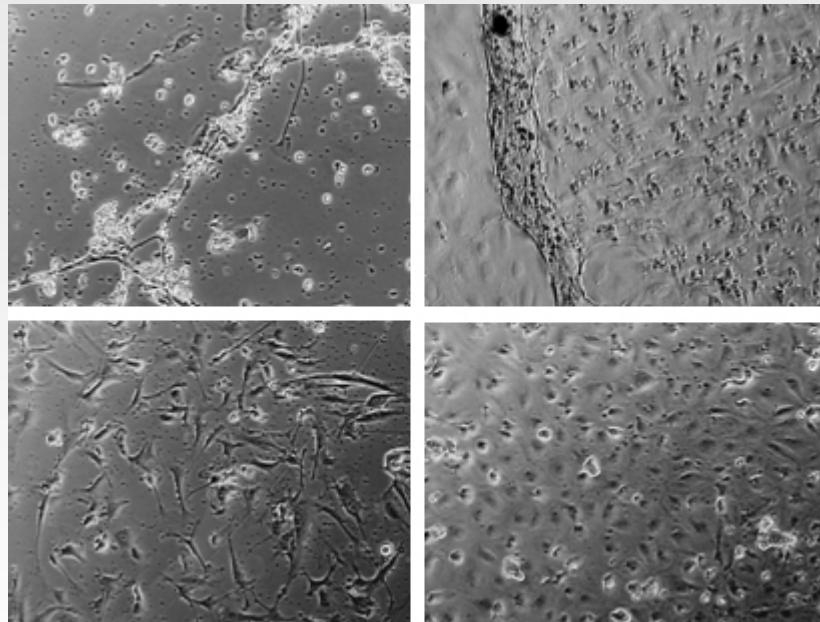
**All in one in vitro assay for quantitation of angiogenesis and antiangiogenesis**

*Prof. Johanna Plendl (Freie Universität Berlin), Prof. Fred Sinowatz (LMU München)  
1999 – 2002*

# Angiogenesis - Antiangiogenesis



## 2. Profiling of angiogenic markers for standardised use of endothelial cells



**Protein expression differences in endothelial cell cultures by 2D-SDS-PAGE**

*Dr. Mahtab Bahrami, Prof. Johanna Plendl, 2007 – 2010*

*Department of Veterinary Medicine – Institute of Veterinary Anatomy*



# **Cooperation between FU Berlin and ZEBET on Alternatives**

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