

*Mythology in Organic Chemistry:
A Kinetic Analysis*

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Professional career

Herbert Mayr studied chemistry at the University of Munich (LMU) and obtained his PhD in 1974 under the direction of R. Huisgen. After postdoctoral studies with G. A. Olah at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, he joined the group of P. v. R. Schleyer at the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, where he completed his habilitation in 1980. After professorships in Lübeck (1984 – 1991) and Darmstadt (1991 – 1996) he returned to the LMU Munich in 1996, where he has been serving as the Dean of the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy and the Director of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. He received the Alexander von Humboldt Honorary Fellowship of the Foundation for Polish Science (2004) and the Liebig Denkmünze of the German Chemical Society (2006). He is a member of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences and the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina.



Research Interests

His research interests focus on quantitative approaches to organic reactivity, including the development of reactivity scales which are applied on organometallic and organocatalytic reactions as well as on ionic polymerizations.