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Dr. Margarita Wucherer-Plietker, Director Alliance Management at Merck Healthcare KGaA. Margarita started her career in medicinal chemistry at Merck KGaA in 2006 where she was leading a laboratory supporting projects in the field of oncology and immunology. In 2013, she joined the OLED division in Performance Materials at Merck KGaA in a managerial role leading a group of scientists developing high-tech OLED materials for display applications. Here she engaged in collaborations especially with Asian companies. In 2018, Margarita joined Global Business Development and Alliance Management at Merck Healthcare KGaA where she is leading strategic alliances in research and development with academic institutes and partners from Biotechs.

Margarita studied chemistry at the Technical University of Dresden, Stanford University and Boston College. She received her Ph.D in natural product synthesis from the Max-Planck-Institute for Coal Research. Prior to joining Merck KGaA, Margarita did a postdoc at The Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, California conducting bioorganic research under professor Chi-Huey Wong.