DEPARTMENT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES, HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY

Department of Infectious Diseases

Major Infectious Diseases

Research Groups of the Department of Infectious Diseases

Infectious Diseases - A Brief Description

Although infectious diseases have been known for thousands of years, the understanding of their source emerged only in the past century. Thus, the study of infectious diseases at the molecular and cellular level is a rather new research area, whose origin as an independent scientific discipline can be traced back to the discovery of pathogenic microorganisms in the 19th century.

Today it is common knowledge that infectious diseases are caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites. Although a lot has been learned about human pathogens in the past decades, infectious diseases continue to be a major threat for human health. Not only well known diseases like malaria, AIDS or chronic hepatitis, but also gastrointestinal or respiratory infections result in millions of deaths each year. Rapid evolution of pathogens and a changing environment result in rising threats from multiresistant bacteria or the emergence and spread of pathogens including novel strains of influenza virus, SARS or Dengue virus. Furthermore, advances in medicine have led to an increased number of immunocompromised people who are particularly susceptible to infectious diseases.

Apart from their enormous medical importance, microbes are also important model systems for molecular and cell biology. For example, RNA splicing was discovered in adenoviruses, oncogenes were found for the first time in retroviruses and the structure of nucleosomes was described initially for DNA viruses.

Current infectious disease research is a highly interdisciplinary topic at the interface between medicine and molecular, cell and structural biology. The Major "Infectious Diseases" within the MSc "Molecular Biosciences" offers the opportunity to study this topic in considerable depth, both in theory and in practice.

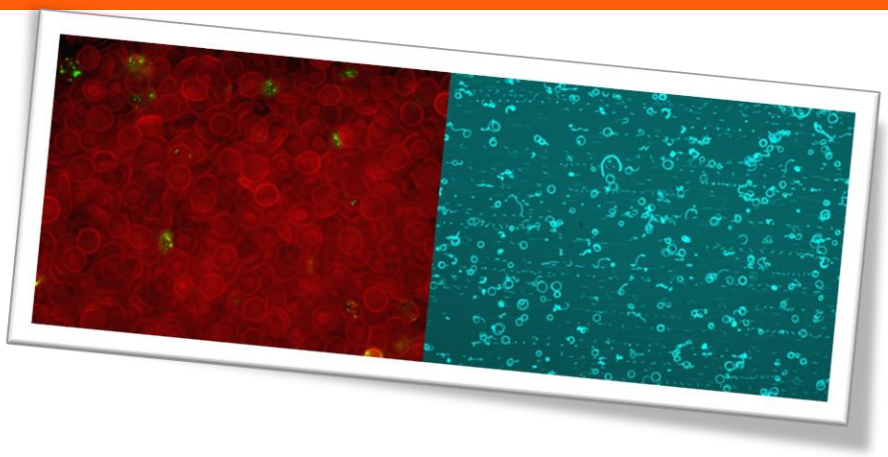
Research at the Department of Infectious Diseases

Main research topics of the Department include HIV/Aids, malaria, viral hepatitis and the interaction between pathogens and their host (immunology of infection, pathogen spread) (https://www.klinikum.uni-heidelberg.de/zentrum-fuer-infektiologie/zentrum-fuer-infektiologie).
Researchers from all units are integrated within the new Center for Integrative Infectious Disease Research, where replication and spread of pathogens is studied in systems of increasing complexity, from molecular detail to interaction with the host immune response in 3D culture systems or animal models. Interactions are further strengthened by the new CIID building (INF 344) opened in November 2017, which houses many groups from the Department of Infectious Diseases and offers state of the art equipment, in particular an Infectious Disease Imaging Platform (https://www.idip-heidelberg.org/) for imaging of pathogens by a broad spectrum of advanced methods.

Beyond that, all research groups of the department are connected within local and international research consortia and networks, some of which are coordinated by members of the department. This comprises the Cluster of Excellence "CellNetworks" (http://www.cellnetworks.uni-hd.de/), the German Center for Infection Research "DZIF" (http://www.dzif.de/) as well as DFG collaborative research centers:
SFB1129 (http://www.sfb1129.de/),
TRR179 (www.trr179.de),
TRR319 (https://rmap.uni-mainz.de/),
TRR186 (https://trr186.uni-heidelberg.de/).

We cooperate with numerous institutions from Heidelberg University, the European Laboratory for Molecular Biology (EMBL), the German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ) and the Max-Planck-Institute for Medical Research, as well as with international partners. Our research activities are strengthened in particular by close interdisciplinary collaboration with scientists from the fields of physics, chemical biology, proteome and transcriptome analysis, cryo-electron microscopy, image analysis and scientific modelling.

More information on the research activities of the members of the Department of Infectious Diseases and the associated research groups participating in this Major can be found in the profiles provided below and on the corresponding websites.



Content and Structure of the Major Infectious Diseases

The Major "Infectious Diseases" is intended for students with a good basic knowledge of molecular and cell biology who wish to put their main focus on infectious disease pathogens. In the context of the Major they will deepen their knowledge of the basics of molecular and cell biology and get to know specific aspects of the replication of infectious pathogens and their interactions with their hosts. The participating departments and research groups offer internationally renowned research programs as well as an excellent infrastructure and they are very well connected with other research institutions inside and outside the university. Therefore, they offer ideal conditions for the Major "Infectious Diseases".

Criteria for admission

We welcome appropriately qualified students from all over the world to this course. Since modern infectious disease research focuses on molecular mechanisms of pathogenesis, a good basic knowledge of molecular and cell biology is a prerequisite for admission. Some prior knowledge of infectious disease biology and immunology is also helpful, but not mandatory. Students in the Heidelberg Bachelor courses "Biology" and "Molecular and Cellular Biology" who are interested in this Major are advised to attend the lectures and courses on microbiology, infectious disease immunology, parasitology and virology in Semesters 4 and 5.

Acquired Degree

With the successful completion of the course the student acquires the MSc in Biology with the specialization (Major) "Infectious Diseases". The entire master program is designed for four semesters, but can also be completed within three semesters if the lab rotations from the third semester are already completed in the second semester. This Master degree qualifies students to enter PhD programs in Europe or could be a starting point for a career in the pharmaceutical industry or a biotech company.

Various doctoral study programs are offered by the institutes involved in the "Infectious Diseases" Major. Further information is to be found on the websites of the participating departments.

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Education at the Department of Infectious Diseases

The Department of Infectious Diseases at the Medical Faculty of Heidelberg represents the subject of Infectious Diseases in research, education and diagnostics, in the fields of bacteriology, virology, parasitology and tropical medicine. There are five units and two sections with a large number of research groups, most of which are involved in the educational activities of this Major. The involved units and sections are:

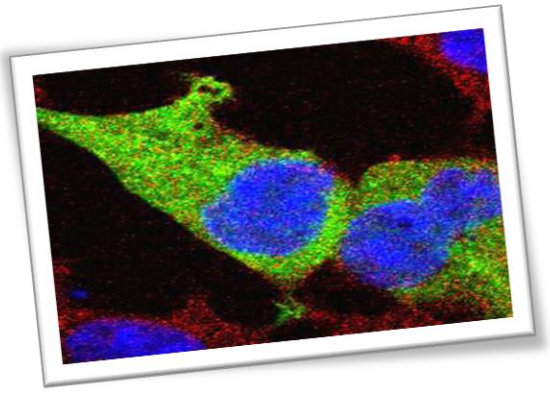
- Medical Microbiology and Hygiene
- Molecular Virology
- Virology
- Integrative Virology
- Parasitology

Medical Microbiology and Hygiene

Fields of Interest

Teams in the Medical Microbiology and Hygiene unit work in the field of Infection & Immunity. Specifically, we are interested to understand how host immunity reacts towards the contact with invading pathogens. A focus over the last years has been innate immunity which comprises the first line of defense against pathogenic microorganisms. Groups within the research unit study the biology of macrophages and dendritic cells which first encounter microbes. Moreover, frontline immunity at mucosal surfaces is analyzed. As the immune system is organized as a cellular network, communication between cells is of crucial importance. Therefore the research unit has a deep interest in signal transduction.

While classical bacteriology focuses on virulence factors and pathogenicity principles it is nowadays obvious that altered immune responses are equally important for infection susceptibility. The research unit analyzes the complex interplay of bacteria and immune cells thereby paving new roads for understanding current problems in infection defense, including sepsis, opportunistic infections in immunocompromised hosts and multi-resistant bacteria.



In order to address these topics we are using a multitude of methods and experimental approaches covering the fields of immunology, microbiology, molecular and cell biology as well as biochemistry.

The following teams belong to Medical Microbiology:

-Prof. Dr. med. Alexander Dalpke (Head of the Medical Microbiology)

-Prof. Dr. Stefan Jordan

-Dr. Bachar Cheaib

-Dr. Vivek Thacker

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Scientific Vita

Since 2022: Full Professor (W3) for Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, Medical Director, Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, Dept. of Infectious Diseases, University Hospital Heidelberg

2019-2022: Full Professor (W3) for Medical Microbiology; Medical Director, Institute of Medical Microbiology and Virology; Medical Faculty, Technical University Dresden

2013-2018: Deputy Medical Director, Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, Dept. of Infectious Diseases, Heidelberg University

2011: Consultant Microbiologist

2006: Consultant Immunologist (DGfI)

2006-2018: Professor (W3) for Medical Microbiology and Infection and Immunity, Dept. of Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, University Heidelberg

Since 2005: Independent Group Leader, Dept. of Hygiene and Med. Microbiology, Heidelberg

2004: Venia legendi, Habilitation; University lecturer for infection and immunity, Med. Faculty, Philipps-University Marburg

1999-2004: PostDoc and Research Assistant, Inst. of Medical Microbiology, Philipps-University Marburg

1999: License to practice medicine

1998: MD in Medical Microbiology, University Göttingen (summa cum laude)

1992-1998: Human Medicine, University Göttingen

Specific Research Interests

- Immunostimulation by nucleic acids
- Microbiome analysis in cystic fibrosis

Selected Publications

Kolbe U, Yi B, Poth T, Saunders A, Boutin S, Dalpke A: Early cytokine induction upon Pseudomonas aeruginosa infection in murine precision cut lung slices depends on sensing of bacterial viability. **Front Immunol 2020**; 11: 598636

Boutin S, Graeber SY, Stahl M, Dittrich SA, Mall MA, Dalpke AH: Chronic but not intermittent infection with *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* is associated with global changes of the lung microbiome in cystic fibrosis. **Eur Respir J 2017**; 50(4): 1701086

Eigenbrod T, Pelka K, Latz E, Kreikemeyer B, Dalpke AH: TLR8 Senses Bacterial RNA in Human Monocytes and Plays a Nonredundant Role for Recognition of Streptococcus pyogenes. **J Immunol. 2015**; 195(3): 1092-1099

Weitnauer M, Schmidt L, Ng Kuet Leong N, Muenchau S, Lasitschka F, Eckstein V, Hübner S, Tuckermann J, Dalpke AH: Bronchial epithelial cells induce alternatively activated dendritic cells dependent on glucocorticoid receptor signaling. **J Immunol 2014**; 193(3): 1475-84

Hidmark A, von Saint Paul A, Dalpke AH: Cutting Edge: TLR13 is a receptor for bacterial RNA. **J Immunol 2012**; 189(6): 2717-21

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Strebovsky J, Walker P, Lang R, Dalpke AH: Suppressor of cytokine signaling 1 (SOCS1) limits NFκB signaling by decreasing p65 stability within the cell nucleus. **FASEB J 2011**; 25(3): 863-874

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Baetz A, Koelsche C, Strebovsky J, Heeg K, Dalpke AH: Identification of a nuclear localization signal in suppressor of cytokine signaling 1 (SOCS1). **FASEB J 2008**; 22(12): 4296-4305

Bätz A, Frey M, Heeg K, Dalpke AH: Suppressor of cytokine signaling (SOCS) proteins indirectly regulate Toll-like receptor signaling in innate immune cells. **J Biol Chem 2004**; 279(52): 54708-54715

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Scientific Vita

Since 2024: Professor for Host – Microbiome Interactions, Dept. of Infectious Diseases, University Hospital Heidelberg

2019-2024: Independent group leader, Institute of Microbiology, Infectious Diseases and Immunology, Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany

2018-2019: Associate Scientist, Precision Immunology Institute, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, USA

2013-2018: Postdoctoral fellow, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, USA

2012-2013: Postdoctoral fellow, Max von Pettenkofer-Institute and Gene Center, Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany

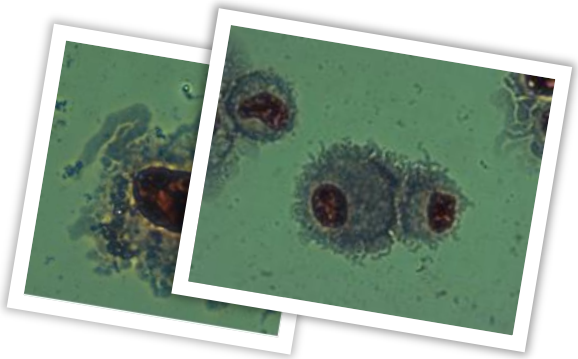
2007-2011: Doctorate, Max von Pettenkofer-Institute and Gene Center, Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany

2000-2006: Studies of Biochemistry, Leipzig University, Universidad de Granada, Technical University of Munich (TUM)

1999-2000: General studies, Leibniz Kolleg, Tübingen, Germany

Specific Research Interests

- We investigate the molecular and cellular mechanisms by which dietary intake affects the microbiome and the immune system. Our focus is on the anti inflammatory and anti-aging effects of caloric restriction and fasting. To this aim, we use laboratory mice with a natural microbiome as well as analyze samples from clinical trials.



Selected Publications

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Delconte RB, Owyong M, Santosa EK, Srpan K, Sheppard S, McGuire TJ, Abbasi A, Diaz-Salazar C, Chun J, Rogalsky I, Hsu KC, Jordan S, Merad M, Sun J: Fasting reshapes tissue-specific niches to improve NK cell-mediated anti-tumor immunity. **Immunity 2024**; 57(8):1923-1938

Jordan S+, Tung N, Casanova-Acebes M, Chang C, Cantoni C, Zhang D, Wirtz TH, Naik S, Rose SA, Brocker CN, Gainullina A, Hornburg D, Horng S, Meier BB, Cravedi P, LeRoith D, Gonzalez FJ, Meissner F, Ochando J, Rahman A, Chipuk JE, Artyomov MN, Frenette PS, Piccio L, Berres M-L, Gallagher EJ, Merad M+: Dietary intake regulates the circulating inflammatory monocyte pool. **Cell 2019**; 178(5):1102-1114

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Scientific Vita

2023-present: Group Leader, Department of Infectious Diseases, Medical Microbiology and Hygiene, Heidelberg University hospital

2018-2023: Post-doctoral Research Associate at the University of Glasgow, Scotland, United Kingdom

2013-2018: Ph. D Institute de Biologie Intégrative et des Systèmes, Université Laval, Québec City, Canada

Specific Research Interests

- Eco-evolutionary basis of host-microbiome colonisation
- Evolutionary medicine and microbial evolution of antimicrobial resistance
- Microbiome Dynamics and ontogenesis of respiratory and digestive tracts
- Host-microbe spatial Omics to reveal the cell-cell communication in the context of infection
- Molecular microbe-microbe interactions from function redundancy to metabolic cross-feeding

Selected Publications

Quintana JF, Sinton MC, Chandrasegaran P, Lestari AL, Heslop R, Cheaib B, et al.: γδ T cells control murine skin inflammation and subcutaneous adipose wasting during chronic Trypanosoma brucei infection. **Nat Commun 2023**; 14(1):5279

Cheaib B, et al.: Genome erosion and evidence for an intracellular niche – exploring the biology of mycoplasmas in Atlantic salmon. **Aquaculture 2021**; 541:736772

Kazlauskaite R, Cheaib B, Heys C, et al.: SalmoSim: the development of a three-compartment in vitro simulator of the Atlantic salmon GI tract and associated microbial communities. **Microbiome 2012**; 9(1):179

Cheaib B, Seghouani H, Llewellyn M, et al.: The yellow perch (Perca flavescens) microbiome revealed resistance to colonisation mostly associated with neutralism driven by rare taxa under cadmium disturbance. **Anim Microbiome 2021**; 3(1):3

Cheaib B, Seghouani H, Ijaz UZ, Derome N: Community recovery dynamics in yellow perch microbiome after gradual and constant metallic perturbations. **Microbiome 2020**; 8(1):14

Cheaib B, Heys C, Busetti A, Kazlauskaite R, Maier L, Sloan W, Ijaz UZ, Kaufmann J, McGinnity P, Llewellyn L: Neutral processes dominate microbial community assembly in Atlantic salmon, *Salmo salar*. **Appl Environ Microbiol 2020**; 86(8):e02283-19

Cheaib B, Le Boulch M, Mercier PL, Brochu F, Derome N: Taxon-Function Decoupling as an Adaptive Signature of Lake Microbial Metacommunities Under a Chronic Polymetallic Pollution Gradient. **Front Microbiol 2018**; 9:

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Scientific Vita

Since 2023: Tenured Group Leader, Department of Infectious Diseases, Heidelberg University Medical Faculty

2021-2023: Senior Scientist, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland

2015-2021: Postdoctoral Fellow, Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland

2016-2019: Human Frontier Science Program Long-Term Fellow

2014-2015: Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Physics, University of Cambridge, UK

2010-2014: PhD in Physics, University of Cambridge, UK

2006-2010: BA/MSci in Natural Sciences, Trinity College, University of Cambridge, UK

Specific Research Interests

- Tuberculosis
- COVID-19
- urinary tract infections
- organ-chip and organoid models
- host-pathogen interactions
- innate immunity
- biophysics

Selected Publications

Yin DE, Palin AC, Lombo TB, Mahon RN, Poon B, Wu DY, Atala A, Brooks KM, Chen S, Coyne CB, D'Souza P, Fackler OT, Furler O'Brien RL, Garcia-de-Alba C, Jean-Philippe P, Karn J, Majji S, Muotri AR, Ozulumba T, Sakatis MZ, Schlesinger LS, Singh A, Spiegel HML, Struble E, Sung K, Tagle DA, Thacker VV, Tidball AM, Varthakavi V, Vunjak-Novakovic G, Wagar LE, Yeung CK, Ndhlovu LC, Ott M: 3D Human Tissue Models and Microphysiological Systems for HIV and Related Comorbidities. **Trends Biotechnol 2024**; 42(5), 526-543

Mishra R, Hannebelle M, Patil VP, Dubois A, Garcia-Mouton C, Kirsch G, Jan M, Sharma K, Guex N, Sordet-Dessimoz J, Perez-Gil J, Prakash M, Knott GW, Dhar N, McKinney JD, Thacker VV: Mechanopathology of biofilm-like M. tuberculosis cords. **Cell 2023**; 186(23), 5135-5150

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Sharma K, Thacker VV, Dhar N, Signorino-Gelo F, Clapés Cabrer M, Dubois A, Mullenders J, Knott G, Clevers H, McKinney JD: Early invasion of the bladder wall by solitary bacteria protects uropathogenic E. coli from antibiotics and neutrophil swarms in an organoid model. **Cell Reports 2021**; 36(3): e109351

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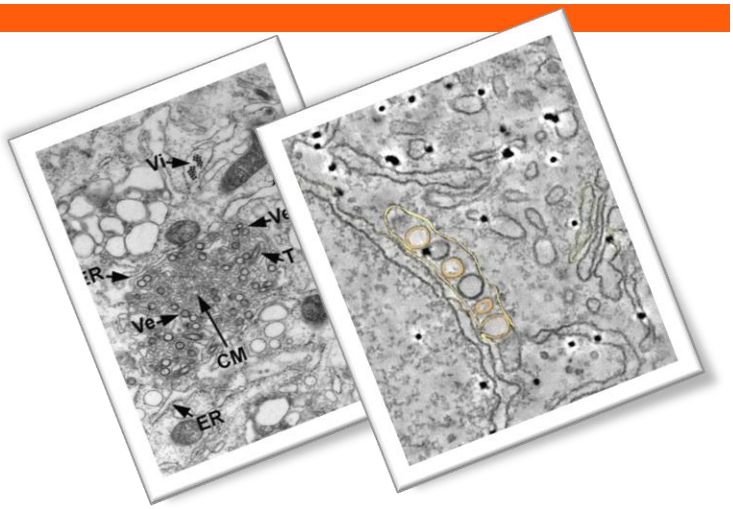
Thacker VV, Dhar N, Sharma K, Barrile R, Karalis K, McKinney JD: A lung-on-chip infection model of early M. tuberculosis infection reveals an essential role for alveolar epithelial cells in controlling bacterial growth. **eLife 2020**; 9: e59961

Molecular Virology



Fields of Interest

Teams in the department Molecular Virology work on several highly important human pathogens, namely hepatitis A virus (HAV), hepatitis B virus (HBV), hepatitis C virus (HCV), hepatitis D virus (HDV) and several flaviviruses, most notably Dengue virus (DENV), Zikavirus (ZIKV) and, most recently, coronaviruses such as SARS-CoV-2. These viruses are leading causes for death worldwide with about 400 million people suffering from a chronic infection with HBV/HDV or HCV and about 400 million new DENV infections occurring each year, especially in tropical countries. Moreover, the recent pandemic spread of ZIKV underscores the medical relevance of this virus family.

As a department that focuses on the molecular and cell biology of these infections, the following topics are studied: virus-host cell interactions, mechanism of host cell infection, morphology, biogenesis and dynamics of viral replication factories, virus assembly and involved host cell factors, viral and cellular factors and their suitability for (broad-spectrum) antiviral therapy, RNA structures and their role for viral replication, mathematical modeling and simulation of virus replication and interaction with innate immune responses, virus-induced host cell alterations, host cell stress response to virus infection, innate immune response and viral counter measures, antiviral therapy and therapy resistance and development of viral diagnostics and antiviral drugs. In order to cover these topics, we are using a broad and diverse array of methods and experimental approaches covering the fields of molecular biology, cell biology, biochemistry and immunology. In addition to state-of-the-art methods in these fields we use live cell imaging, cutting edge light and electron microscopy as well as 3D reconstructions.
The following teams belong to Molecular Virology:

-Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Ralf Bartenschlager (Head of the Molecular Virology)

-Prof. Dr. Stephan Urban (DZIF Professorship for Translational Virology)

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Scientific Vita

2002-present: Full Professor and head of Department of Infectious Diseases, Molecular Virology, Heidelberg University, Germany; CHS Stiftungsprofessur "Molekulare Virologie"

2001: Full Professor for Molecular Biology, University of Mainz

1999: Habilitation, University of Mainz

1994-1998: Assistant, University of Mainz

1991-1993: PostDoc, Central Research Unit, Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Basel, Switzerland

1990: PhD in Molecular Biology, Heidelberg University

1981-1987: Studies in Biology, Heidelberg University

Specific Research Interests

- Virus - host cell interaction (HBV, HCV, DENV, ZIKV and SARS-CoV-2)
- Structural and functional aspects of viral RNA replication and assembly
- Viral and host targets for antiviral therapy
- Innate immune responses and viral countermeasures
- Strategies of viral persistence

Selected Publications

Prasad V, Cerikan B, Stahl Y et al. and Bartenschlager R: Enhanced SARS-CoV-2 entry via UPR-dependent AMPK-related kinase NUAK2. **Mol Cell 2023**; 83(14):2559-2577, PMID: 37421942

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Seitz S, Iancu C, Volz T, Mier W, Dandri M, Urban S, Bartenschlager R: A Slow Maturation Process Renders Hepatitis B Virus Infectious. **Cell Host Microbe 2016**; 20(1):25-35

Romero-Brey I, Merz A, Chiramel A, Lee JY, Chlanda P, Haselman U, Santarella-Mellwig R, Habermann A, Hoppe S, Kallis S, Walther P, Antony C, Krijnse-Locker J, Bartenschlager R: Three-dimensional architecture and biogenesis of membrane structures associated with hepatitis C virus replication. **PLoS Pathog 2012**; 8(12)

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Wakita T*, Pietschmann T*, Kato T, Date T, Miyamoto M, Zhao Z, Murthy K, Habermann A, Kräusslich HG, Mizokami M, Bartenschlager R*, Liang TJ: Production of infectious hepatitis C virus in tissue culture from a cloned viral genome**. Nat Med 2005**; 11(7): 791-6

Lohmann V, Körner F, Koch J, Herian U, Theilmann L, Bartenschlager R: Replication of subgenomic HCV RNAs in a hepatoma cell line. **Science 1999**; 285(5424): 110-3

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Since 2014: Full professor (W3) "Translational Virology" at the Medical Faculty ot the University of Heidelberg

2008-2014: Professorship (apl.) at the Faculty for Biosciences at the University of Heidelberg

2001-present: Research group leader at the Department of Infectious Diseases, Molecular Virology of the University Hospital Heidelberg

2000-2001: CHS Stipendium at the ZMBH, Heidelberg University

2000: Habilitation at the faculty of Biosciences, Heidelberg University

1995-2000: PostDoc Center for Molecular Biology (ZMBH), Heidelberg University (Prof. Dr. H. Schaller)

1991-1995: PhD, Dept. of Virology (Prof. Dr. P. H. Hofschneider), Max-Planck-Institut für Biochemie, Martinsried

1991: Diploma in Biochemistry, University of Tübingen

Specific Research Interests

- Molecular mechanisms of hepatitis B- and hepatitis D virus/host interactions with a focus on the early events of infection
- Identification of hepadnaviral receptors and structural analyses of virus receptor interactions
- Development of novel cell culture systems and animal models for HBV/HDV
- Clinical development of entry inhibitors (bulivertide) for HBV/HDV infection
- Development of direct acting antivirals on HBV and HDV infection for the therapy of liver diseases
- Development of point of care (POC) test for HDV

Selected Publications

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1987-1992: Biology School, University of Mainz

Specific Research Interests

- Replication of hepatitis C virus and hepatitis A virus
- Host cell factors of viral replication
- Lipid kinases and phosphatidylinositides
- Antiviral therapy and mode of action of inhibitors
- Role of the innate immune system in virus control
- Function of norovirus nonstructural proteins

Selected Publications

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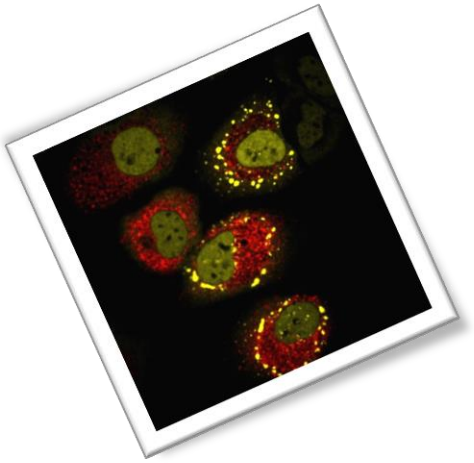

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Specific Research Interests

- Dynamics of the host stress response to RNA virus infection
- Crosstalk between host stress and innate immune responses
- Interplay of Flaviviruses with the host cell translation machinery
- Unconventional translation initiation of dengue virus genome
- Flavivirus epitranscriptomics: role of RNA modifications in the flavivrus life cycle

Selected Publications

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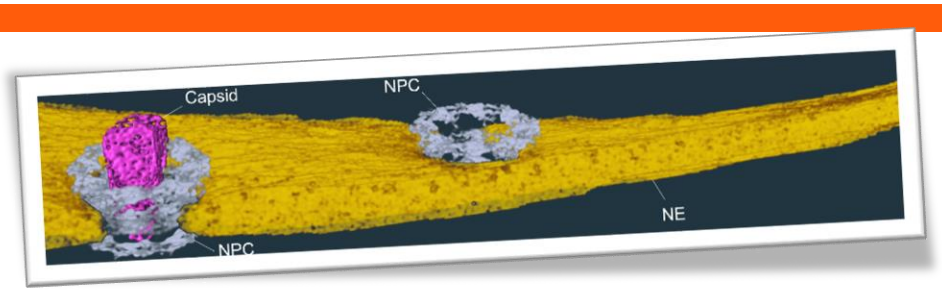

Fields of Interest

Groups in Virology are interested in the molecular mechanisms leading to viral infection. The broad expertise of the various groups within the department allows us to dissect various steps in the viral life cycle, ranging from receptor binding to assembly and release, and to investigate pathogen-host interactions for a number of medically relevant viruses.

A major focus of our research is human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), the causative agent of AIDS (Kräusslich, Müller). In spite of several decades of intense research, many questions concerning the biology of the virus remain unanswered; among these are surprisingly basic questions as 'Where does the virus enter the host cell?' or 'When and how is virus maturation initiated?' Our projects address the molecular and structural biology of the virus and its interaction with the host cell, including the evaluation of novel targets for antiviral therapy. We mainly focus on detailed analyses of virus morphogenesis and structure, as well as on the cell biology and dynamics of HIV entry, assembly and release and the induction of the innate immune response. To address these topics, we combine traditional biochemical and virological approaches with advanced imaging techniques (live-cell imaging, novel fluorescent labeling strategies, various super-resolution fluorescence microscopy, (cryo)electron microscopy and -tomography, correlative microscopy, click chemistry) that we employ alone or together with strong collaborators. By this we aim at a quantitative and time resolved description of HIV-1 entry and morphogenesis, delineating the mechanistic role of viral and cellular factors (proteins and lipids) in these processes.

Other viral systems studied include parvoviruses, influenza virus and hepatitis E virus. We develop and use vectors based on adeno-associated virus for basic research and gene therapy approaches (Grimm) and exploit the CRISPR/Cas system for gene therapeutic and antiviral strategies (Grimm, Kräusslich). The group of Dao Thi studies interactions between Hepatitis E virus and host cells in stem-cell derived culture systems. Finally, we are interested in influenza virus structure, particle formation and entry, and in the role of host proteins and lipids in these processes (Kräusslich, Chlanda). Combination of conventional virological approaches with a wide variety of specialized techniques (e.g. cryo-electron tomography, high throughput approaches, advanced fluorescence microscopy techniques, x-ray crystallography and more) is employed to address our virological questions.

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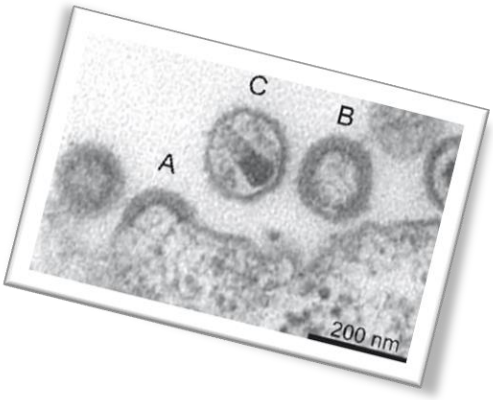

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2000–present: Full professor and head of virology, Heidelberg University

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1996–1999: Director, Leibniz Institute of Virology, Hamburg

1993–1995: Head of junior department, German Cancer Research Centre, Heidelberg

1990: Habilitation, University of Heidelberg

1989–1993: Group leader, German Cancer Research Centre, Heidelberg

1986–1989: PostDoc, Dept. of Mol. Biology, State Univ. New York at Stony Brook

1985: MD in experimental virology (LMU Munich)

1977–1984: Medical School (LMU Munich)

Specific Research Interests

- Cell biology of virus infection
- Virus-host interactions in the post-entry phase of viral replication
- Nuclear import of HIV-1
- Structural and functional analyses of HIV-1 assembly and release

Selected Publications

Müller TG, Zila V, Müller B, Kräusslich HG: Nuclear Capsid Uncoating and Reverse Transcription of HIV-1. **Annual review of virology 2022**

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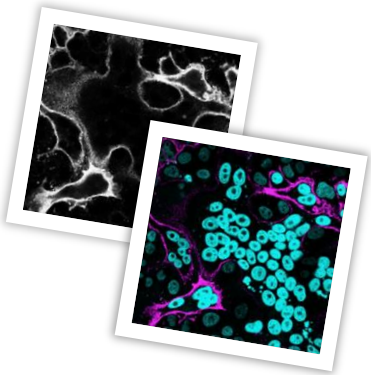

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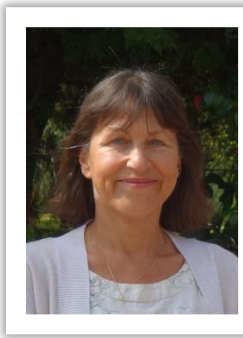

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1995: Postdoctoral fellow, German Cancer Research Center Heidelberg

1992-1995: Postdoctoral fellow, Fox Chase Cancer Center, Philadelphia, USA

1991-1992: Postdoctoral associate, MPI for Medical Research, Heidelberg

1991: Dr. rer. nat., Heidelberg University

1988-1991: PhD thesis (MPI for Med. Research Heidelberg, lab of R.S. Goody)

1987: Diploma (Heidelberg University)

1981-1986: Study of Biology (Technical University Darmstadt, Heidelberg University)

Specific Research Interests

- Virus-host interactions in the post-entry phase of retroviral replication
- HIV assembly and maturation
- Dynamics of HIV cell entry and HIV particle formation
- Fluorescently labeled virus derivatives

Selected Publications

Schifferdecker S, Zila V, Müller TG, Sakin V, Anders-Össwein M, Laketa V, Kräusslich HG, Müller B: Direct Capsid Labeling of Infectious HIV-1 by Genetic Code Expansion Allows Detection of Largely Complete Nuclear Capsids and Suggests Nuclear Entry of HIV-1 Complexes via Common Routes. **MBio 2022**; doi: 10.1128/mbio.01959-22

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2006-2007: Research Associate, Stanford University, School of Medicine, CA, USA

2001-2006: PostDoc, Stanford University, School of Medicine, CA, USA

1999-2001: PostDoc, German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg

1998: PhD (Biology) with Summa cum laude, University of Heidelberg

1994: Diploma (Biology), University of Kaiserslautern

1988-1994: Study of Biology (Universities of Kaiserslautern and Heidelberg)

Specific Research Interests

- Human gene therapy
- Viral and parasital infections (HIV, hepatitis viruses, Plasmodium)
- Adeno-associated viral (AAV) and bocaviral (BoV) vectors
- Gene/genome engineering (CRISPR, TALENs)
- RNA interference (RNAi)
- Induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSC)
- Synthetic biology

Selected Publications

Andari JE, Renaud-Gabardos E, Tulalamba W, Weinmann J, Mangin L, Pham QH, Hille S, Bennett A, Attebi E, Bourges E, Leborgne C, Guerchet N, Fakhiri J, Krämer C, Wiedtke E, McKenna R, Guianvarc'h L, Toueille M, Ronzitti G, Hebben M, Mingozzi F, VandenDriessche T, Agbandje-McKenna M, Müller OJ, Chuah MK, Buj-Bello A, Grimm D: Semi-rational bioengineering of AAV vectors with increased potency and specificity for systemic gene therapy of muscle disorders. **Sci Adv 2022**; 8(38):eabn4704

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular virology, virus-host interaction, virus life cycle
- Hepatotropic viruses with a special focus on hepatitis E virus (HEV)
- Stem cell technology for improved cell culture models
- Personalized models of virus infection, precision medicine
- Antiviral therapy and therapy resistance

Selected Publications

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Specific Research Interests

- Structural virology of viral infection
- Cryo-electron tomography, correlative light and electron microscopy
- Membranes
- Influenza A virus, SARS-CoV-2, Ebola virus

Selected Publications

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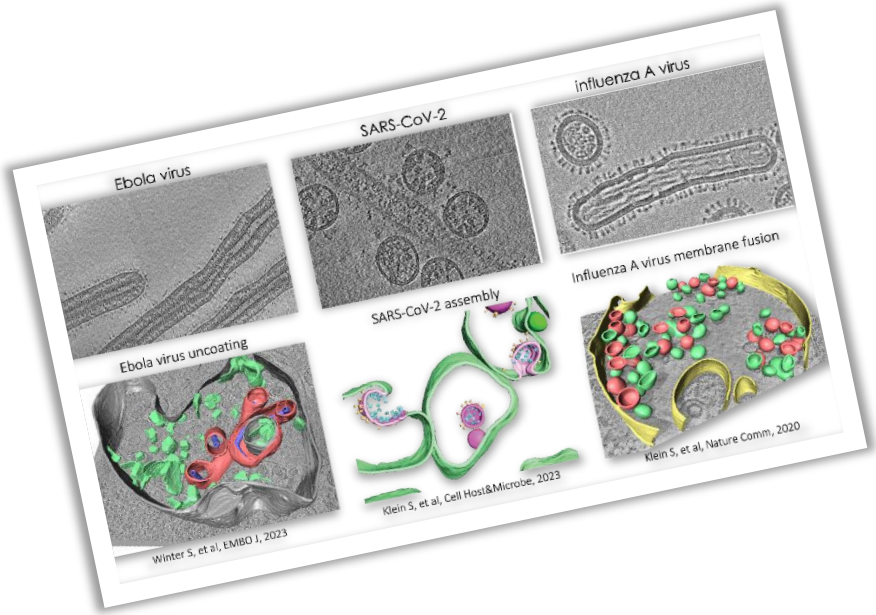

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular virology, virus-host interaction
- Immuno- and cell biology of HIV-1 infection
- Regulation of HIV-1 transcription
- Establishment and reversal of HIV-1 latency

Selected Publications

Muecksch F*, Wise H*, Templeton K, Batchelor B, Squires M, McCance K, Jarvis L, Malloy K, Furrie E, Richardson C, MacGuire J, Goldber I, Burns A, Mavin A, Zhang F, Schmidt F, Bieniasz PD, Jenks S, Hatziioannou T: Longitudinal variation in SARS-CoV-2 antibody levels and emergence of SARS-CoV-2 variants: a serological analysis. **Lancet Microbe 2022**; 3(7):e493-502

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Integrative Virology

Fields of Interest

Our work aims at dissecting general principles of host cell biology and immunology that are exploited and hijacked by HIV-1 to cause disease. To this end we apply advanced virology, cell biology and molecular biology techniques to cell systems with physiological relevance ranging from individual primary cell types to organoid and organotypic cell cultures to in vivo models.

Part Fackler laboratory:

Our research addresses the cell biology, immunology and pathogenesis of HIV 1 infection with an emphasis on $CD4+$ T lymphocytes. One focus of our studies is on the molecular mechanisms of action by which the HIV 1 pathogenicity factor Nef reprograms host cell vesicular transport, signal transduction and motility to optimize HIV 1 spread in the host and to accelerate disease progression. Another important aspect of our work is on the host innate immune system in HIV infection and on viral evasion mechanisms. This includes dissecting how the intrinsic immunity factor SERINC5 impairs HIV 1 particle infectivity and how this activity is antagonized by the viral protein Nef, but also studies to elucidate which barriers prevent productive HIV 1 infection of resting $CD4+$ T lymphocytes. These HIV-related studies involve the development of complex 3D culture systems for studying the relationship between host cell motility and HIV 1 spread in tissue. Finally, we are also interested in the cell biology of $CD4$ T cell activation and differentiation. In this context, we particularly focus on the newly identified role of nuclear actin filament formation for $CD4$ T cell help.

Part Lusic laboratory:

The studies of the Lusic laboratory focus on deciphering the cellular mechanisms used by the virus to either promote or repress viral gene expression. We investigate which parameters control integration of the viral genome and subsequent gene expression, with a strong focus on reactivation of viral gene expression after a silent phase of latency.

While an overall goal of our laboratory is to explore the specific contributions of nuclear topology and chromatin factors to HIV integration site selection and establishment of latency, we are specifically interested in determining the role of nuclear pore complex proteins in integration site selection. Moreover, we would like to focus on the interactions between nucleoporins with proteins that we previously found to contribute to proviral latency such as TRIM proteins.

Our methodology comprises the visualization of integrated HIV DNA in host cells by using a combination of 3D Immuno DNA FISH and Chromatin Immunoprecipitation technology.

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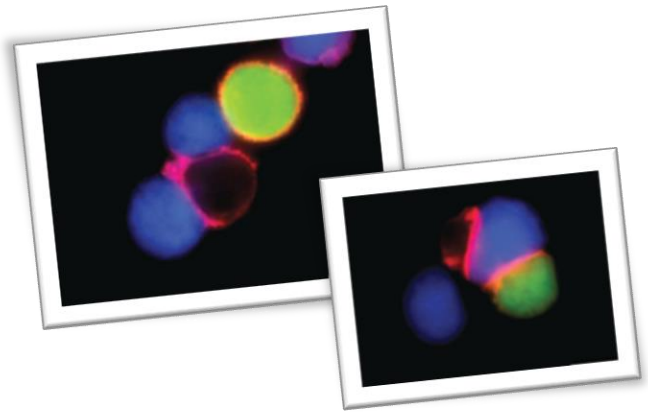
-Dr. Marina Lusic



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Specific Research Interests

- Immuno- and cell biology of HIV infection
- Adaptive and Innate immunity against HIV-1 and viral evasion thereof
- Synthetic and organotypic 3D models of HIV pathogenesis
- $CD4$ T cell biology

Selected Publications

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1999-2003: PhD student (ICGEB Fellowship) in Molecular Medicine Laboratory, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB), Trieste, Italy. PhD degree in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry, Faculty of Biological Sciences, University of Belgrade

Specific Research Interests

- Nuclear organization and chromatin landscape in viral infection
- Blood and brain immune cells as HIV-1 reservoirs (CD4 T cells and microglia)
- R-loops and mRNA splicing helicase complex in HIV-1 integration
- Metabolism and epigenetics in viral infection

Selected Publications

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Parasitology

Fields of Interest

Malaria has remained one of the most important infectious diseases worldwide, causing an estimated 249 million clinical cases and killing approximately 608,000 people every year (World Malaria Report, 2023). Hopes of malaria control have been thwarted by widespread drug resistances. Malaria is caused by protozoan parasites of the genus Plasmodium, of which Plasmodium falciparum is the most virulent form. Infection starts with the bite of an infected Anopheles mosquito that transmits infective stages termed sporozoites into the human body. Sporozoites are carried with the blood flow to the liver where they invade hepatocytes. After completing their development within the liver, the parasite is released and now invades erythrocytes. Intra-erythrocytic development of the parasite is responsible for the clinical manifestation of the disease, including intermittent fever, shaking chills, organ dysfunction and the syndromes associated with cerebral and maternal malaria. Severe complications result from the ability of infected erythrocytes to adhere to the endothelial lining of venular capillaries and to sequester in the deep vascular bed.

Malaria research conducted by the Parasitology Unit includes the following aspects:

The Lanzer lab addresses key questions related to the molecular and biophysical mechanisms underpinning cytoadhesion of Plasmodium falciparum-infected erythrocytes. P. falciparum is the most virulent of the 5 Plasmodium species that can cause malaria in humans. The group is further interested in understanding how genetic polymorphisms in the human genome, such as those leading to sickle cell haemoglobin or haemoglobin C protect carriers from severe malaria-related disease and death. Another research focus concerns mechanisms of drug resistance and strategies to overcome established resistance mechanisms, including the development of novel antimalarial drugs.

The Frischknecht lab studies the formation and motility of the sporozoite and the intracellular development within the liver using a mix of reverse genetics, imaging and biophysical approaches. Studies are mainly performed using rodent malaria parasites, which can be easier manipulated than the human parasites. The group has many collaboration partners on the Heidelberg campus and around the world.

The Ganter lab investigates the unusual way in which the malaria-causing parasite *Plasmodium falciparum* proliferates. During this process, *P. falciparum* develops cells that contain multiple nuclei. Typically, when two or more nuclei share the same cytoplasm, they progress synchronously through the cell cycle. However, *P. falciparum* nuclei divide asynchronously despite residing in the same cytoplasm. Using various approaches, including reverse genetics, imaging, and proteomics, the group investigates the molecular mechanisms that drive this non-canonical cell cycle.

The Guizetti lab studies the unusual cell division mechanisms of the malaria parasite Plasmodium falciparum. Rapid mitotic divisions enable proliferation of the parasite in the human blood cells and contribute to disease severity. Even though mitosis in this parasite shows significant differences to what has been described in classical model organisms, it is poorly studied so far. We use super-resolution, electron, and live cell microscopy technologies combined with CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing to describe the dynamics and regulation of chromosomes, centromeres, and the nuclear envelope during division. Thereby we hope to uncover new targets within this essential pathway and contribute to the fight against malaria.

The Thomson-Luque lab (MCTU) focuses on the development of novel anti-malaria vaccines and therapies. We are funded by Sumaya-Biotech, and are currently testing a malaria vaccine based on the flMSP-1 protein which targets both liver and blood stages of the malaria parasite *Plasmodium falciparum*. After a phase Ia carried out in Heidelberg in 2018, we plan to start a phase Ib trial in semi-naïve individuals in Africa together with the SwisTPH and the Ifakara Institute of Health in Tanzania. We are further working on different approaches such as an Adeno6-MSP1 as well as an flMSP1 mRNA vaccine.

The Ingham lab aims to explore the interaction between parasite development and insecticide resistance in the major malaria vector Anopheles coluzzii. The group will specifically concentrate on the impacts of insecticide exposure and the associated changes in oxidative stress levels on the mosquito and how perturbation of this pathway can potentially be exploited for vector control. To achieve these aims, the group will use a variety of techniques including mosquito/parasite phenotyping, RNAseq, RNAi, molecular biology methods and advanced imaging.

The Hentzschel lab investigates the sexual replication of Plasmodium parasites in the mosquito. Here, within only 15 minutes eight male gametes form from a single precursor cell and fertilise females to continue mosquito infection. The group uses a combination of reverse genetics, live cell and fixed imaging techniques, and interactome studies to reveal the molecular basis for how these male gametes form and how they further contribute to parasite development in the mosquito. In addition, they develop novel genetic tools to enable investigation of gene function in the diploid oocyst stages.

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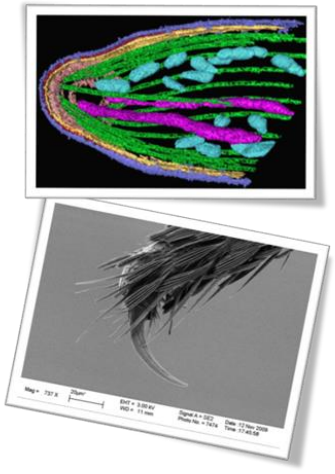

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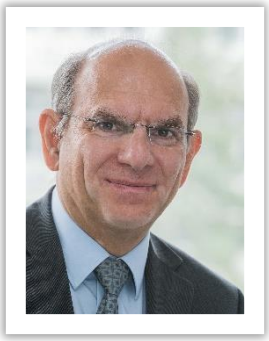

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular Parasitology
- Drug resistance mechanisms of the malarial parasite
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- Membrane transport processes

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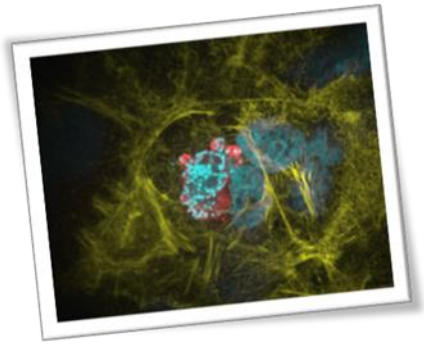

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Specific Research Interests

- Cell biology and biophysics of pathogen infection
- Malaria cell biology
- Live cell imaging
- Cell motility

Selected Publications

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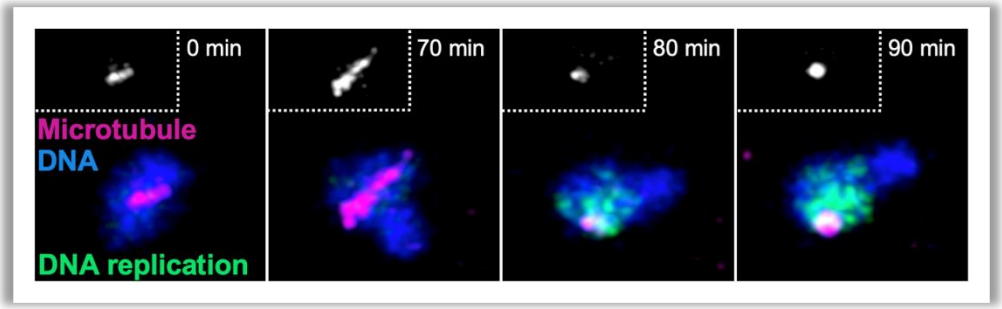

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular parasitology
- Malaria cell biology of replication
- Cell cycle regulation
- Reverse genetics and inducible knockdown technology
- Advanced imaging and proteomics

Selected Publications

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2003 – 2005: Studies in Biotechnology, ESBS university, Strasbourg (France).

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular parasitology
- Cell division mechanisms of malaria parasite
- Cellular dynamics of mitotic factors
- Super-resolution and electron microscopy methods
- Genome editing of human blood stage malaria parasites
- Host-pathogen interactions and antigenic variation

Selected Publications

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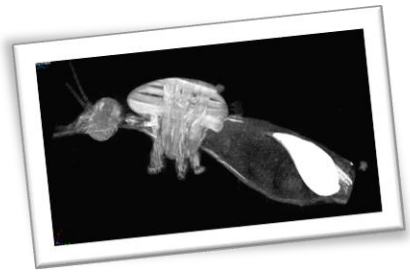
Specific Research Interests

- Vector – parasite interactions in the context of insecticide use
- Molecular mechanisms of insecticide resistance
- Novel active ingredient discovery
- Integration of multiple -omics and molecular biology



Selected Publications

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Specific Research Interests

- Malaria cell biology and physiopathology
- Immunology and vaccine development
- Plasmodium vivax malaria
- Reticulocytes and erythropoiesis

Selected Publications

Thomson-Luque R, Votborg-Novél L, Ndovie W, Andrade CM, Niangaly M, Attipa C, Lima NF, Coulibaly D, Doumtabe D, Guindo B, Tangara B, Maiga F, Kone AK, Traore K, Kayentao K, Ongoiba A, Doumbo S, Thera MA, Traoré B, Seydel K, Osório NS, Portugal S: Plasmodium falciparum transcription in different clinical presentations of malaria associates with circulation time of infected erythrocytes. **Nat Commun. 2021;** 12(1):4711

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular parasitology
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- Unusual mitotic replication modes
- Development of novel genetic tools
- Quantitative imaging and single-cell transcriptomics

Selected Publications

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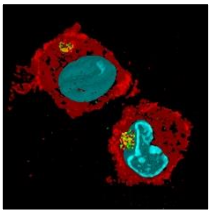

Fields of Interest

The physiology of host-pathogen interactions is governed by individual, stochastic and often rare molecular events. For example, latent HIV infections occur only in one in a million $CD4+$ T cells in vivo, HCV will only replicate in one out of hundred thousand hepatocyte-derived cells etc. Although, classical biochemical, genetic and genomic approaches have been employed over the years to yield important insights in host-pathogen interactions, most of these experimental approaches are population-based ("bulk"), end-point analyses where obtained information represents an average across the population and where important parameters can be missed as they become "averaged out" in the bulk measurement. To truly understand the differences between the health and the disease state, we need to employ an experimental approach that is able to identify and quantitatively examine these individual molecular events. With the recent technological innovations, microscopy has emerged as an ideal approach to accomplish this task.

Besides providing the required spatial resolution, modern microscopy is able to quantitatively assess complex dynamics of a biological system and provide the most realistic representation of a living system. For this reason, we established Infectious Disease Imaging Platform (IDIP) – an advanced light microscopy infrastructure placed under enhanced biosafety containment (BSL2 and BSL3).The infrastructure consists of 15+ microscopy systems, 5 instruments for electron microscopy sample preparation, FACS, tailored IT infrastructure as well as sample preparation area, image analysis infrastructure and dedicated expert personnel. This comprehensive microscopy infrastructure enables imaging of pathogens across a wide range of spatiotemporal scales and organizational levels of complexity under close-to-physiological setting.

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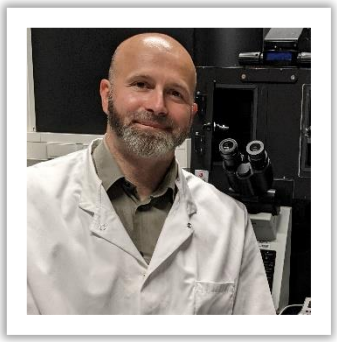

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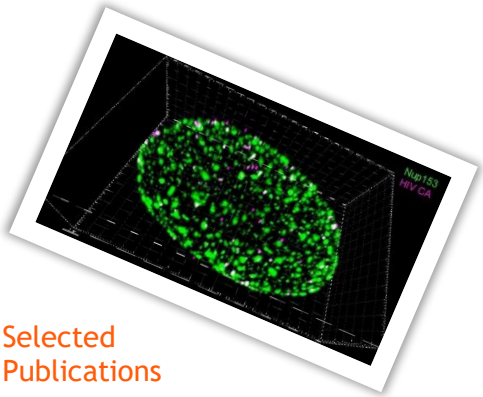
Specific Research Interests

- Advanced light and electron microscopy infrastructure to examine patho-physiological processes in infectious diseases at different spatiotemporal scales and organizational complexities
- Development of automated microscopy workflows for data acquisition, processing and analysis
- Development of microscopy-based assays and procedures used in infectious disease research, drug screening and diagnostics



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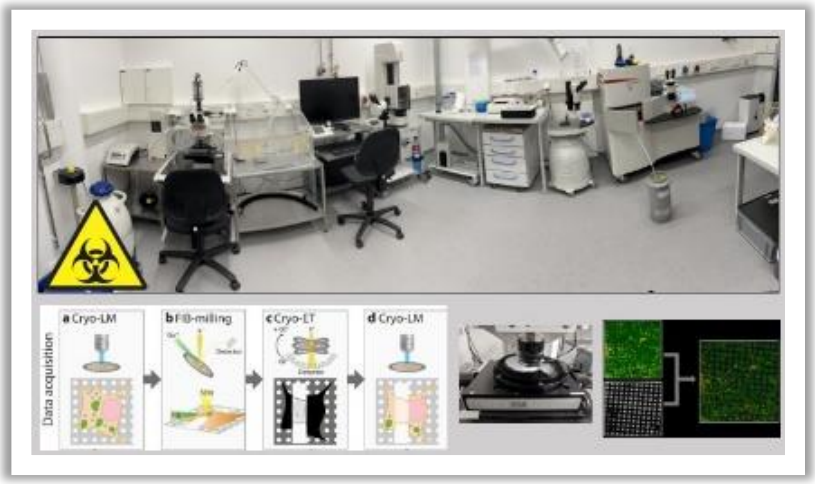

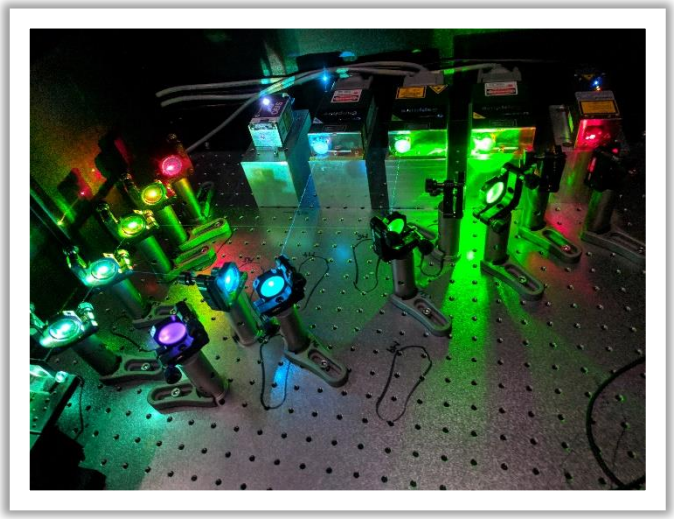

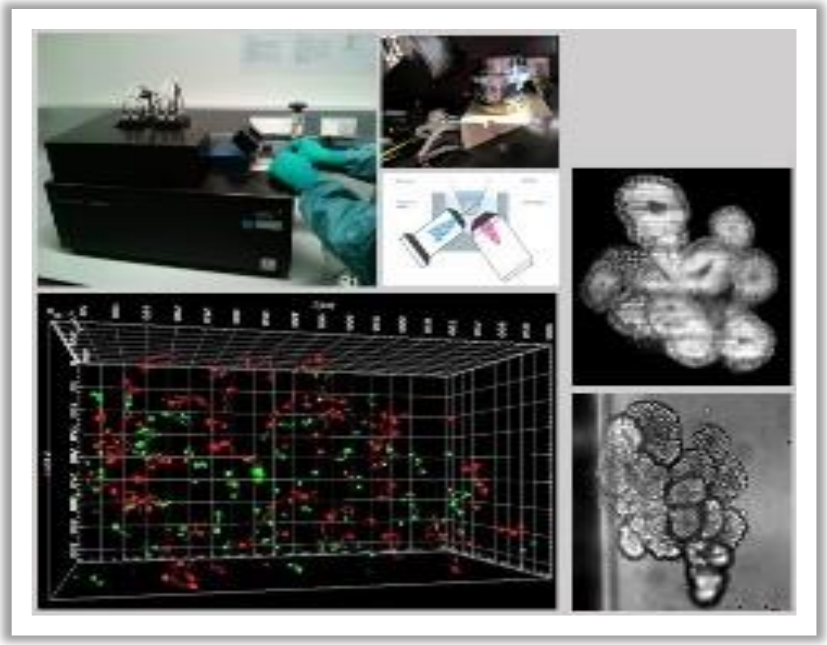

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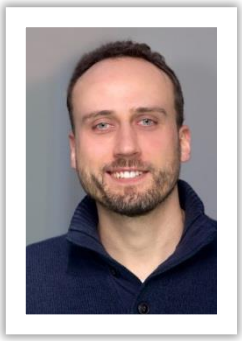

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- Cell intrinsic immune defense and inflammatory signaling pathways
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- Dynamics of RNA-virus replication
- Virus-host interactions in innate immunity
- Interactions of tissue and immune cells

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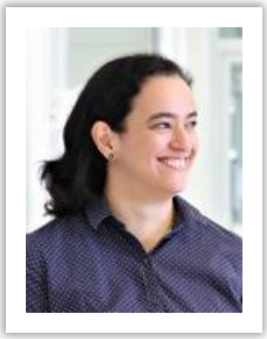
Specific Research Interests

- Prophylactic and therapeutic vaccination against human papillomaviruses (HPV)
- Scaffolds for vaccine antigens
- Natural and vaccine induced immunity against HPV
- Host cell restriction and dependency factors for adeno-associated viruses (AAV) and HP



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Specific Research Interests

- Surface receptor diversification in the African trypanosome (*T. brucei*), the causative agent of sleeping sickness
- The interface between host immunity (antibodies) and the ever changing coat composition of *T. brucei* (also known as antigenic variation)

Informational diversity through epitranscriptomic mechanisms in host immune cells

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Specific Research Interests

- Therapeutic cancer vaccines, especially against HPV-mediated malignancies
- Direct (MS-based) detection of CTL target epitopes on the surface of infected or transformed cells
- Therapeutic vaccine design and formulation
- Directing vaccination-induced T cells to certain body sites
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Specific Research Interests

- Microbial pathogens as they relate to immunology and human carcinogenesis
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Specific Research Interests

- Immunobiology of dendritic cells (DCs)
- DC development in the context of infection and cancer
- Spectral flow cytometry and unsupervised data analysis
- Immunophenotyping in clinical trials

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Specific Research Interests

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- Malaria vaccine development
- Immunological memory to infection and vaccination
- Antigen-receptor diversity and quality of immune responses

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Specific Research Interests

- Molecular mechanism of NK/ILC activation
- Functional Diversification of NK cells
- Interaction of NK/ILCs with other Immune Cells, Endothelial Cells and virus-infected Liver Cells
- novel NK Cell-based Immunotherapies and Combination Therapies in preclinical Mouse Models

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Specific Research Interests

- Regulation of immune responses by the micromilieu (human and mouse models)
- Co-stimulatory signaling in T lymphocytes, cytoskeletal remodeling and redox regulation
- Regulation and function of granulocytes
- Allergy and chronic inflammatory diseases (SFB TRR 156)
- Tumor immunology and immune therapy (CAR T-cells, Checkpoint inhibitors)
- Tumor migration and metastasis
- Immunomodulation by plant-derived substances (www.azkim.de, www.cimresearch.org)
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Specific Research Interests

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- Replication cycle of hantaviruses in renal cells
- Clinical characteristics of hantavirus infection
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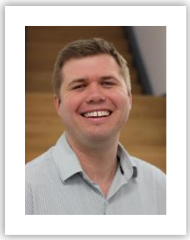
Specific Research Interests

- *Plasmodium* seasonal transmission
- Survival mechanisms of *P. falciparum* when no vectors are available
- Immune response to asymptomatic *P. falciparum* infections
- *Plasmodium* virulence and variant surface antigens
- *Plasmodium* gametocytogenesis dynamics throughout the dry season
- Transmission capacity of *P. falciparum* kept asymptomatically during the dry season



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- arbovirus
- cell biology of virus entry
- early virus–host cell interactions
- emerging zoonotic viruses
- molecular factors responsible for viral virulence
- viral fusion
- virus–receptor interactions

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- Protein folding

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- Vaccine Development for malaria
- Epidemiology & Molecular biology of infectious diseases

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Specific Research Interests

- Response of epithelial cells (lung and gut) to virus infections
- Role of type I and III interferons in controlling virus infection at mucosal surfaces
- Evaluating single cell immune responses to virus infection
- Establishing microfluidics to better mimic the host cell environment

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Specific Research Interests

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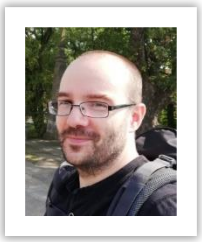
- Human Intestinal organoids
- Response of human intestinal epithelial cell to enteric viruses
- Mechanisms of enteric virus pathogenesis
- Single cell sequencing characterization of host/pathogen interaction
- Importance of low oxygen conditions (hypoxia) in regulating gut homeostasis
- System virology



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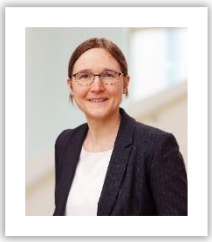

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Specific Research Interests

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Specific Research Interests

- Immune mechanisms and pathogen-host interaction of *Staphylococcus aureus* colonization and infection
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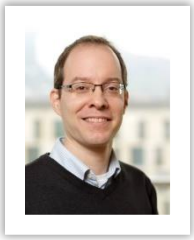
- NGS-based strain typing and (bacterial) outbreak diagnostics
- Clinical studies in infectious diseases



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Specific Research Interests

- Mathematical modeling of host-pathogen interactions
- Spatio-temporal dynamics of infection and immune processes
- Viral spread within tissues
- Immune cell differentiation and vaccine design

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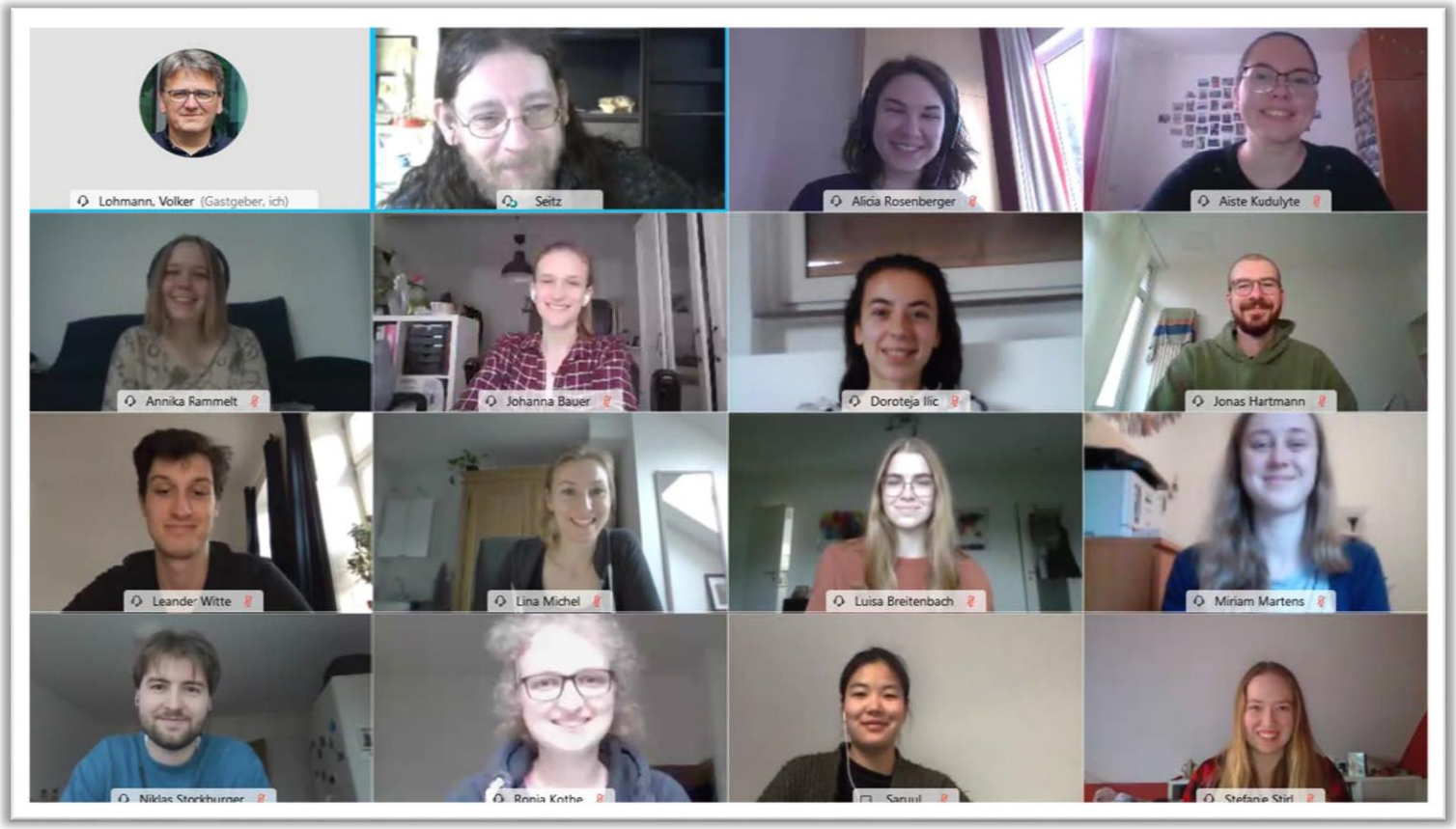

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