

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Academic career

04/2020 – now	Scientific employee and Postdoc at the Ruhr-University Bochum, Department of Animal Ecology, Evolution and Biodiversity (Prof. Dr. Ralph Tollrian)
03/2020 – now	Scientific employee and Postdoc at the Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg im Breisgau, Plant Biomechanics Group (Prof. Dr. Thomas Speck)
04/2015 – 04/2020	PhD at the Department of Animal Ecology, Evolution and Biodiversity, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany (summa cum laude) Title: “3D-morphology and Function of Inducible Morphological Defences in <i>Daphnia</i> ” (Prof. Dr. Ralph Tollrian)
11/2014 - 03/2015	Scholarship at the University of Birmingham (UK)
10/2012 - 09/2014	M.Sc.-Biology, Ruhr University Bochum (1,0) Title: <i>Daphnia</i> ’s carapace: structure and stability (Prof. Dr. Ralph Tollrian)
10/2009 - 09/2012	B.Sc. Biology, Ruhr University Bochum (1,0) Title: Biomechanical properties of inducible morphological defences in the carapace of <i>Daphnia</i> (Prof. Dr. Ralph Tollrian)
06/2009	Higher university entrance qualification (Abitur 1,1), Carl-Friedrich-Gauß-Gymnasium, Gelsenkirchen, Germany

## Extracurricular activities

06/2015	Workshop “Univariate Statistics in Ecology and Evolution” of the German zoological society (DZG), Bremen, Germany
04/2013 – 06/2013	Internship/“Semesterarbeit” in the Biomechanics group at the Ruhr University Bochum, Germany, with emphasis on model generation and computation with ANSYS
2009 - 2014	Attendance to courses in (Bio-)mechanics, Materials Science, Engineering, Programming and Ethics

## **Teaching (at the Ruhr University Bochum)**

Floristic and faunistic field trips (Excursions for students)  
Exercises in Evolution, Ecology and Biodiversity of Animals (determination exercises)  
Field trip to Helgoland  
A-module “Development and Investigation of Biodiversity”  
A-module “Ecology, Evolution and Biodiversity of Invertebrates”  
S-module “Evolutionary Ecology”

## **(Co-) Supervision of Bachelor/Master Theses**

SS 16	Elena Konopka	B.Sc.	Kniffe gegen pflanzliche Fallen: induzierbare Verteidigungsmechanismen bei <i>Daphnia pulex</i> und <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i> gegenüber <i>Utricularia australis</i>
SS 17	Sebastian Westerdorf	M. Sc.	Biomechanik der Attacke von <i>Chaoborus</i>
WS 17/18	Nadja Kubitzka	B. Sc.	Induziertes Verhalten von <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i> in Anwesenheit einer karnivoren Pflanze
SS 18	Lea Heier	B. Sc.	<i>Aldrovanda vesiculosa</i> - Beutespektrum und Untersuchung auf induzierbare morphologische Verteidigungen bei <i>Daphnia longicephala</i>
SS 18	Leonie Dierolf	M. Sc.	<i>Daphnia</i> – 3D Morphologie und hydrodynamische Eigenschaften
SS 2019	Simon Alev	B. Sc.	Analysis of the Effects of <i>Daphnia</i> 's Inducible Morphological Defences on Streamline Properties and their Costs
WS 19/20	Vivian Werner	B. Sc.	Kosten von räuberinduzierten Schwimmgeschwindigkeitsanpassungen und morphologischen Verteidigungsstrukturen des Süßwasserkrebses <i>Daphnia</i>

## **Awards**

08/2016	Scholarship of the “Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes” for the PhD studies in Bochum, Germany
07/2016	Poster Prize at the annual meeting of the society for experimental Biology (SEB) in Brighton
11/2014	Scholarship of the “Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes” for a 5-month stay at the University of Birmingham, UK
04/2012 – 09/2014	Scholarship of the “Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes”

03/2010	Winner of the Federal Competition „Jugend denkt Zukunft“ project week in Berlin, Germany
06/2009	“Karl-von-Frisch-Abiturientenpreis” for outstanding merits in Biology
01/2009	“Jugend denkt Zukunft“ project week „From raw materials to products - sustainable biotechnology for future“
11/2007 - 02/2008	20 <sup>th</sup> International Biology Olympiad, second level

### Oral presentations

- 12/2019 Young Materials Researchers Day, Bochum, Germany;  
“Biomechanical properties of morphological defences in a crustacean”
- 09/2019 Annual meeting of the German zoological society (DZG) in Jena, Germany;  
“Facing the green threat - A waterflea’s defences against a carnivorous plant”
- 07/2018 Annual meeting of the society for experimental Biology (SEB) in Florence, Italy;  
“More than meets the eye – unravelling the morphology of *Daphnia*’s inducible defences in 3D”
- 09/2017 Cladocera-meeting in Kulmbach, Germany;  
More than meets the eye – unravelling the morphology of *Daphnia*’s inducible defences in 3D”
- 07/2017 Annual meeting of the society for experimental Biology (SEB) in Gothenburg, Sweden;  
“Facing the green threat: Unravelling the complex morphological reactions of daphniids to *Utricularia*”
- 11/2016 PhD-student meeting of the “Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes”, Düsseldorf, Germany;  
“3D-morphology and Function of inducible morphological alterations”
- 10/2016 Graduate meeting of the German Zoological Society in Karlsruhe, Germany;  
“3D-Morphology and Function of Inducible Morphological Defences in *Daphnia*”
- 07/2016 Annual meeting of the society for experimental Biology (SEB) in Brighton, United Kingdom;  
“3D-Morphology of Inducible Morphological Defences in *Daphnia* – a 3D-Method to Analyse Morphological Shape Differences”
- 03/2016 International Summer School on Phenotypic Plasticity, Greifswald, Germany  
“3D-morphology and Function of inducible morphological defences”
- 09/2015 Special interest group meeting arthropod cuticle of the “Royal Entomological Society”, Dresden, Germany; poster: “*Daphnia*’s carapace: An adaptable shield”

## **Posters**

- 09/2018 Annual meeting of the German zoological society (DZG) in Greifswald, Germany; poster: "More than meets the eye - unravelling the morphology of *Daphnia*'s inducible defences in 3D"
- 09/2017 Annual meeting of the German zoological society (DZG) in Bielefeld, Germany; poster: "More than meets the eye - unravelling the morphology of *Daphnia*'s inducible defences in 3D"
- 09/2016 Annual meeting of the German zoological society (DZG) in Kiel, Germany; poster: "A 3D Method to Analyse Morphological Shape Differences – Detecting inducible morphological defences in *Daphnia*"
- 09/2015 Annual meeting of the German limnological society (DGL) in Essen, Germany; poster: "A 3D high-resolution approach to morphological differences - Detecting inducible defences in *Daphnia*"
- 09/2015 Special interest group meeting arthropod cuticle of the "Royal Entomological Society", Dresden, Germany; poster: "*Daphnia*'s carapace: An adaptable shield"

## List of Publications

### Five most important publications:

1. Kruppert, Sebastian\*, **Martin Horstmann** \*, Linda C. Weiss, Clemens F. Schaber, Stanislav N. Gorb, and Ralph Tollrian. 2016. "Push or Pull? The Light-Weight Architecture of the *Daphnia Pulex* Carapace Is Adapted to Withstand Tension, Not Compression." *Journal of Morphology* 277 (10): 1320–28. <https://doi.org/10.1002/jmor.20577>. \*these authors contributed equally
2. Kruppert, Sebastian, **Martin Horstmann**, Linda C. Weiss, Ulrich Witzel, Clemens F. Schaber, Stanislav N. Gorb, and Ralph Tollrian. 2017. "Biomechanical Properties of Predator-Induced Body Armour in the Freshwater Crustacean *Daphnia*." *Scientific Reports* 7 (1): 1–13. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-017-09649-5>.
3. Poppinga, Simon, Lars Erik Daber, Anna Sofia Westermeier, Sebastian Kruppert, **Martin Horstmann**, Ralph Tollrian, and Thomas Speck. 2017. "Biomechanical Analysis of Prey Capture in the Carnivorous Southern Bladderwort (*Utricularia Australis*)." *Scientific Reports* 7 (1): 1–10. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-017-01954-3>.
4. **Horstmann, Martin**, Alexander T Topham, Petra Stamm, John Kenneth Colbourne, Ralph Tollrian, and Linda C. Weiss. 2018. "Scan, Extract, Wrap, Compute - A 3D-Method To Analyse Morphological Shape Differences." *PeerJ* 6: 1–20. <https://doi.org/10.7717/peerj.4861>.
5. Kruppert, Sebastian, Lisa Deussen, Linda C. Weiss, **Martin Horstmann**, Jonas O. Wolff, Thomas Kleinteich, Stanislav N. Gorb, and Ralph Tollrian. 2019. "Zooplankters' Nightmare: The Fast and Efficient Catching Basket of Larval Phantom Midges (Diptera: *Chaoborus*)." *Edited by Iman Borazjani. PLOS ONE* 14 (3): e0214013. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0214013>.

### Additional publications

1. Chen, Luxi, Rosemary E. Barnett, **Martin Horstmann**, Verena Bamberger, Lea Heberle, Nina Krebs, John Kenneth Colbourne, Rocío Gómez, and Linda C. Weiss. 2018. "Mitotic Activity Patterns and Cytoskeletal Changes throughout the Progression of Diapause Developmental Program in *Daphnia*." *BMC Cell Biology* 19 (1): 1–12. <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12860-018-0181-0>.
2. **Horstmann, Martin**, L Heier, Sebastian Kruppert, Linda C. Weiss, Ralph Tollrian, L Adamec, Anna Sofia Westermeier, Thomas Speck, and Simon Poppinga. 2019. "Comparative Prey Spectra Analyses on the Endangered Aquatic Carnivorous Waterwheel Plant (*Aldrovanda Vesiculosa*, Droseraceae) at Several Naturalized Microsites in the Czech Republic and Germany." *Integrative Organismal Biology* 1 (1). <https://doi.org/10.1093/iob/oby012>.
3. Poppinga, Simon, Jassir Smaij, Anna Sofia Westermeier, **Martin Horstmann**, Sebastian Kruppert, Ralph Tollrian, and Thomas Speck. 2019. "Prey Capture Analyses in the Carnivorous Aquatic Waterwheel Plant (*Aldrovanda Vesiculosa* L., Droseraceae)." *Scientific Reports*, 1–13. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-019-54857-w>.

## **Skills**

technical skills:	Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) (scanning) transmission electron microscopy ((S)TEM) fluorescence microscopy confocal laser scanning microscopy (cLSM) ultrathin microtomy histological stainings
software skills:	Microsoft Office Photoshop ANSYS (finite element and streamline analysis) FIJI (image analysis) Blender (3D analysis and animation) Matlab (programming, analysis and visualisation of data) MorphoGraphX (3D analysis and visualisation) R (statistics) Statistica (statistics) C/C++ - basics
languages:	German (native), English (C1), Spanish (A1/A2)

## **Reviewer activities**

Journal of Plankton Research

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