

Curriculum Vitae

Personal information

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Current positions

since 10/2018	Professor „Synthetische Biologie“ University Bremen
since 01/2021	Reviewer Nature Methods
since 10/2021	Chairwoman research funding committee for natural sciences and engineering at the University of Bremen
since 05/2021	Vice Chairwoman Steering group „Understanding animal experiments “
since 06/2020	Member high profile area Minds, Media, Machines University of Bremen
since 03/2020	HRK-representative Steering group „Understanding animal experiments “
since 08/2019	Review Editor Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience – Learning and Memory
since 2019	Member commission for animal experiments of senatorial authority of the free and hanseatic city Bremen
since 2019	Organizer lecture series „MindTalks“
since 07/2018	Board member Collaborative Research Center CRC 874 „Integration and Representation of sensory processes“
since 2017	Reviewer DFG

Previous positions

05/2016 – 10/2018	Junior professor “Advanced Fluorescence Microscopy”, Ruhr-University Bochum
06/2016 – 10/2018	Faculty member International Graduate School of Neuroscience (IGSN), Ruhr-University Bochum
09/2015 – 10/2018	Member Early Career Researchers Board of the Research School Ruhr-university Bochum
04/2014 – 10/2018	Principal Investigator Research Department of Neuroscience, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
11/2012 – 05/2016	Principal Investigator Department of General Zoology & Neurobiology, Ruhr-University Bochum
07/2015 – 05/2016	Board member International Graduate School, of Neuroscience, Ruhr-University Bochum
12/2009 – 11/2012	Postdoctoral researcher Department of General Zoology & Neurobiology, Ruhr-University Bochum

08/2009 – 12/2009

Postdoctoral researcher Laboratoire de Neurobiologie des
Réseaux Sensorimoteurs, Université Paris Descartes,
Postdoctoral researcher Department of General Zoology &
Neurobiology, Ruhr-University Bochum

Education

30/09/2008

PhD in Neuroscience „Studies of the evolution of visual and
visuo-motor structures in vertebrates” (**Summa cum laude**),
International Graduate School of Neuroscience, Ruhr-
University Bochum

10/2000 – 11/2004

University studies Biology and Mathematics
Degree: 1. Staatsexamen (**1.0**)

Scholarships, grants , honors and awards

09/2014

Preis von der Bayer Science Foundation
“Schule trifft Wissenschaft – Wissenschaft trifft Schule”

08/2009 – 12/2009

Research fellowship DFG
“Integration of central locomotor efference copies and
visuo-vestibular sensory signals for gaze stabilization in larval
Xenopus“

11/2006

Laureate Wolfgang-Seel-Preises der Ruhr-Universität
Bochum

05/2005 – 05/2008

Scholarship holder International Graduate
School of Neuroscience, Ruhr University
Bochum

Advanced training

07/2016

Laserschutzbeauftragte-technische
Laseranwendungen Erwerb der Sachkunde
gemäß § 5 (2) OStrV und Abschnitt 5 TROS

06/2014

Fortbildungsveranstaltung zur Vermittlung der
Sachkunde nach §15 Abs.2 S. 1 Nr. 3, Abs. 4
Gentechnik- Sicherheitsverordnung

10/2004

FELASA (Kategorie B) (äquivalent EU Funktion
A)

Publicationlist

Article

M. Kubitschke, M. Müller, L. Wallhorn, M. Pulin, M. Mittag, S. Pollok, T. Ziebarth, S. Bremshey, J. Gerdey, KC Claussen, K. Renken, J. Groß, N. Meyer, S. Wiegert, A. Reiner, M. Fuhrmann, **OA Masseck**. *sDarken*: Next generation genetically encoded sensors for serotonin. bioRxiv doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.03.10.483799>

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Berg L, Gerdey J, **Masseck OA** (2020). Optogenetic manipulation of neuronal activity to modulate behavior in freely moving mice. J. Vis Exp. doi:10.3791/61023

Berg L, Eckardt J, **Masseck OA**. (2019.) Enhanced activity of pyramidal neurons in the infralimbic cortex drives anxiety behavior. PLoS One. 2019 Jan 24;14(1):e0210949. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0210949. eCollection 2019.

Hasegawa E, Maejima T, Yoshida T, **Masseck OA**, Herlitze S, Yoshioka M, Sakurai T, Mieda M. (2017) Serotonin neurons in the dorsal raphe nucleus mediate the anticataplectic action of orexin neurons by reducing amygdala activity. Proc Natl Acad Sci USA Apr 25;114(17):E3526-E3535. doi: 10.1073/pnas.1614552114. Epub 2017 Apr 10. PMID: 28396432

Spoida K, Eickelbeck D, Karapinar R, Eckhardt T, Mark MD, Jancke D, Ehinger BV, König P, Dalkara D, Herlitze S, **Masseck OA** (2016). Melanopsin Variants as Intrinsic Optogenetic On and Off Switches for Transient versus Sustained Activation of G Protein Pathways. Curr Biol. 2016 May 9;26(9):1206-12. doi: 10.1016/j.cub.2016.03.007. Epub 2016 Apr 7. PMID: 27068418

Lux V, **Masseck OA**, Herlitze S, Sauvage M. (2015). Optogenetic destabilization of the memory trace in CA1: insights into reconsolidation and retrieval processes. Cerebral Cortex Jan 1;27(1):841-851. doi: 10.1093/cercor/bhv282.

Spoida K, **Masseck OA**, Deneris ES, Herlitze S. (2014). Gq/5-HT2c receptor signals activate a local GABAergic inhibitory feedback circuit to modulate serotonergic firing and anxiety in mice. Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 111(17):6479-84.

Masseck OA, Spoida K, Dalkara D, Maejima T, Rubelwoski JM, Wallhorn L, Deneris ES, Herlitze S. (2014) Vertebrate cone opsins enable sustained and highly sensitive rapid control of Gi/o signaling in anxiety circuitry. Neuron 81 (6): 1263-1273.

Gutierrez DV, Mark MD, **Masseck OA**, Maejima T, Kuckelsberg D, Hyde RA, Krause M, Kruse W, Herlitze S (2011). Optogenetic control of motor coordination by Gi/o protein-coupled vertebrate

rhodopsin in cerebellar Purkinje cells. *J Biol Chem* 286: 25848-58.

Masseck OA, Förster S, Hoffmann KP (2010). Sensitivity of the goldfish motion detection system revealed by incoherent random dot stimuli: Comparison of behavioural and neuronal data. *PLoS One* 5(3):e9461.

Masseck OA, Hoffmann KP (2009). A question of reference frames: Visual direction-selective neurons in the accessory optic system of goldfish. *J Neurophysiol* 102: 2781-2789.

Masseck OA, Hoffmann KP (2008). Responses to moving visual stimuli in pretectal neurons of the small-spotted dogfish (*Scyliorhinus canicula*). *J. Neurophysiol.* 99: 200-207.

Masseck OA, Röhl B, Hoffmann KP (2008). The optokinetic reaction in foveate and afoveate geckos. *Vision Res* 48: 765-772.

Book chapters and Reviews

Masseck OA A guide to optogenetic applications, with special focus on behavioral and in vivo electrophysiological experiments. In *Handbook of In Vivo Neural Plasticity Techniques: A Systems Neuroscience Approach to the Neural Basis of Memory and Cognition*. Book Chapter. Elsevier.

Masseck OA, Spoida K, Herlitze S. (2015). Optogenetics. In *Biotechnology*. De Gruyter 1.Auflage 313-346. Book Chapter.

Masseck OA, Mark MD, Herlitze S (2014) Use of Optogenetic Approaches to Control Intracellular Signaling of G Protein-Coupled Receptors. *G-Protein Coupled Receptor Genetics. Methods in Pharmacology and Toxicology* pp. 149-160. Springer Verlag Book Chapter.

Maejima T, **Masseck OA**, Mark MD, Herlitze S. (2012) Modulation of firing and synaptic transmission of serotonergic neurons by intrinsic G protein-coupled receptors and ion channels. *Front Integr Neurosci.* 2013;7:40. Review.

Masseck OA, Rubelowski JM, Spoida K, Herlitze S (2011). Light- and Drug-activated G-Protein coupled Receptors to control intracellular Signaling. *Exp. Physiol* 96:51-6. Review.

Masseck OA, Hoffmann KP (2009). Comparative neurobiology of the optokinetic reflex. *Ann N Y Acad Sci* 1164: 430-439. Review.