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**Research and scientific interests:** Human genetics, Single cell OMICS, Heart development, Bioinformatics, Interactive data visualizations

## Experience

### Montreal Heart Institute

POSTDOC

- Single-cell technologies, Polygenic risk scores, Large-scale CRISPR applications, Atherosclerosis

Montreal, Canada

Aug. 2018- ongoing

## Education

### University of Münster / CHU Sainte Justine Research Center

PH.D. (DR.RER.NAT)

- The role of genetic factors in pathogenesis and progression of cardiac malformations

Münster, Germany / Montreal,  
Canada

Apr. 2014 - Apr.2018

### University of Münster

MSC - LIFE SCIENCES

- Functional and genetic characterization of a novel arrhythmic syndrome

Münster, Germany

Oct. 2011 - Feb. 2014

### University of Münster

BSC - PHYSIOLOGY

- Impact of nutrient limitation in insects: Comparative genomics of the pea aphid and the human body louse

Münster, Germany

Oct. 2008 - Sep. 2011

## Research Experience

### IEB, University of Münster

STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Acquisti group

Münster, Germany

Jan. 2012 - Jul.2012

### IEB, University of Münster

STUDENT ASSISTANT

- Acquisti group

Münster, Germany

Sep. 2011 - Dec. 2011

### IEB, University of Münster

STUDENT ASSISTANT

- Bornberg-Bauer group

Münster, Germany

Mar.2011 - May 2011

## Funding

2019 - 2021 Postdoctoral Training (Canadian citizens and permanent residents) scholarship, Fonds de recherche Québec santé (FRQS)

## Achievements and Awards

- 2019 Jean-Louis Levesque 1st price for best presentation by the Foundation of the Montreal Heart Institute (MHI), 22nd Montreal Heart Institute research day
- 2017 Prix d'excellence by the Fondation du recherche du Québec (FRQS) for the best presentation, 32e Congrès de la recherche des étudiantes des cycles supérieurs et des post-doctorants en recherche au CHU Sainte-Justine
- 2016 Markwald Award for presentation with most unusual clarity. Weinstein Cardiovascular Development and Regeneration Conference 2016

## Presentations

## American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting 2019

PRIORITIZATION OF GENOMIC LOCI FOR CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE USING TARGETED CRISPR SCREENS FOR ENDOTHELIAL DYSFUNCTION

*Houston, Texas, USA*

15.10.2019 - 19.10.2019

## XXIIe Journée de la recherche ICM

VALIDATION OF GENOME-WIDE POLYGENIC RISK SCORES FOR CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE IN FRENCH CANADIANS

*Montreal, Canada*

06.06.2019 - 06.06.2019

## American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting 2017

IDENTIFICATION OF A NOVEL MARKER FOR VALVE MATURATION: LOSS OF ADAMTS19 FUNCTION CAUSES PROGRESSIVE VALVE DISEASE IN MICE AND MEN

*Orlando, Florida, USA*

18.10.2017 - 18.10.2017

## Congrès de la recherche des étudiantes des cycles supérieurs et des post-doctorants en recherche au CHU Sainte-Justine

HEART VALVE DYSFUNCTION IN MEN AND MICE IS CAUSED BY LOSS OF FUNCTION MUTATIONS IN ADAMTS19, A NOVEL MARKER FOR VALVULAR INTERSTITIAL CELLS

*Montreal, Canada*

26.05.2017 - 26.05.2017

## Weinstein Cardiovascular Development and Regeneration Conference 2016

LOSS OF ADAMTS19, A NOVEL MARKER FOR VALVULAR INTERSTITIAL CELL POPULATIONS DURING VALVE MATURATION, CAUSES AORTIC VALVE DYSFUNCTION

*Durham, North Carolina, USA*

18.05.2016 - 21.05.2016

## Evolgen, collaborative meeting on genome evolution

ACTRANSDB: AN ONLINE DATABASE FOR ACANTHAMOEBA CASTELLANI TRANSCRIPTS,

*Ciężka, Poland*

27.06.2012 - 28.06.2012

## 2nd Muenster graduate school evolution symposium

BIOGEOCHEMISTRY MEETS MOLECULAR EVOLUTION VIA METAGENOMICS: TRACING NITROGEN FLUXES FROM ECOSYSTEMS TO GENOMES IN MICROBIAL COMMUNITIES

*University of Münster, Germany*

18.06.2012 - 19.06.2012

## Poster presentations

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### Weinstein Cardiovascular Development and Regeneration Conference

A SINGLE-CELL PERSPECTIVE ON GROWTH AND MATURATION PATHWAYS IN THE MOUSE HEART.

*Nara, Japan*

16.05.2018 - 18.05.2018

### American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) 2014

DE NOVO MUTATION IN SOX18 CAUSES A NOVEL FORM OF HYPOTRICHOSIS-LYPHEDEMA-TELANGECTASIA WITH SEVERE VASCULAR DEFECTS

*San Diego, California, USA*

18.10.2014 - 22.10.2014

### 42nd Annual Meeting of the Ecological Society of Germany, Austria and Switzerland 2012

SOIL METAGENOMICS TO UNRAVEL THE SIGNATURE OF FERTILIZERS ON THE MOLECULAR COMPOSITION OF THE BACTERIAL RIBOSOME

*Lueneburg, Germany*

10.09.2012 - 14.09.2012

## Publications

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- **Wünnemann, F.**, Tadjó, T. F., Beaudoin, M., Lalonde, S., Lo, K. S., & Lettre, G. (2021). CRISPR perturbations at many coronary artery disease loci impair vascular endothelial cell functions. *bioRxiv*.
- **Wünnemann, F.**, Ta-Shma, A., Preuss, C., Leclerc, S., Vliet, P. P. van, Oneglia, A., Thibeault, M., Nordquist, E., Lincoln, J., Scharfenberg, F., & others. (2020). Loss of ADAMTS19 causes progressive non-syndromic heart valve disease. *Nature Genetics*, 52(1), 40–47. **\*Authors contributed equally**
- Audain, E., Wilsdon, A., Breckpot, J., Izarzugaza, J. M., Fitzgerald, T. W., Kahlert, A., Sifrim, A., **Wünnemann, F.**, Perez-Riverol, Y., Abdul-Khaliq, H., & others. (2020). Integrative analysis of genomic variants reveals new associations of candidate haploinsufficient genes with congenital heart disease. *bioRxiv*.
- Gould, R. A., Aziz, H., Woods, C. E., Seman-Senderos, M. A., Sparks, E., Preuss, C., **Wünnemann, F.**, Bedja, D., Moats, C. R., McClymont, S. A., & others. (2019). ROBO4 variants predispose individuals to bicuspid aortic valve and thoracic aortic aneurysm. *Nature Genetics*, 51(1), 42–50.
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- **Wünnemann, F.**, Sin Lo, K., Langford-Avelar, A., Busseuil, D., Dubé, M.-P., Tardif, J.-C., & Lettre, G. (2019). Validation of genome-wide polygenic risk scores for coronary artery disease in french canadians. *Circulation: Genomic and Precision Medicine*, 12(6), e002481.

- Gillis, E., Kumar, A. A., Luyckx, I., Preuss, C., Cannaerts, E., Van De Beek, G., Wieschendorf, B., Alaerts, M., Bolar, N., Vandeweyer, G., & **others**. (2017). Candidate gene resequencing in a large bicuspid aortic valve-associated thoracic aortic aneurysm cohort: SMAD6 as an important contributor. *Frontiers in Physiology*, 8, 400.
- **Wünnemann, F.**, Kokta, V., Leclerc, S., Thibeault, M., McCuaig, C., Hatami, A., Stheneur, C., Grenier, J.-C., Awadalla, P., Mitchell, G. A., & others. (2016). Aortic dilatation associated with a de novo mutation in the SOX18 gene: Expanding the clinical spectrum of hypotrichosis-lymphedema-telangiectasia syndrome. *Canadian Journal of Cardiology*, 32(1), 135–e1.
- Preuss, C. & Capredon, M. & **Wünnemann, F.** & Chetaille, P., Prince, A., Godard, B., Leclerc, S., Sobreira, N., Ling, H., Awadalla, P., & others. (2016). Family based whole exome sequencing reveals the multifaceted role of notch signaling in congenital heart disease. *PLoS Genetics*, 12(10), e1006335. **\*Authors contributed equally**
- Chetaille, P., Preuss, C., Burkhard, S., Côté, J.-M., Houde, C., Castilloux, J., Piché, J., Gosset, N., Leclerc, S., **Wünnemann, F.**, & others. (2014). Mutations in SGOL1 cause a novel cohesinopathy affecting heart and gut rhythm. *Nature Genetics*, 46(11), 1245.