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<b>PERSONALIA</b>	Date of birth: 24th of February, 1990 Place of birth: Aachen, Germany Citizenship: German	
<b>EDUCATION</b>	<i>Postdoctoral researcher, d'Arc, Amsterdam</i>	2019 - current
	Dutch Autism & ADHD Research Centre University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands	
	<i>Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D., cum laude), Psychology</i>	2014 - 2018
	University of Amsterdam and Dr. Leo Kannerhuis, The Netherlands Thesis: 'Autism as a multicausal system' (top 5%) Supervisors: Prof. H.M.Geurts, Prof. D. Borsboom, & Dr. S. Begeer	
	<i>Master of Science (MSc, cum laude), Psychology</i>	2012 - 2014
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands Research Master's Programme of Psychology, Major: Psychological Methods Thesis: 'Extending the network paradigm: On the predictive value of network characteristics', Supervisors: Prof. M. Wichers, Dr. S. Epskamp, & Prof. D. Borsboom.	
	<i>Bachelor of Science (BSc), Psychology</i>	2008-2012
	University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands Thesis: 'A comparison of different psychometric perspectives on a cyclic disorder' Supervisor: Dr. A.O.J.Cramer Alongside my BSc: Propaedeutics Literary Studies, University of Amsterdam	
	<i>Secondary School, Abitur (A-level)</i>	2000-2008
	Altes Gymnasium Oldenburg, Germany	
	<i>Visiting scholar, MRC-CBU, Cambridge</i>	March - July, 2018
	MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK Supervisor: Dr. R.A. Kievit	
	<i>Research Internship, MPIB, Berlin</i>	February - July, 2013
	Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin Supervisors: Dr. M. Riediger and Dr. G. Luong (Final grade: 9)	
	<i>Research Assistant, University of Amsterdam</i>	2011-2014
	Working on different projects of the PsychoSystems Research Project Supervisors: Prof. D. Borsboom, Prof. G.A. Kerkhof & Dr. A.O.J Cramer	
	<i>Teaching Assistant, University of Amsterdam</i>	2011-2013

Assisting in courses for 2nd year BA students: Research Methods and Statistics II, Testtheory and Practice, Philosophy of Psychology & Cultural Psychology

*Methodology Shop*, University of Amsterdam  
Departmental advice on research methods; Chairwoman

2010-2013

## SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT

### *First author publications*

**Deserno, M. K.**, Groenman, A., Geurts, H.M. & Bathelt, J. Subgrouping individuals with ASD and ADHD: two distinct conditions or a spectrum? *In preparation*.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Fuhrmann, D., Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., Geurts, H. M., Bedford, R. & Kievit, R.A. Mutualistic coupling in atypical development. *In preparation*.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., van Bork, R., Hinne, M. & Geurts, H. M. Highways to happiness: Perceived causal relations among clinicians. *Under Review*. See psyarXiv preprint.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., Agelink van Rentergem, J.A., Mataw, K. & Geurts, H. M. Sleep determines quality of life in autistic adults: a longitudinal study. *Autism Research*. Advance online publication.

**Deserno, M. K.\***, Blanken, T. F.\*, Dalege, J., Borsboom, D., Blanken, P., Kerkhof, G. A., & Cramer, A. O. J. (2018). Psychopathology in its full complexity: Overlapping communities in symptom networks. *Scientific Reports*, 8(1) 5854.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. (2017). Relating ASD symptoms to well-being: Moving across different construct levels. *Psychological Medicine*, 48(7) 1179-1189.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. (2016). Multicausal systems ask for multicausal approaches: A network perspective on subjective well-being in individuals with autism spectrum disorder. *Autism*. 21(8), 960-971.

### *Other publications*

Hirota T., **Deserno, M. K.**, & McElroy, E. The network structure of irritability and aggression in individuals with autism spectrum disorder. *In preparation*.

Agelink van Rentergem, J. A., **Deserno, M. K.**, Geurts, H. M. Heterogeneity in autism: How to deal with it? A systematic review. *In preparation*.

Geurts, H. M., Groot, I., Van Heijst, B., **Deserno, M. K.** & Lever, A. G. (2017). Self-reported well-being of ASD adults in mid- and late adulthood: Exploring potential factors impacting who will have a higher quality of life when aging. *Under Review*.

Roestorf, A., Bowler, D.M., **Deserno, M.K.**, Howlin, P., Klinger, L., McConachie, H., Parr, J.P., Powell, P., van Heijst, B.F.C., & Geurts, H.M., (2019). Older adults with ASD: The consequences of aging. Insights from a series of special interest group meetings held at the INSAR 2016-2017. *Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders*, 63, 3-12.

Letina, S., Blanken, T.F., **Deserno, M.**, & Borsboom, D. (2018). Expanding network analysis tools in psychological networks: Minimal spanning trees, participation coefficients, and motif analysis applied to a network of 26 psychological attributes. *Complexity*, vol. 2019, Article ID 9424605.

Armour, C., Fried, E. I., **Deserno, M. K.**, Tsai, J., & Pietrzak, R. H. (2017). A Network Analysis of DSM-5 posttraumatic stress disorder symptoms and clinically relevant correlates in a national sample of U.S. military veterans. *Journal of Anxiety Disorders*, 45, 49-59.

Nuijten, M. B., **Deserno, M. K.**, Cramer, A. O. J., & Borsboom, D. (2016). Mental disorders as complex networks: An introduction and overview of a network approach to psychopathology. *Clinical Neuropsychiatry*, 13(4/5), 68-76.

Open Science Collaboration (2015). Estimating the reproducibility of psychological science. *Science*, 349 (6251), 943-951.

McNally, R. J., Robinaugh, D. J., Wu, G. W., Wang, L., **Deserno, M. K.**, & Borsboom, D. (2015). Mental disorders as causal systems: a network approach to posttraumatic stress disorder. *Clinical Psychological Science*, 3(6), 836-849.

#### *Miscellaneous publications*

**Deserno, M.K.**, Kenniskring REACH-AUT, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H.M. Complexe systemen rondom autisme. *In preparation*.

Nuijten, M.B., **Deserno, M. K.**, Cramer, A.O.J., & Borsboom, D. (2013). Een symptoom komt nooit alleen: Psychologische stoornissen als complexe netwerken. *De Psycholoog*, 1, 12-23.

**Deserno, M. K.**, & Borsboom, D. (2012) Orde in de waan. *Kunst en Wetenschap*, 21, 13-15.

**Deserno, M. K.** (2012). A comparison of classical test theory and item response theory. In: H. Ader & D. Mellenbergh (Eds.), *Advancing on research methods: Selected topics 2012*.

#### **TALKS**

**Deserno, M. K.** Modelling atypical development - The utopian approach. Invited pitch at Amsterdam Brain Cognition meeting. University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Kievit, R.A., Borgeest, S., Simpson-Kent, I., **Deserno, M. K.**, & Fuhrmann, D. Structural Equation Modeling. 1-day workshop. MRC-CBU, Cambridge, United Kingdom.

**Deserno, M. K.** The network focus on small interactions and its implications for autism. Invited talk at Departmental lecture series. University of Reading, Reading, United Kingdom.

**Deserno, M. K.** The network takeover in the developmental literature. Invited talk for BCM meeting at the Brain & Cognition Department. University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

**Deserno, M. K.** A network perspective on Autism. Invited talk for Spui25 symposium Autism: from young to old. University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

**Deserno, M. K.** Mutualism in Autism. Invited talk for Philosophy of Psychiatry symposium. Antwerp University, Antwerp, Belgium.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Fried, E. I., & Epskamp, S. Network Analysis in Psychology. Invited 2-day workshop. Harvard University, Cambridge, USA.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Fried, E. I., & Epskamp, S. Network Analysis in Psychology. Invited 2-day workshop. Washington University, St. Louis, USA.

**Deserno, M. K.** & T Hof, M. Participatory research and clinical knowledge in the autism field. Invited workshop at National Mental Health Care conference (GGZkennisdag) 2015.

McNally, R.J., Robinaugh, D.J., Winnie Wu, G., Wang, L., **Deserno, M. K.**, & Cramer, A. (2014). Network analyses of PTSD symptoms in survivors of the Wenchuan Earthquake. In: *1st Rome Workshop on Experimental Psychopathology (RWEPP) 2014*.

Riediger, M., Luong, G., **Deserno, M. K.**, Wruz, C., & Wagner, G.G. (2013). Longitudinal change in everyday affective experiences and variability: from adolescence to old age. In: *Gerontological Society of America, Annual Scientific Meeting 2013*.

## POSTERS

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., Agelink van Rentergem, J.A., Mataw, K. & Geurts, H. M. Sleep determines quality of life in autistic adults: a longitudinal study. INSAR Annual Meeting 2019, Montreal, Canada.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Fuhrmann, D., Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., Geurts, H. M., Bedford, R. & Kievit, R.A. Mutualistic coupling in atypical development. INSAR Annual Meeting 2019, Montreal, Canada.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., van Bork, R., Hinne, M. & Geurts, H. M. Highways to happiness: Perceived causal relations among clinicians. INSAR Annual Meeting 2018, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., van Bork, R., Hinne, M. & Geurts, H. M. Highways to happiness: Perceived causal relations among clinicians. National Autism Convention 2018, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. Relating ASD symptoms to well-being: Moving across different construct levels. INSAR Annual Meeting 2017, San Francisco, USA.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. Relating ASD symptoms to well-being: Moving across different construct levels. National Autism Convention 2017, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. Autism Spectrum disorder: relating its symptoms to domains of well-being. Wissenschaftliche Tagung Autismus Spektrum 2017, Berlin, Germany.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. Multicausal systems ask for multicausal approaches: A network perspective on subjective well-being in individuals with autism spectrum disorder. INSAR Annual Meeting 2016, Baltimore, USA.

**Deserno, M. K.**, Borsboom, D., Begeer, S., & Geurts, H. M. Multicausal systems ask for multicausal approaches: A network perspective on subjective well-being in individuals with autism spectrum disorder. National Autism Convention 2016, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

## AWARDS

- Amsterdam University Fund (AUF) for a 6-week visit to Cambridge University in 2018
- Van der Gaag Grant of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences 2017 (KNAW) for a 6-week visit to Cambridge University in 2018
- Young Investigator Travel Grant 2016 from the International Society for Autism Research (INSAR)
- First poster prize at the National Autism Convention 2016 from the Wetenschappelijk Tijdschrift Autisme (WTA)

## TEACHING

- Guest Lecturer in 'Clinical Neuropsychology: Evidence-based practice' 2019, 40 Bachelor students
- Guest Lecturer in 'Modern Measurement' 2017, Honours programme Psychology (5 students)
- Guest Lecturer in 'Scientific and Statistical Reasoning' 2016-2018, 200 Bachelor students
- Lecturer in course 'Good Science Bad Science' 2014, Research Master of Psychology course (20 Master students), co-taught with Vera van der Molen
- Supervisor of five Bachelor's theses 2019, co-taught with Tulsi Radhoe
- Supervisor of four Bachelor's theses 2015, co-taught with Riet van Bork

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Organizer of the Amsterdam Brain & Cognition Summer school and symposium 2019 'The Emergent Mind', together with prof. Claudi Bockting
- Volunteer at the Community Conference of the International Society of Autism Research, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- Founder of the Psychological Networks Summer/Winter School (PNASS), together with Jonas Dalege
- Member of the Work Council of the University of Amsterdam
- Member of the PhD committee at the faculty of Psychology, University of Amsterdam
- Member of the Scientific Advisory board at the faculty of Psychology, University of Amsterdam

## MEDIA

Het computationele brein: psychologische netwerken en vrije energie - Denken met computers II. Interview on AmsterdamFM, Radio Swammerdam, December 2nd, 2018.

<https://soundcloud.com/swammerdam/het-brein-als-computer-denken-met-computers-ii>

## SOFTWARE

Co-authored **mlvar**, R-package for multi-level vector autoregression, with Sacha Epskamp and Laura Bringmann. *Languages & Programs*: R, LISREL, SPSS, Excel and LaTeX