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Professional

Walter Benjamin Fellow: Neuronal mechanisms of associative memory formation in the human medial temporal lobe

Since 3/2021

Columbia University, New York, USA Department of Biomedical Engineering PI: Prof. Dr. Joshua Jacobs

Postdoctoral researcher: The roles of grid and place cells and phase precession in human episodic memory

1/2018-2/2020

University of Freiburg, Germany **Epilepsy Center**

PI: Prof. Dr. Andreas Schulze-Bonhage

• Visiting scholar: Single-neuron representations of goal-11/2019-1/2020 directed navigation in the human medial temporal lobe

Columbia University, New York, USA Department of Biomedical Engineering

PI: Prof. Dr. Joshua Jacobs

Education

• Dissertation (Dr. med.): Investigation of grid cell-based representations of the entorhinal cortex in adults at genetic risk for Alzheimer's disease (summa cum laude)

2013-2017

University of Bonn, Germany Department of Epileptology PI: PD Dr. Jürgen Fell

• Human medicine (state examination)

2010-2017

University of Bonn, Germany. Final grade: "Very good".

• Philosophy and German studies (B.A.)

2011-2018

University of Bonn, Germany. Final grade: "Very good".

Publications (peer-reviewed)

Cumulative impact factor

110.8

- 9 **Kunz L**, Brandt A, Reinacher PC, Staresina BP, Reifenstein ET, Weidemann CT, 14.4 Herweg NA, Patel A, Tsitsiklis M, Kempter R, Kahana MJ, Schulze-Bonhage A, Jacobs J (2021). A neural code for egocentric spatial maps in the human medial temporal lobe. **Neuron**; in press. Preprint at *bioRxiv*
- 8 Lachner-Piza, **Kunz L**, Brandt A, Duempelmann M, Thomschewski A, Schulze-Bonhage A (2021). Effects of spatial memory processing on hippocampal ripples. **Front Neurol**; 12:620670.
- 7 Bierbrauer A*, **Kunz L***, Gomes CA*, Luhmann M, Deuker L, Getzmann S, Wascher 13.1 E, Gajewski PD, Hengstler JG, Fernandez-Alvarez M, Atienza M, Cammisuli DM, Bonatti F, Pruneti C, Percesepe A, Bellaali Y, Hanseeuw B, Strange BA, Cantero JL, Axmacher N (2020). Unmasking selective path integration deficits in Alzheimer's disease risk carriers. **Science Advances**; 6, eaba1394.
- 6 **Kunz L**, Wang L, Lachner-Piza D, Zhang H, Brandt A, Dümpelmann M, Reinacher 13.1 PC, Coenen VA, Chen D, Wang W, Zhou W, Liang S, Grewe P, Bien CG, Bierbrauer A, Schröder TN, Schulze-Bonhage A, Axmacher N (2019). Hippocampal theta phases organize the reactivation of large-scale electrophysiological representations during goal-directed navigation. **Science Advances**; 5, eaav8192.
- 5 **Kunz L***, Maidenbaum S*, Chen D*, Wang L, Jacobs J, Axmacher N (2019). 16.2 Mesoscopic neural representations in spatial navigation. **Trends in Cognitive Sciences**; 23, 95–110.
- 4 Chen D*, **Kunz L***, Wang W, Zhang H, Wang W, Schulze-Bonhage A, Reinacher PC, Zhou W, Liang S, Axmacher N, Wang L. Hexadirectional modulation of theta power in human entorhinal cortex during spatial navigation. **Current Biology**; 28, 3310–3315 (2018).
- 3 **Kunz L**, Reuter M, Axmacher N, Montag C (2017). Conscientiousness is negatively associated with grey matter volume in young APOE ε4-carriers. **J Alzheimers Dis**; 56, 1135–1144.
- 2 **Kunz L**, Schröder TN, Lee H, Montag C, Lachmann B, Sariyska R, Reuter M, 34.7 Stirnberg R, Stöcker T, Messing-Floeter PC, Fell J, Doeller CF, Axmacher N (2015). Reduced grid-cell–like representations in adults at genetic risk for Alzheimer's disease. **Science**; 350, 430–433.
 - Media discussions: Nature, Science, Pacific Standard, Spektrum
- 1 Montag C, **Kunz L**, Axmacher N, Sariyska R, Lachmann B, Reuter M (2014). 3.0 Common genetic variation of the APOE gene and personality. **BMC Neurosci**; 15, 64.
 - * contributed equally

Impact factor from year of publication

Publications (other)

1 **Kunz L**, Deuker L, Zhang H, Axmacher N (2019). Tracking Human Engrams Using Multivariate Analysis Techniques. In Handbook of Behavioral Neuroscience (Vol. 28, pp. 481-508). Elsevier.

Manuscripts under review

- 3 Herweg NA, **Kunz L**, Brandt A, Wanda PA, Sharan AD, Sperling MR, Schulze-Bonhage A, Kahana MJ (2020). A learned map for places and concepts in the human MTL. Preprint at *bioRxiv*
- 2 Manzouri F, Meisel C, **Kunz L**, Dümpelmann M, Stieglitz T, Schulze-Bonhage A. Low-frequency cortical stimulation reduces cortical excitability in the human brain.
- 1 Guth TA, **Kunz L**, Brandt A, Dümpelmann M, Klotz KA, Reinacher PC, Schulze-Bonhage A, Jacobs J, Schönberger J. Interictal spikes with and without high-frequency oscillations have different single-unit correlates.

Awards

•	Poster Award of the Center for Basics in NeuroModulation of the University of Freiburg, Freiburg, Germany.	2019
•	Trainee Professional Development Award (TPDA) for the Annual Meeting of the Society of Neuroscience (SfN).	2018
•	Travel Award for the Grid Cell Meeting 2018 of the University College London, London, UK.	2018
•	7-year Scholarship granted by the German National Academic Foundation (Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes).	2011–2017
•	BONFOR Research Prize of the BONFOR Research Commission of the Medical Faculty of the University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany.	2016
•	Beethoven Bonnensis Prize of the City of Bonn, Bonn, Germany.	2010

Membership in Scientific Societies

•	Society for Neuroscience (SfN)	2018–present
•	Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS)	2019-present
•	German Neuroscience Society (NWG).	2019-present

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