

# AMANDA K. TILOT

## Curriculum vitae

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## EDUCATION

Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland, Ohio, USA

PhD, Cleveland Clinic Department of Molecular Medicine

January 2015

Dissertation: "Altered Social Behavior and Neuroinflammation in a Mouse Model of *Pten* Mislocalization"

Albion College

Albion, Michigan, USA

BA, majors in Biology and Psychology, concentration in Neuroscience

2009

Graduated magna cum laude with college honors

Honors Thesis: "Pregnancy and Reentrainment after Phase Shifts in *Octodon degus*"

## PUBLICATIONS

**Tilot AK**, Bebek G, Niazi F, Altemus, J, Romigh T, Frazier TW 2<sup>nd</sup>, Eng C. "Neural transcriptome of constitutional *Pten* dysfunction in mice and its relevance to human idiopathic autism spectrum disorder". *Molecular Psychiatry*, 2016, 21(1):118-125. PMCID: PMC4565786.

**Tilot AK**, Frazier TW 2<sup>nd</sup>, Eng C. "Balancing proliferation and connectivity in *PTEN*-associated autism spectrum disorder". *Neurotherapeutics*, 2015, 12(3):609-19. PMCID: PMC4489960. Review.

Frazier TW 2<sup>nd</sup>, Embacher R, **Tilot AK**, Koenig K, Mester J, Eng C. "Molecular and phenotypic abnormalities in individuals with germline heterozygous *PTEN* mutations and autism". *Molecular Psychiatry*, 2015, 20(9):1132-1138. PMCID: PMC4388743.

Leung W, **Tilot AK**, Saville K, Elgin, SC. "The *Drosophila* muller F elements maintain a distinct set of genomic properties over 40 million years of evolution". *G3: GENES, GENOMES, GENETICS*, 2015, 5(5):719-40. PMCID: PMC4426361. [Total 940 student co-authors, 74 faculty co-authors.]

Komuro Y, Galas L, Lebon A, Raoult E, Fahrion JK, **Tilot A**, Kumada T, Ohno N, Vaudry D, Komuro H. "The role of calcium and cyclic nucleotide signaling in cerebellar granule cell migration under normal and pathological conditions". *Developmental Neurobiology*, 2015, 75(4):369-87. PMID: 25066767. Review.

**Tilot AK**, Gaugler M, Yu Q, Romigh T, Yu W, Miller RH, Frazier TW 2<sup>nd</sup>, Eng C. "Germline disruption of *Pten* localization causes enhanced sex-dependent social motivation and increased glial production". *Human Molecular Genetics*, 2014, 23(12): 3213-27. PMCID: PMC4030776.

Mester JL, **Tilot AK**, Rybicki LA, Frazier TW, Eng C. "Analysis of prevalence and degree of macrocephaly in patients with germline *PTEN* mutations and brain weight in *Pten* knock-in murine model". *European Journal of Human Genetics*, 2011, 19(7): 763-8. PMCID: PMC3137495.

## FUNDING

European Commission, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Individual Fellowship

2016-2018

Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics

Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Simon E. Fisher

Title: Defining the genetics of grapheme-colour synaesthesia (SynGenes)

Amount: €171,460.80

## AWARDS AND HONORS

### Cleveland Clinic/Case Western Reserve University

Doctoral Excellence Award in Molecular Medicine, Case Western Reserve University, 2015  
F. Merlin Bumpus Junior Investigator Award, Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute, 2014  
1<sup>st</sup> Place Poster Award, Biomedical Graduate Student Symposium, Case Western Reserve University, 2014  
Graduate Student Award, Neurological Institute Research Day, Cleveland Clinic, 2014

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics  
Postdoctoral Research Staff, Language and Genetics Dept. Nijmegen, the Netherlands  
07/2015 - Present

Project: Defining the genetics of synaesthesia  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Simon E. Fisher

Cleveland Clinic  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Genomic Medicine Institute Cleveland, OH, USA  
10/2014 - 05/2015

Project: Cellular and transcriptomic phenotyping of a mouse model of cytoplasm-predominant Pten, with a focus on phenotypes relevant to Autism Spectrum Disorder.  
Supervisor: Prof. Charis Eng, MD, PhD

Case Western Reserve University  
Graduate Student, Genomic Medicine Institute, Cleveland Clinic Cleveland, OH, USA  
07/2009 – 9/2014

Dissertation Research: Behavioral, cellular, and molecular phenotyping of a mouse model of cytoplasm-predominant Pten, with a focus on phenotypes relevant to Autism Spectrum Disorder.  
Thesis Advisor: Prof. Charis Eng, MD, PhD  
Clinical Mentor: Dr. Thomas W Frazier II, PhD

## INSTITUTE/DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Radboud University  
Course Instructor, Honors Academy Think Tank: Animal Research 2016-2017  
Publicity, Web, and Library Committees 2016 – Present

Cleveland Clinic  
Lerner Research Institute Graduate Student Association Steering Committee 2013 – 2014  
Molecular Medicine Student Retreat Planning Committee 2011 – 2012

## SUPERVISING, MENTORING ACTIVITIES

Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics  
Ivo Van der Stelt, BA, Radboud University 2017  
Role: Co-supervisor of 6-month Master's internship focused on DNA structural variation as a contributor to language disorders.

B.A. Rudolph Foundation Fall 2015  
Role: Mentor to female undergraduate students pursuing unpaid internships in the sciences

Cleveland Clinic  
Houriya Ayoubieh, MD, 3rd year resident in Internal Medicine, Cleveland Clinic Fall 2014  
Role: Supervisor during translational research rotation in the Eng Lab  
Mary Gaugler, undergraduate student in Biology, Notre Dame University 2011 - 2013  
Role: Mentor, supervisor for summer research internships in the Eng laboratory.

## MEETING ABSTRACTS

2016 Tilot AK, Kucera KS, Briscoe J, Skuse D, Fisher SE. Whole genome sequencing in a multigenerational family with a specific deficit in semantic cognition. Presented at the American Society for Human Genetics annual meeting, Vancouver, Canada, October.

- 2016 Tilot AK, Fisher SE. Decoding the genetics of synaesthesia through studies large and small. Poster presented at the Synaesthesia and Cross-Modal Perception conference, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2014 Tilot AK, Gaugler M, Yu Q, Romigh T, Yu W, Miller RH, Frazier TW 2nd, Eng C. The *Pten*<sup>m3m4</sup> mouse: a model for high functioning autism spectrum disorder with neuroinflammation. Presented at the Biomedical Graduate Student Symposium, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH, May.
- 2011 Tilot AK, Gaugler M, Frazier TW, Eng C. PTEN and Autism Spectrum Disorders: new insights from a knock-in model of cytoplasm predominant Pten. Presented at the Cleveland Clinic Molecular Medicine Student Retreat, Cleveland, OH, April.
- 2008 Tilot AK, Jechura TJ. Effects of continuous phase shifts on pregnancy and offspring in *O. degus*. Presented at the Society for Research in Biological Rhythms Biannual Meeting, Destin, FL, May.
- 2007 Tilot AK, Jechura TJ. Examination of unihemispheric sleep in an Australian lizard, the bearded dragon (*Pogona vitticeps*). Presented at the Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, November.