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[moritz.lurig@biol.lu.se](mailto:moritz.lurig@biol.lu.se) | <https://www.luerig.net>**ACADEMIC RESEARCH POSITIONS****Lund University**  
07/2021 - 08/2023**Postdoctoral scholar** with Erik I. Svensson. Project: *Phenomics and evolution of sexual colour polymorphism in damselflies*. Funded by the European Commission (Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions - Individual Fellowship) and by the Swiss National Science Foundation (Early Postdoc.Mobility fellowship).**Eawag**  
01/2020 - 06/2020**Postdoctoral scholar** with Ole Seehausen, Jukka Jokela, and Jan Wegner. Project: *Development of a high throughput phenotyping toolbox*. Funded by the Eawag directorate (Discretionary Funding Scheme).**ETH Zürich/ Eawag**  
04/2015 - 12/2019**Doctoral student** with Blake Matthews and Jukka Jokela at Eawag (Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology). Funded by the Center for Adaptation to a changing environment (ACE, ETH Zürich).**EDUCATION****Dr. Sc. ETH Zürich**  
04/2015 - 09/2019**ETH Zürich (Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich)**. Supervisors: Blake Matthews and Jukka Jokela. Thesis: *Species interactions - from phenotypes to ecosystems*. Defense: 28.06.2019. Opponent: Stewart Plaistow. [[PDF](#)][[DOI](#)]**M. Sc. (Marine Environmental Sciences)**  
10/2011 - 03/2015**Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg**. Supervisors: Jay Stachowicz (University of California, Davis) and Helmut Hillebrand. Thesis: *Microhabitat partitioning in seagrass mesograzers is driven by consistent species choices across multiple predator and competitor contexts*. [[PDF](#)][[DOI](#)]**B. Sc. (Environmental Sciences)**  
10/2006 - 9/2011**Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg**. Supervisors: Andreas Kunzmann (University of Bremen) and Meinhard Simon. Thesis: *Effects of short term aragonite undersaturation and elevated temperature on the physiology of Stylophora pistillata*. [[PDF](#)][[DOI](#)]**PUBLICATIONS**

- 2021 | **Lürig, M. D.** (2021). phenopype: a phenotyping pipeline for Python. *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*. *In press*.
- Best, R.J. and **Lürig, M. D.** The Ecological Importance of Crustacean Diversity. Book chapter in: Gutow, L., Poore, A. and Thiel, M. (Eds.), *The Natural History of the Crustacea: The Ecological Role and Conservation of Crustaceans*. Oxford University Press. *In press*.
- Lafuente, E., **Lürig, M.D.**, Rövekamp, M., Matthews, B., Buser, C., Vorburger, C., and Räsänen, K.. Building on 150 years of knowledge: the freshwater isopod *Asellus aquaticus* as an integrative eco-evolutionary model system. *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution*. *In press*.
- Russo, S., Besmer, M. D., Blumensaat, F., Bouffard, D., Disch, A., Hammes, F., Hess, A., **Lürig, M.D.**, Matthews, B., Minaudo, C., Morgenroth, E., Tran-Khac, V., and Villez, K. (2021). The value of human data annotation for machine learning based anomaly detection in environmental systems. *Water Research*, 117695. [[DOI](#)]

- Moosmann, M., Cuenca-Cambronero, M., De Lisle, S., Greenway, R., Hudson, C. M., **Lürig, M.D.**, and Matthews, B. (2021). On the evolution of trophic position. Ecology Letters. *In press*. [DOI]
- Lürig, M.D.**, Narwani, A., Penson, H., Wehrli, B., Spaak, P., and Matthews, B. (2021). Non-additive effects of foundation species determine the response of aquatic ecosystems to nutrient perturbation. Ecology 102(7), e03371. [DOI]
- Lürig, M.D.**, Donoughe, S., Svensson, E.I., Porto, A., and Tsuboi, M. (2021). Computer Vision, Machine Learning, and the Promise of Phenomics in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology. Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution 9:642774. [DOI]
- Lürig, M.D.**, and Matthews, B. (2021). Dietary-based developmental plasticity affects juvenile survival in an aquatic detritivore. Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences 288:20203136. [DOI]
- 2020 **Lürig, M.D.**, Best, R.J., Dakos, V., and Matthews, B. (2020). Submerged macrophytes affect the temporal variability of aquatic ecosystems. Freshw. Biol. 66(3), 104869, [DOI]
- Russo, S., **Lürig, M.D.**, Hao, W., Matthews, B., and Villez, K. (2020). Active learning for anomaly detection in environmental data. Environmental Modelling & Software 134, 104869. [DOI]
- Leal, M. C., Anaya-Rojas, J.M., Munro, M.H.G., Blunt, J.W., Melian, C.J., Calado, R., **Lürig, M. D.** (2020). Fifty years of capacity building in the search for new marine natural products. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences 17(39), 24165-24172. [DOI]
- 2019 **Lürig, M.D.**, Best, R.J., Svitok, M., Jokela, J., Matthews, B. (2019). The role of plasticity in the evolution of cryptic pigmentation in a freshwater isopod. Journal of Animal Ecology 88(4), 612–623. [DOI]
- 2016 **Lürig, M.D.**, Best, R.J., Stachowicz, J.J. (2016). Microhabitat partitioning in seagrass mesograzers is driven by consistent species choices across multiple predator and competitor contexts. Oikos 125, 1324-1333. [DOI]
- 2015 **Lürig, M.D.**, Kunzmann A. 2015). Effects of short term aragonite undersaturation and elevated temperature on the physiology of *Stylophora pistillata*. Journal of Sea Research 99, 26–33. [DOI]

## PRESENTATIONS (Selected)

- 2021 **East of Scotland Bioscience Doctoral Training Series, Aberdeen, Scotland (invited)**: Deep learning powered computer vision as a promising avenue for phenomics.
- 2019 **University of Hokkaido, Tomakomai, Japan (invited)**: *Asellus aquaticus* as an emerging model system in ecology and evolutionary research.
- University of Ljubljana, Slovenia (invited)**: Isopods (*Asellus aquaticus*) as an emerging model system for eco-evo-devo.
- European Society for Evolutionary Biology, Annual Meeting, Turku, Finland**: Diet-based developmental plasticity and fitness in a detritivorous isopod (*Asellus aquaticus*).
- 2018 **British Ecological Society, Annual Meeting, Birmingham, UK**: Species interactions and the resilience of aquatic ecosystems to nutrient perturbation.
- 2017 **Dynatrait Programme Conference. Stephansstift, Hannover, Germany**: Interactive effects of selection and plasticity during rapid evolution of a freshwater isopod.
- 2013 **Western Society of Naturalists Annual Meeting. Oxnard, CA, USA**: Microhabitat selection by seagrass mesograzers: effects of predation, trait variation and species interactions.

## ACQUIRED FUNDING

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| 2020 | 192 000 EUR | Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions Individual Fellowship (European Commission): 24 month postdoc scholarship |
| 2019 | 76 000 CHF  | SNF Postdoc Mobility Fellowship (Swiss National Science Foundation): 18 month postdoc fellowship         |

2019	<b>60 000 CHF</b>	Eawag Discretionary Funding (Eawag directorate): 6 month postdoc scholarship
2014	<b>200 000 CHF</b>	PhD funding (ETH Zürich: Adaptation to a Changing Environment): 36 month PhD scholarship
2014	<b>500 EUR</b>	Travel stipend (Department of Mathematics and Science, Oldenburg University): 3 month mobility stipend
2013	<b>1 500 EUR</b>	Travel stipend (PROMOS, DAAD): 6 month mobility stipend for masters thesis

## TEACHING AND MENTORING

2018	<b>MSc co-mentor</b> for Kim Kaltenbach. Thesis title: <i>The Role of Predator-Mediated Selection on Isopod Pigmentation</i> (Eawag)
2013	<b>BSc co-mentor</b> for Elena Huynh. Thesis title: <i>Effects of epiphyte-cover on the microhabitat preference of C. californica</i> (UC Davis)
2011	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> for <i>Practical Applications in Aquaculture</i> ("ISATEC" masters program, Uni. Bremen)
2010	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> for <i>Scientific Diving</i> (Uni. Oldenburg, Course No. 5.12.230/1)
2007-2010	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> for field classes <i>Introduction to the German Coastal Zone</i> and <i>Geomorphology of the northwestern German Coastal Zone</i> (Uni. Oldenburg, Course No. 5.12.021/111)
2007	<b>Tutor</b> for <i>Basic and Inorganic Chemistry</i> (Uni. Oldenburg, Course No. 5.07.701)

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019	<b>Research stay at Hokkaido University</b> with Osamu Kishida (1.5 months). Focus: natural history of isopods (Asellidae), phenotypic variation across environmental gradients, image analysis.
2018	<b>Research stay at Université Montpellier</b> with Vasilis Dakos (1 month). Focus: time series analysis, multidimensional data, variance partitioning, ecological disturbances.
2013/2014	<b>Research assistant at Bodega Marine Lab, UC Davis</b> with Jay Stachowicz (5 and 3 months). Focus: biodiversity monitoring, community ecology, species interactions.
2009 - 2012	<b>Research assistant at University of Bremen</b> with Andreas Kunzmann (3 Jahre, durchgehend). Work at Leibniz Center for Tropical Marine Ecology (ZMT Bremen), Leigh Marine Lab (University of Auckland) and Interuniversity Institute (Eilat, Israel). Focus: metabolism measurement of corals and fish, local and global gradients of animal ecophysiology.

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

since 2018	<b>Author and maintainer</b> of the open science Python package <a href="#"><i>phenotype - a phenotyping pipeline for python</i></a>
since 2016	<b>Peer review</b> of manuscripts for <i>Marine Biology</i> , <i>Zoology</i> , <i>Ecology and Society</i> , <i>Journal of Animal Ecology</i> , <i>Oikos</i> , <i>Methods in Ecology and Evolution</i> , <i>Biological Journal of the Linnean Society</i>
since 2016	<b>Society member</b> of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology and the <i>British Ecological Society</i>
2009	<b>Scientific Diver</b> (equivalent to PADI *** / NAUI Dive Instructor), certified by the Examination board for scientific divers