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2020 – 2023	Postdoctoral Researcher - ML for Spatial Omics (Velten Lab)	HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY
2023	Visiting Postgraduate Researcher Manifold Learning for (Spatial) Metabolomics (Krishnaswamy Lab)	YALE UNIVERSITY
2020 – 2023	Predocctoral Researcher - Computational Metabolomics	TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MUNICH (TUM)
2019 – 2020	Student Research Assistant	CHAIR OF EXPERIMENTAL BIOINFORMATICS (TUM)
2018 – 2019	Student Research Assistant	CHAIR FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY OF HORTICULTURAL CROPS (TUM)
2017	Student Research Assistant	CHAIR OF PLANT BREEDING (TUM)
2017 – 2018	Intern at Roessner Lab (Chair for Plant Biochemistry)	UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE/METABOLOMICS AUSTRALIA
2015	Intern at the Institute for Grapevine Breeding	JULIUS KÜHN INSTITUTE

EDUCATION

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2020 – 2023	<b>Dr. rer. nat.</b> in Bioinformatics ( <i>summa cum laude</i> )	TUM (CHAIR OF EXPERIMENTAL BIOINFORMATICS)
	Thesis Title: “Graph-Based Methods for the Analysis and Integration of Lipidome and Metabolome Data into the Omics-Landscape”	
2018 – 2020	<b>M.Sc.</b> in Molecular Biotechnology ( <i>with high distinction</i> )	TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MUNICH (TUM)
	Thesis: “Analysis of Organ-specific Lipidome Compositions and their Network Interactions in Mice”	
2014 – 2018	<b>B.Sc.</b> in Agricultural Science ( <i>with distinction</i> )	TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MUNICH (TUM)
	Thesis: “Regulation of Pyrrolizidine Alkaloid Biosynthesis in <i>Crassocephalum crepidioides</i> ”	

EXTRA-CURRICULAR EDUCATION

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Oxford Machine Learning Summer School 2022

PUBLICATIONS

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## Journal Publications

1. Haecker D, Siebert K, Smith BJ, **Köhler N**, Riva A, Mahapatra A, Heimes H, Nie J, Metwaly A, Hölz H, Manz Q, De Zen F, Heetmeyer J, Socas K, Le Thi G, Meng C, Kleigrew K, Pauling JK, Neuhaus K, List M, Pollard KS, Schwerdt T, Haller D: *Exclusive Enteral Nutrition Initiates Protective Microbiome Changes to Induce Remission in Pediatric Crohn's Disease* Cell Host & Microbe, 2024
2. Rose TD<sup>†</sup>, **Köhler N**<sup>†</sup>, Falk L, Klischat L, Lazareva OE and Pauling JK: *Lipid network and moiety analysis for revealing enzymatic dysregulation and mechanistic alterations from lipidomics data*. Briefings in Bioinformatics, 2023
3. Damiani T, Bonciarelli S, Thallinger GG, **Köhler N**, Kretzler CS, Salihoğlu AK, Korf A, Pauling JK, Pluskal T, Ni Y, and Goracci L: *Software and Computational Tools for LC-MS-Based Epilipidomics: Challenges and Solutions*. Analytical Chemistry, 2023

4. Rose TD, Bechtler T, Ciora O, Lilian Le KA, Molnar F, **Köhler N**, Baumbach J, Roettger J, Pauling JK: *MoSBI: Automated signature mining for molecular stratification and subtyping*. Proceedings of the National Academy of Science 2022
5. **Köhler N**<sup>†</sup>, Höring M<sup>†</sup>, Czepukojc B<sup>†</sup>, Rose TD<sup>†</sup>, Buechler C, Kröhler T, Haybaeck J, Liebisch G, Pauling JK, Kessler SM, Kierner AK: *Kupffer cells are protective in alcoholic steatosis*. Biochimica et Biophysica Acta (BBA) - Molecular Basis of Disease, 2022
6. **Köhler N**<sup>†</sup>, Rose TD<sup>†</sup>, Falk L and Pauling JK: *Investigating Global Lipidome Alterations with the Lipid Network Explorer*. Metabolites, 2021
7. Dieckmann S, Strohmeier A, Willershäuser M, Maurer S, Wurst W, Marschall S, Hrabec de Angelis M, Kühn R, Worthmann A, Fuh MM, Heeren J, **Köhler N**, Pauling JK, Klingenspor M: *Susceptibility to diet induced obesity at thermoneutral conditions is independent of UCP1*. American Journal of Physiology-Endocrinology and Metabolism, 2021
8. Haberl EM, Weiss TS, Peschel G, Weigand K, **Köhler N**, Pauling JK, Wenzel JJ, Höring M, Krautbauer S, Liebisch G, Buechler C: *Liver Lipids of Patients with Hepatitis B and C and Associated Hepatocellular Carcinoma*. International Journal of Molecular Sciences, 2021
9. Schramm S, **Köhler N**, Rozhon W: *Pyrrolizidine Alkaloids: Biosynthesis, Biological Activities and Occurrence in Crop Plants*. Molecules, 2019

## Preprints

1. Würf V, **Köhler N**, Molnar F, Hahnefeld L, Gurke R, Witting M, Pauling JK *LipiDetective-a deep learning model for the identification of molecular lipid species in tandem mass spectra* bioRxiv, 2024
2. **Köhler N**, Würf V, Rose TD and Pauling JK: *Identification and Integration of Key-Metabolic Reactions from Untargeted Metabolomics Data*. bioRxiv, 2023
3. Hoheneder F<sup>†</sup>, Steidele CE<sup>†</sup>, Messerer M, Mayer K, **Köhler N**, Wurmser C, Heß M, Gigl M, Dawid C, Stam R, Hüchelhoven R: *Barley shows reduced Fusarium Head Blight under drought and modular expression of differential expressed genes under combined stress*. bioRxiv, 2023
4. Coleman OI<sup>†</sup>, Sorbie A<sup>†</sup>, Bierwirth S, Kövilein J, von Stern M, **Köhler N**, Wirbel J, Schmidt C, Kacprowski T, Dunkel A, Pauling JK, Plagge J, Miedel-Cuadra D, Wagner S, Peng T, Metzler T, Schafmayer C, Hinz S, Röder C, Röcken C, Stecher B, Rosenstiel P, Steiger K, Jesinghaus M, Liebisch G, Ecker J, Zeller G, Janssen KP, Haller D: *ATF6 activation alters colonic lipid metabolism causing tumor-associated microbial adaptation*. bioRxiv, 2023

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## HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

### Awards

- Best Presentation Award - Virtual Podium Asia Pacific 2021

### Scholarships

- PROMOS Travel Scholarship - German Academic Exchange Service (Oct. 17 - Mar. 18)

## TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

### Talks

- *Graph-Based Metabolic Reaction-Centered Multi-Omics Data Integration*, 72<sup>nd</sup> ASMS Annual Conference, 2023
- *Reaction-Centered Metabolic Network Analysis*, 4<sup>th</sup> Munich Metabolomics Meeting, 2022
- *Lipid network and moiety analysis for revealing enzymatic dysregulation and mechanistic alterations from lipidomics data*, International Conference on Systems Biology, 2022
- **Keynote**: *"Lipid metabolic network analysis for inferring mechanistic changes in enzyme activity"* 10<sup>th</sup> Workshop in Lipidomics, 2022
- *Network-based Lipidomics Analysis using the Lipid Network Explorer*. Virtual Podium Asia Pacific, 2021
- *Investigating Global Lipidome Alterations with the Lipid Network Explorer*. 1<sup>st</sup> International Lipidomics Society Conference, 2021

### Co-Organized Workshops

- LipiTUM Workshop on Patient Stratification and Lipid Metabolic Network Analysis. 1<sup>st</sup> International Lipidomics Society Conference, 2021
- Workshop on Lipidomics Data Analysis. 8<sup>th</sup> Lipidomics Forum, 2023

### BSc/MSc THESIS SUPERVISION ---

#### Bioinformatics

- "Development of a Deep Learning Model for the Detection and Prediction of Characteristic Fragmentation Patterns in Lipid Mass Spectra"
- "Network Integration of Metabolome and Microbiome Data using Local Search Optimisation"
- "Evaluating Linear Model-based Reaction Approximation and Multi-Omics Integration"
- "Imputing Unmeasured Lipids to Improve the Connectivity of Lipid Metabolic Networks"

#### Molecular Biotechnology

- "A Network-based Meta-Analysis to Link Nutritional Metabolites to Lipid Metabolism and Related Diseases"

### REFERENCES ---

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