# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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# **POSITION TITLE**

Thomas D. Cabot Associate Professor of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology

## **EDUCATION/TRAINING**

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
Duke University, Durham NC	B.S.	1998 – 2002	Biology & Mathematics
Harvard University, Cambridge MA	Ph.D.	2002 – 2007	Neuroscience

# Positions and employment

2017 –	Thomas D. Cabot Associate Professor, Harvard University
2013 – 2017	Assistant Professor, Harvard University
	Department of Organismic & Evolutionary Biology
	Center for Brain Science
2008 – 2013	Junior Fellow (Principal Investigator), Rowland Institute at Harvard Evolution of Behavior Group
2007 – 2008	Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard University Giribet Laboratory, Department of Organismic & Evolutionary Biology

#### Honors

2019	Member of winning research team, Star-Friedman Challenge
2018 – 2020	Smith Family Odyssey Award
2017 – 2020	Klingenstein-Simons Fellowship Award in Neurosciences
2014 – 2018	Sloan Research Fellowship
2014	Kavli Fellow
2008	Lewis-Sigler Fellowship, Princeton University (declined)
2008	Miller Research Fellowship, UC Berkeley (declined)
2005 – 2007	Merck-Wiley Graduate Fellowship
2004	Ernie Peralta Prize (best departmental candidacy exam)
2003	Derek Bok Teaching Award (based on student evaluations)

- 2002 2005 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2001 2002 PRUV Fellow, Duke Univ. Mathematics Dept. (supports summer math research)
- 1998 2002 Angier B. Duke Memorial Scholarship to Duke (pays all tuition)

## I. RESEARCH

## **Publications in preparation**

- 1. Kanwal J, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Samuel A. Early Integration of Multimodal Chemosensory Stimuli in the *Drosophila* larva. In preparation.
- 2. Elya C, Wang J, <u>de Bivort B</u>, St Leger R. Screening substantial variation in resistance to the specific fly pathogen *Entomophthora muscae* 'Berkeley' using the *Drosophila melanogaster* Genetic Reference Panel (DGRP). In preparation.
- 3. Akhund-Zade J, Yoon D, Soloshenko A\*, Bangerter A & Polizos N, Campbell M, Zhang T, Wice E, Albright A, Narayanan A, Schmidt P, Saltz J, Ayroles J, Klein M, Bergland A, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Wild flies hedge their thermal preference bets in response to seasonal fluctuations. In preparation.
- 4. Akhund-Zade J, Gajda A, Yoon D, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Genetic basis of a tradeoff between fecundity and body mass in *Drosophila melanogaster*. In preparation.

## **Submitted publications**

- Skutt-Kakaria K, Reimers P\*, Currier T, Werkhoven Z, <u>de Bivort B</u>. A neural circuit basis for context-modulation of individual locomotor behavior. *bioRxiv*. (2019). doi.org/ 10.1101/797126.
- 6. Werkhoven Z, Bravin A\*, Skutt-Kakaria K, Reimers P\*, Pallares L, Ayroles J, **de Bivort B**. The structure of behavioral variation within a genotype. *bioRxiv*. (2019). doi.org/10.1101/779363.
- 7. Versace E, Caffini M, Werkhoven Z, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Individual, but not population asymmetries, are modulated by social environment and genotype in *Drosophila melanogaster*. *bioRxiv*. (2019). doi.org/10.1101/694901.

#### **Peer-reviewed publications**

8. Werkhoven Z, Rohrsen C, Qin C\*, Brembs B, <u>de Bivort B</u>. MARGO (Massively Automated Real-time GUI for Object-tracking), a platform for high-throughput ethology. In press, *PLOS ONE*. (2019). preprint: doi.org/10.1101/593046.

<sup>\*</sup> indicates de Bivort Lab undergraduate coauthors

- 9. Honegger K & Smith M, Churgin M, Turner G, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Idiosyncratic neural coding and neuromodulation of olfactory individuality in *Drosophila*. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*. (2019). doi: 10.1073/pnas.1901623116.
- 10. Akhund-Zade J, Ho S\*, O'Leary C, <u>de Bivort B</u>. The effect of environmental enrichment on behavioral variability depends on genotype, behavior, and type of enrichment. *Journal of Experimental Biology.* (2019). doi: 10.1242/jeb.202234.
- 11. Xu C, Theisen E, Maloney R, Peng J, Santiago I, Yapp C, Werkhoven Z, Rumbaut E, Shum B, Tarnogorska D, Borycz J, Tan L, Courgeon M, Meinertzhagen I, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Drugowitsch J, Pecot M. Control of Synaptic Specificity by Establishing a Relative Preference for Synaptic Partners. *Neuron*. (2019). doi.org/10.1016/j.neuron.2019.06.006
- 12. Crall J, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Dey B, Versypt A. Social buffering of pesticides in bumblebees: agent-based modeling of the effects of colony size and neonicotinoid exposure on behavior within nests. *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution*. (2019). 7, 51.
- 13. Crall J, Switzer C, Oppenheimer R, Versypt A, Dey B, Brown A\*, Eyster M\*, Guérin C, Pierce N, Combes S, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Neonicotinoid exposure disrupts bumblebee nest behavior, social networks, and thermoregulation. *Science*. (2018). 632(6415): 683-686.
- 14. Alisch T, Crall J, Zucker D, <u>de Bivort B.</u> MAPLE: a Modular Automated Platform for Large-scale Experiments, a low-cost robot for integrated animal-handling and phenotyping. *eLife*. (2018). 7: e37166.
- 15. Brown A, de Bivort B. Ethology as a physical science. Nature Physics. (2018). 14: 653-657.
- 16. Kakaria K, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Ring attractor dynamics emerge from a spiking model of the entire protocerebral bridge. *Frontiers of Behavioral Neuroscience*. (2017). 11(8). doi:10.3389/fnbeh.2017.00008.
- 17. Todd J, Kain J, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Systematic exploration of unsupervised methods for mapping behavior. *Physical Biology*. (2017). 14: 015002.
- 18. Isakov A & Buchanan S, Sullivan B\*, Ramachandran A\*, Chapman J\*, Lu N\*, Mahadevan L, **de Bivort B**. Recovery of locomotion after injury in *Drosophila melanogaster* depends on proprioception. *Journal of Experimental Biology*. (2016). 219: 1760-1771.
- 19. **de Bivort B** & van Swinderen B. Evidence for selective attention in the insect brain. *Current Opinion in Insect Science*. (2016). 15: 9-15.
- 20. Crall J, Souffrant A\*, Akandwanaho D\* & Hescock S\*, Callan S\* & Coronado M\*, Baldwin M, de Bivort B. Social context modulates idiosyncrasy of behavior in the gregarious cockroach Blaberus discoidalis. Animal Behaviour. (2016). 111:297-305.
- 21. Giribet G, Boyer S, Baker C, Fernández R, Sharma P, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Daniels S, Harvey M, Neethling J, Griswold C. A molecular phylogeny of the temperate Gondwanan family Pettalidae (Arachnida, Opiliones, Cyphophthalmi) with biogeographic and taxonomic implications. *Zoological Journal of the Linnean Society*. (2016). *doi:10.1111/zoj.12419*.
- 22. Buchanan S, Kain J, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Neuronal control of locomotor handedness in *Drosophila*. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*. (2015). 112(21):6700-6705.
- 23. Ayroles J, Buchanan S, O'Leary C\*, Skutt-Kakaria K, Grenier J, Clark A, Hartl D, <u>de Bivort</u> <u>B</u>. Behavioral individuality reveals genetic control of phenotypic variability. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*. (2015). 112(21):6706-6711.
- 24. Kain J, Zhang S\*, Akhund-Zade J, Samuel A, Klein M, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Variability in thermal and phototactic preferences in *Drosophila* may reflect an adaptive bet-hedging strategy. *Evolution*. (2015). 69(12): 3171-3815.

- 25. Kain J, Stokes C, Gaudry Q, Song X, Foley J, Wilson R, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Leg-tracking and automated behavioural classification in *Drosophila*. *Nature Communications*. (2013). 4: #1910.
- 26. Kane A, Gershow M, Afonso B, Larderet I, Klein M, Carter A, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Sprecher S, Samuel A. Sensorimotor structure of *Drosophila* larva phototaxis. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*. (2013). 110(40): E3868-E3877.
- 27. Giribet G, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Hitchcock A, Swart P. On *Speleosiro argasiformis* a troglobitic Cyphophthalmi (Arachnida, Opiliones, Pettalidae) from Table Mountain, South Africa. *Journal of Arachnology.* (2013). 41: 416-419.
- 28. Kain J, Stokes C, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Phototactic personality in fruit flies and its suppression by serotonin and white. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.* (2012). 109(48): 19834-19839.
- 29. Song E, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Dan C, Kunes S. Determinants of the *Drosophila* Odorant Receptor pattern. *Developmental Cell.* (2012). 22(2): 363-376.
- 30. Raz S, Graham J, Cohen A, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Grishkan I, Nevo E. Growth and asymmetry of soil microfungal colonies from "Evolution Canyon," Lower Nahal Oren, Mount Carmel, Israel. *PloS ONE.* (2012). 7(4): e34689.
- 31. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Clouse R, Giribet G. A cladistic reconstruction of the ancestral mite harvestman (Arachnida, Opiliones, Cyphophthalmi): portrait of a Paleozoic detritivore. *Cladistics.* (2012). 22:582-597.
- 32. Gaudry Q, Hong E, Kain J, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Wilson R. Asymmetric neurotransmitter release enables rapid odour lateralization in *Drosophila*. *Nature*. (2012). 493: 424-428.
- 33. Boyer S, Giribet G, Sharma P, Benavides L, Clouse R, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Dimitrov D, Kawauchi G, Murienne J, Schwendinger P. Evolutionary and biogeographic history of an ancient and global group of arachnids (Arachnida, Opiliones, Cyphophthalmi) with a new taxonomic arrangement. *Biological Journal of the Linnean Society.* (2012). 105(1): 92-130.
- 34. Clouse R, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Giribet G. Phylogenetic signal in morphometric data. *Cladistics*. (2011). 27(4): 337-340.
- 35. Clouse R, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Giribet G. A phylogenetic analysis for the South-east Asian mite harvestman family Stylocellidae (Opiliones: Cyphophthalmi) a combined analysis using morphometric and molecular data. *Invertebrate Systematics*. (2010). 23(6): 515-529.
- 36. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Clouse R, Giribet G. A morphometrics-based phylogeny of the temperate Gondwanan mite harvestmen (Opiliones, Cyphophthalmi, Pettalidae). *Journal of Zoological Systematics and Evolutionary Research*. (2010). 48(4): 294-309.
- 37. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Giribet G. A systematic revision of the South African Pettalidae (Arachnida: Opiliones: Cyphophthalmi) based on a combined analysis of discrete and continuous morphological characters with the description of seven new species. *Invertebrate Systematics*. (2010). 24(4): 371-406.
- 38. <u>de Bivort B</u>. Derivation of large-scale cellular regulatory networks from biological time series data. in *Methods in molecular biology: Systems Biology in Drug Discovery and Development*, Yan Q (ed.). (2010). 662: 149-165.
- 39. **de Bivort B**. Cellular-Level Gene Regulatory Networks: Their Derivation and Properties. in *Systems Biology for Signaling Networks*, Choi S (e.d). (2010). 429-446.
- 40. Bar-Yam Y, Harmon D, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Attractors and democratic dynamics. *Science*. (2009). 323(5917): 1016-1017.

- 41. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Guo H-F, Zhong Y. Notch signaling is required for activity-dependent synaptic plasticity at the Drosophila neuromuscular junction. *Journal of Neurogenetics*. (2009). 23(4): 395-404.
- 42. <u>de Bivort B</u> & Perlstein E, Kunes S, Schreiber, S. Amino acid metabolic origin as an evolutionary influence on protein sequence in yeast. *Journal of Molecular Evolution*. (2009). 68(5): 490-497.
- 43. Perlstein E & <u>de Bivort B</u>, Kunes S, Schreiber, S. Evolutionarily conserved optimization of amino acid biosynthesis. *Journal of Molecular Evolution*. (2007). 65(2): 186-196.
- 44. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Huang S, Bar-Yam Y. Empirical multiscale networks of cellular regulation. *PLoS Computational Biology.* (2007). 3(10): e207.
- 45. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Chen C-C, Perretti F, Negro G, Philip T, Bar-Yam Y. Metabolic implications for the mechanism of mitochondrial endosymbiosis and human hereditary disorders. *Journal of Theoretical Biology.* (2007). 248(1): 26-36.
- 46. Ciupe M, <u>de Bivort B</u>, Bortz D, Nelson P. Estimating kinetic parameters from HIV primary infection data through the eyes of three different mathematical models. *Mathematical Biosciences*. (2006). 200(1): 1-27.
- 47. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Giribet G. A new genus of cyphophthalmid from the Iberian Peninsula with a phylogenetic analysis of the Sironidae (Arachnida: Opiliones: Cyphophthalmi) and a SEM database of external morphology. *Invertebrate Systematics*. (2004). 18(1): 7-52.
- 48. <u>de Bivort B</u>, Huang, Sui, Bar-Yam Y. Dynamics of cellular level function and regulation derived from murine expression array data. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences USA*. (2004). 101(51): 17687-17692.

#### Invited non-peer-reviewed publication

- 49. <u>de Bivort B</u>. Courtship behavior: hearing new notes in classic songs. *Current Biology*. (2018). 28(15): R826–R845.
- 50. Honegger K, <u>de Bivort B</u>. Stochasticity, individuality and behavior. *Current Biology*. (2018). 28(1):R8-R12.
- 51. <u>de Bivort B</u>. Watching a fly on a ball could help us understand its brain. *The Conversation*. (2013, May 29). *https://theconversation.com/watching-a-fly-on-a-ball-could-help-us-understand-its-brain-14735*.

#### Other preprints

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- 53. de Bivort B. Isotemporal classes of n-gons. arXiv. (2005). arXiv:math/0501171v1.
- 54. **de Bivort B**. Isotemporal classes of diasters, beachballs, and daisies. *arXiv.* (2013). arXiv: 1309.2003v1.

#### Selected press write-ups

1. Raine N. Pesticide affects social behavior of bees. *Science*. (2018, November 9). http://science.sciencemag.org/content/362/6415/643.

Pertains to: Crall et al., 2018.

2. Kennedy M. A new robot tracks sick bees wearing tiny coded backpacks. *Wired*. (2018, November 8). https://www.wired.com/story/bumblebee-tracking-robot.

Pertains to: Crall et al., 2018.

3. Simon M. Scientists spy on bees, see harmful effects of common insecticide. NPR. (2018, November 9). https://www.npr.org/2018/11/09/665634367/scientists-spy-on-bees-see-harmful-effects-of-common-insecticide.

Pertains to: Crall et al., 2018.

4. Dambrot S. From gene to phene: Scientists demonstrate genetic control of phenotypic variability. *MedicalxPress*. (2015, June 2). <a href="http://medicalxpress.com/news/2015-06-gene-phene-scientists-genetic-phenotypic.html">http://medicalxpress.com/news/2015-06-gene-phene-scientists-genetic-phenotypic.html</a>.

Pertains to: Ayroles et al., 2015.

5. Singer E. Roots of animals' individuality revealed with 'Groundhog Day' experiments. Scientific American. (2015, June 1). http://www.scientificamerican.com/article/roots-of-animals-individuality-revealed-with-groundhog-day-experiments. Reprinted from Quanta Magazine.

Pertains to: Buchanan et al., 2015; Ayroles et al., 2015; Kain et al., 2015; Kain et al., 2012.

6. Williams S. Eye on the fly. *The Scientist*. (2015, January 1). http://www.the-scientist.com/? articles.view/articleNo/41700/title/Eye-on-the-Fly.

Pertains to: Kain et al., 2013.

- 7. Costa J. Eleven young neuroscientists share their cutting-edge research. WBUR. (2014, June 12). http://www.wbur.org/news/2014/06/12/neuroscientists-brain-videos.
- 8. Pastrana E. Fly walk. *Nature Methods.* (2013, June 27). 10:604 605. *doi:10.1038/nmeth.* 2545.

Pertains to: Kain et al., 2013.

9. Berezow A. Do fruit flies have free will? Real Clear Science. (2012, November 17). http://www.realclearscience.com/journal\_club/2012/11/17/do\_fruit\_flies\_have\_free\_will\_106407.html.

Pertains to: Kain et al., 2012.

## Ongoing research support

Star-Friedman Family Challenge Impacts of elevated CO2 on bees and pollination services via alterations in pollen nutrition

**\$269,017** (direct)

2019.05.10 - 2021.05.09

Role: Co-PI

This grant supports a collaboration between the de Bivort lab, Missy Holbrook of OEB and Sam Meyers of the HU Center for the Environment to investigate, using the tools of computational ethology, how atmospheric CO2 affects pollinator behavior directly and through effects on pollen and nectar.

Harvard/MIT Basic Neuroscience Grant 2018.10.01 – 2020.09.30

Discovering the nanoscale structure of loci of \$119,130 (direct)

behavioral individuality

Role: Co-PI

This grant supports a collaboration between the de Bivort lab and the Boyden lab of MIT to use expansion microscopy techniques to characterize nanoscale correlates of individual behavioral biases.

National Science Foundation PHY-1806818 2018.09.15 – 2023.08.31

Collaborative Research: Formation of a High Flux
Student Research Network (HF-SRN) as a Laboratory
for Enhancing Interaction in the PoLS SRN
\$0 in research support
\$1,250,000.00 in training support
(direct+indirect)

Role: Co-PI

This training grant supports the Physics of Living Systems Student Research Network, a virtual network of graduate education and research opportunities across Harvard University, Georgia Tech, Emory, Rice and the University of Maryland.

National Institute of Mental Health Phase I SBIR 2018.07.01 – 2018.12.31 1R43MH119092-01 \$112,432 (direct+indirect)

# A Modular Automated Platform for Large-scale Drosophila Experiments and Handling

Role: Lead Investigator of a Subcontract

This subcontract supports a collaboration between the de Bivort lab and FlySorter LLC, specifically the development and stress testing in the lab of a prototype commercial-grade fly-handling experiment-automating robot.

Smith Family Odyssey Award 2018.07.01 – 2020.06.31

Mapping loci of individuality for spontaneous and \$300,000 (direct) stimulus-evoked behaviors

Role: PI

This proposal seeks cellular-level correlates of individual behavioral biases, focusing in equal portion on spontaneous and stimulus-evoked behaviors, A goal is to test hypotheses about how such "loci of individuality" are distributed across circuits that generate behavior.

Klingenstein-Simons Fellowship Award 2017.07.01 – 2020.06.31

Discovering loci of individuality in Drosophila \$225,000 (direct)

sensory circuitry

Role: PI

The first goal of this project is to identify "loci of individuality," physiological correlates of individual preferences in stimulus response behaviors to light and odor gradients. Having identified these, the next aim is to characterize the shape of the transition by which information representing stimuli is transformed to information representing individual behavior. Loci of individuality may coincide with discontinuities in this transformation.

# **Completed research support**

National Science Foundation IOS-1557913

Discovering the mechanistic basis of individual differences in sensory representation and their effects on preference behavior

2014.09.01 – 2019.08.31 **\$675,000** (direct+indirect)

Role: PI

The goals of this project are to measure intragenotypic variability in odor preferences, determine how different cell types in the early olfactory system contribute to the distribution of preferences, determine how neuromodulation affects the distribution, and determine what Ca<sup>++</sup> activity patterns in the early olfactory circuit are predictive of individual behavioral tendencies.

Dean's Competitive Fund

2018.07.01 - 2019.06.31

**\$49,966** (direct)

Pesticides and pollinators: harnessing automated tracking to characterize the effects of environmental stressors on bee colonies and the ecosystem services they provide

Role: PI

This supports the development of automated techniques for studying the combined effects of low-level exposure to neonicotinoid pesticides and temperature fluctuations on individual worker behavior and colony performance in bumblebees, a crucial pollinator in both wild and agricultural ecosystems.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation

Discovering the neurological basis of individuality

Role: PI

2014.09.15 - 2018.09.14

incl. one year no-cost extension

**\$50,000** (direct)

The major goals of this project are 1) understanding the neural circuit basis of the distribution of intragenotypic differences in behavior, using molecular and systems neuroscience approaches, 2) identifying olfactory circuit correlates of behavioral idiosyncrasies ("engrams of individuality") and 3) characterizing the natural history and adaptive value of intragenotypic behavioral diversity.

Mind Brain Behavior Initiative Faculty Award

2016.09.15 - 2017.03.15

Doing it right (or left): social and genetic roots of lateralization

**\$15,000** (direct)

Role: PI

This fund supports work to test the hypothesis that predicts that more social behaviors, such as courtship, will evolve population-level laterality, whereas solitary behaviors, such as solo spontaneous exploration will develop individual-level laterality.

Mind Brain Behavior Initiative Faculty Award

2015.07.01 – 2016.06.31 **\$50,000** (direct)

From individual variation to the genetic basis of phenotypic variability: Understanding the role of serotonin in mediating individuality

Role: Pl

This fund supported my work on the role of serotonin as a regulator of behavioral variability. We are investigating the effects of genetic background on serotonin sensitivity using a panel of sequenced, inbred isofemale lines.

Rowland Junior Fellows Program

2008.07.01 - 2013.06.31

**Evolution of Behavior Group** 

**\$1,339,000** (direct)

Role: PI

This fund supported my independent research as a PI at the Rowland Institute to identify mechanisms by which behavioral diversity is established through evolution and stochastic variations in the genus *Drosophila*, develop new instruments for automated behavioral quantification, and develop new statistical approaches for the supervised and unsupervised classification of behavioral data.

#### Invited talks and seminars

2020	SAGE Center for the Study of the Mind Workshop, UC Santa Barbara
2019	Cornell Department of Neurobiology and Behavior
2019	Hanna H. Gray Fellows Mentor Workshop, Howard Hughes Medical Institute
2019	Conference of the Animal Behavior Society & Ethological Conference
2019	Crete Workshop on Neural Circuits and Behavior of Drosophila
2019	Tufts Allen Discovery Center Cognition group meeting
2019	Sloan Kettering Developmental Biology Department
2019	Klingenstein-Simons Fellowship Awards Meeting
2019	Sölden International Neuroscience Winter Conference (workshop organizer)
2019	Institute of Science and Technology Austria (IST) Austria
2019	Columbia Workshop on Brain Circuits, Memory and Computation
2019	Kirby Neurobiology Center & Dept. of Neurobiology, Harvard Medical School
2018	Princeton Biophysics
2018	Janelia Conference: Function of the Insect Central Complex
2018	Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute Biology Department
2018	Champalimaud Centre: CAJAL Adv. Neuro. Prog., Behavior & Neural Systems
2018	Rockefeller University
2018	Aspen Center for Physics: Workshop on The Physics of Behavior
2018	Klingenstein-Simons Fellowship Awards Meeting

2018	University of Iceland Life and Environmental Sciences Seminar
2018	University of Virginia Department of Biology Seminar
2018	Kavli Brain Forum, Emory & Georgia Tech
2017	Max Planck Workshop on Mechanisms of Natural Behaviors, Shanghai China
2017	University of Ottawa Neuroscience Seminar
2017	Annual Meeting of the German Zoological Society (main speaker)
2017	Regensburg University Behavioral Biology Mini-Symposium
2017	Ludwig Maximilian University-Harvard Young Scientists Forum
2017	Crete Workshop on Neural Circuits and Behavior of Drosophila
2017	NeuroTuscany: Circuits and Behavior
2017	COSYNE workshop on High-Dimensional Neuro-Behavioral Analyses
2016	Simons Foundation Workshop on Unbiased Quantitative Analysis of Behavior
2016	University of Edinburgh Inst. of Perception, Action and Behavior Seminar Series
2016	Johns Hopkins University Department of Neuroscience Seminar Series
2016	Champalimaud Centre: CAJAL Adv. Neuro. Prog., Behavior & Neural Systems
2016	The Allied Genetics Conference
2016	Fond. des Treilles Workshop: From Indiv. Variation to Gen. Basis of Environ. Sensitivity
2016	NeuroTuscany: Circuits and Behavior
2016	Janelia Conference: Function of the Insect Central Complex
2015	Society for Neuroscience Meeting
2015	TEDx Beacon Street
2015	Rockefeller University Neuroscience Seminar Series
2015	Champalimaud Centre: CAJAL Adv. Neuro. Prog., Behavior & Neural Systems
2015	Imperial College London MRC Clinical Sciences Centre Seminar
2015	Crete Workshop on Neural Circuits and Behavior of Drosophila
2015	University of Iceland Life and Environmental Sciences Seminar
2015	Gordon Research Seminar on Neuroethology (invited faculty representative)
2015	Harvard University Center for Brain Science Annual Retreat
2015	Drosophila Research Conference
2015	American Physical Society Meeting
2014	Kavli Frontier Symposium
2014	Lehigh University Biological Sciences Fall Colloquium Seminar Series
2014	Michigan State University Science at the Edge Seminar Series
2014	ESF-EMBO Symp: Flies Worms & Robots – Minibrains & Behavior
2014	Central South Univ., Changsha, China – Research Collaboration Seminar
2013	Harvard University Center for Brain Science Brownbag Seminar Series

Neurodevelopmental Behavior Core, Harvard Medical School
 Harvard University Center for Brain Science Annual Retreat
 Princeton University Biophysics Seminar
 Janelia Conference: Function of the Insect Central Complex
 Harvard Organismic and Evolutionary Biology Seminar Series

2005 Boston Area Graduate Student Symposium

# **II. TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE**

#### Postdoctoral fellows

- 2018 present Matt Churgin, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow</u>

  \*Research focus: Identification of cellular-level features, such as synapse morphologies or channel expression levels, that predict individual behavioral biases, in stimulus-evoked and spontaneous behaviors.
- 2018 present Carolyn Elya, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow</u>

  \*\*Research focus: Elucidation of genetic, molecular and neural circuit mechanisms by which the fungal parasite \*\*Entomophthora muscae\*\* alters the behavior of its host, \*\*Drosophila melanogaster\*\*.
- 2016 present James Crall, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow</u>

  \*\*Research focus: Effects of environmental stress on individual and collective behavior of bumblebees, high-throughput, automated tracking to discover the role of individual variation in collective behavior.
- 2015 2017 Charuni Gunaratne, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow</u>

  \*\*Research focus: Molecular and circuit mechanisms controlling individuality in light preference behavior.
- 2014 2015 Julien Ayroles, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow</u>
   Current position: Assistant Professor, Princeton University
   Research focus: Quantitative genetics, and specifically: mapping genetic determinants of intragenotypic variability in locomotor behavior.
- 2013 2017 Kyle Honegger, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow</u> *Current position:* Data Scientist, Children's Hospital of Chicago *Research focus*: Molecular and circuit mechanisms controlling individuality in olfactory behavior.

- 2009 2013 Sean Buchanan, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow (at Rowland)</u>

  Current position: Scientist II. Dept. Stem Cells & Regenerative Biology, Harvard Univ.

  Research focus: Molecular, genetic, and circuit mechanisms controlling individuality in locomotor behavior, and the genetic control of locomotor plasticity following injury.
- 2008 2013 Jamey Kain, PhD <u>postdoctoral fellow (at Rowland)</u>

  Current position: Clinical Res. Scientist, Machaon Diagnostics; Scientist, Glowing Plant

  Research focus: Quantification of behavior, mechanisms controlling individuality in light preference behavior, modeling of adaptive value of behavioral variability.

#### **Graduate students**

- 2019 present Danylo Lavrentovich graduate student, Systems Biology 2<sup>nd</sup> year *Research focus*: Computational modeling of individuality in circuits and behavior.
- 2019 present Shraddha Lall <u>graduate student,</u> OEB 1st year *Research focus*: Evolution and behavioral variability.
- 2019 present David Zimmerman graduate student, Biophysics 2<sup>nd</sup> year *Co-advisor*: Aravi Samuel, Harvard Department of Physics *Research focus*: *Drosophila* larval odor coding and learning and memory.
- 2018 present Tom Alisch graduate student, OEB 2<sup>nd</sup> year Research focus: New tools for the automation of behavioral experiments, and the neurobiological basis of decision-making.
- 2017 present Denise Yoon <u>graduate student</u>, OEB 3<sup>rd</sup> year *Research focus*: Measuring variability of wild flies in the wild, using field deployable autonomous instruments, adaptive value of individuality in locomotor behavior.
- 2015 present Matt Smith <u>graduate student</u>, MCO 6<sup>th</sup> year *Research focus*: Measuring intragenotypic variability in learning and memory, and determining the role of synaptic plasticity genes in giving rise to intragenotypic variability.
- 2015 present Jamilla Akhund-Zade <u>graduate student</u>, MCO 6<sup>th</sup> year *Research focus*: Experimentally testing the bet-hedging hypothesis as the adaptive function of intragenotypic variability, focusing on variability in thermal preference.
- 2014 present Zach Werkhoven <u>graduate student, MCO, now postdoc</u> Dissertation: *The structure of behavioral variation within a genotype.*
- 2014 present Jess Kanwal graduate student, PiN, now postdoc Dissertation: From unisensory to multisensory processing in the early olfactory system of the Drosophila larva.
- 2013 2018 Kyobi Skutt-Kakaria <u>graduate student</u>, MCO, PhD 2018 Dissertation: *Establishment and control of behavioral bias in* Drosophila melanogaster.
- 2009 2012 Elizabeth Kane <u>graduate student</u>, BBS, PhD 2012 *Co-advisor:* Aravi Samuel, Harvard Department of Physics

Dissertation: The sensory and behavioral basis of Drosophila larval phototaxis.

#### **Undergraduate researchers**

2015 – 2019 Pablo Reimers Harvard College

Thesis: Stochastic individuality in Drosophila melanogaster:

The effect of neural morphological asymmetry on idiosyncratic behavior. (Hoopes Prize winner)

2017 – 2017 Alyssa Bravin Harvard College

Research focus: Using automated high-throughput instruments to conduct behavior experiments to measure behavioral covariation within a genotype.

2017 – 2017 Andrea Brown <u>Harvard College</u>

Research focus: Determining whether individual exposure to environmental pollutants is more determined by individual or collective behavior.

2015 – 2017 William Long Harvard College

Research focus: Developing software and optimizing hardware for our automated individual fly-handling robot.

2014 – 2016 Ned Lu <u>Harvard College</u>

Thesis: Locomotor plasticity in Drosophila melanogaster: A role for proprioception in acute response to injury. (Dowling Prize winner)

2015 – 2016 Yong Li Dich Harvard College

Research focus: Developing hardware for our automated individual fly-handling robot.

2011 – 2012 Josh Chapman Harvard Extension School (at Rowland)

2010 – 2011 Sarah Zhang <u>Harvard College (at Rowland)</u>

2006 Weiyin He Princeton College (during PhD)

#### Visiting researchers

2017 – 2017 Tom Alisch visiting graduate student

Master's student: University of Groningen

Thesis: An individual fly-handling robot allows high-throughput longitudinal measurement of Drosophila social networks

2016 – 2017 Elisabetta Versace visiting postdoctoral fellow

Advisor: Giorgio Vallortigara, University of Trento

Research focus: Testing the hypothesis that social coordination leads to population level behavioral lateralization

2016 – 2017 Claire Guérin visiting graduate student

MEME program in Evolutionary Biology

Research focus: Automated quantification of bumblebee micro colonies

2016 – 2017 Christian Rohrsen visiting graduate student

Advisor. Björn Brembs, Regensburg University

Research focus: Neural circuit mechanisms of operant conditioning and coding of self-

learning valence.

2011 – 2012 Shmuel Raz, PhD visiting postdoctoral fellow (at Rowland)

Advisor: Eviatar Nevo, University of Haifa

Current position: Co-founder, Torasha Next Generation Sequencing

2011 Bruno Afonso, PhD visiting postdoctoral fellow (at Rowland)

Advisor: Aravi Samuel, Harvard Department of Physics

Current position: Postdoctoral fellow, Janelia Research Campus

2008 Quentin Gaudry, PhD visiting postdoctoral fellow (at Rowland)

Advisor: Rachel Wilson, Harvard Department of Neurobiology Current position: Assistant Professor, University of Maryland

# Current and former researchers in other positions

Nicole Pittoors	research assistant
Emily Lee	research assistant
August Easton Calabria	research assistant
Kayleigh Cronin	research assistant
Aundrea Koger	REU student
Valerie Saykina	high school intern
Simon Risman	high school intern
James Marvel-Coen	rotation student
Jialu Bao	rotation student
Jasper Duval	high school intern
Fosca Bechthold	high school intern
Benno Rodeman	high school intern
Katy Loubet-Senear	rotation student
Anna Soloshenko	high school intern
Maya Basak	high school intern
Gary Qin	high school intern
Julien Grimaud	rotation student
Rebecca Senft	rotation student
Erika Gajda	research assistant
Akshitha Ramachandran	high school intern
	Emily Lee August Easton Calabria Kayleigh Cronin Aundrea Koger Valerie Saykina Simon Risman James Marvel-Coen Jialu Bao Jasper Duval Fosca Bechthold Benno Rodeman Katy Loubet-Senear Anna Soloshenko Maya Basak Gary Qin Julien Grimaud Rebecca Senft Erika Gajda

2015	Michael Isakov	high school intern
2014	Michelle Frank	rotation student
2014	Brian Sullivan	research assistant
2014	Vivian Hemmelder	post-baccalaureate researcher
2013	Sandra Ho	high school intern
2012 – 2014	Chelsea Jenney	undergraduate and research assistant
2005	Oliver Jawitz	high school intern (during PhD)

# **Courses taught at Harvard**

Term	Course Taught	Enroll- ment	Q-score, out of 5 (Course)	Comments
Fall 2019	LS 50A: Integrated Science <sup>∥</sup>	TBD	TBD	_
Spring 2019	LS 50B: Integrated Science	25	<b>4.5</b> (4.6)	
January 2019	MCB 356: Practical Introduction to Robotics	13	<b>4.7</b> (4.8)	
Fall 2018	LS 50A: Integrated Science <sup>∥</sup>	33	<b>3.8</b> (4.2)	
Spring 2018	LS 50B: Integrated Science§	32	<b>4.3</b> (4.3)	
January 2018	MCB 356: Practical Introduction to Robotics	14	<b>5.0</b> (5.0)	
Fall 2017	LS 50A: Integrated Science§	37	<b>3.8</b> (4.0)	
Spring 2017	LS 50B: Integrated Science ‡	18	<b>4.7</b> (4.3)	
Spring 2017	BIOPHYSICS 242R: Special Topics in Biophysics: Biophys., Brain & Behavior	12	NA (4.0)	
January 2017	MCB 356: Practical Introduction to Robotics	18	<b>4.7</b> (4.5)	
Fall 2016	LS 50A: Integrated Science‡	21	<b>4.4</b> (4.4)	
Spring 2016	LS 50B: Integrated Science*	22	<b>4.2</b> (4.4)	new course
January 2016	MCB 356: Practical Introduction to Robotics	20	NA	new nanocourse
Fall 2015	LS 50A: Integrated Science*	24	NA (4.1)	new course
Spring 2015	OEB 131: Neuroethology	3	<b>5.0</b> (5.0)	
Fall 2014	LS 200: Integrated Science*†	9	NA	new course
Spring 2014	OEB 131: Neuroethology	6	<b>4.5</b> (4.2)	new course

<sup>©</sup> co-instructors: Andrew Murray, Cassandra Extavour, Michael Desai, Aravi Samuel

<sup>§</sup> co-instructors: Andrew Murray, Cassandra Extavour, Michael Desai, Sean Eddy

<sup>‡</sup>co-instructors: Andrew Murray, Cassandra Extavour, Michael Desai, Erel Levine, Sean Eddy

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<sup>\*</sup> co-instructors: Andrew Murray, Cassandra Extavour, Michael Desai, Erel Levine, Mary Wahl

<sup>†</sup> pedagogical course for graduate students

# Courses taught elsewhere

Term	Course Taught	Enrollment	Comments
Summer 2018	CAJAL Advanced Neurobiology Programs: Behavior & Neural Systems, Champalimaud Centre	20	co-directed CAJAL BNS course. Provided direct co-instruction for 2/3 weeks
Summer 2016	CAJAL Advanced Neurobiology Programs: Behavior & Neural Systems, Champalimaud Centre	20	supervised independent student projects for 10 days of 21 day course
Summer 2015	CAJAL Advanced Neurobiology Programs: Behavior & Neural Systems, Champalimaud Centre	20	supervised independent student projects for 10 days of 21 day course

# **Guest lecturer**

2015 – 2019	OEB 399: Topics in Organismic and Evolutionary Biology
2018	BIOPHYSICS 300: Introduction to Laboratory Research
2017	NEUROBIO 109. Precision Neurosci.: Neural Circuits for Individuality
Falls 2013 - 2015	MCB 294: Interesting Questions in Engineering and Physical Biology
Spring 2013	BIOPHYSICS 242R: Spec. Top. in Biophys.: Biophysics, Brain & Behavior
Fall 2010	OEB 181: Systematics
2006 – 2009	New England Complex Systems Institute Summer & Winter Schools

# **Undergraduate Integrative Biology concentration advising**

Spring 2017 – present Zeke Benshirim
Spring 2016 – present Maya Learned
Spring 2014 – Spring 2016 Kate Freedberg

# Graduate committee mentoring and advising

Student	Advisor(s)	Program	PQE * DAC † Thesis Def. \$
Michael Myagi	Desai/Wakeley	OEB	X
Evan Hoki	Pierce	OEB	X
Shoyo Sato	Giribet	OEB	X
Nicole Bedford	Hoekstra	OEB	X X

Alex Hyde	Nowak/Mahadevan	OEB	Χ	Χ	
Jake Gable	Hoekstra	OEB	Χ	Χ	
Jake Peters	Combes/Mahadevan	OEB	Χ	Χ	Χ
James Crall	Combes/Pierce	OEB		Χ	Χ
Ambika Kamath	Losos	OEB		Χ	Χ
Hillery Metz	Hoekstra	OEB		Χ	Χ
Tamsin Jones	Extavour	OEB	Χ		
Katie Boronow	Losos	OEB	Χ		
Yuqi Qin	Zhang	OEB		Χ	Χ
Kumaresh Krishann	Engert	MCO	Χ		
Kristian Herrera	Engert	MCO	Χ	Χ	Χ
William Menegas	Uchida	MCO	Χ	Χ	Χ
Javier Masis	Cox	MCO	Χ	Χ	
Yang Jiang	Kunes	MCO	Χ	Χ	Χ
Caitlin Lewarch	Hoekstra	MCO	Χ	Χ	Χ
Emily Hager	Hoekstra	MCO	Χ	Χ	
Felix Baier	Hoekstra	MCO	Χ	Χ	
Jasper Maniates-Selvin	Lee	PiN		Χ	
Jenny Lu	Wilson	PiN	Χ	Χ	
Sasha Rayshubskiy	Wilson	PiN	Χ	Χ	
Robert Johnson	Engert	PiN	Χ	Χ	
He Yang	Kunes	PiN	Χ	Χ	
Michael Marquis	Wilson	PiN	Χ	Χ	
Willie Tobin	Wilson	PiN			Χ
Joe Bell	Wilson	PiN			Χ
Alexandra Batchelor	Wilson	PiN	Χ	Χ	Xc
Luis Hernandez	Samuel	Biophysics			Χ
Mariela Petkova	Engert	Biophysics	Χ		
Drago Guggiana-Nilo	Engert	Biophysics	Χ		Χ
Jacob Baron	Samuel	Physics	Χ		Χ
Alex Isakov	Samuel	Physics	Χ		Χ
Matt Berck	Samuel	Physics	Χ		Χ
Roshan Satapathy	Jösch	Inst Sci & Tech, Vienna	Χ		Χ
Alejandro Lopez	Bargmann	Rockefeller University			Χ
Balazs Szigeti	Webb	University of Edinburgh			X

<sup>\*</sup> Preliminary qualifying exam (PQE)
† Dissertation advisory committee (DAC)
† Thesis defense committee

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>C</sup> Served as committee chair

# **III. ACADEMIC SERVICE**

## **Harvard affiliations**

Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology

Center for Brain Science

Molecules, Cells, Organisms Graduate Program

Program in Neuroscience Graduate Program

Biophysics Graduate Program

Mind, Brain, Behavior Initiative

Leverett House Senior Common Room

# Departmental service and committee membership

2013 – present	OEB Undergraduate Committee
2013 – present	Graduate admissions interviewer for OEB
2013 – present	Faculty reader of 21 Undergraduate honors theses
2017 – 2018	OEB Global Change Ecology Search Committee
2015 – 2017	OEB Webpage Committee

# University service and committee membership

2017 – present	Standing Committee on Degrees in Neuroscience/Neurobiology
2013 - present	Graduate admissions interviewer for MCO
2013 - present	Mind Brain Behavior Standing Committee
2018	Judge, Harvard iGEM BioHackathon
2013 – 2018	MCO Graduate Training Program Journal Club Committee Coach for 21 total MCO Journal Club presentations
2017	GSAS Alumni Day Presenter
2017	Mind Brain Behavior Faculty Award Reviewer
2015 – 2016	Program in Neuroscience Graduate Admissions Committee
2015	Speaker at FAS Campaign event: "Concentrations: Exploring the Basis of Behavior & Cognition"
2013 – 2014	Life Science Curriculum Committee

2004 – 2008	Resident Tutor, Leverett House
2003 – 2004	Non-Resident Tutor, Leverett House
2003 – 2004	MCB Genetics and Genomics Training Program webpage committee
2002 – 2003	Co-Organizer of Genetics and Genomics Training Program Symposium: "Species Interactions and Coevolution" – joint between MCB, OEB

## **Professional service and memberships**

2017 – present	Codirector CAJAL Advanced Neuro. Prog.: Behavior & Neural Systems
2016 - present	Member, Genetics Society of America
2015 - present	Member, Society for the Study of Evolution
2015 – present	Scientific Advisor, FlySorter LLC

#### Ad-hoc reviewer

Nature • Current Biology • eLife • Nature Neuroscience • Journal of Experimental Biology • PLoS Biology • Nature Methods • Nature Communications • Journal of Comparative Neurology • Physical Biology • PLoS ONE • Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B • Journal of the Royal Society Interface • Cladistics • Zoologica Scripta • Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience • Frontiers in Psychology • Journal of the Royal Society: Interface • Scientific Reports • Science Advances • Journal of Neuroscience Methods • Mathematical Biosciences and Engineering • BMC Bioinformatics • Bioinspiration & Biomimetics • The European Physical Journal • Human Frontier Science Program • Wellcome Trust Postdoctoral Fellowship • Wellcome Trust Dale Fellowship • Forschungsgemeinschaft • KU Leuven Interdisciplinary Research Projects Grant

#### IV. Other

2013 – present	Superforecaster for: Good Judgement Project, Hybrid Forecasting Competition, INSEAD Forecasting Study, GJP 2 FOCUS
2005 – present	Member Team Left Out, MIT Mystery Hunt (11 top-10 finishes, 5 top-3 finishes, and 1 win in 2019 in 15 years of competition)
2012 – 2013	Forecaster, Good Judgement Project
2010	Volunteer interpreter, Boston Museum of Science: Butterfly Hall