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Current Position

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow

Language and Cognition Lab, Stanford University, USA &
Leipzig Research Center for Early Child Development, Germany

Education

Ph.D. Psychology, Leipzig University, 2016

Supervisors: Josep Call and Michael Tomasello
Grade: "summa cum laude" (highest distinction possible)

M.Sc. Psychology, University of Vienna & New York University, 2013

Grade: "with distinction" (highest distinction possible)

Employment

2017 – 2020	Postdoc / Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellow Language and Cognition Lab, Stanford University, USA & Leipzig Research Center for Early Child Development, Germany
2016 – 2017	Postdoctoral researcher Department of Developmental and Comparative Psychology Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany
2013 – 2016	PhD Student Department of Developmental and Comparative Psychology Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany
2012 – 2013	Research assistant Wolfgang Köhler Primate Research Centre Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig, Germany
2011 – 2012	Research assistant Department of Developmental Psychology and Psychological Assessment University of Vienna, Austria
2008 – 2010	Research assistant Department of Basic Psychological Research University of Vienna, Austria

Teaching

Summer 2017	Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes Summer school (interdisciplinary): How to study animal minds?
Spring 2017	Leipzig University Lecture (Early Childhood Research): Non-verbal communication Co-taught with Daniel Haun
Fall 2016	University of Vienna Seminar (Psychology): Phylo- and ontogenetic roots of uniquely human cognition
Spring 2016	University of Heidelberg Seminar (Psychology & Philosophy): Human communication from a phylo- and ontogenetic perspective
Fall 2015	University of Vienna Seminar (Psychology): Social-cognitive development from a phylo- and ontogenetic perspective
Fall 2014	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena Seminar (Psychology & Philosophy): Origins of Meaning - the Gricean theory of meaning and its interdisciplinary adoption
Spring 2014	Leipzig School of Human Origins Lecture (Psychology): Great ape culture and social learning Co-taught with Michael Tomasello
2008 – 2011	University of Vienna Teaching assistant for seminars/lectures on psychological methods Department of Developmental Psychology and Psychological Assessment

Funding and Awards

2017 – 2020	Global Fellowship (239 860€) European Commission, Horizon 2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions
2013 – 2016	PhD scholarship (45 000€) Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes
2010 – 2013	Performance scholarship (each 700€) University of Vienna, for outstanding academic achievements
2012	KWA short-term research grant (1 500€) University of Vienna
2012	Joint Study Stipend (2 000€) University of Vienna

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

1. Bohn, M. & Köymen, B. (2017). Common ground and development. *Child Development Perspectives*.
2. Bohn, M., Allritz, M., Call, J., & Völter, C. J. (2017). Information seeking about tool properties in great apes. *Scientific Reports*, 7(1), 10923.
3. Schmelz, M., Duguid, S., Bohn, M., & Völter, C. (2017). Individual and cooperative problem solving in giant otters (*Pteronura brasiliensis*) and Asian small-clawed otters (*Aonyx cinerea*). *Animal Cognition*, 20: 1107.
4. Bohn, M., Call, J., & Tomasello, M. (2016). The role of past interactions in great apes' communication about absent entities. *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, 130(4), 351-357.
5. Bohn, M., Call, J., & Tomasello, M. (2016). Comprehension of iconic gestures by chimpanzees and human children. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*, 142, 1-17.
6. Bohn, M., Call, J., & Tomasello, M. (2016). Communication about absent entities in great apes and human infants. *Cognition*, 145, 63-72.
7. Stieger, S., Burger, C., Bohn, M., & Voracek, M. (2013). Who commits virtual identity suicide? Differences in privacy concerns, Internet addiction, and personality between Facebook users and quitters. *Cyberpsychology, Behavior, and Social Networking*, 16(9), 629-34.

Submitted

1. Bohn, M., Zimmermann, L., Call, J., & Tomasello, M. (under review). The social-cognitive basis of infants' reference to absent entities.
2. Bohn, M., Kordt, C., Call, J., & Tomasello, M. (under review). Learning novel skills from iconic gestures: A developmental and evolutionary perspective.

Book Chapters

1. Bohn, M. (2017). Information and the Evolution of Human Communication. In W. Hofkirchner, M. Burgin (Eds.), *Information Studies and the Quest for Transdisciplinarity* (pp. 345-362): World Scientific.

Other

1. Bohn, M. & Stöber, G. (2017). Soziale Determinanten menschlicher Kommunikation. *Forschungsbericht 2017 - Max-Planck-Institut für evolutionäre Anthropologie*.

Presentations

Invited Talks

- 2017 SOMICS synergy meeting, CEU Budapest, Hungary
 Department of Philosophy, University of Leipzig, Germany
 Brain Language Laboratory, Free University Berlin, Germany

- 2016 Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Germany
 Marsilius Kolleg, University of Heidelberg, Germany
 Brain Language Laboratory, Free University Berlin, Germany
- 2015 International Society for Information Studies, Vienna, Austria

Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations

- 2018 Budapest CEU Conference on Cognitive Development, Budapest, Hungary
- 2017 International Congress for the Study of Child Language, Lyon, Frankreich
- 2016 International Primatological Society Congress, Chicago, USA
 German Society for Psychology, Leipzig, Germany
 Austrian Society for Psychology, Innsbruck, Austria
- 2015 European Society for Philosophy and Psychology, Tartu, Estonia
- 2014 International Primatological Society Congress, Hanoi, Vietnam

Peer-Reviewed Conference Posters

- 2017 Society for Research in Child Development, Austin, USA
- 2016 Budapest CEU Conference on Cognitive Development, Budapest, Hungary
- 2015 Society for Research in Child Development, Philadelphia, USA
 Budapest CEU Conference on Cognitive Development, Budapest, Hungary
 Nature and Origins of Human Cognition Conference, Berlin, Germany
- 2014 International Conference on Infant Studies, Berlin, Germany
- 2013 Transfer of Knowledge Conference CompCog, Vienna, Austria

Reviewer

Animal Cognition, Child Development, Child Development Perspectives, Current Anthropology, Journal of Comparative Psychology, PLOS Biology, Topoi

Mentoring

Konstantina Margiotoudi (PhD)	Sound symbolism and the origins of language
Greta Philippsen (Master)	Evolutionary origins of negation
Clara Kordt (Bachelor)	Teaching through iconic gestures in young children
Luise Zimmermann (Bachelor)	Social-cognitive basis of displacement
Jaques Achilles (BeLL)	Handedness in great apes

Collaborators

Josep Call, Matthias Allritz, Christoph Völter, Suska Nolte	University of St. Andrews, UK
Gregor Kachel, Shona Duguid	MPI-EVA, Germany
David Hardecker	Leipzig University, Germany
Bahar Koymen	University of Manchester, UK
Michael Tomasello	Duke University, USA
Konstantina Margiotoudi, Friedemann Pulvermüller	FU Berlin, Germany
Martin Schmelz	University of Vienna, Austria
György Gergely, Tibor Tauzin	CEU Budapest, Hungary

Media Coverage

TV	“Am Drücker“ – Elefant, Tiger & Co, MDR, 06.01.2017, 19:50 Uhr
	“Quadratisch, praktisch, gut“ – Elefant, Tiger & Co, MDR, 07.10.2016, 19:50 Uhr
	“Krimi im Kreissaal“ - Elefant, Tiger & Co?, ARD, 22.06.2015, 16:10 Uhr
Radio	“Sprache der Tiere“ – Deutschlandradio Kultur, 15.05.2015, 15:30 Uhr
Print	“Menschenaffen reflektieren über ihr eigenes (Un-)Wissen“ – derstandard.at, 09.2017
	“Menschenaffen wissen, wenn sie etwas nicht wissen“ – kurier.at, 09.2017
	“Verstehst du uns, Kleines? “ – Baby und Familie, 03.2017
	“Mitdenker“ – DB Mobil, 12.2013

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