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**Position:** Max Planck Research Group Leader

**Academic education including academic degrees**

- 2003-2006 Bachelor's degree and Master's degree of Cellular and Molecular Biology, Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) and Université Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris, France. Passed with highest qualification "très bien" (17.1/20)
- 2000-2003 Vordiplom in Biology, University of Saarland, Germany

**Scientific graduation**

- 2006-2010 Dr. rer. nat. and EMBL Ph.D. from EMBL and Ruprecht-Karls University Heidelberg. Supervisor: Dr. Stephen Cohen. "Summa cum laude"

**Employment**

- Since 2016 Independent Research Group leader, Max-Planck Institute of Immunobiology and Epigenetics, Freiburg
- 2010-2016 Postdoctoral research in Michael Levine's and Donald Rio's groups, University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, USA

**Other activities, awards and honours**

- 2018 Awarded European Research Council (ERC) Starting Grant
- 2016 Awarded German Research Foundation (DFG) Emmy Noether Grant; gratefully declined
- 2014 – 2016 DFG postdoctoral research fellowship
- 2012 – 2014 Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP) postdoctoral research fellowship
- 2011 European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) postdoctoral fellowship
- Since 2012 Teaching of lectures in lecture series within PhD and Master programmes
- Since 2012 Mentoring and supervision of technicians (5), PhD students (3), Masters students (3) and Postdoc (1)
- Since 2012 Reviewer for international journals including Genome Biology, Nature Reviews Molecular Cell Biology, RNA Biology, Genome Research.