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*I would like to know how living works*

## AMBITION

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Already as a child I felt that science is my passion and my destiny. Now, 15 years later, I am sure that my intuition was right. Anything living fascinated me, which means I do not have a particular scientific goal.

I have therefore explored different fields and topics to find the one most most interesting and meaningful to me. This journey led me from atoms over cells to psychology and has showed me that I want to specify in genetics, ideally in combination with ageing, neurobiology, or cognition.

## EDUCATION

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### TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY GRAZ

2016-2020

BSC IN MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

- Bachelor thesis with focus on wetlab genetics and microbiology

### UTRECHT UNIVERSITY

2020-2023

MSC IN NEUROSCIENCE AND COGNITION

- Major internship (thesis) in experimental psychology; focus on cognition and statistics
- Specialization track *complex systems*; with a short internship in biological modelling

## EXPERIENCE

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### STUDENT TEAM LEADER

Summer 2019 / Austria

LEADING THE NAWI GRAZ TEAM TO VICTORY IN THE INTERNATIONAL MOLBIO STUDENT RESEARCH COMPETITION iGEM

- Leadership, organization, financing, research planning, wetlab experience

### FUNDRAISER

Summer 2020/2021 / Germany

DOOR-TO-DOOR FUNDRAISING FOR THE RED CROSS, THROUGH KOBER GMBH

- Sales experience

### PODCASTER

Autumn 2021 / Netherlands

SUPPORTING THE *ROAD TO OPEN SCIENCE* PODCAST BY UTRECHT UNIVERSITY

### RESEARCH ASSISTANT

2023-2024 / Netherlands

EXPANDING AND COMPLETING MY COGNITION-FOCUSED THESIS PROJECT ON VISUAL LOCAL-GLOBAL PERCEPTION BIAS

- Meta-analysis, statistics, cognitive modelling

## SKILLS

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**PERSONAL** Independence | Thoroughness | Honesty | Criticality | Ambition

**WETLAB** Basic wetlab techniques | DNA extraction | PCR | Vector cloning | Gel electrophoresis

**BIOINFORMATICS** Primer design | Sequence alignment search | Protein modelling

**PROGRAMMING** Experienced: R Familiar: Javascript Beginner: Python | Matlab | Netlogo

**LANGUAGES** Fluent: German, English Proficient: Dutch Conversational: Italian Basic: Spanish

## OTHER

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- AWARDS: Award for high school 'thesis', several awards in the iGEM competition for our project BEESENSOR
- OPEN SCIENCE: High commitment to Open Science practices, interest in communication with the public
- HOBBIES: Bouldering, swimming, running, cycling, boardgames, strategy games, DnD
- PERSONAL LONG-TERM GOALS: Finishing an ironman, developing a strategy game, writing a novel