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1. Preface by the director

The Swammerdam Institute for Life Sciences: developments in 2009

In 2009 for the whole of SILS there were several important developments. In the spring/summer of the year 9 out of the 12 research groups relocated to the new FNWI building. In this new building (completion in summer 2010) all research institutes of the FNWI, as well as the faculty and the teaching organization will be housed together. This will definitely lead to more extensive sharing of knowledge and facilities between the various researchers. State of the art laboratory facilities are now available to SILS personnel, and the initial feedback on these premises was very good. However, the relocation to the new building also had some downsides. There were delays up to 8 months in various areas due to technical problems. This will inevitably lead to a negative short term effect on research output.

The two major bachelor studies in the Life Sciences, Psychobiology and Biomedical Sciences showed an impressive increase in new students (an increase of 59% and 103% respectively). Despite this major increase in teaching obligations, SILS staff managed to cope with this influx during 2009.

In the fall of 2009 the Scientific Advisory Board (SAB) visited the Institute to perform the mid-term review over the period 2006- 2008. The outcome of this review was encouraging. For all four clusters, overall quality and productivity of research was rated very good to excellent. This was an improvement over the rating SILS received during the external review over the period 2000 - 2005. The SAB pointed to the fact that with the increasing number of students it would be difficult to maintain the high research standards. In addition, the FNWI and also SILS are confronted with serious budget cuts, and prudent financial management over the coming years is necessary to continue to support the research at SILS. In that light it is important to note that an increased influx of students, both in the BSc and especially in the MSc could largely counteract the negative budgets forecasts.

Research groups within the Swammerdam Institute for Life Sciences

The Living Cell

Molecular Microbial Physiology	Prof.dr. K.J. Hellingwerf
Molecular Biology and Microbial Food Safety	Prof.dr. S. Brul
Structure and Functional Organisation of the Cell Nucleus	Prof.dr. R. van Driel
Epigenetic Regulation of Gene Expression	Prof.dr. A.P. Otte
Molecular Cytology	Prof.dr. Th.W.J. Gadella

Plant Signalling

Plant Physiology	Prof.dr. M.A. Haring
Plant-Pathogen Interaction	Prof.dr. B.J.C. Cornelissen

SILS Center for NeuroScience

Animal Physiology and Cognitive Neuroscience	Prof.dr.C.M.A. Pennartz
Cellular and Systems Neurobiology	Prof.dr. W.J. Wadman
Hormonal Regulation of Signal Transduction in the Brain	Prof.dr. M. Joëls

Life Science Technologies

Mass Spectrometry of Biomacromolecules	Prof.dr. C.G. de Koster
BioSystems Data Analysis	Prof.dr. A.K. Smilde
Micro Array Department and Integrated Bioinformatics Unit	Dr. T.M. Breit

The Living Cell

Molecular Microbial Physiology

Chairholder: Prof. dr. K.J. Hellingwerf

Prof. dr. J. Hugenholtz

Professor

Prof. dr. M.J. Teixeira de Mattos

Professor

Introduction

The general aim of the research in the Molecular Microbial Physiology Group (MMPG) is to discover the properties that allow living (microbial) cells to catalyze a large array of concurrent chemical fluxes and information flows. From these processes and in particular their mutual interactions 'life', with its typical characteristics such as: adaptation to the environment, reproduction, and evolution, has emerged. Microorganisms are particularly successful in this respect as can be concluded from the fact that they inhabit even the most extreme and variable ecosystems known to exist on this earth (and possibly even beyond); they can grow at very high rates, and can even adapt/evolve genetically.

Our work focuses on various aspects of this complex process, like (i) the details of intra-molecular signal-generation in (photo) receptor proteins, (ii) signal transfer between subsequent components in a signal transduction chain, (iii) the regulatory function of modulated gene expression, (iv) the generation of new metabolic capacities through the methods of synthetic biology and (v) the functional integration of these processes in the physiology of a range of micro-organisms, relevant for food and health, etc. By combining theoretical (*i.e.* computational) and experimental approaches, insight is obtained into basic principles that underlie functional interactions in (information) flux-carrying macromolecular networks, and accordingly into a *biochemical system* that sustains microbial (*i.e.* cellular) *life*.

Research Highlights

- Our approach for analysing the physiological function and significance of the branched nature of the respiratory chain of *Escherichia coli* has gained further momentum by the publication on the role of cytochrome bdII oxidase. Quantitative analysis has shown that this terminal oxidase does not contribute to the build-up of a proton motive force, *i.e.* to energy conservation. Nevertheless, the electron flux through this oxidase is significant. A further step has been set in unravelling the complex signal perception of the major regulator of respiration and fermentation in *E. coli*, the so-called ArcBA two-component-regulatory system: We have shown that the redox state of both the ubiquinone and the menaquinone pool play a role in activating this system.

- As part of the SysMO-LAB project, we compared the physiological response of three quite different lactic acid bacteria – *Lactococcus lactis*, *Enterococcus faecalis* and *Streptococcus pyogenes* – in the chemostat to pulses in glucose, to changes in environmental pH, and to deletion of the gene encoding the enzyme lactate dehydrogenase. Although the three lactic acid bacteria operate the same homolactic catabolism, clearly different responses were observed upon the described modulations. With the metabolic models that were developed for each lactic acid bacterium by the different partners within the SysMO-LAB project, these differences will be explained in the coming year via the underlying regulatory mechanisms.
- In our "photofermentation" research, aimed to generate a system for the production of solar biofuel, 'proof of principle' has been provided for the production of two different biofuel substrates. Additional fermentation pathways, composed of oxygen-resistant enzymes from various bacteria and yeasts, are being assembled for insertion into the genome of *Synechocystis* sp. PCC6803.
- Two independent approaches have provided evidence that the transient (*i.e.* picosecond) ground state intermediate that is formed in parallel to the pathway towards signaling state formation in PYP, has a structure with single- rather than double-bond isomerization. Through site-directed mutagenesis the yields of signaling state and transient ground state were modulated in a way that can be rationalized through Molecular Dynamics modeling.
- Photoactivation of the general stress response in *Bacillus subtilis* with red light, via RsbP/Q of the energy-branch of the upstream signaling pathway, has been characterized in detail through a publication in the Journal of Bacteriology.

Other Highlights

- The FES program "Towards BioSolar Cells", in which MMPG actively participates, has been granted with a total sum of 45 MEu. Prof. Hellingwerf has been appointed as coordinator of the central theme in this program: Photosynthesis at the cellular level
- Prof Teixeira de Mattos has been elected by Executive Board of the European Federation of Biotechnology as Chair of the Scientific Committee of the 15th European Congress on Biotechnology (September 2012, Istanbul)
- The two projects in the MMP Group that were granted in the framework of the transnational SYSMO call were very positively evaluated and acquired funding for a second period.
- A patent was filed on the use of a modified *E. coli* strain, lacking all oxidase activity, as a platform for the optimization of fermentation pathways under aerobic conditions, e.g. through directed evolution.

Research aims for the coming year

- In our photofermentation research additional metabolic fermentation pathways will be tested with respect to functionality in the cyanobacterium *Synechocystis*. Whenever relevant, initial tests of selected heterologous pathways will be performed in *Escherichia coli* MB43 in the absence and presence of oxygen. Pathway expression will be optimized through gene-amplification strategies.
- To deepen the systems-biology understanding of photoreceptor functioning in bacteria, we will extend our studies to a structure-driven site-directed mutagenesis study of the role of YtvA. These studies will include mutant proteins with altered microscopic rate constants for signaling state formation to test bottom-up systems biology models of the process. In addition, jointly with our colleagues from Newcastle, we will try to reconstitute light-activation of the stressosome of *B. subtilis* *in vitro*.
- The observed differences in physiological behaviour of the three homofermentative lactic acid bacteria will be explained using the newly developed metabolic models. The comparative Systems Biology approach will be expanded through the SysMO-LAB-2 project, that was granted at the end of 2009. This project will focus more on species- and strain differences regarding regulatory networks and the interaction between amino acid metabolism on the one hand and the primary carbon- and energy metabolism on the other hand.
- The aim of SUMO-2 is to formulate a mathematical model of the entire catabolic network of *E. coli*. Whereas in SUMO-1 the focus was on the respiratory chain, we will now include a glucose transport-, glycolysis- and TCA cycle module. The common denominators in these modules are NAD(H) and AD(T)P. Dr Bruggeman (CWI) will play a active part in connecting these modules to respiration, jointly with our SUMO partners.

Molecular Biology and Microbial Food Safety

Chairholder: Prof. dr. S. Brul

Dr. J.C. van der Spek	Assistant Professor
Dr. G.J. Smits	Assistant Professor
Dr. F.M. Klis	Senior scientist (former Associate Professor)
Dr. B. Ter Kuile	Researcher Dutch Food & Drug Authority (VWA)
Dr. J.P.P.M. Smelt	Senior researcher (former Unilever scientist)

Introduction

Our group aims at a fundamental understanding of **stress response** of **micro-organisms** in relation to **infection** and **infection prevention**. We focus on food and medical antimicrobial treatments and agents used in the human as well as animal health sector. Model studies are performed in the single cell model yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, pathogenic *Candida albicans* as well as the prokaryotic spoilage and pathogenic bacteria *Bacillus subtilis* and *Escherichia coli*. The group is a member of the Netherlands Institute for Systems Biology (NISB). Results are quantified and analysed using a number of modelling tools including proteomics, micro-array and functional data analysis software. We have long standing contacts with food safety and medical groups including the food and pharma industry focussing on applied studies. The Scientific Advisory Board of SILS judged at the mid-term review of SILS that we have made compared to the previous formal research assessment of 2000-2005 a (required) major leap forward and are now at a very good to excellent level of research quality and viability.

Future Prospects & Societal impact

Spin-off of the studies is on important societal aspects. Firstly we contribute to improved food quality (in particular lower salt and sugar levels) at continued food safety in collaboration with the Dutch Food Safety Authority (Havelaar et al., 2009). Secondly, the group has delivered with PhD student Alex Ter Beek a screening method for new food preservatives to Unilever. Through consultancy of prof. Brul this was implemented for screening in the Chinese (Shanghai) lab. Thirdly, we are key players in a large European project on vaccine development against an important group of infectious diseases caused by *Candida albicans*. In both areas patents were filed and / or patent options discussed. Thus, in crucial societal fields the group is well placed and externally acknowledged for contributing to the areas of food security and resistance to infection. Furthermore, with the embedding in the 'Netherlands Centre for Systems Biology' the central basic research theme of molecular systems biology of stress response and cellular plasticity is strengthened and guaranteed for the future. We are partners in the application of the Science Council for a National Centre for Systems Biology.

Research Highlights

We succeeded in the expression of a pH sensitive green fluorescent protein (pHluorin) in the cytosol and the mitochondria of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* cells. pHluorin was used to probe for the first time *in vivo* at seconds time scale the behaviour of the pHi in response to cellular and environmental stress. (Orij et al., 2009). The tool was extended to *B. subtilis* and used for antimicrobial screening (Unilever).

In 2009 our group was successful in the quantification of the *Candida albicans* cell wall proteome relevant to health and disease. Work in our group in collaboration with the de Koster group at SILS has focused on establishing microbial proteomics of the cell surface. We established the quantitative difference in the cell wall proteome upon exposure of *Candida albicans* cells to an environmental pH of 4 and one of 7. pH 4 is the normal pH of the vagina. An alkalisation of the vaginal pH is associated with a pathological state and the development of Candida infection (discussed in Klis et al., 2009; see also Butler et al. 2009).

In our line of research on bacterial spore-formers we formulated a model for the molecular processes operative in weak organic acid stress resistance in *Bacillus subtilis* (Ter Beek, 2009, PhD thesis) as well as spore germination and outgrowth of the organism (Ter Beek et al., 2010 submitted). The gene-systems involved in sorbic-acid resistance have been patented together with Unilever.

The bacterial research-line focusing on antibiotic resistance development, directly linked to microbial food safety issues and run in close collaboration with the Dutch Food Safety Authority (VWA) was firmly established in 2009. The studies focused on the acquisition of resistance as a consequence of antibiotic exposure both in conditions where exchange of genetic material can take place as well as in monocultures. For all experiments we use *Escherichia coli* in combination with 3 antibiotics that all have a different working mechanism. Low levels of antibiotics pose an increased hazard for both transmission of resistance as well as the de novo development of resistance.

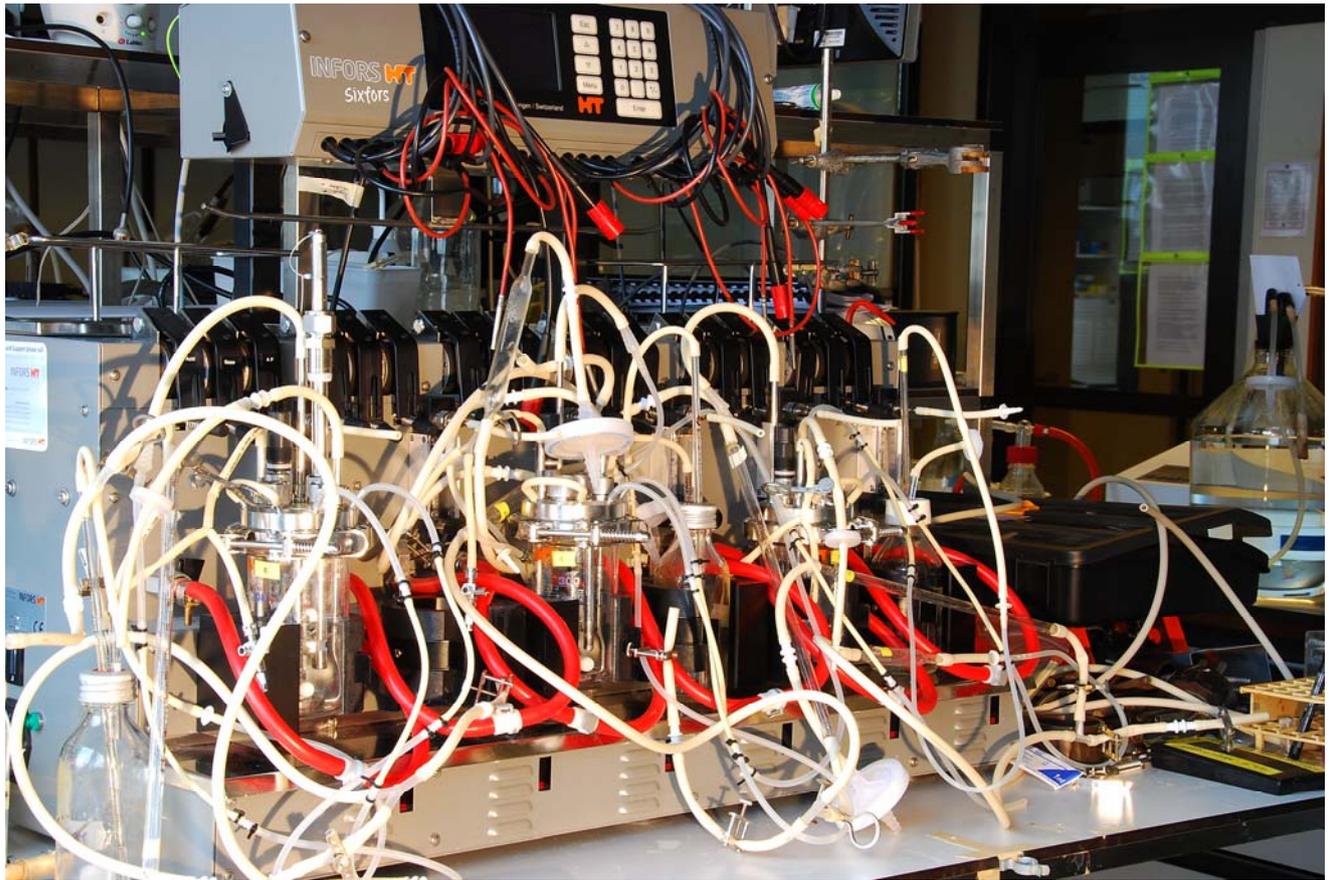
Other Highlights

S. Brul: FEMS representative of the Dutch Society for Microbiology as of 2009; Chair of the Dutch Institute for BioScience; Joined the editorial board of Elsevier's Food Microbiology; STW fellowship and FES funds in the field of microbial stability; member of the STW VICI committee and EU FP7 project reviews.

F.M. Klis: Editor Eukaryotic Cell, FEMS Yeast Research, Yeast..

Research aims for the coming year

- *Temperature and weak organic acid stress in yeast; the role of energy metabolism in generating efficient stress responses.* In the study of yeast energy metabolism and its role in stress response against environmental insult our group will focus on two aspects: (1) A mild thermal stress and (2) a stress with weak organic acid compounds. The latter is work that has a pendant in the Bacillus studies of the group as may be inferred from the information presented. Previous work on the glycolytic pathway of yeast cells cultured at elevated temperatures revealed that control of the response to such conditions mostly is distributed over the various levels of cellular organization (PhD student Jarne Postmus).
- *The role of the cell wall in virulence and related stress responses of medically relevant yeast (Candida).* Here we will continue our work on the detailed proteomic analysis of the Candida cell wall. This 'organelle' consists of an internal layer, which is responsible for its mechanical strength and an external protein coat, which is responsible for interactions with the environment. The latter is crucial for biofilm formation, adhesion to abiotic surfaces, recognition of host cells and general fitness.
- *The mechanisms of temperature resistance and weak organic acid stress response in Bacilli.* This research line includes a continuation of a long standing effort in the field of bacterial spore germination mechanisms and the acquisition of weak organic acid preservative resistance. Recent genome-wide expression data by Ter Beek show the induction of several genes that play a role in the elongation of fatty acid chains on glycerol-lipid units as well as on their iso or anti-iso branching (PhD Ter Beek., 2009). We will continue biochemical analysis of mutants that are perturbed in phospholipids biosynthesis.
- *The temperature stress resistance and germination / outgrowth capacity of damaged spores.* In 2010 we will reinforce this sub-project with two researchers (sponsored by ERASMUS MUNDUS). One will study the proteome of wild-type and laboratory strain derived Bacillus spores in collaboration with the proteomics group of the Institute. A second PhD candidate will work on single spore germination studies under supervision of a post-doctoral fellow. This new 4 year post-doctoral fellow-ship is supported by NWO-STW and started per January this year. The fellow will continue genome-wide and genetic analysis on the molecular modules involved in the regulation of bacterial spore germination.
- *The development of antibiotic resistance.* In 2010 we will round up the first period of this work. We will next focus on the identification of the molecular physiological basis of the resistance development.
Write ~15 (collaborative) research articles.



Structure and Functional Organisation of the Cell Nucleus

Chairholder: Prof.dr. R. van Driel

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Dr. M.E. Stam Assistant Professor
Dr. P.J. Verschure Assistant Professor

Introduction

Nuclear Organisation Group (NOG)

The one-dimensional structure of the genome of an increasing number of eukaryotes has been fully sequenced. A major challenge is to understand how expression of its many thousands of genes is orchestrated. In the eukaryotic genome gene expression is controlled at three hierarchical levels. One is that of individual genes, involving cis-regulatory elements and trans-acting factors. Information at the second level is present as posttranslational modifications of histones, incorporated histone variants and DNA methylation patterns. The third level involves the dynamic

folding of the chromatin fibre, resulting in functional compartmentalisation of the nucleus.

Our aim is to unravel gene regulatory mechanisms at these three control levels. We concentrate on the dynamic structure of chromatin and the behaviour of chromatin-associated molecular machineries involved in gene activation, gene silencing and DNA repair. We combine structural studies, often on living cells, with molecular biological, biochemical and other methodologies and with predictive modelling. In particular, we analyse spatial folding and looping of chromatin in relation to transcriptional regulation. We develop synthetic *in vivo* systems to explore epigenetic control systems and analyse the *in vivo* kinetic behaviour of the nucleotide excision DNA repair system. We develop, in cooperation with several other groups, quantitative and predictive models that give insight into system properties and guide further experimentation.

Research Highlights

- Pernette Verschure and Frank Bruggeman focused on theory and models to understand design principles of epigenetic transcription control. Initial theoretical studies show that in eukaryotic systems a random multi-step assembly of the initiation complex has a large effect on the waiting time for transcription, but only a small effect on the noise in the waiting time. Furthermore, the number of steps in the transition from the permissive to the non-permissive transcription initiation state has a large effect on the RNA burst-size distribution. Interestingly, similar steady state RNA levels result from quite different parameters regimes: (i) the Poisson-regime, showing minimal burst-like behavior, and (ii) the RNA burst regime, for which a quasi steady-state is reached during the non-permissive of initiation.
- Maïke Stam and colleagues published the first evidence of gene regulation by long-range interactions through chromatin looping in plants (maize). Also, they identified epiallele- and expression level-specific chromosomal looping and showed that the chromosome conformation capture (3C) technique identifies unknown regulatory sequences.
- Paul Fransz, in cooperation with others, carried out precise mapping with base pair accuracy of the breakpoints of a paracentric inversion that spans euchromatin and heterochromatin regions in chromosome arm 4S of *Arabidopsis*, giving insight into the process of an inversion event and the and epigenetic consequences of chromosomal rearrangements.
- Roel van Driel and colleagues developed and published, together with two theoretical groups, predictive quantitative kinetic models of the *in vivo* assembly of chromatin-associated DNA repair complexes and polymer models of chromatin folding in relation to genome function. Both type of models based on extensive *in situ* and *in vivo* measurements carried out by the NOG group in the past few years.

Other Highlights

Roel van Driel is director of the Netherlands Institute for Systems Biology (NISB) and the national NCI-funded research program Netherlands Consortium for Systems Biology (NCSB)

Research aims for the coming year

- *Verschure and colleagues*
Our systems biology approach of engineered epigenetically toggled cell systems in mammalian cells, allowing quantitative in vivo measurements and computational modelling, will be expanded. We aim to combine state-of-the-art biological, biophysical and computational techniques (collaboration Dr van Noort, RUL, prof. Wuite, VU and Dr Bruggeman, NISB) (i) to resolve the composition, structure, mechanism and kinetics of epigenetic transcription regulation in vivo at the single gene level, including inherent stochastic variations, and (ii) to incorporate this knowledge into a refined numerical model for transcription regulation. Also, a national research line to understand epigenetic gene regulation in Huntington's disease from a combined systems biology and synthetic biology perspective will be initiated (collaboration with prof. Van Ommen, LUMC, Leiden and prof. Smilde, SILS, UvA).
- *Stam and colleagues*
Building on the 3C technology developed in the past years we will elucidate the interplay between epigenetic regulation and long-range chromosomal interactions in gene regulation in higher eukaryotes, in particular in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. In this context we make use of the large collection of well-characterized *Arabidopsis* mutants known to affect chromatin structure. In our study on the role of chromatin structure in paramutation we aim at completing our analyses of mutants affecting paramutation. Results will provide insight into underlying mechanisms.
- *Fransz and colleagues*
Aim is to assess relationships between chromosome folding and nuclear reprogramming and to investigate long-range chromosome interactions. Research will concentrate on 3-D chromosome studies in *Arabidopsis*, in collaboration with Stam c.s.
- *Van Driel and coworkers*
The two research lines of the previous years are expanded: understanding large scale chromatin folding, the kinetics of in vivo assembly and the functioning of chromatin-associated protein complexes. In both cases we start from predictions made by the quantitative models we developed earlier.

Epigenetic Regulation of Gene Expression

Chairholder: Prof.dr A.P. Otte

Dr.Ir.J.A. Verhees Assistant Professor

Introduction

It is our aim to understand aspects of epigenetic regulation of gene expression. Research is focused on genomic elements that have a powerful, positive influence on promoter activity. These elements are employed to facilitate the production of therapeutic monoclonal antibodies in mammalian cell lines. Unfortunately, the increased protein expression levels have a negative influence on cell growth. Very high protein expression levels even force cells to stop growing at all, which is an undesirable phenomenon from a practical point of view. We attempt to understand this inverse relationship between protein expression levels and cell growth at a quantitative level. Furthermore, we develop inducible gene expression systems in which we can reversibly modulate protein expression levels and cell growth.

Research Highlights

We have identified novel genomic elements are initiation points for high levels of transcription. These elements are also defined by a higher histone acetylation status. They probably provide a more 'open' chromatin state in which a transfected gene that is flanked by these elements also becomes more open for transcription. In order to develop novel inducible expression systems in which we can reversibly modulate protein expression levels and cell growth, we devised a novel set of selection markers. These markers include the Zeocin resistance protein, as well as markers that restore the synthesis of essential metabolic components that normally lack from the cells.

Application of these markers warrants both high proteins expression levels as well as a high degree of stability of protein expression over prolonged periods of time.

Other Highlight

Director of a biotechnology company, CellaGenics, a spin-off company, emerging from SILS, FNWI and the UvA Holding in 2008. CellaGenics works in the research area of expression of therapeutic proteins and cell growth.

Future Prospects

In the coming year we focus on further developing expression systems in which protein expression, growth rates of the cells and secretion of the proteins can be coordinately modulated to achieve an optimal expression platform for therapeutic proteins. As such we aim to investigate and modulate in a comprehensive way

- (i) the role of novel genomic elements in expression and stability of protein expression;
- (ii) an inverse relationship between cell growth and protein expression levels.

Molecular Cytology

Chairholder: Prof.dr Th.W.J. Gadella

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Dr. Ir. J. Goedhart	Assistant Professor
Dr. E. M. M. Manders	Assistant Professor
Dr.Ir.M.A.Hink	Assistant Professor

Introduction

Molecular Cytology & Centre for Advanced Microscopy (CAM):

Molecular Cytology is the study of the dynamic architecture of living cells. Our central theme is 'Self-organization and signalling in living cells'. Self-organization is the intrinsic property of matter to organize itself in a (dynamic) structure, whereas signalling implies the activity of gene-products to control a local activity which can alter the local cellular architecture (e.g. driving morphogenesis). In order to achieve a certain 3D architecture in cells, these two important mechanisms work in concert. At Molecular Cytology both mechanisms are studied with emphasis on membrane-related architecture of living cells using advanced microscopy tools. The main research areas are:

1) *Spatial organization of sub-cellular signalling* (group leaders prof. dr. T.W.J. Gadella, dr. J. Goedhart & dr. M.A. Hink). By employing genetic encoded fluorescent biosensors we analyze the in situ molecular interactions between signalling molecules (phospholipid-second messengers, receptors, G-proteins and effector molecules) & flow of information across and in the plane of the membrane of living mammalian cells. We aim to understand how cells can achieve and maintain a local signal in the membrane (e.g. in order to drive morphogenesis, or to define new cytoskeletal anchorage or vesicle-docking sites). The main pathways under study involve histamine/P2Y GPCR receptors, G- α Q to PLC activation triggering downstream calcium, kinase signalling and small GTPase (Rho/Rac/Cdc24) signalling. The close intertwining of several signalling cascades and our quantitative microscopy approach both necessitates and permits the generation of quantitative predictive modelling, which effectively will integrate this research line with Systems Biology approaches.

2) *Molecular dynamics of the bacterial cycle* (group leader dr. T. den Blaauwen). The morphology of rod shaped bacteria is achieved through two very dynamic synthetic complexes: the elongasome and the divisome. The elongasomes use the actin-like cytoskeleton MreB helix underneath the plasma membrane as tracking device to elongate the cell envelope whereas the divisome is responsible for division and the synthesis of new cell poles. Cell division is directed by the FtsZ ring (a tubulin homolog), which exerts a small force on the bacterial envelope. The assembly and the dynamics of the elongasome and divisome are studied in vivo using immunofluorescence and fluorescence microscopy techniques (FRET, FRAP,

localization) and in vitro using state of the art biochemical and biophysical techniques. By aiming to obtain quantitative data, we hope to model the measured and observed interactions.

3) These research themes heavily depend on advanced microscopy technology organized within the *Centre for Advanced Microscopy* (CAM, 2004). The goal of CAM (em. prof. dr. G.J. Brakenhoff, prof. dr. T.W.J. Gadella, dr. E.M.M. Manders & dr. M. Hink) is to boost Life Sciences research using & developing (optical) microscopy techniques. Current most prominent developments are Controlled Light Exposure Microscopy (CLEM) (dr. Manders), multimode Fluorescence Lifetime Imaging Microscopy (FLIM) (dr. Gadella), Spinning disk & Total Internal Reflection & PALM-microscopy (dr. Hink, Manders & Gadella) & Fluorescence (cross) correlation microscopy (dr. Hink).

Research Highlights

The main achievement in 2009 was the successful move to the new science faculty building. The entire wetlab including cold room, centrifuges, molecular biology and cell culture facilities as well as all advanced microscopes were moved in April 2009 and were fully operational in September 2009.

Another achievement was the generation of mTurquoise: the brightest cyan fluorescent protein to date. This study will be published in Nature Methods in 2010.

Other Highlights

-Tanneke den Blaauwen received a four year FP7, EC, Collaborative project with coordinator Miguel Vicente (CSIC, Spain), "Exploiting Gram-negative cell division targets in the test tube to obtain antimicrobial compounds" Acronym "Divinocell" FP7-223431 (627 k€)

-Mark Hink & Dorus Gadella received a medium scale NWO-grant for the implementation of multimode FCS microscopy (392 k€)

-Dorus Gadella was appointed as national coordinator in setting up the ESFRI European Large Scale Infrastructure Program on EuroBioimaging. Here a pan-European distributed facility will be created for Advanced Light Microscopy.

Research aims for the coming year

- Implement a major Systems Biology research line on GPCR signaling
- To investigate the localization and function of PBP5 in regulation of the morphogenesis of E. coli.
- To investigate the interaction and function of PBP1A and PBP2 in regulation of length growth of E. coli.
- To develop a spectral FRET method for in situ protein-interaction studies in E. coli
- Implement PALM microscopy
- Application of CLEM in Neurobiology
- Implement multimodal FCS/FLCS/FLIM microscopy
- Found the Netherlands Centre for Advanced Microscopy

Plant Signalling

Plant Physiology

Chairholder: Prof. dr. M.A. Haring

Dr.Ir.R.C. Schuurink	Associate Professor
Dr. T. Munnik	Associate Professor
Dr. C. Testerink	Assistant Professor

Introduction

The Plant Physiology group investigates plant signaling at the cellular level (phospholipids) and at the level of the whole plant (Volatiles). Our phospholipid signaling research is focused on the biological function of phosphatidic acid (PA) and polyphosphoinositides (PPIs). The latter are inositol-containing phospholipids, which are phosphorylated at the D3-, 4- or 5 position via specific PI (phosphatidylinositol) and PIP (phosphatidylinositolphosphate) kinases (i.e. PIK and PIPK). PA can be produced via activation of phospholipase D (PLD) or indirectly, via the combined action of phospholipase C (PLC) and diacylglycerol kinase (DGK). Knockout lines of individual *PIK* (11), *PIPK* (11), *PLC* (9), *DGK* (7) and *PLD* (12) genes in *Arabidopsis* plants, are used to elucidate their role in signaling and development. An important research goal is to elucidate how PA modulates protein function and downstream plant responses. To study the biochemistry of scent of *Petunia* flowers we investigate genes involved in volatile benzenoid and phenylpropanoid synthesis, emission and regulation, which we have discovered by microarray studies. Because plant volatiles that are important for interactions with insects are produced in leaf-hairs (trichomes) we are dissecting the metabolism of volatile terpenes in trichomes. Large scale sequencing of trichome-ESTs from wild and cultivated tomato plants has provided us with a wealth of candidate genes. Our aim is to engineer the production of these terpenoids in tomato trichomes in such a way that they become repellent for pest insects. Finally, we use *Arabidopsis* for transcriptomics and forward genetic screens to identify genes important in the response to the wound-induced C6-volatile *E*-2-hexenal and the subsequent hormonal signal GABA.

Research Highlights

Phospholipid research:

To analyze phospholipid signalling *in vivo*, we have been constructing various lipid biosensors, gene fusions of a specific lipid-binding domain and a fluorescent protein, which can be stably expressed in plant cells or whole plants and imaged under the confocal microscope. Currently, we have sensors for PI3P, PI4P, PI(4,5)P₂, DAG and PS, expressed in *Arabidopsis* and tobacco BY-2 cells in various colors. In animal cells, it is now clear that PI(4,5)P₂ is not only a substrate for PLC but also functions as a second messenger itself. In plants, concentrations are 30-100 fold lower and so far, osmotic stress was the only trigger known to increase PIP₂. Recently, we discovered an unexpected novel agonist, *i.e.* heat stress. In non-stimulated cells, PIP₂ concentrations are too low to reveal the lipid in the membrane so the biosensor predominantly resides in the cytosol (see Figure 1, panel 1a), but in response to heat stress, the biosensor quickly accumulates at the plasma membrane (panel 1b). Later, punctate structures in the cytosol appear (panel 1c), and finally, after about 30 min, the nuclear membrane becomes labelled (panel 1d,e).

Two genes involved in the generation of phosphatidic acid, AtPLD α 1 and AtPLD δ , were found to be involved in wounding, salt stress tolerance and plant defence. Knock-out lines exhibited impaired wound-induced PA responses, with the severest effect in AtPLD α 1/AtPLD δ double knock-out mutants. Mutants were also more sensitive to NaCl in the growth medium and to be required for full disease resistance against avirulent *Pseudomonas*, but not to virulent strains. Interestingly, several protein kinases were found to directly bind PA. These include SNF-1 related protein kinases (SnRKs) implicated in osmotic stress, and the MAPKKK homologue CTR1, which is a negative regulator of ethylene signalling. We have further characterized the two PA-binding SnRKs, which are part of a subfamily of ten members in *Arabidopsis*. Importantly, we have found that other, highly similar members of this subfamily do not have affinity for PA. Moreover, lipid-binding analysis of SnRK2.4 fragments has narrowed down the PA-binding site to a short stretch at the C-terminus of the protein. Genomic SnRK2.4-GFP fusions have been expressed under their own promoter to complement *snrk* knock-out plants and were found to show dynamic localization in cytosol/punctate structures and nucleus. In another research line, we also found changes in localization of two other protein kinases, PID and PDK, in response to salt treatment.

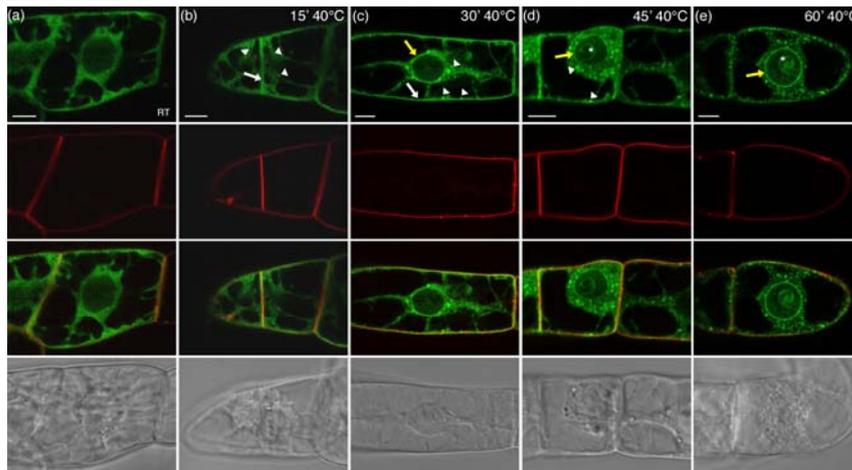
Plant volatiles research:

We have discovered that the plant volatile methylsalicylate (MeSA) is an important signal in plant defence. By knocking down the enzyme activity of salicylic acid methyl transferase (SAMT) and thus the production and emission of we could show that these plants no longer can “cry out for help” when they are attacked by herbivores. For other volatiles, terpenes, we could show that they are important repellants for whiteflies that are foraging on tomato plants. We started to dissect the regulation of terpene biosynthesis in tomato trichomes with the Massive Parallel Sequence technology of 454 Life Sciences (GS-Titanium) and the Genome Analyzer from Illumina in collaboration with Keygene. This resulted in novel enzymes and transcription factors specific for these organs. We used the yeast-one-hybrid technology to identify transcription factors that bind to the trichome-specific box of

the Monoterpene synthase I promoter (MTS1) and have identified several candidates that are now subjected to further analyses. We continued to study the role of E-2-hexenal in *Arabidopsis* and its downstream component γ -aminobutyric acid (GABA). We have discovered that GABA down-regulates the type III secretion system of *Pseudomonas syringae* DC3000. Finally, after the identification of the ketoacylthiolase gene involved in floral benzenoid production in *Petunia* (see figure 2) we have been able to identify motifs in the promoter of the R2R3-MYB ODORANT1 (ODO1) that determine volatile production in non-fragrant and fragrant petunias. We are currently screening with the yeast-one-hybrid technology for transcription factors that can bind to it. In this way we aim to identify a regulatory factor upstream of ODO1.

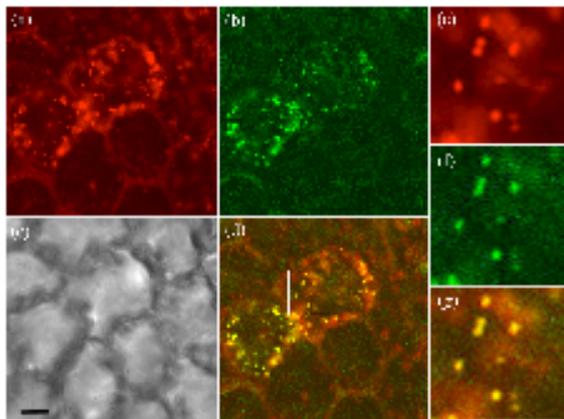
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FIGURE 1



Heat stress triggers PIP_2 at the plasma membrane, intracellular compartments and nuclear membrane. Tobacco BY-2 cells stably expressing the PIP_2 biosensor, YFP- $PH_{PLC\delta 1}$, were incubated and imaged at room temperature (a) and $40^\circ C$ after 15 (b), 30 (c), 45 (d) and 60 min (e). To reveal the plasma membrane, $2 \mu M$ FM4-64 was added immediately after treatment. YFP fluorescence is shown in green, FM4-64 in red, and DIC in grey. Arrowheads indicate YFP- $PH_{PLC\delta 1}$ -labelled punctate structures, white arrows show PM labelling, yellow arrows indicate nuclear envelope labelling, and asterix indicates the nucleolus. Bar = $10 \mu m$. Adapted from Miskind et al. (2009). *Plant J.* **60**, 10-21.

FIGURE 2



In vivo peroxisomal targeting of PhKAT1, 3-ketoacyl-CoA thiolase, which is involved in the benzenoid biosynthetic pathway and the production of benzoic acid. The mCherry peroxisomal marker px-rk (a) and 35S:PhKAT1-GFP (b) were transiently co-expressed in *Petunia hybrida* Mitchell flowers. The merged and bright field images are shown in (d) and (c), respectively. (e,f,g) Magnification taken from the boxed area shown in (c). Confocal images were obtained with a Zeiss LSM 510 confocal laser scanning microscope. Co-localisation was seen several times in independent experiments. The scale bars represent 10 μm .

Other Highlights

Christa Testerink: STW grant within the STW Perspectief Program “Learning from Nature to Protect Crops” (430 k€)

Future Prospects

- Identification of the PA-binding site of the SnRK2, PID and PDK1 protein kinases
- To investigate the role of lipid signalling and protein kinases in the response of Arabidopsis roots to salt
- To establish and characterize knock-out mutants and non-PA-binding mutants for SnRK2
- To perform a proteome-wide membrane recruitment screen of salt-induced PA-binding proteins
- To explore natural variation in Arabidopsis accessions for salt tolerance

Plant-pathogen Interactions

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Introduction

Plant-pathogen interactions result either in disease or in a successful resistance response of the plant that prevent further pathogen ingress. To reveal the molecular basis of susceptibility and resistance we focus on the interaction between the fungus *Fusarium oxysporum* and susceptible tomato (*Solanum esculentum*) as well as resistant plants that carry the I-2 resistance (R) gene. Besides I-2 we also study other (R) proteins. Our specific interests are basal and induced defence mechanisms of the host and virulence and avirulence factors of the pathogen.

The ability of a pathogen to colonise its host depends on 'general' pathogenicity genes as well as on specific, secreted 'effector' proteins. Effectors are called 'avirulence factors' when they are recognized by an R protein, and trigger disease resistance. For example disease resistance of tomato to strains of *F. oxysporum* producing the effector Avr2 (Avirulence factor 2) is mediated by the R protein I-2.

Our research aims at: 1) the identification and dissection of the protein complex(-es) involved in R protein mediated resistance. This work includes the functional analysis of individual complex-components and conformational changes in R proteins; 2) uncovering the role of pathogenicity genes and effector proteins (including avirulence factors) of *F. oxysporum* and identification of their targets in tomato.

Research Highlights

- Our earlier discovery that most of the genes coding for effectors reside on a single 'pathogenicity' chromosome and that this chromosome can be transferred to a non-pathogenic strain, turning it into a tomato pathogen, was combined with complementary results from whole genome sequence comparisons and the resulting paper was accepted by Nature (2010).

- Screens for plant proteins interacting with effectors were initiated, yielding a first set of candidates that interact with Avr2 (Six3), Six6 and Six8

- The *SIX2*, *SIX5* and *SIX6* genes were deleted in *Fusarium oxysporum* and *SIX6* was shown to contribute to virulence.

- *SIX2*, *SIX4* and *SIX6* were shown to suppress R-gene-mediated HR in leaves of *N. benthamiana*, whereas *SIX8* and *SIX10* enhance cell death triggered by the *Phytophthora infestans* protein Inf-1.

- Transient expression of *SIX2*, *SIX4*, *SIX6* and *SIX10* genes lacking the protein secretion signals indicates that these proteins exert their functions intracellularly, similar to Avr2.

- To study regulation of expression of effector genes, the first of a set of *AVR2* (*SIX3*) and *AVR3* (*SIX1*) promoter deletion mutants was generated, and strains

overexpressing the *SIX* gene regulator Sge1 were constructed to artificially activate these genes.

- Most R proteins are multi-domain proteins. Before we showed transcomplementation between the N-terminal CC-NB part and the C-terminal LRR domain of Mi-1. We now revealed transcomplementation and physical interactions between the N-terminal CC-domain and the C-terminal NB-LRR that can be abolished by specific mutations in either the CC or NB domain.

- One specific isoform of Hsp17 was found to interact with I-2. Silencing of this gene (partly) abolished Mi-1 and I-2 activity, probably by destabilizing R protein accumulation.

- Analysis of Arabidopsis plants in which SUMO (small ubiquitin-like modifier) isoforms were either silenced, knocked-out or over-expressed revealed that the different SUMO isoforms have non-redundant and specific functions in plant development and SA mediated plant defences.

- Silencing of the SA methyltransferase in tomato was found to abolish methylsalicylate production and decrease disease symptom development upon *Fusarium* infection.

Other Highlights

Appreciation for our research by the scientific community was apparent by the invitations from high impact journals such as Science, Trends in Plant Science and Current Opinion in Plant Biology (the last two are ranked #1 and #2 in plant science) to contribute review papers.

Research aims for the coming year

With the awarding of a NWO-Vici grant to M. Rep, a new line of research will be initiated aimed at elucidation of the mechanism and evolutionary consequences of chromosome transfer between *Fusarium* strains. This project includes genome sequencing and identification of effectors and pathogenicity chromosomes in host specific forms of *F. oxysporum* additional to f.sp. *lycopersici*. Identification of plant proteins interacting with effectors of f.sp. *lycopersici* (Six and Avr proteins) will be continued, as well as identification of regulatory elements in promoters of the *AVR2* and *AVR3* genes. Since many of these effectors function inside host cells we will focus on the mechanism underlying translocating of these proteins from the xylem sap into the xylem-contact cells. For Avr2 deletion constructs will be made to define the minimal regions required for virulence and avirulence functions. Our nucleotide binding studies will be continued to relate nucleotide binding to intra- and intermolecular interactions in R proteins. Furthermore, the function of I-2-interacting proteins will be studied in relation to disease resistance in stably silenced transgenic plants. Finally, in collaboration with Harrold van den Burg we will further analyse the Arabidopsis SUMO lines to unravel the molecular basis of the defence phenotypes.

Research Cluster

SILS – Center for NeuroScience

Animal Physiology and Cognitive Neuroscience

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Introduction

The group's global research aim is to elucidate how neuronal networks distributed across the prefrontal cortex, sensory neocortex, hippocampus and ventral striatum, cooperate in a number of cognitive processes, including learning and memory consolidation, perception and multisensory integration. This aim is pursued using a variety of techniques and at various aggregate levels, ranging from cellular to systems and behavioral levels. Most of the research focuses on the level of systems physiology. General research topics include:

- The consolidation of memorized information of recent experiences. A very promising candidate mechanism for mediating this process is spontaneous "off-line" reactivation of stored information. After an initial experience which is marked by highly specific firing patterns in brain structures involved in memory, a replay of these firing patterns can be observed, with preservation of temporally specific features such as the order in which brain cells fire. In particular, we pursue the relevance of this phenomenon for memory consolidation, and how the replay is being orchestrated amongst different brain areas, such as the hippocampus and ventral striatum. Technically, this project is carried out in animals by performing ensemble recordings using 'tetrode arrays', and in humans by fMRI (functional magnetic resonance imaging) and TMS (transcranial magnetic stimulation) techniques.
- Using fMRI and TMS, we study how brain systems interact during encoding, storage and retrieval of information.

As in our animal research, much of these interactions relate to the communication between the hippocampus and neocortical structures. A current focus here is to elucidate functions of the Default-Mode Network, comparing memory tasks to related cognitive functions such as attention to

external vs internal (memory-driven) inputs, mental imagery and memory reconstruction during retrieval.

- We are also studying memory consolidation problem from theoretical and computational viewpoints. We are developing new computational models of memory consolidation and the formation of semantic memories, by making use of concepts from computational linguistics and Bayesian inference.
- Another main question in the field of learning and memory is how networks of cells collectively learn to generate predictions about upcoming rewards, based on sensory cues that precede reward delivery. Learning-related changes in rhythmic neural activity and network coherence are highlighted. We also investigate which neurotransmitters and receptors influence the formation of neural representations of reward predictions. In addition, neural correlates of attention and flexible shifting of attention are studied with ensemble recording techniques.
- We investigate interrelationships between genes, learning and memory capacities as measured in behavior, and the systems physiology which forms the interface between gene expression and overt behavior. These interrelationships are studied in the context of spatial navigation, conditioned place preference and cognitive flexibility in targeted knockout mice, e.g. regionally restricted NMDA receptor deletions in hippocampus and deletions of the *Arc* gene, which is involved in synaptic plasticity. This research line has been supplemented with clinically relevant mouse models, e.g. of mental retardation.

We investigate how neural assemblies in the brain cooperate to generate conscious or unconscious multisensory representations, and how sensory inputs from different modalities are combined to achieve such integrated representations. Moreover, the impact of reward on visual representations is studied. This goal is being pursued by in vivo 2-photon-imaging of neural ensemble activity, gauged with Calcium-sensitive fluorescent dyes.

Research Highlights

- Joint ensemble recordings have been made from two brain structures simultaneously. These recordings are being made in a study on how animals learn to predict reward value based on discrete cues and locations in the environment. In a Y-maze task, we found that two connected brain structures, the hippocampus and ventral striatum, represent task-related information differently. Hippocampal representations concern environmental locations, but a switch of the environmental map can be achieved by a reward-predictive cue (i.e., a light preceding reward delivery). Ventral striatal neurons fire in relation to approach actions to reward sites in a way that is less spatially dependent. Also in this structure predictive cues cause a switch in representations, occurring concurrently with that in hippocampus.
- In examining the neural basis of reinforcement learning and attention switching, we found that the rat orbitofrontal cortex encodes information about the probability of a reward an animal expects after having perceived an olfactory cue associated with the reward. We discovered oscillatory activity in the theta-range (4-12 Hz) to which spikes are phase-locked, a phenomenon that correlates to

reward expectancy. In contrast, gamma oscillatory activity (40-80 Hz) correlates with suppression of movement-related activity, occurring in a task phase where the animal has learned to withhold a motor response during odor sampling. Furthermore, gamma oscillatory activity in the ventral striatum was identified and found to correlate with anticipation and delivery of reward, not movement suppression.

- We studied the interactions between the hippocampus and the prefrontal cortex in rats during performance of a decision making task, and during the subsequent sleep. During behavior, hippocampal/cortical coherence manifested itself in the form of oscillatory coherence and neural ensemble synchronization. During sleep, transient replay events were observed in the prefrontal cortex, simultaneously with hippocampal sharp wave/ripples.
- We studied the dynamics of medial prefrontal ensemble firing patterns when rats are exposed to attentional distracters and engage in attentional switching. Attentional performance was found to correlate to a high maintenance of prefrontal ensemble activity, in spite of distractor stimuli presented to the animal.
- We carried out an extensive set of experiments involving tetrode ensemble recordings in the hippocampus of control and NMDA receptor knockout mice, in a series of tasks, involving food search in a star-shape maze and running in a circular task, with the purpose of analyzing the activity of hippocampal place cells when the NMDA receptor, crucial for synaptic plasticity, is functionally impaired. This study sheds new light on the role of synaptic plasticity, mediated by these receptors, in the plasticity of spatial representations and mechanisms underlying spike timing relative to theta rhythms. Recordings in mouse models related to mental retardation and Arc-dependent memory deficits have begun.
- A 2-photon imaging setup was used to visualize the spatially ordered structure of neuronal population activity in the living mouse brain. We examined effects of appetitive conditioning on visual processing in area V1 by pairing moving grid patterns with different outcomes (reward or no reward). Our results indicate a broadening of tuning curves (i.e., a broadening of the cell's sensitivity to visual motion direction), but only in a selective assembly of cells that is tuned to the reward-predicting visual stimulus (CS+).
- fMRI studies in healthy human subjects were carried in combination with monitoring of respiratory activity during performance of a memory task. These studies demonstrate a strong influence of breathing patterns on BOLD signals that have been previously attributed to cognitive processing. Thus, respiration should be taken into account as possible explanatory factor in a wide range of cognitive brain-imaging studies.
- fMRI studies in healthy human subjects were carried out to investigate the neural signatures of intransitive decision-making. This type of decision-making violates traditional neuroeconomic models, but frequently occurs in humans when they have to choose between alternatives composed of multiple attributes (e.g. amount of money gained, probability). These new findings ground the behavioral process of intransitivity to a network of brain areas.
- We developed a novel model of memory consolidation and semantic memory formation based on algorithms from computational linguistics, that we mapped onto biologically plausible neural dynamics. This model is able to reproduce many experimental data relative to semantic memory.

Other Highlights

1. The group published 5 papers in high-impact journals, viz. Plos Biology (2X; Huijbers et al.; Lansink et al.), Nature Neuroscience (1X, Peyrache et al, featured in Nature Reviews Neuroscience 10, 546-547.) and J. Neuroscience (2X; Van Duuren et al.; Pennartz et al.).
2. Several papers received extensive coverage in international newspapers, internet bulletins and national radio broadcasts and the paper by Huijbers et al. (2009; PLoS Biology) was selected for a video lab demonstration on display at several science musea in e.g. Vancouver, Chicago, New York and Cleveland).
3. Cyriel Pennartz was appointed board member of a committee of the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) for interdisciplinary projects (Medical, Chemical, Life and Exact Sciences).
4. Grants acquired: Midsize equipment grant from the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO); Collaborative Grant from the Cognition Spearhead Program of the University of Amsterdam (postdoc fellowship).
5. Francesco Battaglia was invited speaker at the Physics@FOM conference, Veldhoven, Spring Hippocampal Research Conference, Verona, Italy, CNS (Computational Neuroscience conference, Berlin, Germany, and gave an invited lecture at the Bernstein Center for Computational Neuroscience, Goettingen, Germany.
6. Agreement on Book contract with MIT Press (Pennartz).
7. Several international Symposia and workshops were organized and chaired, including "Corticostriatal interactions during learning and memory processing" at the Society for Neuroscience, Chicago. U.S.A. (Pennartz). Battaglia was invited speaker at the Spring Hippocampal Research Conference, Verona, Italy.

Future Prospects

- We aim to disrupt memory consolidation and extra-hippocampal replay by electrical intervention of hippocampal processing in rats. The results will be used to develop novel methods for intervening with anxiety and PTSD-like disorders.
- The *in vivo* 2-photon imaging technique, combined with bulk labelling of neurons with Calcium-indicator dyes, will permit us to study multimodal interactions in the population dynamics of sensory neurons in the rat neocortex. Visual processing will be compared across awake, anesthetized and sleep states in mice, and we further aim to study ensemble activity at high spatial resolution in a more evolved type of cortex, i.e. of ferrets.
- Furthermore, the role of Orbitofrontal NMDA receptors in mediating neural coding of reward expectancy will be elucidated.
- We aim to make further ensemble recordings from mutant mouse brains, yielding indications about the neural mechanisms of spatial memory, self-localization, short- and long-term consolidation. Recordings from several genetically modified mouse lines will be completed (e.g. Arc & FMR-1 genes). Ensemble recordings from mice with hippocampal NMDA-receptor deletions will be completed. This project will also be the test-bed for the development of a wireless electrophysiology recording system.
- We plan a new series of experiments investigating the interaction between the hippocampus and prefrontal cortex during sleep, by using Local Field Potential and Current Source Density Analysis methods.
- We are currently following up on our recent fMRI experiments using transcranial magnetic stimulation, which allows us to temporarily disrupt the brain regions that were active in the fMRI experiments. We are also examining the effects of physiological variables, such as respiration and heart rate, on the fMRI signal and their relation with cognitive performance.
- The question of how neural assemblies in the brain cooperate to generate multi-sensory (visual-tactile) representations will be pursued using ensemble recording techniques applied to several neocortical and hippocampal recording areas simultaneously. We will study how information from different sensory modalities is being integrated along the sensory neocortical-to-hippocampal hierarchy, using optogenetic techniques in combination with electrophysiology. Theoretical and modelling work on perception-memory interactions will be strengthened.
- Novel experiments will target how brain systems (in particular, the hippocampus) represent data on external agents relative to the representation of the organism's own state.

Cellular and Systems Neurobiology

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Introduction

Excitability is still the most prominent property of the nervous system. How ion-channels are organized and quantitatively balanced in the neuronal membrane, how they lead to neuron specific firing patterns and how these can be modulated at different times scales (plasticity) belong to the most exciting problems in neuroscience that can now be solved in a multidisciplinary approach. Neurons communicate with each other through a variety of synapses. To provide minimal functionality neurons need to be combined in small circuits. We have organized our research around a few well defined topics in the realm of neuronal excitability. Our core approach is functional electrophysiological one (from patch-clamping to *in vivo*). State-of-the-art optical techniques (Ca-imaging, Voltage Sensitive Dyes) and various multi-contact electrode recordings allow the analysis of population activity. When needed, collaborations provide anatomical, immuno histochemical, molecular, genetic and behavioural expertise.

The first of our three major research lines studies the fundamental properties of the 5-HT₃ receptor and tries to understand its functional role in local circuits and development. Molecular techniques produced mice in which the 5-HT₃ receptor expressing neurons are labelled with GFP and can be studied efficiently. This has opened a wide range of possibilities to investigate the role of this receptor in functionally connected neurons and also its highly specific role in cortical column formation.

The second research line studies epilepsy e.g. seizure generation, epileptogenesis (micro-array technology) and pharmacoresistance. The latter topic we approach from two sides: a) (non-)penetration of drugs via the blood-brain-barrier and b) modification of drug targets, mainly sodium channels. These studies are of high clinical relevance and we strengthen them through a side appointment at the Academic Hospital in Ghent and intense collaboration with the epilepsy center in Heemstede (SEIN). The therapeutic potential of deep brain stimulation is investigated in patients and in animal models.

The third research line concentrates on specific pharmacological modulation of neuronal circuits. A new line that focuses on the role of the endocannabinoids system has been started. We support the activities of a spin-off company Sensocom.

Most of our experiments are supported by computer modeling, focusing on single cell excitability in relation to the direct chemical surrounding of the neuron as well as on the adaptive strategies for excitability that optimize the working range of active neurons. In the latter case we try to extrapolate the consequences of single cell strategies to larger neuronal networks. The combination of theoretical and experimental work has proven to be very fruitful in the scientific setting of SILS and the FNWI.

Research Highlights

Within the research line on epilepsy projects, both dealing with potential sources of pharmaco resistance came to a successful finish this year. The long standing study that concentrated on the role of the sodium channel in epilepsy and in pharmaco resistance has completed a large study where the responses of different sodium channel subunit types to the standard collection of anti-epileptic drugs was investigated with state-of-the-art patch clamp techniques. We observed considerable differences that open possibilities for therapeutic strategies. A new project subsidised by NEF has started to this aim. In a second project the role of the blood brain barrier, which under normal conditions forms an almost impassable barrier to the brain was investigated. Special proteins remove unwanted foreign objects that leak through the barrier and a lot of pharmaceuticals share this fate. However, in particularly during epilepsy, large leakage of the BBB may occur in particular during and after seizures.

On the other hand such events also up regulate the protein with the barrier function. Erwin van Vliet carefully investigated this delicate balance and also manipulated the proteins involved in order to understand their role. The challenge was also to find differences in transport into the brain for classical and new anti-epileptic drugs, which has potential therapeutic value. After successful defence of this thesis Erwin continued as a post-doc on this project.

The studies on homeostatic scaling of brain excitability were restarted with three new project lines: one that aims at revealing the molecular mechanisms behind the increase/ decrease of HCN expression (in collaboration with prof. Tallie Baram in Irvine, CA) funded by NEF, one that aims at theoretical understanding on how such a mechanism can be incorporated in large networks without serious negative consequences for stability, learning and memory in such networks and one project that aims at applying this knowledge in therapeutic strategies in particular involving deep brain stimulation. The link with the clinic in Ghent proved to be very useful in this sense.

The use of Voltage Sensitive Dyes for parallel recording from large numbers of sites in (neuronal slice) networks has finally surpassed the level of technical developments and a first study that proves its use as a technique to understand functional connectivity between larger brain structures was published. We predict that this technique will be incorporated in many other research projects as it is the best way investigate synchronization in large neuronal populations (epilepsy) as

pilots show that it is quite possible to identify the cortical columnar organization (5-HT3 project) and as it might be the best way to determine the spatial extend of functional stimulation.

Finally the series of studies that used modelling, mainly at the cellular level, to understand the generation of epileptic seizures, spreading depression and the role of ion homeostasis in these events, was completed and finished with theses defences. In a new project on computational modelling we will investigate how the cellular knowledge can best be expanded to understand network behaviour.

Other Highlights

>>Yaov Noam received the Unilever research prize for this experimental work.

>>Taco Werkman acquired and started a large research grant in the context of the Top Institute Pharma and in collaboration with Solvay Pharmaceuticals.

>>Hans van Hooft acquired an ALW grant to further investigate the role of the 5-HT3 receptor in columnar cortical development.

>>Jan Gorter acquired a NEF grant to continue the studies on the role of inflammation in epileptogenesis.

Future Prospects

The almost complete renewal of the AIO crew in our group has lead to a considerable redefinition of the project lines, in light of current international developments. As all lines were very successful in acquiring external funding there was no reason to limit our efforts; the refocus on basis mechanisms of phenomena with strong clinical relevance (epileptogenesis, pharmaco resistance Deep Brain Stimulation, Cortical development, Cannabinoid modulation) will therefore be continued with fresh spirits. The fact that we are strongly supported by at least three industrial partners underscores the societal relevance of the questions we are dealing with.

Hormonal Regulation of Signal Transduction in the Brain

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Introduction

Group Lucassen/Krugers (remaining members of the former group of Marian Joels)

Research of the group focuses on the effects of stress on the brain, in particular on structural and functional changes like neurogenesis and synaptic plasticity, and on the relevance of such changes for cognition and diseases like depression.

Current status; a period of transition

With the leave of Marian Joels to Utrecht, the teaching load has further increased and the remaining members of the group face several new challenges in terms of teaching and research. Despite this and the move of the lab and animal facility to the new building, the group has kept up a very good output in 2009, and managed to publish many high quality papers in a.o. J. Neurosci and Nature Rev Neurosci.

Research Highlights

Early life stress increases the risk for psychopathology in adult life. We tested if severely adverse early life stress reduces structural and functional plasticity in adult life. After maternal deprivation at postnatal day 3, reduced levels of adult hippocampal neurogenesis and an altered dendritic tree organization were found in adult animals. These structural changes were paralleled by impaired learning of a spatial task, but by improvements in network properties and emotional learning in a high-stress environment. This shows that adversity early in life does not always impair functionality but can even improve emotional forms of memory and thereby prepare the organism to perform optimally when exposed to stressful conditions in adulthood (Oomen et al., J Neurosci, in press 2010).

Other Highlights

The group has further improved visibility by organizing several master classes and scientific meetings, and by their membership of boards of CSCA, NEURAD, ISAO, ONWA, KNAW, NWO, Neurofederation. They further obtained external funding from the Alzheimer (ISAO) and Parkinson Foundation (IPF), Corcept and the KNAW. Group members further received numerous invitations to give lectures and write papers and act as reviewer for major journals like J Neuroscience, PNAS, Nature and Science.

Grants Obtained

- International Stichting Alzheimer Onderzoek, Euro 150.000,-
- Royal Academy of Science, Euro 30.000,-
- International Parkinson Foundation, Euro 138.000,-
- Extension of support from Corcept Inc (with M Joels), Euro 25.000,-
- Collaborative PhD project with Gothenburg University Sweden, Euro 200.000,-

Aims for the coming years

- >>Further develop our research line into the consequences of stress during early life for structural plasticity and cognition at an adult age.
- >>Extend these lines into models of diseases like depression, epilepsy and dementia.
- >>Extend the research on neurogenesis in rodent models also to other brain areas like the amygdala and cortex and in a translational perspective, also to human brain.
- >>Develop translational approaches to monitor and measure neurogenesis in the live human brain using MRS spectroscopy in relation to development and depression.
- >>Incorporate and develop tools to manipulate adult neurogenesis in vivo using molecular and viral tools.

Research Cluster

Life Science Technologies

Mass Spectrometry of Biomacromolecules

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Introduction

Future progress in the life sciences will heavily depend on the integration of knowledge from the fields of chemistry, physics, mathematics, (bio)informatics and biology. Within the framework of the UVA priority area Systems Biology we developed together with prof Hellingwerf (SILS) and prof Brul (SILS) the research theme molecular systems biology of micro-organisms. Our molecular systems biology of micro-organisms programme demands, amidst others omics data such as transcriptomics and metabolomics (and their modeling), proteome wide quantitative insight in protein synthesis- and degradation rates, concentrations and resolution of the protein/macromolecule interaction networks of the cell. The participating groups focus at the cellular level on an analysis of response to environmental signals, be they from the extracellular or intracellular milieu, governing cell survival, growth, the formation of desired products as well as unwanted microbial growth in food products and microbial infection. Analyses are performed at the level of (i) whole cells, (ii) cellular compartments such as the yeast cell wall, mitochondria and the Bacillus spore coat and (iii) macromolecular protein complexes, including Bacillus RNA polymerase and the stressosome.

SILS Mass Spectrometry of Biomacromolecules focuses in the context of microbial proteomics on three research themes that adhere to the study of cellular response to external signals and that are crucial for our molecular systems biology ambition. We study (i) post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression by analyzing quantitatively protein synthesis and degradation rates. We develop (ii) new analytical strategies for the experimental evaluation of models of the 3-D structure of protein complexes. We aim at insight in (iii) adaptation of the cell surface proteome of fungi and bacteria. SILS-MS is developing advanced and innovative, mass spectrometry-based proteomics technology that is designed for these research areas. Our technology is not confined to the field of microbial proteomics and is widely applicable to molecular systems biology. Here, we have long term

collaborations with the SILS plant groups where we study fungal pathogen – plant interaction and identify target proteins upon stress.

Research Highlights

A mass spectrometric method is developed to identify and quantify several hundreds of newly synthesized proteins in *Escherichia coli* upon pulse labeling cells with the methionine analogue azido homoalanine (AZHAL). For the first 30 minutes after inoculation, a methionine-auxotrophic strain grows equally well on azhal as on methionine. Upon a pulse of 15 minutes and digestion of total protein, azhal-labeled peptides are isolated by a retention-time shift between two reversed phase chromatographic runs. The retention time shift is induced by a reaction selective for the azido group in labeled peptides using tris-(2-carboxy-ethyl)-phosphine. Selectively modified peptides are identified by LC-tandem MS. We identified 527 newly synthesized proteins. These proteins are representative of all major Gene Ontology categories.

A general method is developed to sequester peptides containing azides from complex peptide mixtures, aimed at facilitating mass spectrometric analysis to study different aspects of proteome dynamics. The enrichment method is based on covalent capture of azide-containing peptides by the azide-reactive cyclooctyne (ARCO) resin and is demonstrated for two different applications. Enrichment of peptides derived from cytochrome c treated with the azide-containing cross-linker bis(succinimidyl)-3-azidomethyl glutarate (BAMG) shows several cross-link containing peptides. Sequestration of peptides derived from an *Escherichia coli* proteome, pulse labeled with the bio-orthogonal amino acid azidohomoalanine as substitute for methionine, allows identification of numerous newly synthesized proteins. Furthermore, the method is found to be very specific, as after enrichment over 87% of all peptides contain (modified) azidohomoalanine.

Research aims for the coming year

Focal points in our MS research program are as mentioned above (i) systematic analysis of protein-protein interactions, (ii) post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression, and (iii) host-fungal pathogen interactions. In program (i) we will extend our cross-link methods to assess the structure of larger protein assemblies (> 300 kDa). We will map interaction sites of initiation and elongation factors that modulate the activity of RNA polymerase and we will quantitate cross-links formed during initiation and elongation in an effort to detect conformational changes. (ii) In collaboration with Prof. Hellingwerf and Prof. Teixeira de Mattos we will use our mass spectrometric AZHAL pulse labeling method to unravel the regulatory circuit underlying the transition of aerobic to (semi)-anaerobic metabolism in *E. coli* and metabolic labeling to study carbon catabolite repression in *E. coli*. Parallel to our diagonal chromatography approach we will develop selective and sensitive methods for sequestration of AZHAL containing peptides in total *E. coli* cell lysates and capture of BAMG cross-linked peptides in complex biomatrices. (iii) The MS group will further explore the question how mass spectrometry in combination with novel purification strategies and bioinformatics tools can provide detailed quantitative

structural and functional information about cell wall proteins of *Candida albicans* and other fungi. In the framework of the EC FINSysB project we will focus on the quantitative cell wall protein composition of *Candida albicans* to identify new leads for novel anti-*Candida* vaccines, drugs and diagnostic markers. Furthermore, we will extent research line (iii) in collaboration with Prof. Brul to the functional characterization of spore coat proteins of *B. subtilis*. We will continue the productive collaborations with the groups of the SILS-plant cluster and our external national and international partners.

Biosystems Data Analysis

Chairholder: Prof.dr. A.K. Smilde

Dr. H.C.J..Hoefsloot	Associate Professor
Dr. J.A. Westerhuis	Assistant Professor
Prof. dr. A.H.C.van Kampen	Professor (0.2 fte)

Introduction

General goal

Developing and validating methods for organizing, summarizing and visualizing complex biological data.

The research is divided in three connected themes: Semantic Biosystems, Data Fusion and Networks & Dynamics. We apply our methods in diverse areas of systems biology focusing mainly on microbiology, nutrition and medical biology.

Semantic Biosystems (Antoine van Kampen)

Well-structured, accessible and integrated information is crucial for disciplines like genomics and systems biology. To support these disciplines, we develop novel information management approaches based on cutting edge Semantic Web standards in a framework that allows the construction of high quality domain-specific knowledge bases.

Data Fusion (Johan Westerhuis)

To understand the functionality of complex biological systems, different types of measurements have to be combined with systems information stored in a knowledge base. We develop data analysis methods that are able to find biologically relevant patterns in these data that on the one hand match the systems information and on the other hand generate new insights.

Networks & Dynamics (Huub Hoefsloot)

In a biological system molecules interact. These interactions, the network, causes the system to change over time. We develop methods to reverse engineer networks from

time-resolved functional genomics data. The networks can be metabolic networks, protein-protein interaction networks, gene-regulatory networks or association networks.

Research Highlights

General

Thanks to our involvement as core-partner in the Netherlands Metabolomics Centre we obtained a subsidy of 2.3 mln euros. This resulted in 5 postdoc and 2 PhD positions for the group. Moreover, we received funding from NISB (PhD student) and NBIC (PhD and postdoc).

Semantic Biosystems

Information management research is subject of lively research in bioinformatics and e-science and essential for genomics and systems biology. As part of the BioExpert project we develop a Semantic Web-based information management framework to enable the development of specific knowledge bases. The peroxisome knowledge base (PxKB) is a first example of this. A SKOS peroxisome vocabulary (PxVO) functions as a central information hub that connects various pieces of information. We setup a TripleStore that supports RDF Schema inferencing and querying. It contains the PxVO, manually curated concept maps and (subsets of) UniProtKB, GO, ChEBI, Mesh and PubMed. Curation was done by prof. Ronald Wanders (Genetic Metabolic Disease, AMC). We are now in a prime position to be one of the first dedicated linked data providers in life sciences in the world! Linked data comprises best practices for exposing, sharing and connecting pieces of data, information and knowledge on the Semantic Web using URIs and RDF. We developed initial versions of a concept map editor and browser. We started a collaboration with prof. Bwee-Tien Poll-Thé (Pediatric Neurology, AMC) and prof. Peter Barth (Pediatrics, AMC) to extend PxKB towards peroxisomal disorders. BioRange-II funding was acquired (PI Dr. Johan Westerhuis) to integrate phenol degradation knowledge base with grey statistical modelling.

Data Fusion

Thanks to the genomics era a wealth of information can be obtained from biological systems in the form of measurements of body fluids or tissue on the gene, protein and metabolite level. Furthermore, physiological parameters and environmental conditions can be quantified on a regular basis. In the field of human systems biology, we introduced nutrikinetics as a measure for bioconversion capacity of polyphenols in humans. By combining data from in-vitro models and a human intervention trial combined with a one-compartment nutrikinetic model strong and weak polyphenol metabolizers could be identified. In another project we analyzed flux distributions through reactions in a metabolic network of *L. lactis* for several environmental conditions. Variant and invariant reactions could be identified when the medium (rich - minimal) was varied as well as the growth condition between aerobic, anaerobic and aerobic respiratory (in the presence of oxygen under addition of haem, which aids the transport of oxygen into *L.lactis*).

Networks & Dynamics

In 2009, crossfit analysis was introduced. This is a novel method to characterize the dynamic variation of a biological system after a perturbation. This analysis was introduced for a plant example but it can be used for all types of living organism. It uses the idea to build global and local models for the different groups. These models are then compared in a systematic manner and biological conclusions are drawn. In collaboration with the LUMC, methods to build association networks between rapidly measured hormone levels in blood were developed. The essential dynamics and regulation of such systems was captured and visualized in networks. These appeared to be highly relevant and interpretable. Papers are underway.

Research aims for the coming year

General

Filling in all vacancies.

Semantic Biosystems

We will further develop the BioExpert information management framework and the Peroxisome Knowledge Base. We will develop initial applications in the field of peroxisomal disorders, grey statistical models (BioRange-II) and systems biology (NCSB). In addition, we expect to increase the number of joint projects between the Bioinformatics Laboratory (AMC) and the BioSystems Data Analysis group.

Data Fusion

In the coming years we aim to develop new tools for grey model analysis in which systems information can be combined with several sources of systems data. We will build a knowledge base for the polyphenol degradation pathways in the human gut taking into account the gut bacteria that are present. This knowledge base will be used in a grey modeling approach to explore bioavailability of polyphenol catabolism in much more detail and can be used in a personalized nutrition framework.

Networks & Dynamics

In the next few years we are going to develop tools to analyze the interactions of biomolecules and the changes of these interaction over time. For this we will use and adapt concepts for the analysis of covariation- and correlation matrices. Especially the changes in covariance and correlation over time will have our attention. Wherever possible, a priori knowledge of known parts of networks and network modules will be incorporated in the data analysis.

Micro Array Department and Integrative Bioinformatics Unit

Group leader: Dr. T.M. Breit

Dr.Ir.R.A.Wittink Project management “wet-lab”

Dr.M.J. Jonker Project management “dry-lab”

Introduction

MicroArray Department (MAD) & Integrative Bioinformatics Unit (IBU):

Microarray technology is a well-established tool in the analysis of genome-wide gene-expression studies. The ultimate goal of a microarray experiment is to simultaneously investigate the expression of all genes of a specific organism, in a cell type, during specific growth or stress conditions. This enables study of complex cellular mechanisms or identification and use biomarkers. Transcriptomics biomarkers are genes whose expression profile can be used for diagnostic purposes or to monitor and predict cellular processes. Because microarray experiments produce a vast amount of data, extensive bioinformatics infrastructure, methods and expertise are needed to cope with these data effectively. Microarray bioinformatics comprise data-handling (storage and exchange), data-preprocessing (normalization and validation), and data-analysis (clustering, biomarker selection, etc.).

The MAD-IBU consist of a microarray technology section (Wet-lab) with ~5 specialists that provide transcriptomics service & support and perform microarray technology R&D; a microarray data-analysis section (Dry-lab) with ~6 bioinformaticians that provide transcriptomics data analysis service & support and performs bioinformatics R&D; Together, the MAD operates as a transcriptomics technology and bioinformatics expertise centre and core facility for UvA scientists, as well as external academic and industrial customers. The MAD is an official Affymetrix Agilent Service Provider.

The focus of the Wet-lab R&D is to improve the microarray technology for transcriptomics with a strong focus on array controls and sample size reduction. We aim to eventually analyze all kinds of single cells by microarray technology. The focus of the Dry-lab is on the bioinformatics and e-bioscience methods, tools and infrastructure necessary to perform advanced transcriptomics data-analysis starting from array design until publication. Another important focal point for the whole group is design-for-experimentation. Performing well-designed range finding experiments should elucidate the role of time and space in microarray transcriptomics experiments. To this end, MAD-IBU participates in three nationwide projects: “BioRange”, a nationwide bioinformatics NBIC research project; “BioAssist”, a national bioinformatics NBIC support programme and “Virtual Lab for e-Science (VL-e)”, the Dutch e-science project in the field of ICT infrastructure and methods.

Research Highlights

The Wet-lab:

Developed a microarray protocol for small-sample transcriptomics analysis on human skin.

Introduced a new microarray platform; NimbleGen/Roche.

Acquired a new, fully automated high-throughput microarray platform; Affymetrix, GeneTitan.

The Dry-lab:

Developed a complete microarray design pipeline from DNA sequence to probe.

Developed many necessary advanced microarray probe controls.

Performed many data-analysis experiments for biologists.

Other Highlights

The whole group further strengthened the strategic collaborations with several external research organisations: Laboratory for Health Protection Research, RIVM, (Bilthoven); Medical Microbiology, UMC (Utrecht); ACTA, VU-AMC (Amsterdam); Molecular Cell biology, UL, (Leiden).

Research aims for the coming year

- Analyze maternal RNAs in unfertilized Zebrafish and human eggs.
- Analyze the transcriptomics of the earliest stages of Zebrafish and human embryogenesis.
- Perform a hallmark time-axis microarray experiment on Zebrafish.
- Perform several range-finding experiments in the context of design-for-experimentation.
- Extend the MicroArray Problem Solving Environment for microarray data analysis and interpretation
- Become a central player in the national e-bioscience domain, such as the FNWI zwaartepunt e-science and the e-Science Research Centre.
- File at least 1 patent on microarray technology innovations.

Write > 15 (collaborative) research articles.

Management

Finance

The integrated results for 2009 show an operating shortage of 342 k€ where a negative result of 1049 k€ was budgeted. Revenues and costs over 2009 are difficult to compare directly with previous years. This is due to changes in the financial methodologies used by the UvA.

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
University funding *	5838	6131	7364	8987	7577	13234	12795	13848
External funding	3852	3883	4474	6167	4515	4701	4952	5489
<u>total revenues</u>	<u>9690</u>	<u>10014</u>	<u>11838</u>	<u>15154</u>	<u>12092</u>	<u>17935</u>	<u>17747</u>	<u>19337</u>
Personnel costs	7096	7465	8919	9626	9122	12816	13918	14448
Bench fees	2236	2450	3310	4989	2729	5362	4138	5240
<u>total costs</u>	<u>9332</u>	<u>9915</u>	<u>12229</u>	<u>14614</u>	<u>11851</u>	<u>18178</u>	<u>18056</u>	<u>19688</u>
result	358	99	-391	540	241	-243	-309	-351

* All amounts are given in K Euro.

Figure: Graphic representation of revenues and costs of the Swammerdam Institute for Life Sciences, in k€, for the years 2001-2009. In 2006, the university changed to a new financial system in which budgets were increased and full costs were calculated.

	2009
university funding *	13580
external funding	5084
<u>total revenues</u>	<u>18645</u>
personnel costs	11191
bench fees and overheads	7795
<u>total costs</u>	<u>18986</u>
result	-342

In 2009 several financial changes were implemented. Reallocation of financial resources within the university led to budget cuts in the Faculty of Science. In 2009, SILS received 429 k€ less university funding. Of this 429 k€ reduction, 318 k€ was a direct result of these budget cuts. The remaining budget (12.448 k€) was split in two parts: 2565 k€ (costs for education) and 9883 k€ (for all remaining costs).

After this, the “allocation model” was implemented. In the allocation model, institutes earn part of their budget based on parameters such as number of PhD degrees, amount of acquired external funding and number of master degrees. The allocation model was introduced in such a way that the budget of 9883 k€ itself was not altered.

The acquired part of this budget was 3456 k€. The remaining 6427 k€ is referred to as “basic” university funding. Acquired budget can in- or decrease, based on how successful the institute operates. The basic budget is supposed to be stable. But if future budget cuts are unavoidable, these budget cuts are possibly a percentage of the basic budgets of the institutes.

Year	2008	2009	2009	2009	2010
		step 1	step 2	step 3	step 4
University funding	12851	→ 12448	→ 9883	→ 6427	→ 5989
Acquired budget	0	0	0	→ 3456	→ 3999
Education	0	0	→ 2565	2565	2565
Total	12851	12448	12448	12448	12553

Figure: changes in university funding and overview of financial methodology changes implemented in 2009.

Step 1: from 2008 → 2009: budget cut 429 k€.

Step 2: 12.448 k€ of university funding is split in 2565 k€ for education and 9883 for remaining costs.

Step 3: the 9883 k€ remainder is split in an acquired budget (3437 k€) and 6446 k€ basic budget.

Step 4: basic university funding is cut , but the acquired budget increased (due to e.g. more PhD diploma's)

Funding

The funding system of Dutch universities distinguishes three different kinds of funding resources. These are referred to as so called “funding sources” and are numbered one to three. Resources originating from the university itself are referred to as the first funding source. External funding is divided into funding from the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (second funding source) and money originating from all other resources such as EU and contract research (third funding source).

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Revenues	7793	8987	7577	13234	12795	13848	13580
Costs	8291	8902	7357	13580	13259	14115	13845
Result	-498	85	220	-346	-464	-306	-265

Figure 1: representation of income and costs in the 1st funding source, in k€, for the years 2003-2009.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Revenues	2279	2303	2160	2032	2299	2434	1821
Costs	2279	2303	2160	2048	2226	2436	1713
Result	0	0	0	-16	73	-2	108

Figure 2: representation of income and costs in the 2nd funding source, in k€, for the years 2003-2009.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Revenues	1766	3864	2355	2669	2653	3055	3244
Costs	1659	3409	2334	2550	2571	3097	3429
Result	107	455	21	119	82	-42	-185

Figure 3: representation of income and costs in the 3rd funding source, in k€, for the years 2003-2009.

Figure 1 shows that in 2006, first funding source income and costs increased by almost 6000 k€ compared to 2005. This increase is the result of the introduction of a new university wide full-cost financial system. Essentially, overhead costs that were not calculated in previous years such as housing and computer infrastructure were calculated to the institute as of 01-01-2006. Simultaneously budgets were increased.

Funding from the Dutch Organization for Scientific Research (2nd funding source) remains decreased in 2009. Third funding source income slightly increased in the past years. The numbers of 2004 profited from two major incidental incomes and explain the increase numbers of 2004. The first incidental revenue in 2004 existed of 1045 k€ that SILS received for its role as coordinator of an EU program. This was transferred directly to other partners in this program. The second was a 404 k€ result of the successful sales of a spin-off company.

Personnel

The university aims at a more equal division of males and females in the staff at all levels. At the level of PhD students the male: female ratio is about 40:60 at SILS. At the post doctoral level this is 80:20. About 70% of the assistant professors is male. In 2009, professor Marian Joels, SILS' only female full professor, moved to the University of Utrecht. Age wise our staff is spread over the full range from starting PhD, to people who are (close to) retiring.

Infrastructure

In 2009, the Swammerdam Institute for Life Sciences still was divided over two locations. In the early summer of 2009, the first part of the institute moved to this new location. Start-up problems caused significant delay for several research lines. SILS tried to minimize the effects on the careers of several researchers with a temporary appointment by extending the duration of their contracts. Positive parts of the new building are the brand new labs in a beautiful building. In 2010, the rest of the institute's employees will be united in the new building.

Appendix 1

Research Cluster The Living Cell

Molecular Microbial Physiology

Key publications

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Driel, R. van (2009, April 21). Systems biology in the Netherlands. Stockholm, Sweden, Workshop on Swedish Systems Biology.

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Epigenetic Regulation of Gene Expression

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Willems, P.H.G.M., Swarts, H.G., Hink, M.A. & Koopman, W.J.H. (2009). The Use of Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy to Probe Mitochondrial Mobility and Intramatrix Protein Diffusion. In W.S. Allison & I.E. Scheffler (Eds.), *Mitochondrial Function, Part A: Mitochondrial Electron Transport Complexes and Reactive Oxygen Species (Methods in Enzymology, 456)* (pp. 287-302-chapter 16). Elsevier Inc..

Membership editorial board

Gadella, T.W.J. (Ed.). (2009). *FRET and FLIM Techniques (Laboratory techniques in biochemistry and molecular biology)*. Amsterdam: Elsevier Science.

Invited lectures

Berg van Saparoea, H.B. van den & Blaauwen, T. den (2009, October 11). Cellular localization of PBP1A in *Escherichia coli* and the effect of deletion of *mrcA* (*ponA*) on the morphology of the cell. Utrecht, the Netherlands, 8th general Assembly EUR-INTAFAR.

Berg van Saparoea, H.B. van den & Blaauwen, T. den (2009, March 22). Where, when and with whom? Charting the interactions among *Escherichia coli* peptidoglycan synthesis proteins by FRET. Normandoux, France, 7th general Assembly EUR-INTAFAR.

Blaauwen, T. den & Ploeg, R. van der (2009, March 19). High throughput FRET assay for morphogenetic-protein interaction inhibitors. Madrid, Spain, Divinocell kick off meeting.

Blaauwen, T. den (2009, August 24). ZapA and the assembly of the one ring. Oxford, UK, EMBO workshop "Frontiers of Prokaryotic cell biology".

Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009, July 15). A twice brighter cyan fluorescent protein with monoexponential decay by FLIM screening. Genua, Italy, European Biophysics Societies Association (EBSA) 2009 conference.

Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009, April 05). Fluorescence resonance Energy Transfer Microscopy. Krakow, Poland, Focus on Microscopy international Conference: keynote tutorial.

Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009, October 07). FRET microscopy. Rotterdam, the Netherlands, Erasmus MC: OIC advanced course.

Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009, August 27). Imaging signalling across the membrane with genetic encoded fluorescent biosensors. Bielefeld, Germany, 4th CeBiTec Symposium on Bioimaging.

Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009, October 01). Imaging signalling networks. Wageningen, the Netherlands, Department of Biochemistry, Wageningen University.

Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009, April 01). Visualizing signalling across the membrane. University of Basel. Switzerland, Inst. Biochemistry and Genetics, Dept. for Biomedicine.

Gadella Jr/, T.W.J. (2009, May 12) Visualizing signalling across the membrane. EMBL invited seminar, Heidelberg, Germany.

Hink, M.A. (2009, May 10). (Cross-) Correlation Spectroscopy (FCS/FCCS) for Cell Biology Applications. Heidelberg, Germany, EMBO Practical Course on Fluorescence.

Hink, M.A. (2009, June 10). Fluorescence fluctuation spectroscopy. Lisbon, Portugal, EMBO course on light microscopy in living cells.

Hink, M.A. (2009, June 15). Fluorescence fluctuation spectroscopy. Wageningen, the Netherlands, Bravissimo network workshop- Microspectroscopy: Monitoring Cellular Biochemistry in vivo.

Hink, M.A. (2009, May 10). Photon counting histogram & Practical aspects of FCS/FCCS. Heidelberg, Germany, EMBO Practical Course on Fluorescence (Cross-) Correlation Spectroscopy (FCS/FCCS) for Cell Biology Applications.

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, May 12). Controlled Light Exposure Fluorescence Microscopy (CLEM); "Towards non-toxic, ultra-sensitive microscopy". Utrecht, the Netherlands, Department of Medical Oncology, University Medical Center Utrecht.

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, June 12). Controlled Light Exposure Microscopy (CLEM) for prolonged live-cell imaging; "Towards non-toxic, ultra-sensitive microscopy". Maastricht, the Netherlands, Dutch Society for Cell Biology and the Dutch Histochemistry Foundation: Symposium "Advanced Microscopy and Vital Imaging".

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, August 31). Controlled Light Exposure Microscopy (CLEM) for prolonged live-cell imaging; "Towards non-toxic, ultra-sensitive microscopy". Amsterdam, the Netherlands, EMBO-meeting 2009.

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, April 06). Light Exposure Microscopy (CLEM); "Towards non-toxic, ultra-sensitive microscopy". Krakow, Poland, Focus on Microscopy 2009.

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, October 13). Quantitative Microscopy for systems biology. Noordwijkerhout, the Netherlands, 5th symposium of the Netherlands Institute for Systems Biology (NISB),.

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, September 07). Towards non-toxic, ultra-sensitive microscopy. Krakow, Poland, Department of Biophysics, Jagiellonian University.

Manders, E.M.M. (2009, September 08). Wide-Field Controlled Light Exposure Fluorescence Microscopy (CLEM); "Towards non-toxic, ultra-sensitive microscopy". Edinburgh, U.K., International Society of Developmental Biologists Congress.

Appendix 2,

Research Cluster **Plant Signalling**

Plant Physiology

Key publications

Mishkind, M.L., Vermeer, J.E.M., Darwish, E.M.A.M. & Munnik, T. (2009). Heat stress activates phospholipase D and triggers PIP accumulation at the plasma membrane and nucleus. *Plant Journal*, *60*(1), 10-21.

Moerkercke, A.N.A.I. van, Schauvinhold, I., Pichersky, E., Haring, M.A. & Schuurink, R.C. (2009). A plant thiolase involved in benzoic acid biosynthesis and volatile benzenoid production. *Plant Journal*, *60*(2), 292-302.

Academic publications

Arisz, S.A., Testerink, C. & Munnik, T. (2009). Plant PA signaling via diacylglycerol kinase. *BBA-MOL CELL BIOL*, *1791*(9), 869-875.

Bargmann, B.O.R., Laxalt, A.M., Riet, B. ter, Schooten, B. van, Merquiol, E., Testerink, C., Haring, M.A., Bartels, D. & Munnik, T. (2009). Multiple PLDs required for high salinity and water deficit tolerance in plants. *Plant Cell Physiol.*, *50*(1), 78-89.

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Bleeker, P.M., Diergaarde, P.J., Ament, K., Guerra, J., Weidner, M., Schütz, S., Both, M.T.J. de, Haring, M.A. & Schuurink, R.C. (2009). The role of specific tomato volatiles in tomato-whitefly interaction. *Plant Physiol.*, *151*(2), 925-935.

Darwish, E., Testerink, C., Khalil, M., El-Shihy, O. & Munnik, T. (2009). Phospholipid signaling responses in salt-stressed rice leaves. *Plant Cell Physiol.*, *50*(5), 986-997.

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Non-refereed publications

Vermeer, J.E.M., Thole, J.M., Goedhart, J., Nielsen, E., Munnik, T. & Gadella (jr.), T.W.J. (2009). Imaging phosphatidylinositol 4-phosphate dynamics in living plant cells. *Plant j.*, 57(2), 356-372.

Zonia, L. & Munnik, T. (2009). Uncovering hidden treasures in pollen tube growth mechanics. *Trends Plant Sci.*, 14(6), 318-327.

Haring, M.A. (01-06-2009). Da liegt was in der Luft: Pflanzen kommunizieren mit Duftstoffen. *Lebendige Erde*, pp. 18-20.

Book Chapters

Kant, M.R., Bleeker, P.M., Wijk, M. van, Schuurink, R.C. & Haring, M.A. (2009). Plant Volatiles in Defence. In L.C. van Loon (Ed.), *Plant innate immunity* (ADVANCES IN BOTANICAL RESEARCH, 51) (pp. 613-666). Amsterdam: Academic Press.

Clark, D., Pichersky, E., Verdonk, J.C., Dudareva, N., Haring, M.A., Klahre, U. & Schuurink, R.C. (2009). Benzenoids Dominate the Fragrance of Petunia Flowers. In T. Gerats & J. Strommer (Eds.), *PETUNIA: Evolutionary, Developmental and Physiological Genetics* (pp. 51-69-chapter 3). New York: Springer.

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Munnik, T. (Ed.). (2009). *Plant signaling and behavior*.

Munnik, T. (Ed.). (2009). *Planta*.

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Invited lectures

Galvan Ampudia, C.S., Zalejski, C., Bogre, L., Offringa, R. & Testerink, C. (2009, May 14). *Osmotic stress-induced signals control root growth*. Tartu, Estonia, Conference on Plant Abiotic Stress – from signaling to development.

Haring, M.A. (2009, April 15). *Biologische rassen: weet wat je eet!* Rheden, the Netherlands, Biocongres.

Haring, M.A. (2009, December 02). *Cisgenesis bis SMART breeding*. Witzhausen, Germany, Witzenhäuser Konferenz: „Saat á la Carte ? - Gentechnik und Alternativen in der Diskussion“.

Haring, M.A. (2009, February 15). *Hoe de plantenveredeling tot gentechnologie is geworden...* Appelscha, the Netherlands, themamiddag 'Genetische manipulatie, een zegen of fatale vergissing?'

Haring, M.A. (2009, March 23). *Is gentechnologie de toekomst van de landbouw?* Witmarsum, the Netherlands., NLTO Jaarvergadering.

Haring, M.A. (2009, April 28). *Novel Breeding techniques: molecular biology combined with tissue culture*. Paris, France, ITAB Conference.

Haring, M.A. (2009, March 17). *The role of transcription factors in tomato flavour volatile regulation*. Wageningen, the Netherlands, CBSG Summit.

Haring, M.A. (2009, March 03). *The role of volatiles in plant insect interactions*. Jena, Germany, IMPRS Symposium.

McLoughlin, F. (2009, December 07). *Phosphatidic acid is a lipid second messenger involved in early abiotic stress signaling*. Veldhoven, the Netherlands, Annual Meeting of the NWO-CW study groups Protein Research, Nucleic Acids and Lipids & Biomembranes.

Munnik, T. (2009, March 11). *Green light for phospholipid signals*. Bonn, Germany, Universität Bonn.

Munnik, T. (2009, February 01). *Phosphatidic acid signaling in plants*. Galveston, Texas, USA., Gordon Research Conference (GRC) on Plant Lipids.

Munnik, T. (2009, May 14). *Phosphoinositide signalling in plant stress signalling and development*. Tartu, Estonia, 2nd FA605 COST INPAS Conference: Plant Abiotic Stress – from signaling to development.

Munnik, T. (2009, January 29). *Phospholipid Signaling in Plant Stress and Development*. Ann Arbor, MI, USA, Michigan State University.

Munnik, T. (2009, December 17). *Phospholipid Signalling in Plant Stress and Development*. Fribourg, Switzerland, University of Fribourg.

Munnik, T. (2009, April 01). *Phospholipid Signalling in Plant Stress and Development*. Jena, Germany, Max Planck Institute for Chemical Ecology.

Munnik, T. (2009, January 27). *Phospholipid-based Signal Transduction*. Münster, Germany, University of Münster.

Munnik, T. (2009, April 03). *Phospholipids in Plant Stress Signalling and Development*. Halle, Germany, Leibniz Institute of Plant Biochemistry (IPB), Halle University.

Schuurink, R.C. (2009, March 17). *Benzoic acid and Benzenoid biosynthesis by Petunia flowers*. Cologne, Germany, University of Cologne.

Schuurink, R.C. (2009, July 16). *Genetic approaches to E-2-hexenal responses in Arabidopsis*. Pommersfelden, Germany, University of Würzburg.

Schuurink, R.C. (2009, December 18). *Mutations in GABA transaminase genes in plants or Pseudomonas reduce bacterial virulence*. Amsterdam, the Netherlands, JDPS Core-to-Core program.

Schuurink, R.C. (2009, March 09). *Novel tomatoes that counteract suppression of plant defences*. The Hague, the Netherlands, NWO-TTI-GG Meeting.

Schuurink, R.C. (2009, November 11). *Tomato and insects, a volatile interaction*. Utrecht, the Netherlands, 4th workshop on Plant-Insect Interactions.

Zonia, L. (2009, December 07). *Spatial and temporal integration of signaling networks in pollen tube growth*. Veldhoven, the Netherlands, NWO Scientific meeting on "Chemistry related to Biological & Medical sciences".

Plant–pathogen Interaction

Key Publications

Michielse, C.B., van Wijk, R., Reijnen, L., Boas, S., Cornelissen, B.J.C., Rep, M. (2009) Sge1, a putative transcriptional regulator is required for pathogenicity in *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lycopersici* and regulates infection phase specific genes. *PloS Pathogens* 5: 1000637

Houterman, P.M., Ma, L.S., van Ooijen, G., de Vroomen, M., Cornelissen, B.J.C., Takken, F.L.W. and Rep, M. (2009) The effector protein Avr2 of the xylem-colonizing fungus *Fusarium oxysporum* activates the tomato resistance protein I-2 intracellularly. *The Plant Journal* 58: 970-978

PhD Thesis

Jonkers, W. (2009, oktober 06). *The role of the F-box protein Frp1 in pathogenicity of Fusarium oxysporum*. UvA Universiteit van Amsterdam (137 pag.). Prom./coprom.: prof.dr. B.J.C. Cornelissen & dr. M. Rep.

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Coleman, J.J., Rounsley, S.D., Rodriguez-Carres, M., Kuo, A., Wasmann, C.C., Grimwood, J., Schmutz, J., Taga, M., White, G.J., Zhou, S., Schwartz, D.C., Freitag, M., Ma, L.-j., Danchin, E.G.J., Henrissat, B., Coutinho, P.M., Nelson, D.R., Straney, D., Napoli, C.A., Barker, B.M., Gribskov, M., Rep, M., Kroken, S., Molnár, I., Rensing, C., Kennell, J.C., Zamora, J., Farman, M.L., Selker, E.U., Salamov, A., Shapiro, H., Pangilinan, J., Lindquist, E., Lamers, C., Grigoriev, I.V., Geiser, D.M., Covert, S.F., Temporini, E. & VanEtten, H.D. (2009). The genome of *Nectria haematococca*: Contribution of supernumerary chromosomes to gene expansion. *PLoS Genet*, *5*(8), e1000618.

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Jonkers, W. & Rep, M. (2009). Lessons from fungal F-box proteins. *Eukaryotic Cell*, *8*(5), 677-695.

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Lievens, B., Baarlen, P. van, Verreth, C., Van Kerckhove, S., Rep, M. & Thomma, B.P.H.J. (2009). Evolutionary relationships between *Fusarium oxysporum* f. sp. *lycopersici* and *F. oxysporum* f. sp. *radicis-lycopersici* isolates inferred from mating type, elongation factor-1 α and exopolysaccharuronase sequences. *Mycol. Res.*, *113*(10), 1181-1191.

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Slootweg, E., Tameling, W., Roosien, J., Lukasik, E., Joosten, M., Takken, F., Bakker, J. & Govers, A. (2009). An outlook on the localisation and structure-function relationships of R proteins in *Solanum*. *Potato Res.*, *52*(3), 229-235.

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Rep, M. (2009, juni 17). *Evolution of virulence in the plant-pathogenic fungus Fusarium oxysporum*. Salamanca, Spain, University of Salamanca.

Rep, M. (2009, april 06). *Evolution of virulence in the plant-pathogenic fungus Fusarium oxysporum*. Lunteren, the Netherlands, ALW-discussion platform EPW, Lunteren.

Rep, M. (2009, september 02). *Plant-microbe interactions – finding the rules of the molecular game*. Amsterdam, the Netherlands, SILS Research Day.

Takken, F.L.W. (2009, augustus 01). *How to resist a resistance protein?* Oxford, UK, British Society for Plant Pathology, Presidential Meeting 2009.

Takken, F.L.W. (2009, juli 19). *How to resist tomato resistance proteins?* Quebec, Canada, XIV International Congress on Molecular Plant-MicrobeInteractions.

Appendix 3

Research Cluster SILS Center for NeuroScience

Animal Physiology and Cognitive Neuroscience

Key Publications

Lansink C.S., Goltstein P.M., Lankelma J.V., McNaughton B.L. and Pennartz C.M. (2009) Hippocampus leads ventral striatum in replay of place-reward information. *PLoS Biol.* 7: e1000173. doi: 10.1371/journal.pbio.1000173.

Huijbers W, Pennartz CMA, Cabeza R and Daselaar SM (2009) When learning and remembering compete: a functional MRI study. *PLoS Biology* 7: e1000011.

Peyrache et al. Replay of rule-learning related neural patterns in the prefrontal cortex during sleep. (2009) *Nat Neurosci* 12:919-926.

PhD Thesis

Pu, Z. (2009, October 01). *A temporal perspective on stress hormones and memory*. Universiteit van Amsterdam (125 pag.). Prom./coprom.: prof.dr. M. Joels & prof.dr. G. Fernandez.

Academic publications (refereed)

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Cappaert, N.L.M., Lopes da Silva, F.H. & Wadman, W.J. (2009). Spatio-temporal dynamics of theta oscillations in hippocampal-entorhinal slices. *Hippocampus*, 19(11), 1065-1077.

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Duuren, E. van, Plasse, G. van der, Lankelma, J., Joosten, R.N.J.M.A., Feenstra, M.G.P. & Pennartz, C.M.A. (2009). Single-cell and population coding of expected reward probability in the orbitofrontal cortex of the rat. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 29(28), 8965-8976.

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Pennartz, C.M.A. (Ed.). (2009). *Eur. j. neurosci.*

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Invited lectures

Battaglia, F.P. (2009, May 05). *Hippocampal-prefrontal coherence affects storage and sleep replay of information in the cerebral cortex*. Göttingen, Germany, Conference at the Bernstein Center for Computational Neuroscience.

Battaglia, F.P. (2009, June 17). *Models of spontaneous activity and connectivity development for an attractor neural network with grid cell behavior*. Verona, Italy, Spring Hippocampal Research Conference.

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Cellular and Systems Neurobiology

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Vliet, E.A. van (2009, januari 20). *Epilepsie: voorkomen of genezen?* Amsterdam, the Netherlands, University of Amsterdam: Voorlichtingsdag Psychobiologie.

Vliet, E.A. van (2009, januari 23). *Pharmacoresistance to phenytoin, levetiracetam and valproate in an animal model for temporal lobe epilepsy*. Utrecht, the Netherlands, Wetenschapsdag Sectie Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek van de Nederlandse Liga tegen Epilepsie.

Vliet, E.A. van (2009, november 16). *Pharmacoresistant epilepsy: is there a cure?* Amsterdam, the Netherlands, Graduate School Neuroscience Amsterdam: PhD course.

Membership editorial board

Gorter, J.A. (Ed.). (2009). *Epilepsia*.

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Hormonal Regulation of Signal Transduction in the Brain

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Lucassen, P.J. (Ed.). (2009). *Frontiers in Neurogenesis*.

Invited lectures

Joels, M. (2009, September 14). *A dual role for mineralocorticoid receptors in the limbic brain*. Istanbul, Turkey, 22nd ECNP Congress.

Joels, M. (2009, September 09). *Action mechanism of stress hormones on neural structure and synaptic plasticity*. Rhodes, Greece, PENS / IBRO Summerschool.

Joels, M. (2009, March 09). *Corticosteroid effects on limbic neurons*. Bordeaux, France, INSERM U862.

Joels, M. (2009, April 26). *Genomic versus nongenomic corticosteroid effects in brain*. Istanbul, Turkey, 11th European Congress of Endocrinology.

Joels, M. (2009, October 04). *Glutamate transmission as target for rapid and delayed corticosteroid actions*. Milano, Italy, Biennial Meeting of the Italian Neuroscience Society.

Joels, M. (2009, April 20). *Rapid corticosteroid actions in brain: Mechanism and functional relevance*. New Orleans, USA, Annual Meeting of the American Physiological Society.

Joels, M. (2009, March 20). *Stress and cognitive function*. Dresden, Germany, Spring School on Stress.

Joels, M. (2009, December 11). *Stress and memory, from adaptation to disease*. Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 1st Meeting of the European Society for Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience.

Joels, M. (2009, March 06). *The influence of single and repetitive stress on limbic function: focus on corticosteroids*. Cape Ferrat, France, Servier Conference on Mood Disorders.

Joels, M. (2009, November 25). *The stressed brain, in health and disease*. Utrecht, the Netherlands, Annual Rudolf Magnus Lecture.

Krugers, H. (2009, October 31). *Emotionele herinneringen in een reageerbuis?* Amsterdam, the Netherlands, University of Amsterdam, BachelorDay.

Krugers, H. (2009, June 05). *Hormonal regulation of AMPAR trafficking and learning and memory*. Doorwerth, the Netherlands, 8th Endo-Neuropsychology Meeting.

Krugers, H. (2009, May 19). *Remembering fearful experiences: Molecular mechanisms and role of early life events*. Rijswijk, the Netherlands, BPRC Meeting.

Krugers, H. (2009, September 09). *Remembering fearful experiences: Molecular mechanisms and role of early life events*. Nijmegen, the Netherlands, Donders Centre for Neuroscience.

Krugers, H. (2009, March 26). *Stress hormones modulate AMPAR mobility and facilitate synaptic plasticity*. Göttingen, Germany, 8th Göttingen Meeting of the German Neuroscience Society.

Krugers, H. (2009, March 07). *Waarom onthouden we stressvolle en emotionele gebeurtenissen zo goed?* Amsterdam, the Netherlands, University of Amsterdam: Bachelordag.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, June 04). *Changes in neurogenesis in Alzheimer (models)*. Doorwerth, the Netherlands, EndoNeuroPsycho ENP Meeting.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, June 05). *Doublecortin-like proteins during development and in developmental pathologies*. Doorwerth, the Netherlands, ENP Meeting.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, January 26). *Neurogenesis in relation to Alzheimer's disease and mouse models for dementia*. Colorado, USA, Winterschool on Neuroscience.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, January 22). *Neurogenesis, stress and depression*. Virgin Islands, USA, Winter Conference on Neuroscience.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, January 12). *Stem cells in the adult brain*. Groningen, the Netherlands, Graduate School BCN.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, July 29). *Structural plasticity and neurogenesis in relation to stress and depression*. Oxford, UK, The British Association for Psychopharmacology Meeting.

Lucassen, P.J. (2009, December 02). *Structural plasticity in dementia (models)*. Leuven, Belgium, NEURAD Meeting.

Appendix 4

Research cluster

Life Science Technologies

Mass Spectrometry of Biomacromolecules

Key Publications

Kramer, G., Sprenger, R.R., Back, J.W., Dekker, H.L., Nessen, M.A., Maarseveen, J.H. van, Koning, L.J. de, Hellingwerf, K.J., Jong, L. de & Koster, C.G. de (2009). Identification and quantitation of newly synthesized proteins in *Escherichia coli* by enrichment of azidohomoalanine-labeled peptides with diagonal chromatography. *Mol Cell Proteomics*, *8*(7), 1599-1611.

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Begroting	GS1	GS2	GS3
1. Baten	10,877	1,942	3,245
2. Personele lasten	-4,843	-1,209	-2,392
3. Overige lasten	<u>-5,006</u>	<u>-1,420</u>	<u>-2,243</u>
Resultaat	1,028	-687	-1,390
Realisatie	GS1	GS2	GS3
1. Baten	7,772	4,015	4,382
2. Personele lasten	-5,399	-1,662	-1,654
3. Overige lasten	<u>-2,637</u>	<u>-2,245</u>	<u>-2,913</u>
Resultaat	-265	108	-185
Verschil (Realisatie minus begroting)	GS1	GS2	GS3
1. Baten	-3,105	2,073	1,137
2. Personele lasten	-556	-453	738
3. Overige lasten	<u>2,369</u>	<u>-825</u>	<u>-670</u>
Resultaat	-1,293	795	1,205

Analyse van de verschillen per categorie en per geldstroom

1. Baten	GS1	GS2	GS3
Begroot	10,877.0	1,942.0	3,245.0
Interne baten			
Budget			
5%-budgetkorting 2009	-318.0	0.0	0.0
BSIK bijdrage (restanttoekenning)	-50.0	0.0	0.0
Verrekening onderwijs	123.0	0.0	0.0
Verrekening vergoeding ow-management	<u>813.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
	568.0	0.0	0.0
Matching			
Matching: nieuwe systematiek (inhaalcorrectie)	-77.1	372.6	-295.5
Matching: accommoderen CvB-overhead	931.3	-429.7	-501.6
Matching: overig	<u>-4,186.8</u>	<u>2,251.4</u>	<u>1,935.4</u>
	<u>-3,332.6</u>	<u>2,194.3</u>	<u>1,138.3</u>
Attentie: de 3348,2 moet zijn:			
Interne bijdrage (via interne order)	125.5	44.1	-169.6

Interne bijdragen			
Afdelingsresultaat WP	-37.2	0.0	0.0
Afdelingsresultaat OBP	148.5	0.0	0.0
Verrekening vergoeding ow-management	-684.9	0.0	0.0
Terugboeking uit GS2 naar GS1 VN	70.4	-70.4	0.0
Overige interne bijdragen	-63.6	16.0	26.8
	<u>-566.8</u>	<u>-54.4</u>	<u>26.8</u>
	<u>-3,205.9</u>	<u>2,184.0</u>	<u>995.5</u>
Externe baten			
<i>Contractonderzoek</i>			
Contractonderzoek: OHW-effect inhaalmatching		-372.6	295.5
Contractonderzoek: hogere omzet	83.1	249.1	-385.9
	83.1	-123.5	-90.4
Meer/minder overige baten	33.4	12.6	232.0
	<u>116.5</u>	<u>-110.9</u>	<u>141.6</u>
Verschil	-16.0	-0.1	-0.1
Werkelijk	7,771.6	4,015.0	4,382.0

2. Personele lasten

Begroot	-4,843.0	-	-
PID			
Hoeveelheidsverschil	572.9	-293.9	850.1
Prijverschil	-243.6	-65.0	-125.0
Afronding/onverklaard	65.3	-6.1	-1.4
	394.6	-365.0	723.7
Inzet niet via tijdsverantwoording	-352.0	40.1	172.2
	<u>42.6</u>	<u>-324.9</u>	<u>895.9</u>
Opslagen PID			
Opslag ziekte, wachtgeld, overige PL	<u>-357.7</u>	<u>-113.8</u>	<u>-126.0</u>
PNID			
Verschil	<u>-240.9</u>	<u>-14.0</u>	<u>-32.2</u>
Verschil	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Werkelijk	-5,399.1	-	-
		1,661.7	1,654.2

3. Overige lasten

Begroot	-5,006.0	-	-
Primaire overige lasten			
Subsidies en overdrachten	-13.8	-1.3	-9.0
Afschrijvingen	-351.5	0.0	0.0
Huisvestingskosten	-6.1	-0.2	-0.3

Overige kosten	236.4	128.4	-196.3
	-135.0	126.9	-205.6
Financiële lasten	-1.6	0.1	3.4
Toerekening diensten en verrekening intrafacultair			
Diensten GDS (variabel)	-2.0	0.0	-127.4
Toerekening binnen eenheid: bovennormoverhead	123.3	0.0	0.0
Toerekening binnen eenheid: projectadm.	0.0	0.0	-166.3
	121.3	0.0	-293.7
Overhead / werkplekoverhad			
Overhead: opslagen PL	357.7	113.8	126.0
Hoeveelheidsverschil	66.7	-198.2	556.0
Prijverschil	5.4	59.4	69.2
Overig/afrondding	67.2	-21.9	46.6
Afdelingsoverhead/werkplekoverhead: opslagen PL	497.0	-46.9	797.8
Instituutsoverhead	956.5	-475.3	-470.4
Centrale universitaire overhead	930.4	-429.7	-501.6
	2,383.9	-952.0	-174.1
Verschil	0.1	-0.2	0.0
Werkelijk	-2,637.3	2,245.1	2,913.0

Aanvullende toelichting formatie en GPL

	GS1	GS2	GS3
Aantal fte begroot (WP+OBP)	73.0	24.7	52.9
GPL begroot (naar geldstroom)	65.1	49.0	45.2
Aantal fte werkelijkheid	64.2	30.7	34.1
GPL werkelijk	68.9	51.1	48.9
Verschil fte	8.8	-6.0	18.8
Verschil GPL werkelijkheid - GPL begroting	-3.8	-2.1	-3.7

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