

## Curriculum Vitae

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION

2004 **PhD** (*cum laude*, upper 5%) – ‘Foraging decisions in a digestively constrained long-distance migrant, the red knot (*Calidris canutus*)’  
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands  
Promotor: Prof Dr RH Drent

1996 **MSc** (*cum laude*) – Animal Ecology & Chronobiology  
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands

1990 **BSc** (*cum laude*) – Biology  
Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, University of Groningen, the Netherlands

### CURRENT POSITIONS

2014 – present **Senior Scientist** (permanent staff)  
Dept. Coastal Systems (COS), NIOZ Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research, the Netherlands

2015 – 2020 **Lecturer, Master programme Marine Biology** (ad honorem)  
Dept. Marine Biology, University of Groningen, the Netherlands

### PREVIOUS POSITIONS

2010 – 2014 **Tenure Track Research Position**  
Dept. Marine Ecology, NIOZ Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research, the Netherlands

2006 – 2010 **Postdoc** (fixed term)  
Dept. Marine Ecology, NIOZ Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research, the Netherlands

2006 – 2007 **Postdoc** (fixed term)  
School of Biological Sciences, University of Bristol, UK

2003 – 2008 **Postdoc** (fixed term)  
Dept. Plant-Animal Interactions, Netherlands Institute of Ecology (NIOO-KNAW), the Netherlands

### GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2014 **MARES-EU**, Erasmus Mundus Programme (EACEA) €122k  
2013 **Open Research Grant**, The Research Council, Oman (TRC) €263k  
2011 **ALW Open Competition Grant**, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) €253k  
2009 **Personal VIDI Grant**, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) €798k  
2007 **Dutch Zoology Prize**, Royal Dutch Zoological Society (KNDV)  
2006 **WOTRO Grant**, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) €431k  
2005 **Rubicon Grant**, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO) €10k  
2004 **Best PhD Thesis**, National Functional Ecology Graduate School  
2003 **KNAW ‘Vernieuwingsfonds fellowship’** (Postdoc position at NIOO)

### SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS AND POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS

*Since the start of my PhD, I have been supervising more than 50 MSc students from various universities. In my current role as Senior Scientist I am/have been supervising 8 PhD students:*

2015 – present **H. Peng** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2014 – present **E.M.A. Kok** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2011 – present **R.A. Bom** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2010 – 2017 **T. Oudman** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2010 – 2016 **J. de Fouw** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2009 – 2015 **A.I. Bijleveld** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2009 – 2014 **S. Duijns** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)  
2006 – 2013 **M. van der Geest** (NIOZ / University of Groningen)

## MEMBERSHIP PhD EXAMINATION COMMITTEES

- 2015 Y. Aharon-Rotman (PhD); Deakin University, Australia.  
2014 C. Choi (PhD); Massey University, New Zealand.  
2014 M.V. Ahmedou Salem (PhD); University of Tetouan, Morocco.  
2013 C.J. Camphuysen (PhD); University of Groningen, the Netherlands.  
2012 E.O. Folmer (PhD); University of Groningen, the Netherlands.  
2011 J. Leyrer (PhD); University of Groningen, the Netherlands.  
2010 G. Quaintenne (PhD); La Rochelle University, France.

## TEACHING ACTIVITIES (current)

- Guest lecturer**, *Ecology of Animal Migration*, international PhD course, Lund University, Sweden (2015)  
**Lecturer**, *Evolutionary Ecology of Marine Organisms*, MSc course, University of Groningen, the Netherlands (2015 – 2020)  
**Guest lecturer**, *Foraging Theory*, MSc course, University of Utrecht, the Netherlands (2014 – present)  
**Guest lecturer**, *Phenotypic Flexibility*, BSc course, Wageningen Univ., the Netherlands (2014 – present)

## ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS (recent)

- 2016 *Arctic Migratory Birds Initiative (AMBI) implementation workshop* (Texel, the Netherlands)  
2016 *Interplay between Bottom-up and Top-down Effects in Ecosystems* (internat. symposium; Texel, the Netherlands)  
2016 *Science Days* (NIOZ-wide annual meeting; Texel, the Netherlands)  
2014 *Movement Ecology* (international workshop; Schiermonnikoog, the Netherlands)  
2014 *Science Days* (NIOZ-wide annual meeting; Texel, the Netherlands)  
2013 *Science Days* (NIOZ-wide annual meeting; Noordwijkerhout, the Netherlands)

## INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2016 – present Animal Ethics Committee NIOZ  
2014 – present Organizer NIOZ-wide weekly colloquia  
2012 – present Organizer Annual NIOZ Science Days  
2012 – 2014 Member 'NIOZ Next' (institute-wide think tank)

## SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- 2014 Directorship, Institute of Basic Science (Responses of Marine Ecosystems), South-Korea

## EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

- 2014 – present *Journal of Avian Biology*  
2008 – 2012 *Oikos*

## PEER REVIEW

Reviewer for a large number of journals (48), including: *American Naturalist*, *Animal Behaviour*, *Behavioral Ecology*, *Current Biology*, *Ecological Modelling*, *Ecology*, *Ecology Letters*, *Functional Ecology*, *Journal of Animal Ecology*, *Journal of Applied Ecology*, *Journal of Avian Biology*, *Journal of Experimental Biology*, *Journal of Theoretical Biology*, *Oecologia*, *Oikos*, *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London Series B*.

## MAJOR COLLABORATIONS

- M.V. Ahmedou Salem University of Nouakchott (bivalve ecology)  
J.A. Alves University of Aveiro (stable isotopes)  
P. F. Battley Massey University (bird migration)  
P. Bocher University of La Rochelle (foraging ecology)  
T. van der Heide Radboud University Nijmegen (bivalve ecology)  
B. J. Hoyer University of Wollongong / Deakin University (bird migration; microbes)  
J. Johnson US Fish and Wildlife Service (Arctic breeding biology)  
M. Klaassen Deakin University (stable isotopes, foraging ecology)  
S. Lisovski University of California (Arctic climate)  
W. Meissner University of Gdańsk (bird migration)  
H. Olff University of Groningen (community ecology)  
L. Ould Yarba Univ. of Nouakchott / PNBA (Banc d'Arguin)  
J. Petersen University of Vienna (bacteria-bivalve symbiosis)  
T. Piersma NIOZ / University of Groningen (bird migration)  
E.N. Rakhimberdiev NIOZ / Lomonosov Moscow State Univ. (Arctic breeding biology)  
J. Reneerkens University of Groningen (Arctic breeding biology)  
M.Y. Soloviev Lomonosov Moscow State University (Arctic breeding biology)