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EDUCATION

- 1994-1999 **Ph.D. in Biology**, Botanical Institute, University of Cologne, Germany
1986-1993 **Diploma in Biology**, Julius-Maximilians-University, Würzburg, Germany
1990-1991 **Graduate exchange student**, State University of New York at Albany, NY

RESEARCH

- since 2015 **Assistant Professor of Horticulture**
Division of Plant and Soil Sciences, West Virginia University
- since 2015 **Ray Marsh and Arthur Pingree Dye Professor**
Division of Plant and Soil Sciences, West Virginia University
- 2008-2015 **Post-doctoral Research Associate** (Supervisor: Dr. Natalia Dudareva)
Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture, Purdue University
- 2000-2008 **Lecturer and Research Associate** (Supervisor: Dr. Ralf Bernd Klösgen)
Institute of Biology - Plant Physiology,
Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany
- 1999-2000 **Research Associate** (Supervisor: Dr. Ulf Ingo Flügge)
Botanical Institute, University of Cologne, Germany
- 1994-1999 **Research Assistant** (Supervisor: Dr. Ulf Ingo Flügge)
Botanical Institute, University of Cologne, Germany
- 1992-1993 **Research Assistant** (Supervisor: Dr. Ulf Ingo Flügge)
Julius-v.-Sachs-Institute for Biosciences,
Julius-Maximilians-University Würzburg, Germany
- 1990-1991 **Graduate Fellow** (Supervisor: Dr. Joseph Peter Mascarenhas)
State University of New York at Albany, NY

PUBLICATIONS

Publications on biosynthesis of volatile compounds and their role in plant-insect interactions

Gutensohn M. and Dudareva N. (2016) Tomato fruits – a platform for metabolic engineering of terpenes. *Methods Enzymol.* 576, 333-359.

Widhalm J.R., **Gutensohn M.**, Yoo H., Adebessin F., Qian Y., Guo L., Jaini R., Lynch J.H., McCoy R.M., Jacob T. Shreve J.T., Thimmapuram J., Rhodes D., Morgan J.A. and Dudareva N. (2015) Identification of a plastidial phenylalanine exporter that influences flux distribution through the phenylalanine biosynthetic network. *Nat. Commun.* 6:8142, doi: 10.1038/ncomms9142

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Publications on metabolite and protein transport in plant cellular organelles

- Ladig R., Sommer M.S., Hahn A., Leisegang M.S., Papatotiriou D.G., Ibrahim M., Elkehal R., Karas M., Zickermann V., **Gutensohn M.**, Brandt U., Klösigen R.B. and Schleiff E. (2011) A high-definition native polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis system for the analysis of membrane complexes. *Plant J.* 67, 181-194.
- Banks J.A., Nishiyama T., Hasebe M., Bowman J.L., Gribskov M., dePamphilis C., Albert V.A., Aono N., Aoyama T., Ambrose B.A., Ashton N.W., Axtell M.J., Barker E., Barker M.S., Bennetzen J.L., Bonawitz N.D., Chapple C., Cheng C., Correa L.G., Dacre M., DeBarry J., Dreyer I., Elias M., Engstrom E.M., Estelle M., Feng L., Finet C., Floyd S.K., Frommer W.B., Fujita T., Gramzow L., **Gutensohn M.**, et al. (2011) The Selaginella genome identifies genetic changes associated with the evolution of vascular plants. *Science* 332, 960-963.
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- Heeg C., Kruse C., Jost R., **Gutensohn M.**, Ruppert T., Wirtz M. and Hell R. (2008) Analysis of the *Arabidopsis* O-acetylserine(thiol)lyase gene family demonstrates compartment-specific differences in the regulation of cysteine synthesis. *Plant Cell* 20, 168-185.
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- Hust B. and **Gutensohn M.** (2006) Deletion of core components of the plastid protein import machinery causes differential arrest of embryo development in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. *Plant Biology* 8, 18-30.
- Voigt A., Jakob M., Klösigen R.B. and **Gutensohn M.** (2005) At least two Toc34 protein import receptors with different specificities are also present in spinach chloroplasts. *FEBS Lett.* 579, 1343-1349.
- Zhbanko M., Zinchenko V., **Gutensohn M.**, Schierhorn A. and Klösigen R.B. (2005) Knock out of leader peptidase prevents photoautotrophic growth of *Synechocystis* sp. PCC 6803. *J. Bacteriol.* 187, 3071-3078.
- Klösigen R.B., Molik S., Frielingsdorf S., **Gutensohn M.**, Jakob M., Marques J. and Hou B. (2004) Protein transport across the thylakoid membrane. *Endocytobiosis Cell Res.* 15, 518-526.
- Gutensohn M.**, Pahnke S., Kolukisaoglu Ü., Schulz B., Schierhorn A., Voigt A., Hust B., Rollwitz I., Stöckel J., Geimer S., Albrecht V., Flügge U.I. and Klösigen R.B. (2004) Characterization of a T-DNA insertion mutant for the protein import receptor atToc33 from chloroplasts. *Mol. Genet. Genomics* 272, 379-396.
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Fischer K., Kammerer B., **Gutensohn M.**, Arbinger B., Weber A., Häusler R.E. and Flüge U.I. (1997) A new class of plastidic phosphate translocators: A putative link between primary and secondary metabolism by the phosphoenolpyruvate/ phosphate antiporter. *Plant Cell* 9, 453-462.

Weber A., Menzlaff E., Arbinger B., **Gutensohn M.**, Eckerskorn C. and Flüge U.I. (1995) The 2-oxoglutarate/malate translocator of chloroplast envelope membranes: Molecular cloning of a transporter containing a 12-helix motif and expression of the functional protein in yeast cells. *Biochemistry* 34, 2621-2627.

TEACHING

since 2015 **Assistant Professor**

Division of Plant and Soil Sciences, West Virginia University

- PLSC 206 “Principles of Plant Science” (undergraduate lecture & lab course)
- HORT495 “Independent Study”
- research supervisor of one PhD student and two undergraduate students

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Review Editor for *Frontiers in Plant Physiology*

Ad hoc Reviewer for *Biochim Biophys Acta*, *BMC Plant Biology*, *FEBS Letters*, *FEBS Journal*, *Functional Plant Biology*, *Journal Biological Chemistry*, *Journal Molecular Biology*, *Molecular and General Genetics*, *Molecular Plant*, *Plant Biology*, *Plant Cell*, *Plant Journal*, *Plant Physiology*

Reviewer for the chapter on “Secondary Metabolites and Plant Defense” of the “Plant Physiology” textbook by Taiz and Zeiger (sixth edition), Sinauer Associates, Inc. Publishers

Chair Gordon Research Seminar 2016, “Plant volatiles – novel functions and emerging applications”, Ventura, CA

MEMBERSHIPS PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

The American Society of Plant Biology (ASPB)