

Short Curriculum vitae Franz J. ('Franjo') Weissing

Recent academic positions:

Professor of Theoretical Biology (since 2005)

Director, Erasmus Mundus Joint MSc Programme Evolutionary Biology (since 2009)

Director, Groningen Graduate School of Science (2007-2012)

Dean of Research, Faculty of Science, University of Groningen (2008-2011)

Distinguished Lorentz Fellow Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study (KNAW-NIAS, 2017-2018)

Major grants:

ERC Advanced Grant (2017, 2.5 M€); Erasmus Mundus Joint MSc Programme Evolutionary Biology (2015, 1.9 M€, 2009, 4.5 M€); NWO Graduate Programme (2012, 1 M€); Groningen Systems Biology Centre (2010, 4 M€); co-PI of Marie Curie Initial Training Network on Speciation (2008, 3 M€).

Honours and Awards:

Mercator Fellowship (2018); Distinguished Lorentz Fellowship Award (2017); Teaching Excellence Fellowship (2015); highest score ('outstanding') for Erasmus Mundus Programme MEME (2015) by Netherlands-Flemish Accreditation Organisation; highest score ('international excellence') in national research evaluation by international Peer Review Committee (2012); Centennial Award of Darwin Society (2009); Centennial Lecture German Zoological Society (2007)

Editorial Boards:

American Naturalist (since 2002), *Frontiers in Zoology* (since 2004), *Oikos* (2007-2012); guest editor *PLoS Computational Sciences* (since 2016).

Supervision of PhD theses:

Since 1994, I have supervised 33 PhD students until the defence of their thesis. Thirteen of these received the distinction *cum laude* (which is reserved for the top 3% of all PhD theses), and eighteen received prizes or personal grants on the basis of their PhD work. Of the PhD students and post-doctoral fellows (10) supervised by me, 38 are still active in academic research. Three of these have a full professorship, six have a tenure-track position, four are (senior) lecturers, eight are (senior) scientists at a research institute, and ten are independent research fellows funded by a personal grant.

Annual courses:

MSc or PhD level: Evolutionary Theory; Theoretical Ecology and Evolution; Mathematical Models in Ecology and Evolution; Summer School in Evolutionary Biology

BSc level: Introduction to Biomathematics and Biostatistics; Evolutionary Ecology

Selected publications per research theme:

Animal personalities

Botero, C.A., Pen, I., Komdeur, J. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2010. The evolution of individual variation in communication strategies. *Evolution*, 64: 3123-3133.

Molleman, L., Van den Berg, P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2014. Consistent individual differences in human social learning strategies. *Nature Communications* 5: 3570.

Wolf, M., Van Doorn, G.S., Leimar, O. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2007. Life-history trade-offs favour the evolution of animal personalities. *Nature* 447: 581-584.

Wolf, M., Van Doorn, G.S. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2008. Evolutionary emergence of responsive and unresponsive personalities. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 105: 15825-15830.

Wolf, M. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2010. An explanatory framework for adaptive personality differences. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* 365: 3959-3968.

Wolf, M. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2012. Animal personalities: consequences for ecology and evolution. *Trends Ecol. Evol.* 27: 452-461.

Cultural evolution

- Erten E.Y., van den Berg P. & **Weissing F.J.** 2018. Effect of acculturation on the evolution of a multi-cultural society. *Nature Comm* 9: 58.
- Henrich, J., Bowles, S., Boyd, R.T., Hopfensitz, A., Richerson, P.J., Sigmund, K., Smith, E.A., **Weissing, F.J.** & Young, H.P. 2003. The cultural and genetic evolution of human cooperation. In: Hammerstein, P. (ed.). *Genetic and Cultural Evolution of Cooperation*. MIT Press, pp 445-468.
- Molleman, L., Quiñones, A.E. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2013. Cultural evolution of cooperation: the interplay between forms of social learning and group selection. *Evol. Hum. Behav.* 34: 342-349.
- Molleman, L., Van den Berg, P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2014. Consistent individual differences in human social learning strategies. *Nature Communications* 5: 3570.
- Van den Berg, P., Fawcett, T.W., Buunk, A.P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2013. The evolution of parent-offspring conflict over mate choice. *Evol. Human Behav.*, 34: 405-411.
- Van den Berg, P., Molleman, L. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2015. Focus on the success of others leads to selfish behavior. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 112:2912-2917.
- Weissing, F.J.** & Ostrom, E. 1993. Irrigation institutions and the games irrigators play. Rule enforcement on government- and farmer-managed systems. In: Scharpf, F.W. (ed.). *Games in Hierarchies and Networks*. Boulder: Westview, pp 387-428.

Evolution and self-organization // Evolution of cooperation

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- De Jager, M., **Weissing, F.J.** & Van de Koppel, J. 2017. Why mussels stick together: spatial self-organization affects the evolution of cooperation. *Evol Ecol* 31: 547-558.
- Duarte, A., Keller, L., Pen, I. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2011. An evolutionary perspective on self-organized division of labor in social insects. *Annu. Rev. Ecol. Evol. Syst.* 42: 91-110.
- Duarte, A., Scholtens, E. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2012. Implications of behavioral architecture for the evolution of self-organized division of labor. *PLoS Comput. Biol.* 8: e1002430.
- Pen, I. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2000. Towards a unified theory of cooperative breeding: the role of ecology and life history re-examined. *Proc. R. Soc. Lond. B* 267: 2411-2418.
- Quiñones, A.E., Van Doorn, G.S., Pen, I., **Weissing, F.J.** & Taborsky, M. 2016. Negotiation and appeasement can be more effective drivers of sociality than kin selection. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. B* 371:20150089.
- Ramazi, P., Cao, M. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2016. Evolutionary dynamics of homophily and heterophily. *Scientific Rep.* 6:22766, doi: 10.1038/srep22766
- Van den Berg, P., Molleman, L. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2015. Focus on the success of others leads to selfish behavior. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 112:2912-2917.
- Van den Berg, P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2015. The importance of mechanisms for the evolution of cooperation. *Proc. R. Soc. B* 282:20151382.
- Van Gestel, J., **Weissing, F.J.**, Kuipers, O.P. & Kovács, A.T. 2014. Density of founder cells affects spatial pattern formation and cooperation in *Bacillus subtilis* biofilms. *ISME Journal* 8: 2069-2079.

Evolutionary game theory

- McNamara, J.M. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2010. Evolutionary game theory. In: Székely, T., Moore, A.J. & Komdeur, J. (eds). *Social Behaviour: Genes, Ecology and Evolution*. Cambridge University Press, pp 109-133.
- Van Doorn, G.S., Hengeveld, G.M. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2003ab. The evolution of social dominance. *Behaviour* 140: 1305-1332 & 1333-1358.
- Weissing, F.J.** 1991. Evolutionary stability and dynamic stability in Rock-Scissors-Paper games. In: Selten, R. (ed.). *Game Equilibrium Models I. Evolution and Game Dynamics*. Berlin: Springer-Verlag, pp. 29-97.

Life history evolution

- Ens, B.J., **Weissing, F.J.** & Drent, R.H. 1995. The despotic distribution and deferred maturity: two sides of the same coin. *American Naturalist* 146: 625-650.
- Kramer, B.H., Van Doorn, G.S., **Weissing, F.J.** & Pen, I. 2016. Lifespan divergence between social insect castes: challenges and opportunities for evolutionary theories of aging. *Curr. Opin. Insect Sci.* 16, 76-80.
- Pen, I. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2000. Towards a unified theory of cooperative breeding: the role of ecology and life history re-examined. *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London, Series B* 267: 2411-2418.
- Van Boven, M. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2004. The evolutionary economics of immunity. *American Naturalist* 163: 277-294.

Mechanisms of adaptation

- Botero, C.A., **Weissing, F.J.**, Wright, J. & Rubenstein, D.R. 2015. Evolutionary tipping points in the capacity to adapt to environmental change. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 112:184-189.
- Fawcett, T.W., Kuijper, A., **Weissing, F.J.** & Pen, I. 2011. Sex-ratio control erodes sexual selection, revealing evolutionary feedback from adaptive plasticity. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 108: 15925-15930.
- Moreno-Gómez, S., Sorg, R.A., Kjos, M., **Weissing, F.J.**, Van Doorn, G.S. & Veening, J.W. 2017. Quorum sensing integrates environmental cues, cell density and cell history to control bacterial competence. *Nature Comm.* 8: 854.
- Solopova, A., Van Gestel, J., **Weissing, F.J.**, Bachmann, H., Teusink, B., Kok, J., Kuipers, O.P. 2014. Bet-hedging during bacterial diauxic shift. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 111: 7427-7432.
- Van den Berg, P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2015. The importance of mechanisms for the evolution of cooperation. *Proc. R. Soc. B* 282:20151382.
- Van Gestel, J. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2016. Regulatory mechanisms link phenotypic plasticity to evolvability. *Scientific Rep.* 6:24524, doi: 10.1038/srep24524
- Van Gestel, J. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2018. Is plasticity caused by single genes? *Nature* 555: E19-E23.

Non-equilibrium dynamics

- Baldauf, S.A., Engqvist, L. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2014. Diversifying evolution of competitiveness. *Nature Comm.* 5: 5233
- Huisman, J., Johansson, A.M., Folmer, E.O. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2001. Towards a solution of the plankton paradox: the importance of physiology and life history. *Ecology Letters* 4: 408-411.
- Huisman, J. & **Weissing, F.J.** 1999. Biodiversity of plankton by species oscillations and chaos. *Nature* 402: 407-410.
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- Van Doorn, G.S. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2006. Sexual conflict and the evolution of female preferences for indicators of male quality. *American Naturalist* 168: 743-757.

Phytoplankton competition

- Huisman, J., Jonker, R.R., Zonneveld, C. & **Weissing, F.J.** 1999. Competition for light between phytoplankton species: experimental tests of mechanistic theory. *Ecology* 80: 211-222.
- Huisman, J., van Oostveen, P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 1999. Critical depth and critical turbulence: two different mechanisms for the development of phytoplankton blooms. *Limnology and Oceanography* 44: 1781-1787.
- Huisman, J. & **Weissing, F.J.** 1995. Competition for nutrients and light in a mixed water column: a theoretical analysis. *American Naturalist* 146: 536-564.
- Huisman, J. & **Weissing, F.J.** 1994. Light-limited growth and competition for light in well-mixed aquatic environments: an elementary model. *Ecology* 75: 507-520.

Segregation distortion // Sex determination // Sex allocation

- Daan, S., Dijkstra, C. & **Weissing, F.J.** 1996. An evolutionary explanation for seasonal trends in avian sex ratios. *Behavioral Ecology* 7: 426-430.
- Fawcett, T.W., Kuijper, A., **Weissing, F.J.** & Pen, I. 2011. Sex-ratio control erodes sexual selection, revealing evolutionary feedback from adaptive plasticity. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 108: 15925-15930.
- Kozielska, M., **Weissing, F.J.**, Beukeboom, L.W. & Pen, I. 2010. Segregation distortion and the evolution of sex-determining mechanisms. *Heredity* 104: 100-112.
- Manser, A., Lindholm, A. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2017. The evolution of costly mate choice against segregation distorters. *Evolution* 71: 2817-2828.
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- Pen, I. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2002. Optimal sex allocation: steps towards a mechanistic theory. In: Hardy, I. (ed). *Sex Ratios: Concepts and Research Methods*. Cambridge University Press, pp. 26-45.
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- Weissing, F.J.** & M. van Boven 2001. Selection and segregation distortion in a sex-differentiated population. *Theoretical Population Biology* 60: 327-341.

Sexual selection

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- Heisler, L., Andersson, M.B., Arnold, S.J., Boake, C.R., Borgia, G., Hausfater, G., Kirkpatrick, M., Lande, R., Maynard Smith, J., O'Donald, P., Thornhill, A.R. & **Weissing F.J.** 1987. The evolution of mating preferences and sexually selected traits. In: Bradbury, J.W. and Andersson, M.B. (eds). *Sexual Selection: Testing the Alternatives*. New York: John Wiley and Sons, pp. 96-118.
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Speciation

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- Van Doorn, G.S., Edelaar, P. & **Weissing, F.J.** 2009. On the origin of species by natural and sexual selection. *Science* 326: 1704-1707.
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