

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

07/2015 - 02/2020 Medical Physics (PhD), *Medical University of Vienna*
03/2012 - 06/2015 Biomedical Engineering (MSc), *Technical University of Graz*
02/2013 - 07/2013 Erasmus Exchange Program, *Czech Technical University Prag*
10/2007 - 02/2012 Biomedical Engineering (BSc), *Technical University of Graz*
10/2002 - 06/2007 Matura, *HTL Bulme Graz Gösting* (Technical School)

Positions

04/2020- Postdoc (FWF and ERC funded) *Department of Biomedical Imaging and Image-guided Therapy, Medical University of Vienna*
07/2015-03/2020 PhD Candidate (FWF funded) *Center for Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering, Medical University of Vienna*
01/2015-06/2015 Master Candidate (FWF funded) *Center for Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering, Medical University of Vienna*
08/2013-09/2013 Praktikum *Center for Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering, Medical University of Vienna*

Career Breaks

08/2022-10/2022 Paternity leave (2 months)

Net research experience

5 years + 2 months (before PhD) and 5 years + 11 months (after PhD)

Main research interest

- Non-invasive assessment of glucose metabolism at 3T and 7T using direct (2H-MRSI) and indirect (1H-MRSI) detection of deuterium labeled substrates.
- Pulse sequence development (Siemens IDEA) and data processing for MR spectroscopy and imaging at high field (3 T) and ultra high field (7 T) (dynamic ^{31}P spectroscopy, time resolved ^1H perfusion imaging, multi-nuclear interleaved NMR, Cartesian and non-Cartesian k-space sampling for MRSI)
- Intracellular high energy metabolism and oxygenation of healthy human muscle tissue (functional, hemodynamic and metabolic response to voluntary exercise and/or ischemia)
- Resting and post exercise lactate quantification in healthy human muscles (3D localized Double Quantum Filtered ^1H MR spectroscopy at 7 T)

Selected Academic Publications

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h-factor: 11 (google scholar)

25 peer-reviewed publications (9 as first author, 3 as senior author)

12 first author conference contributions (7 oral presentation)

1. **Niess F**, Strasser B, Hingerl L, Bader V, Frese S, Clarke WT, Duguid A, Niess E, Motyka S, Hangel G, Krššák M, Trattnig S, Scherer T, Lanzenberger R, Bogner W. Whole-brain deuterium metabolic imaging via concentric ring trajectory readout enables assessment of regional variations in neuronal glucose metabolism *Human Brain Mapping* 2024; doi: 10.1002/hbm.26686
2. **Niess F**, Strasser B, Hingerl L, Niess E, Motyka S, Hangel G, Krššák M, Gruber S, Spurny-Dworak B, Trattnig S, Scherer T, Lanzenberger R, Bogner W. Reproducibility of 3D MRSI for imaging human brain glucose metabolism using direct (^2H) and indirect (^1H) detection of deuterium labeled compounds at 7T and clinical 3T. *Neuroimage* 2023; doi: 10.1016/j.neuroimage.2023.120250
3. **Niess F**, Hingerl L, Strasser B, Bednarik P, Goranovic D, Niess E, Hangel G, Krššák M, Spurny-Dworak B, Scherer T, Lanzenberger R, Bogner W. Noninvasive 3-Dimensional ^1H -Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopic Imaging of Human Brain Glucose and Neurotransmitter Metabolism Using Deuterium Labeling at 3T: Feasibility and Interscanner Reproducibility. *Investigative Radiology* 2023; doi: 10.1097/RLI.0000000000000953
4. Bednarik P, Goranovic D, Svatkova A, **Niess F**, Hingerl L, Strasser B, Deelchand D, Spurny-Dworak B, Krššák M, Trattnig S, Hangel G, Scherer T, Lanzenberger R, Bogner W. ^1H magnetic resonance spectroscopic imaging of deuterated glucose and of neurotransmitter metabolism at 7T in the human brain. *Nature Biomedical Engineering* 2023; doi: 10.1038/s41551-023-01035-z
5. **Niess F**, Roat S, Bogner W, Krššák M, Kemp GJ, Schmid AI, Trattnig S, Moser E, Zaitsev M, Meyerspeer M. 3D localized lactate detection in muscle tissue using double-quantum filtered ^1H MRS with adiabatic refocusing pulses at 7T. *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine* 2022; doi: 10.1002/mrm.29061
6. **Niess F**, Schmid AI, Bogner W, Wolzt M, Carlier P, Trattnig S, Moser E, Meyerspeer M. Interleaved ^{31}P MRS / ^1H ASL for analysis of metabolic and functional heterogeneity along human lower leg muscles at 7T. *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine* 2020; doi: 10.1002/mrm.28088
7. **Niess F**, Fiedler GB, Schmid AI, Laistler E, Frass-Kriegl R, Wolzt M, Moser E, Meyerspeer M. Dynamic multivoxel-localized ^{31}P MRS during plantar flexion exercise with variable knee angle. *NMR in Biomedicine* 2018;31:e3905 doi: 10.1002/nbm.3905
8. **Niess F**, Fiedler GB, Schmid AI, Goluch S, Kriegl R, Wolzt M, Moser E, Meyerspeer M. Interleaved multivoxel ^{31}P MR spectroscopy. *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine* 2017;77:921-927. doi: 10.1002/mrm.26172
9. Bader, V, Strasser B, Bogner W, Hingerl L, Frese S, Duguid A, Osburg A, Clarke WT, Motyka S, Krššák M, Trattnig S, Scherer T, Lanzenberger R, **Niess F**. Concentric Ring Trajectory Sampling With k-Space Reordering Enables Assessment of Tissue-Specific T1 and T2 Relaxation for ^2H -Labeled Substrates in the Human Brain at 7T. *NMR in Biomedicine* 2025;38:e5311, doi: 10.1002/nbm.5311
10. Frese S, Strasser B, Hingerl L, Montrazi E, Frydman L, Motyka S, Bader V, Duguid A, Osburg A, Krššák M, Lanzenberger R, Scherer T, Bogner W, **Niess F**. Balanced Steady-State Free Precession Enables High-Resolution Dynamic 3D Deuterium Metabolic Imaging of the Human Brain at 7T *Investigative Radiology* 2025; doi: 10.1097/RLI.0000000000001196

11. **Niess F**, Strasser B, Hingerl L, Kovarik J K, Bader V, Frese S, Duguid A, Niess E, Motyka S, Krššák M, Scherer T, Bogner W. Feasibility of high-resolution Deuterium Metabolic Imaging of the human kidney using Concentric Ring Trajectory sampling at 7T *NMR in Biomedicine* 2025; doi: 10.1002/nbm.70139
12. **Niess F**, Strasser B, Lanz B, Bogner W. Advanced Methods in Deuterium Metabolic Imaging *Magnetic Resonance Materials in Physics, Biology and Medicine (MAGMA)* 2026; doi: 10.1007/s10334-026-01322-1
13. Bader, V, Strasser B, Hingerl L, Kovarik JJ, Frese S, Pflieger L, Duguid A, Osburg A, Krššák M, Scherer T, Bogner W, **Niess F**. Assessment of T1 and T2 relaxation times of deuterium (^2H) labeled resonances in the human liver and kidney using k-space reordered 3D concentric ring trajectory sampling at 7T. *Magnetic Resonance Materials in Physics, Biology and Medicine (MAGMA)* 2026 doi: 10.1007/s10334-025-01320-9

Research Grants

- Imaging dynamics of glioma metabolism via MRI (2022), Austrian Science Fund, **Principal Investigator** (€399k)
- Understanding weight-loss effects on brain metabolism (2026), Austrian Science Fund, **Principal Investigator** (€450k)

Additional research Achievements

- Invited Educational Presentation on DMI, ISMRM Workshop: MR Spectroscopy: Frontiers in Molecular and Metabolic Imaging 15-18 October 2024 Boston, MA, USA
- Invited Educational Presentation, Annual Meeting ISMRM 04-09 May 2024 Singapore
- Invited Oral Presentation at 14th Annual Scientific Symposium UHF Magnetic Resonance, 08. September 2023, Max Delbrück Center Berlin, Germany
- Young Steam Engines for Innovations Award, 14th Annual Scientific Symposium UHF Magnetic Resonance, 08. September 2023, Max Delbrück Center Berlin, Germany
- ISMRM Summa Cum Laude Merit Award, Annual Meeting ISMRM 03-08 June 2023, Toronto, Canada. (Oral Presentation)
- ISMRM Magna Cum Laude Merit Award, Joint Annual Meeting ISMRM-ESMRMB 16-21 June 2018, Paris, France. (Oral Presentation)
- Best Poster Presentation, ISMRM MRS Workshop 2018 Utrecht, Netherlands
- Special Issue Guest Editor 2025 on Deuterium Metabolic Imaging for *Magnetic Resonance Materials in Physics, Biology and Medicine*
- Review activity for *Investigative Radiology, Diabetologia, Imaging Neuroscience, Journal of Cerebral Blood Flow and Metabolism, Journal of Magnetic Resonance Imaging, NMR in Biomedicine* and *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine*