

R. Kölliker: publications, grants and students

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- 2002 – 2006 "Molecular characterization of resistance to bacterial wilt in Italian ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum* Lam.)" (PhD thesis Bruno Studer), SNF No. 3100-065417 (Fr. 197'000)
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- 1998 Fellowship for prospective researchers (SNF) for the project "Development of simple sequence repeat (SSR) loci for marker assisted breeding in white clover"

Students supervised

PhD theses

- Miguel Loera (2016 – 2020, ETH Zurich) Genomic methods to detect genetic diversity in grassland
- Martina Birrer (2014 – 2018, University of Zurich) The leaf microbiome of *Lolium* spp.
- Verena Knorst (2012 – 2017, University of Zurich) Targeted characterisation of resistance genes in *Lolium multiflorum*
- Katharina Kempf (2012 – 2016, ETH Zurich) Development of molecular tools for targeted improvement of sainfoin (*Onobrychis viciifolia*)
- Lena Hersemann (2012 – 2016, University of Zurich) Characterisation of virulence factors in *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis*
- Luisa Last (2009-2013, ETH Zurich) Plant genetic diversity in conventional and organic agriculture
- Fabienne Wichmann (2007-2011, University of Zurich) Genetic and morphophysiological characterization of the *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis* –*Lolium multiflorum* interaction
- Bruno Studer (2002-2006, University of Zurich) Molecular characterisation of resistance to bacterial wilt and crown rust in Italian ryegrass (*Lolium multiflorum* Lam.)
- Doris Herrmann (2001 – 2005, University of Zurich) Characterisation of genetic diversity and molecular dissection of seed yield and persistence in Swiss Mattenkle (*Trifolium pratense* L.)
- Madlaina Schmid (2003 - 2008; co-supervisor, ETHZ) Molecular and phenotypic diversity of Swiss *Festuca pratensis* Huds. and *Lolium multiflorum* Lam. ecotype populations from contrasting permanent grassland habitats
- Martin Hartmann (2003-2007; co-supervisor, ETHZ) Genetic characterization of soil bacterial communities in the DOK long-term agricultural field experiment – Influences of management strategies and crops
- Irene Jacob (visiting PhD student 2011, Bavarian State Research Center for Agriculture, Germany) Genetic characterisation of anthracnose resistance in red clover
- Fatemeh Amini (visiting PhD student 2009-2010, Isfahan University, Iran) Genetic characterisation of tall fescue breeding germplasm
- Marja Petrova (visiting PhD student 2007-2008, Institute of Plant Genetic Resources, Sadova, Bulgaria) Genetic diversity of Swiss and Bulgarian meadow fescue populations
- Mahdi Majidi (visiting PhD student 2006-2007, Isfahan University, Iran) Influence of ex situ conservation on genetic diversity of meadow fescue

Bachelor / master theses

- Milena Scandella (Master thesis University of Basel, 2016-2017) "Anthracnose resistance in red clover"
- Magdalena Wey (Bachelor thesis ETHZ 2016) "Genetic diversity of sainfoin"
- Luca Costa (Bachelor Thesis ETHZ 2013) „Genetische Untersuchungen des Polyphenol-Stoffwechselweges in *Onobrychis viciifolia*
- Severin Kislinger (Bachelor Thesis ZHAW 2013) Molekulargenetische Charakterisierung des Raigras-Pathogens *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis*
- Sara Lüscher (Master Thesis ETHZ 2011) Characterization of *Pantoea* spp. associated with forage grasses

Denise Portmann (Semester Thesis ETHZ 2009) Genetic characterisation of Italian ryegrass genotypes with varying levels of resistance to bacterial wilt
Constanze Conradin (Semester Thesis ETHZ 2009) Generation and characterisation of *hrp* mutants of *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis*
Bernhard Müller (Master Thesis University of Zurich 2006-2007) Race specificity of *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis*
Salome Schneider (Diploma Thesis ETHZ 2006) Genetic diversity of *Passiflora* spp.
Beat Reidy (Diploma Thesis ETHZ 1997) Genetic variability of forage grasses - comparison of cultivars and species
Pierre Berset (Semester Thesis ETHZ 1995) Variability of meadow fescue ecotypes

Trainees

Nino Giacomelli (2013) The role of silicon in disease resistance of ryegrasses
Marius Liesch (2009) Genetic characterisation of *Lolium multiflorum* x *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis* Interaction
Sebastiano Pron (2007) Analysis of genetic diversity in Kudzu (*Pueraria* spp.)
David Schneider (2004/05) Genetic diversity of *Plantago lanceolata* populations
Markus Rechsteiner (Nachdiplompraktikum 2003/04) Analysis of gene expression in Italian ryegrass during bacterial wilt infection
Christine Creton (Nachdiplompraktikum 2003) Genetic characterisation of *Centaurea jacea* genotypes with varying sensitivity to ozone
Rolf Krähenbühl (2001/02) Genetic diversity of the plant pathogen *Xanthomonas translucens* pv. *graminis*