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Education

11/18 – today	Doctoral studies in Clinical Psychology Ruhr-University Bochum (DE) Supervision: Prof. Dr. Jürgen Margraf, Prof. Dr. Marcella Woud
10/22 – 02/23	Visiting Doctoral Student Tel Aviv University (IL) Prof. Dr. Yair Bar-Haim
10/16 – 07/18	Master of Science Clinical Psychology Ruhr-University Bochum (DE)
10/13 – 07/16	Bachelor of Science Psychology Ruhr-University Bochum (DE)
07/13	Abitur Neues Gymnasium Bochum (DE)

Awards & Prizes

2020	Travel grant from the Deutsches Kollegium für Psychosomatische Medizin (DKPM) for the Deutschen Psychosomatik Kongress (Berlin, DE)
2020	Doctoral scholarship of the Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes

Research

Main Research Interests

- Assessment and modification of cognitive biases in emotional psychopathology
- Basic research on cognitive models of emotional psychopathology
- Experimental psychopathology and Cognitive Bias Modification (CBM)

Reviewer

- Cognitive Therapy and Research
- BMC Psychiatry
- British Journal of Clinical Psychology
- Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews
- Journal of Experimental Psychopathology

Publications & Conferences

Papers in peer reviewed journals

1. **Würtz, F.**, Steinman, S., Blackwell, S. E., Wilhelm, F. H., Reinecke, A., Adolph, D., Margraf, J., & Woud, M. L. (2023). Effects of Training Body-Related Interpretations on Panic-Related Cognitions and Symptoms. *Cognitive Therapy and Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10608-023-10358-9>
2. **Würtz, F.**, Blackwell, S. E., Margraf, J., & Woud, M. L. (2022). The world dangerous it is—The scrambled sentences task in the context of posttraumatic stress symptoms. *Journal of Experimental Psychopathology*, 13(3), 204380872211247. <https://doi.org/10.1177/20438087221124737>
3. **Würtz, F.**, Zahler, L., Blackwell, S. E., Margraf, J., Bagheri, M., & Woud, M. L. (2022). Scrambled but valid? The scrambled sentences task as a measure of interpretation biases in psychopathology: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *Clinical Psychology Review*, 93, 102133. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cpr.2022.102133>
4. Woud, M. L., Wittekind, C. E., & **Würtz, F.** (2022). Cognitive Bias Modification bei Symptomen der Posttraumatischen Belastungsstörung. *Verhaltenstherapie*, 32(3), 139-147. <https://doi.org/10.1159/000524709>
5. **Würtz, F.**, Krans, J., Blackwell, S.E., Cwik, J.C., Margraf, J., & Woud, M.L., (2021). Using Cognitive Bias Modification-Appraisal Training to Manipulate Appraisals about the Self and the World in Analog Trauma. *Cognitive Therapy and Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10608-021-10257-x>
6. Woud, M.L., Blackwell, S.E., Shkreli, L., **Würtz, F.**, Cwik, J.C., Margraf, J., ... & Kessler, H. (2021). The effects of modifying dysfunctional appraisals in Post-Traumatic stress disorder using a form of cognitive bias modification: Results of a randomized controlled trial in an inpatient setting. *Psychotherapy and Psychosomatics*. <https://doi.org/10.1159/000514166>
7. Blackwell, S.E., Dooley, D., **Würtz, F.**, Woud, M.L., & Margraf, J., (2020). Inducing positive involuntary mental imagery in everyday life: an experimental investigation. *Memory*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09658211.2020.1822413>
8. Woud, M.L., Cwik, J.C., de Kleine, R.A., Blackwell, S.E., **Würtz, F.**, & Margraf, J., (2019). Assessing Trauma-Related Appraisals by Means of a Scenario-Based Approach. *Cognitive Therapy and Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10608-018-9956-z>

Preprints

1. Haehner, P., **Würtz, F.**, Kritzler, S., Kunna, M., Luhmann, M., & Woud, M. L. (2023). The Relationship Between the Perception of Major Life Events and Depression in Adulthood: A Scoping Review [Preprint]. PsyArXiv. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/p3qzc>

Conference contributions

- 2022 Poster: *Interpreting my Expectations – The Interplay of Interpretation Biases, Cognitive Immunization and Depressive Symptoms*. 1. Deutscher Psychotherapie Kongress, Berlin (DE).
- 2021 Chaired Symposium: *Assessment and Modification of Cognitive Biases in Psychopathology*. Annual Congress of the European Association for Behavioural and Cognitive Therapies (EABCT), Belfast (UK).
- 2021 Individual Talk: *From Scrambled Sentences to Valid Assessment – Measuring Interpretation Biases using the Scrambled Sentences Task*. Annual Congress of the European Association for Behavioural and Cognitive Therapies (EABCT), Belfast (UK).
- 2020 Individual Talk: *Die Effekte von Appraisal Training bei Analogen Trauma Symptomen*. Deutscher Psychosomatik Kongress Berlin (DE).

- 2019 Poster: *The role of appraisals about the self or the world in analogue trauma*. Pre-Conference workshop of the 9th World Congress of Behavioural and Cognitive Therapies (WCBCT), Berlin (DE).
- 2019 Individual Talk: *Effects of re-appraisal training on responses to a distressing autobiographical event*. 60. Tagung Experimentell Arbeitender Psychologen (TEAP), London (UK).
- 2019 Individual Talk: *Anxiety sensitivity and panic related interpretations neural correlates and behavioural outcomes*. Cognitive Bias Modification Workshop, organized by the Ruhr-University Bochum, Bochum (DE).
- 2018 Individual Talk: *Störungsspezifische Interpretationsbiases in der Pathogenese von PTBS und Depressionen nach Traumaexposition*. Cognitive Bias Modification Workshop, organized by the Ruhr-University Bochum, Bochum (DE)