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Fields of interest and professional expertise: *Bodily self-consciousness, multisensory integration, interoception, embodied cognition*

Did your career path involve difficult decisions? If so, which ones? *Of course it did! Especially the answer to the sporadically and sometimes unpredictable occurring question: should I really stay in academia? And if course whenever a contract ended: Where to go? What is more important: career or making my family happy?*

What was the most important decision that led your current position? *See above the decision to continue with my research.*

Your advice for dealing with failures? *This is a very important question, as failures and rejections are very common in this field. I try to not think too much about the failures and see it as something that is just part of human life and independent of the job you are doing- to fail and (well, ideally) to learn from it.*

What drives you? *Curiosity, the fascination for humans and brains, inspiring people, great conversations.*

What is your advice to junior scientists of the next generation? *I believe there are many very good and interesting developments (e.g. open science, data sharing), so my advice would be: gone on with it. My wish for the new generation (wow, that makes me feel old), that research will become less egocentric and more community-based.*

How do you relax? *With family and friends.*