



2023 Activity Report

COPL General Assembly
28 September 2023

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University of Geneva

16 yrs 9 mos

- **CHEOPS Science Operations Manager** 

Part-time

Apr 2020 - Present · 3 yrs 6 mos

Geneva Area, Switzerland

- **CHEOPS Ground Segment Manager** 

Jul 2013 - Mar 2020 · 6 yrs 9 mos

Geneva Area, Switzerland

CHEOPS – CHaracterizing ExOPlanet Satellite – is the first mission dedicated to searching for exoplanetary transits by performing ultrahigh precision photometry on bright stars already known to host planets.

More information on CHEOPS is available at <https://cheops.unibe.ch>



CHEOPS image video

Swiss contribution to CHEOPS

- **Head of Astronomy Department IT** 

Jan 2014 - Dec 2016 · 3 yrs

Geneva Area, Switzerland

- **Manager of the Gaia Variability Data Processing Centre** 

Jan 2007 - Jun 2013 · 6 yrs 6 mos

Geneva Area, Switzerland

- **Software team leader at the INTEGRAL Science Data Centre** 

Jan 2007 - Dec 2012 · 6 yrs

Geneva Area, Switzerland

Memberships

Department	# of Members, i.e., Group Leaders	Change
D BIOL	5	-1
D BSSE	1	
D CHAB	4 / 2*	0 / +2*
D ERDW	18	-1
D ITET	0 / 1*	0 / +1*
D PHYS	9 / 2*	+1
D USYS	2	-3
PSI*	5	+3
Total	44	-1

Scientific Steering Committee

- 4 Meetings since the last General Assembly
 - 07 December 2022 - virtual
 - 08 February 2023 - virtual
 - 13 April 2023 - virtual
 - 19 September 2023 – in person



The image shows a graphic titled "Scientific Steering Committee" with a blue background. It features five member profiles, each with a circular portrait, a name, and their department and institute. The profiles are arranged in two columns: three on the left and two on the right.

Name	Department	Institute
Prof. Jérôme Faist	Department of Physics	Institute for Quantum Electronics
Prof. Loïc Pellissier	Department of Environmental Sciences	Institute of Terrestrial Ecosystems
Prof. Jörn Piel	Department of Biology	Institute of Microbiology
Prof. Derek Vance	Department of Earth Sciences	Institute of Geochemistry and Petrology
Prof. Helma Wennemers	Department of Chemistry and Applied Biosciences	Laboratory of Organic Chemistry

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Research Projects – Terms of Reference

1 Definition

Research Projects are aiming to support joint collaborations between COPL Memt in different departments. Research Projects proposals are selected by a competi selection process. Calls for Research Projects are issued annually.

Note: The Terms of Reference for the COPL *Doctoral Fellowship* Programme is c a separate document.

2 Scope of the Research Projects

The scope of the Research Projects that may be proposed should address cor objectives of the COPL:

- Defining the chemical and physical processes that generate the molecular building

Research Projects – Call Procedure

Overview

This document details a call for Research Projects.

Selection Committee

The selection committee for this call is an ad hoc committee of 3 potential reviewers per submitted application.

Timeline

Deadline	Date
Opening of the call	Friday, 28 Apr. 2023
Deadline for applications	Friday, 26 May 2023
Reviewer feedback available	Friday, 23 Jun. 2023
Notification of successful applications	Friday, 30 Jun. 2023
Earliest start of projects	01 Sep. 2023
Latest start of projects	31 Dec. 2023

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17.04.2023



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01.09.2023

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Applications by 10 November 2023

Up to 3 fellows selected ...

Announcement in February 2024

Start in September 2024

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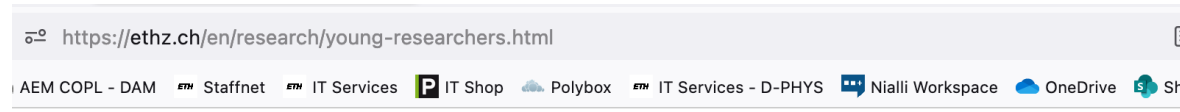


Applications are open

Deadline: 10 November 2023, 17:00 Zurich local time.



NOMIS–ETH Fellowships – 2024 Cohort

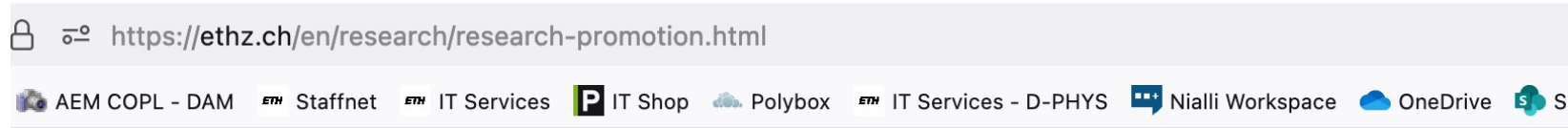


Early Postdocs

- **Come to Switzerland** with a [Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship](#) ↗ for postdocs.
- **Come to ETH Zurich** and lay the foundation for a **successful academic career** with an [ETH Postdoctoral Fellowship](#).
- **Independent projects** by postdocs at ETH Zurich can be supported by an [ETH Career Seed Awards](#).
- The SNSF instrument [Spark](#) ↗ is meant for the rapid testing of **unconventional ideas**. Open to postdocs!
- Interested in interdisciplinary **AI research**? Come to ETH with an [AI Center Postdoctoral Fellowship](#).
- The [NOMIS–ETH Fellowship Programme](#) is intended to foster young interdisciplinary researchers in the field of the **origin and prevalence of life**.
- **Medical doctors** willing to deepen their research knowledge can apply for an [ETH Med-Lab Fellowship](#).

<https://ethz.ch/en/research/young-researchers.html>

NOMIS–ETH Fellowships – 2024 Cohort



NOMIS Foundation ETH Fellowship



The call for applications for the 2024 Cohort is open. Applications must be made before **10 November 2023, 17:00 Zurich local time** via the ETH Job board. More information and the application form can be found [here](#).

<https://ethz.ch/en/research/research-promotion.html>

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Research Projects

- Call open from 28 April to 26 May 2023
- 10 projects submitted
- 1 rejected for formal reasons – requested funding significantly too high
- 3 reviewers per projects
- Selection Committee
 - Didier Queloz (chair), Paolo Arosio, Jérôme Faist, Jörn Piel, Maria Schönbachler, Mathias Beck (secretary)
- 3 projects selected for funding
 - 443 kCHF - 400 kCHF budgeted
 - announcement on 07 July 2023

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3 Research Projects selected for financial support

We are pleased to announce that 3 projects have been awarded funding.

07.07.2023



Illustration by Dan Durda/Southwest Research Institute

The first call for Research Projects is now completed. 3 projects have been selected for financial support over the coming two years. The three applications stood out from the many submissions we received, and we are delighted to support the work.

You may find details about the projects on the page for [Research Projects](#).

Research Projects

Supported projects [Apply ...](#)

Investigators	Title	Synopsis
PI: Caroline Dorn (D-PHYS), Co-I: Paul Tackley (D-ERDW)	Evolution and Diversity of Super-Earth Atmospheres	We will map out the possible evolution paths of super-Earths. Especially, we will quantify how planetary radii, atmospheric compositions, and surface conditions change over time. Whether water oceans can form and be sustained over long time periods is crucial for the potential of a planet to harbour life.
PI: Cara Magnabosco (D-ERDW), Co-Is: Martin Pilhofer (D-BIOL), Vasil Gaisin (D-BIOL)	Investigations into the diversity of cell-cell associations and non-standard life using metagenomics and cryogenic electron microscopy	The "Genomics Revolution" has resulted in the identification of new groups of microorganisms that help inform deep evolutionary relationships and new metabolic pathways that improve interpretations of the biogeochemical record. However, less than 1% of this microbial diversity has been directly observed and the interactions between these organisms are largely unknown. To help bridge this gap, we will apply metagenomic and cryogenic electron microscopy analyses to investigate the diversity, prevalence and genetic markers of cell-cell interactions within samples obtained from early Earth analog environments.
PI: Sascha Quanz (D-PHYS), Co-I: Derek Vance (D-ERDW)	Quantifying the prospects for characterizing habitable and inhabited terrestrial exoplanets with future observations	A long-term goal of exoplanetary science is to identify habitable planets beyond the Solar System and to search for indications of extraterrestrial life. In this project, we investigate how the Large Interferometer For

Research Project C. Dorn and P. Tackley

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Abstract

There is a hunger for knowing whether we are alone in the Universe. This curiosity drives the exoplanet community to characterise planets outside the Solar system in order to get a picture of other worlds. As pioneers in exoplanet interiors and geodynamics, our goal with this proposal is to explore the evolution of super-Earths, especially how their radii and atmospheric compositions change over time. We will use next-generation interior models that account for deep volatile reservoirs linked with well-established planetary evolution codes. This project is very timely in the era of the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), which allows the probing of super-Earth atmospheres.

Team

- [Prof. Caroline Dorn](#) (D-PHYS), Principal Investigator
- [Prof. Paul Tackley](#) (D-ERDW), Co-Investigator
- [Marilina Valatsou](#) [↗](#) (D-PHYS), from December 2023 on

Active Programmes

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Short-term Visitors

- Call open from 28 April to 02 June 2023
- 4 applications submitted
- Selection Committee
 - Didier Queloz (chair), Sascha Quanz, Roland Riek, Cara Magnabosco, Mathias Beck (secretary)
- 4 visitors selected for funding
 - 11 kCHF - 10 kCHF budgeted
 - announcement on 16 June 2023

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Short-term Visitors this autumn

We are pleased to announce 4 short-term visitors to the Centre in the autumn semester.

16.06.2023

The first call for short-term visitors has closed recently. We are happy to announce that we have selected 4 reserachers to come to ETH Zürich this autumn to collaborate and interact with the members of the COPL.

You can view details on the 4 visits

> <https://copl.ethz.ch/opportunities/short-term-visitors.html#upcoming>

Short-term Visitors



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Short-term Visitors

The Centre offers financial support to those wishing to host short-term visitors on topics relevant to the Centre. Visitors are expected to interact with members of the Centre.

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Visitor	Dates	Room	Host
Itay Halevy ↗ , Weizmann Institute of Science	04.08.2023 22.08.2023	NO G 1.1	Jordon Hemingway

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Visitor	Dates	Room	Host
Nozair Khawaja ↗ , Freie Universität Berlin	TBD	HIT building	Veerle Sterken
Jay T. Lennon ↗ , Indiana University	28.09.2023 08.10.2023	HIT building and NO G 1.1	Cara Magnabosco
Rafal Szabla ↗ , Wroclow University	22.10.2023 28.10.2023	HCI building	Markus Reiher

[May](#)

Short-term Visitors

Upcoming and ongoing

In the past

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Call for Applications

COPL Members are invited to submit applications. Applications are assessed twice a year for visits during the Spring and Autumn Semesters.

The next cut-off date for assessment is Friday 15th November 2024 for visits in the Spring Semester 2024.

Call Documentation

↓ Terms of Reference (PDF, 144 KB)

↓ Application Form (DOCX, 285 KB)

Application Submission

🔒 Submit an application

3 Funding and Duration

3.1 Budget

Per Short-term Visit the maximum of CHF 3'000 may be requested.

3.2 Duration

Short-term visits will typically be between 1 and 2 weeks.

4 Eligibility

4.1 Eligible Persons

COPL Members may apply for funding via the Short-term Visitor Programme. COPL visitors may be tenured or non-tenured senior or junior colleagues from external research institutions that are not affiliated with COPL.

4.2 Eligible Cost

The eligible cost for Short-term Visits includes:

- Travel cost limited to a maximum amount of CHF 500.
- Accommodation and a daily allowance for a maximum of 10 days at a combined limit of CHF 250 per day.

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Seminars



During the semester: every 2nd Friday 12:30 –
light lunch from 12:00, please register

HIT F 23.2



NO D 45

Seminars – past

Date, time/CE(S)T	Speaker	Title	Location	Series
07.08.2023 TBA	Itay Halevy Weizmann Institute of Science	Metabolic-isotopic models: Probes of microbial physiology, ecology and evolution	TBA	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
05.05.23	Dr. Daniel Grolimund / Dr. Federico	Opportunities for morphological and chemical analysis of extra-planetary material at the Swiss Light Source	HIT F 23.2	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
21.04.23	Prof. Jordon Hemingway	Global redox evolution through geologic time	NO D45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
31.03.23	Dr. Thomas Blattmann	Perspectives on the geologic prevalence of life and its origin in connection with minerals	HIT F 23.2	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
17.03.23	Prof. Roland Riek/ Dr. Jason Gre	Prebiotic roots of molecular complexity and its necessity for life	NO D45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
03.03.23	Prof. Sascha Quanz	(How) Can we detect signatures of life on exoplanets?	HIT F 23.2	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
09.12.22	Prof. Martin Pilhofer	Visualizing novel and non-standard life with Cryo-EM	HIT J53	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
25.11.22	Prof. Paolo Sossi	Compositional variability on rocky exoplanets	NO D45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
11.11.22	Prof. Dr. Henner Busemann	Mars sample return	HIT J53	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
28.10.22	Prof. Dr. Barbara Sherwood Lollar	Cancelled : Ancient groundwater and abiogenic redox cycling	NO D45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar
14.10.22	Hana Rozhonova (D-USYS)	Evolution of the genetic code	HIT J53	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar

Seminars – confirmed upcoming

Date, time/CE(S)T	Speaker	Title	Location	Series
29.09.2023 12:30 - 13:30	Jay Lennon Indiana University	TBA	NO D 45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration
13.10.2023 12:30 - 13:30	Craig Walton NOMIS ETH Fellow, D-ERDW, Institute for Geochemistry and Petrology	Pre-biogeochemistry: Earth-like worlds before life	HIT F 23.2	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration
27.10.2023 12:30 - 13:30	Rafal Szabla Wroclow University	Quantum-chemical perspective on the prebiotic origins of RNA and DNA	NO D 45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration
24.11.2023 12:30 - 13:30	Hans Jakob Wörner ETH Zurich, D CHAB, Laboratory of Physical Chemistry	TBA	NO D 45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration

Seminars – departments, institutes, research groups

Seminars

Colloquia, seminars, etc. related to the scientific goals of the COPL

Please inform me in advance about relevant seminars.

Date, time/CE(S)T	Speaker	Title	Location	Series
26 Sep. 2023 12:15 - 13:00	Didier Queloz ETH Zürich, D-PHYS, Institute for Particle Physics and Astrophysics	The Exoplanet revolution	NO C 60	D-ERDW Colloquium
29 Sep. 2023 12:30 - 13:30	Jay Lennon ↗ Indiana University	TBA	NO D 45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration
13 Oct. 2023 12:30 - 13:30	Craig Walton NOMIS ETH Fellow, D-ERDW, Institute for Geochemistry and Petrology	Pre-biogeochimistry: Earth-like worlds before life	HIT F 23.2	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration
19 Oct 2023 12:15 - 13:15	Monika Lendl ↗ University of Geneva	TBA	NO C 6	D-ERDW GeoPetro Seminar
27 Oct. 2023 12:30 - 13:30	Rafal Szabla ↗ Wroclow University	Quantum-chemical perspective on the prebiotic origins of RNA and DNA	NO D 45	COPL 101 Lunch Seminar- Lunch Registration
07 Nov. 2023	Peter Driscoll ↗	TBA	NO C 60	D-ERDW Colloquium

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- Video conferencing
- Meetings with a small number of participants
- Informal discussions
- Workshops
- Seminars
- Lectures



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- Website
- Emails
- Newsletter
- Social media: X f.k.a. Twitter, LinkedIn
- Contacts with Hochschulkommunikation
 - Marianne Lucien, Anna Maltsev – International and Swiss Media
 - Corinne Landolt – contact point for COPL
 - Meeting 11 October 2023 to kick start communication approach / plan



Applications are open

Deadline: 10 November 2023, 17:00 Zurich local time.



Inaugural Lectures

Prof. Paolo Sossi - COPL member - gave his Inaugural Lecture "A cookbook for planets - from the lab to outer space" at ETH Zurich on 15 May 2023. See [recording](#)

Nobel laureate Didier Queloz - Director of the COPL - gave his Inaugural Lecture "The exoplanet revolution" at ETH Zurich on 2 May 2023. See [recording](#)

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29.09.2023, 12:00 -13:15, Seminar

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Call for applications to the NOMIS-ETH Fellowship Programme



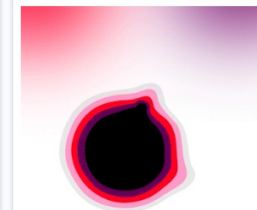
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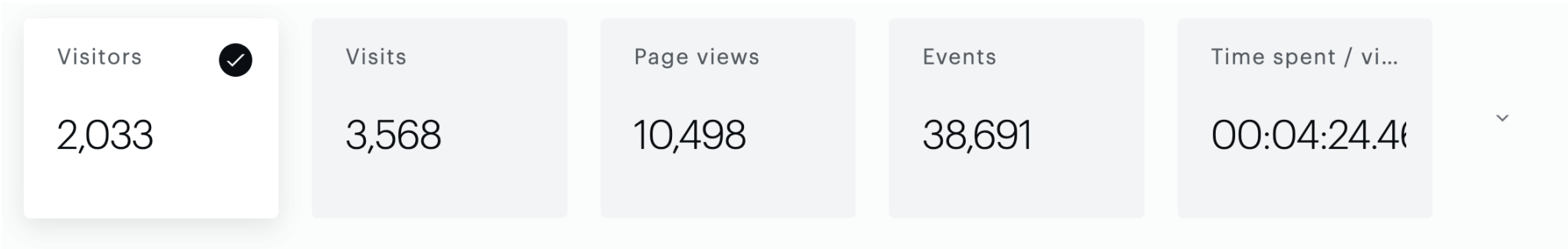
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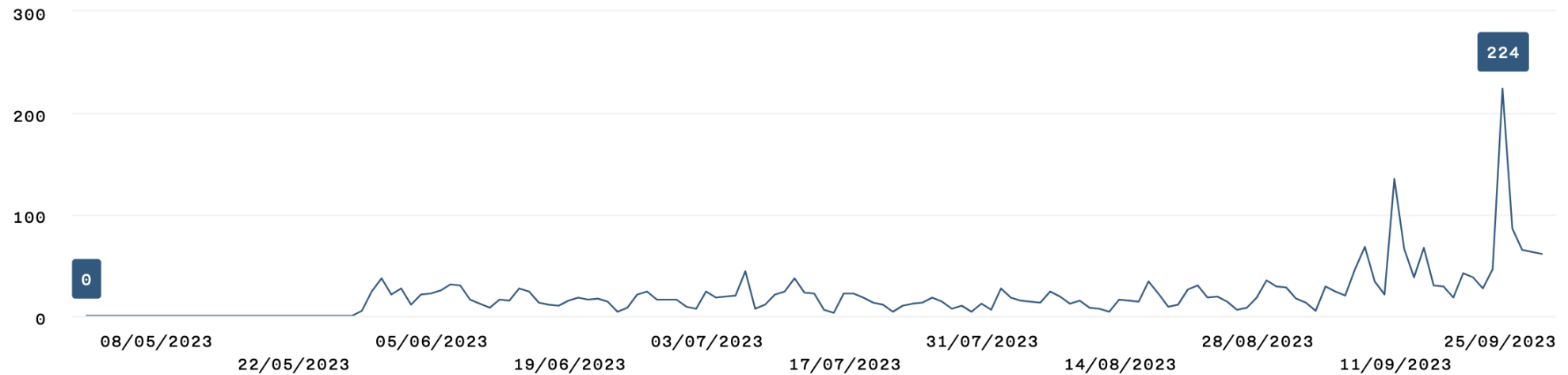


The COPL, an interdisciplinary centre for research and teaching, focuses on answering questions such as: 1) How did life on Earth begin? 2) How did life develop and proliferate? 3) Is there life on other planets?

Website – statistics since 1 June 2023



Visitors



— 1 May 2023 - 26 Sep 2023

Website – News channel



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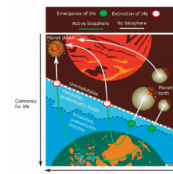
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Opportunities

The Centre offers a large variety of Research Opportunities. All opportunities are aligned with the scientific objectives of the COPL.

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NOMIS-ETH Fellowship Programme

Call open - application deadline: 10 Nov. 2023

[Submit your application](#)

[Awarded NOMIS-ETH Fellowships](#) from previous calls

Short-term Visitor Programme

Call open - application deadline: 24 Nov. 2023

[Submit your application](#)

[Supported Short-term Visitors](#) from previous calls

Open positions in the affiliated Research Groups

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Mathias Beck

Information about activities at the COPL

To: eth_life_center_all@lists.phys.ethz.ch

Sent - ETHZ 7 July 2023 at 06:30

Dear all,

Before the summer break, we would like to share with you some information about activities at the [Centre for Origin and Prevalence of Life](#). Please feel free to forward this message to interested individuals and groups.

We wish you relaxing and inspiring weeks.

Best wishes,

The Managing Office - Corinna Marchand and Mathias Beck

PS: If you have received this message only as a forwarding and would like to be informed directly about COPL activities, please contact us by email at copl.management@sympa.ethz.ch.

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Research Opportunities

Short-term Visitors

4 applications for Short-term Visitors have been selected for funding. Details are available on the COPL website:

<https://copl.ethz.ch/opportunities/short-term-visitors.html#upcoming>

Applications for visits during the spring semester 2024 can be submitted until 24 Nov. 2023 via the COPL website:

<https://copl.ethz.ch/opportunities/short-term-visitors.html#apply>.

Compared to the first call, there are small changes:

- Support to travel cost is limited to a max. amount of CHF 500.
- Support for accommodation and daily allowance is limited to max. 10 days at a combined limit of CHF 250 per day.

Research Projects

3 applications for Research Projects have been selected for funding. Details can be found on the COPL website:

<https://copl.ethz.ch/opportunities/research-projects.html#supported>

NOMIS ETH Fellowships

The next call for applications for the NOMIS ETH Fellowship Programme will open on 8 Sep. 2023. Applications will be accepted until 10 Nov. 2023.

Preliminary details can be found on the COPL website:

<https://copl.ethz.ch/opportunities/nomis-eth-fellowships/nomis-fellowship-call-2023.html>

Upcoming events

General Assembly

The General Assembly of COPL Members is coming up:

Date: **28 Sep. 2023** from 14:00 to 16:00

Location: ETH Zentrum, Building NO D 45

Registration: <https://copl.ethz.ch/events/registration-copl-ga.html> - until 31 Aug. 2023

The meeting will be followed by an apéro and dinner starting at 18:00 for up to 3 people per affiliated research group. Please register via the above link until 31 Aug. 2023.

Inaugural Science Conference of the Origins Federation

The Origins of Life Initiative at the Harvard University organises the Inaugural Science Conference of the Origins Federation

Date: **12 to 15 Sep. 2023**

Location: The American Academy of Arts and Sciences in Cambridge, MA, next to the Harvard campus.

Registration: <https://origins.harvard.edu/2023-conference>

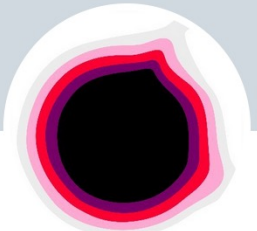
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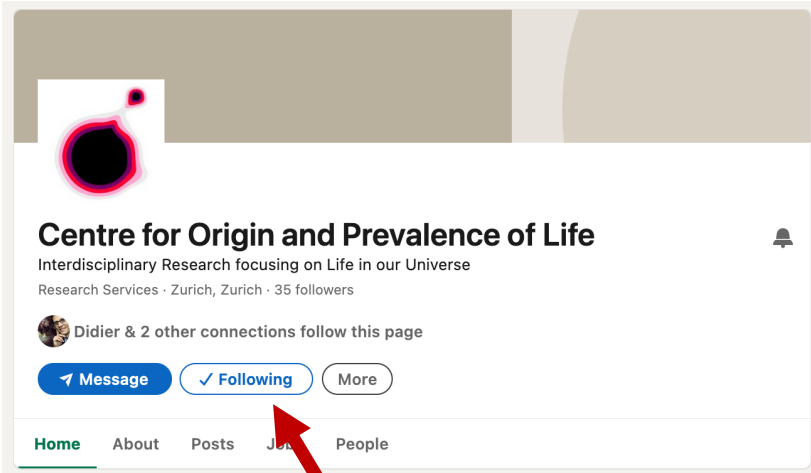


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NOMIS Foundation ETH Fellowship Programme 2023
Deadline: 2023.

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The screenshot shows a LinkedIn profile page for the 'Centre for Origin and Prevalence of Life'. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the LinkedIn logo, a search bar, and icons for Home, My Network, Jobs, Messaging, and Notifications. Below this is a blue banner that reads 'You are viewing this page as a member'. The profile header features a circular profile picture with a red and black design. The name 'Centre for Origin and Prevalence of Life' is displayed in bold, followed by the description 'Interdisciplinary Research focusing on Life in our Universe' and 'Research Services · Zurich, Zurich · 32 followers'. A notification bell icon is on the right. Below the name, it says 'Didier & 1 other connection follow this page'. There are three buttons: 'Message', 'Following' (with a checkmark), and 'More'. A horizontal menu below the buttons includes 'Home' (underlined), 'About', 'Posts', 'Jobs', and 'People'. The 'About' section is expanded, showing the text: 'The Scientific Objectives of our Centre are: 1: Investigating processes that generate the molecular building blocks for life and drive the transition to emergent biological entities 2: Quantifying the capability of planetary environments to meet, maintain and diversify conditions for co ... see more'. A 'Show all details →' link is at the bottom of this section. The 'Recent job openings' section is partially visible, showing a job listing for 'NOMIS-ETH Fell...' in 'Greater Zurich Ar...'.

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Origins Federation

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Origins Federation

Researchers from four leading institutions are pleased to announce their intent to create a research consortium with the goal of facilitating efficient multidisciplinary and innovative collaborative research to advance our understanding of the emergence and early evolution of life, and its place in the cosmos.

The following centers establish the **Origins Federation**:

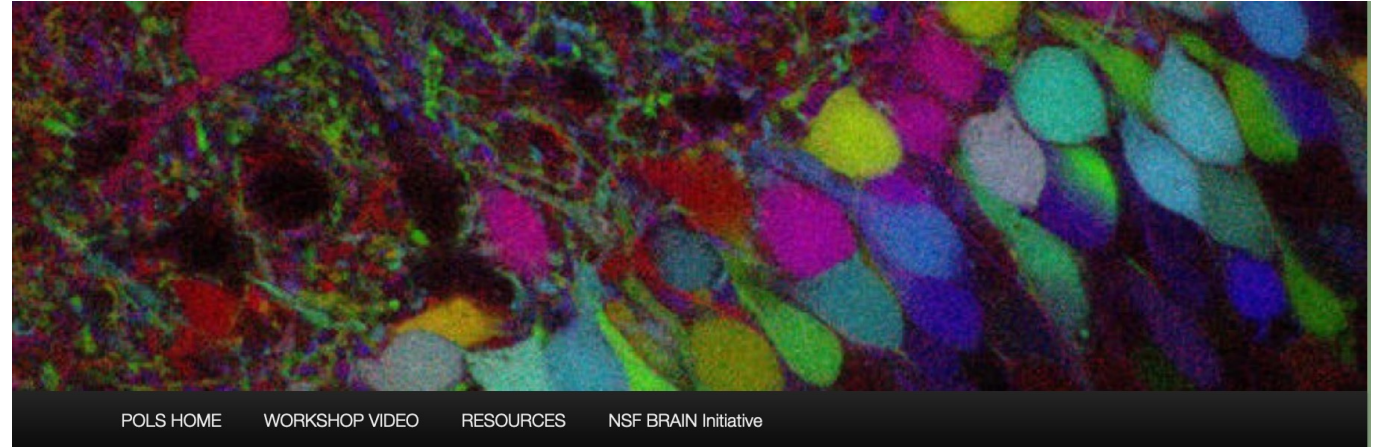
[The Origins of Life Initiative](#) (Harvard University),
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The Origins Federation will pursue scientific research topics of interest to its founding centers with a long-term perspective and common milestones. It will strive to establish a stable funding platform to create opportunities for creative and innovative ideas, and to enable young scientists to make a career in this new field.

The Origins Federation is open to new members, both centers and individuals, and is committed to developing the mechanisms and structure to achieve that aim.

The Origins Federation [inaugural science conference](#) will take place at Harvard University on September 12 – 15, 2023.

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