
Curriculum vitae

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Research area

Plant ecology, ecophysiology, plant hydraulics, plant water relations; biodiversity, carbon balance, climate change, drought stress, evolutionary ecology, stomatal control, tree mortality, wood anatomy.

Work experience

2018 - date	W2 Professor for Plant Ecology, Chair of Ecophysiology and Vegetation Ecology, Julius-von-Sachs-Institute of Bioscience, University of Würzburg
2010 - 2018	Postdoctoral researcher, Department of Plant Ecology, Albrecht von Haller Institute for Plant Sciences, University of Göttingen, Germany
2011	Guest Scientist, French National Institute for Agricultural Research, BIOGECO Research Unit, INRA and University of Bordeaux, France, Dr. Sylvain Delzon
2006 - 2010	Scientific assistant, Department of Plant Ecology, Albrecht von Haller Institute for Plant Sciences, University of Göttingen, Germany
2004 - 2005	Guest scientist, Institute for Wood Technology and Wood Biology, Johann-Heinrich von Thünen Institute, Hamburg, Germany, Dr. Gerald Koch
2002 - 2006	Undergraduate assistant, Department of Plant Ecology, Albrecht von Haller Institute for Plant Sciences, University of Göttingen, Germany

Field work

2016	Osa Peninsula, Costa Rica
2006 - 2009	Lore Lindu National Park, Central Sulawesi, Indonesia
2004	Podocarpus National Park, Ecuador

Education

2018	Habilitation (Venia Legendi) in Botany, Georg-August-University of Göttingen, Germany
2006 – 2010	Ph.D. at the Department of Plant Ecology, Albrecht von Haller Institute for Plant Sciences, University of Göttingen, Germany Thesis title: <i>Effects of experimental drought on hydraulic properties and leaf traits of upper canopy and understory tree species in a perhumid tropical forest in Central Sulawesi, Indonesia</i>
1999 – 2006	Diploma study of biology at the University of Göttingen, Germany (Major: Botany, Minors: Soil Science and Microbiology) Thesis title: <i>Altitudinal effects on the water balance of tropical montane rainforest tree species in South-Ecuador</i>
1989 – 1998	Abitur at the Gymnasium Christianeum, Hamburg, Germany (high school graduation)

Publications

- International peer-reviewed publications: 51
- First or last authorships: 16
- Google Scholar citations: 1,757, h-index: 24, i10 index: 32 (updated May 10, 2021)

Third-party funds (1,509k €)

- German Research Foundation, 259k €, 2021-2024.
- Federal ministry of food and agriculture, 490k €, 2021-2023.
- Bavaria California Technology Centre, 6k €, 2019-2020.
- VW foundation, 84K €, 2017.
- German Research Foundation, 419k €, 2016-2019.
- German Research Foundation, 240k €, 2014-2017.
- Georg-August-University Göttingen, 10k €, 2014.

Teaching experience and supervision

- 10 years of teaching experience at all university levels (Bachelor, Master and Ph.D.)
- Basic and advanced teaching in botany, plant ecology and ecophysiology
- Planning and development of laboratory and field courses
- Educated 24 bachelor and master students
- Supervised and co-supervised 16 Ph.D. students
- Supervised 3 postdocs
- Served as external opponent at 8 Ph.D. defences

Conferences and workshops

- Author or co-author of 28 oral contributions and 13 posters at international conferences
- 12 invited talks at workshops or external seminars
- Organizer or co-organizer/co-convener of 7 international conferences, workshops or sessions

Scientific services

- Article reviews for 29 international journals
- Grant proposal reviews for 7 funding agencies
- Review board member of 2 journals
- Guest editor for one special issue

Scientific networks

- Founding member of the International Tree Mortality Network (www.tree-mortality.net)
- Task force deputy coordinator of the International Union of Forest research Organizations

Research management

- I have managed a research team of varying dimension for the past 10 years
- My current team is composed of 2 postdocs, 4 Ph.D. students, 2 technicians

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List of peer-reviewed publications

* *Corresponding author, advisees are underlined.*

51. Fuchs S, Leuschner C, Link RM, **Schuldt B***. Hydraulic plasticity of three broadleaved temperate tree species along a precipitation gradient in Central Germany. *New Phytologist*, accepted, DOI: 10.1111/nph.17448.
50. Fuchs S, **Schuldt B**, Leuschner C. Identification of drought-tolerant tree species through climate sensitivity analysis of radial growth in Central European mixed broadleaf forests. *Forest Ecology and Management*, accepted on 17.04.2021.
49. Dorji Y, **Schuldt B**, Neudam L, Dorji R, Middleby K, Isasa E, Körber K, Ammer C, Annighöfer P, Seidel D. New insights into tree architecture from mobile laser scanning and geometry analysis. *Trees-Structure and Function*, in press, DOI: 10.1007/s00468-021-02124-9.
48. Hartmann H, Link RM, **Schuldt B**. A whole-plant perspective of isohydry: stem-level support for leaf-level plant water regulation. *Tree Physiology*, in press, DOI: 10.1093/treephys/tpab011.
47. Zimmermann J, Link RM, Hauck M, Leuschner C, **Schuldt B**. 60-yr record of stem xylem anatomy and related hydraulic modification under reduced precipitation in ring- and diffuse-porous temperate broadleaved tree species. *Trees-Structure and Function*, in press, DOI: 10.1007/s00468-021-02090-2.
46. Kaack L, Weber M, Isasa E, Karimi Z, Li S, Pereira L, Trabi C, Zhang Y, Schenk HJ, **Schuldt B**, Schmidt V, Jansen S. Pore constrictions in intervessel pit membranes reduce the risk of embolism spreading in angiosperm xylem. *New Phytologist* 230: 1829-1843, DOI: 10.1111/nph.17282.
45. Arend M, Link RM, Patthey R, Hoch G, **Schuldt B**, Kahmen A. Rapid hydraulic collapse as cause of drought-induced mortality in conifers. *PNAS* 118: e2025251118, DOI: 10.1073/pnas.2025251118.
44. Glatthorn J, Annighöfer P, Balkenhol N, Leuschner C, Polle A, Scheu S, Schuldt A, **Schuldt B**, Ammer C (2021). An interdisciplinary framework to describe and evaluate the functioning of forest ecosystems. *Basic and Applied Ecology* 52: 1-14, DOI: 10.1016/j.baae.2021.02.006
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42. Ellsäßer F, Röhl A, Ahongshangbam J, Waite P-A, Hendrayanto, **Schuldt B**, Hölscher D (2020). Predicting tree sap flux and stomatal conductance in a mixed agroforestry system from drone-recorded surface temperatures – a machine learning approach. *Remote Sensing* 14: 4070, DOI: 10.3390/rs12244070. <https://www.mdpi.com/2072-4292/12/24/4070>
41. **Schuldt B***, Buras A, Arend M, Vitasse Y, Beierkuhnlein C, Damm A, Gharun M, Grams TEE, Hauck M, Hajek P, Hartmann H, Hilbrunner E, Hoch G, Holloway-Phillips M, Körner C, Larysch E, Lübbe T, Nelson DB, Rammig A, Rigling A, Rose L, Ruehr NK, Schumann K, Weiser F, Werner C, Wohlgemuth T, Zang CS, Kahmen A (2020). A first assessment of the impact of the extreme 2018 summer drought on Central European forests. *Basic and Applied Ecology* 45: 86-103, DOI: 10.1016/j.baae.2020.04.003. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1439179120300414>
40. Fuchs S, Hertel D, **Schuldt B**, Leuschner C (2020). Effects of short-term and long-term precipitation reduction on the fine root system of five broadleaf tree species. *Forests* 11: 289, DOI: 10.3390/f11030289. <https://www.mdpi.com/1999-4907/11/3/289>
39. Link RM, Fuchs S, Arias Aguilar D, Leuschner C, Castillo Ugalde M, Valverde Otarola JC, **Schuldt B** (2020). Tree height predicts the shape of radial sap flow profiles of Costa-Rican tropical dry forest tree species. *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology* 287: 107913, DOI: 10.1016/j.agrformet.2020.107913. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0168192320300150>

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38. Kattge J, Bönisch G, Díaz S, Lavorel S, Prentice IC, Leadley P, Tautenhahn S, Werner G, ... , **Schuldt B**, ... , Christian Wirth (2020). TRY plant trait database - enhanced coverage and open access. *Global Change Biology* 26: 119-188, DOI: 10.1111/gcb.14904.
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/gcb.14904>
37. Waite P-A, **Schuldt B***, Link RM, Triadiati T, Saad A, Leuschner C (2019). Soil moisture regime and palm height influence embolism resistance in oil palm. *Tree Physiology* 39: 1696-1712, DOI: 10.1093/treephys/tpz061.
<https://academic.oup.com/treephys/article/39/10/1696/5499229?guestAccessKey=01b88004-ad03-4523-b4d1-bb205ae34b38>
36. Schumann K, Leuschner C, **Schuldt B*** (2019). Xylem hydraulic safety and efficiency in relation to leaf and wood traits in three temperate *Acer* species differing in habitat preferences. *Trees-Structure and Function* 33: 1475-1490, DOI: 10.1007/s00468-019-01874-x.
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00468-019-01874-x>
35. Li S, Li X, Link RM, Li R, Deng L, **Schuldt B**, Jiang X, Zhao R, Zheng J, Li S, Zhao R, Yin Y (2019). Influence of cambial age and axial height on spatial patterns of xylem traits in *Catalpa bungei*, a ring-porous tree species native to China. *Forests* 10: 662, DOI: 10.3390/f10080662.
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34. Flo V, Martinez-Vilalta J, Steppe K, **Schuldt B**, Poyatos R. A synthesis of bias and uncertainty in sap flow methods. *Agriculture and Forest Meteorology* 271: 362-374, DOI: 10.1016/j.agrformet.2019.03.012.
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33. Dulamsuren C, Abilova SB, Bektayeva M, Eldarov M, **Schuldt B**, Leuschner C, Hauck M (2019). Hydraulic architecture and vulnerability to drought-induced embolism in southern boreal tree species of Inner Asia. *Tree Physiology* 39: 463-473, DOI: 10.1093/treephys/tpy116.
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32. Klepsch M, Zhang Y, Kotowska MM, Lamarque LL, Nolf M, **Schuldt B**, Torres-Ruiz JM, Quin D, Choat B, Delzon S, Scoffoni C, Cao K-F, Jansen S (2018). Are leaves of three temperate angiosperm species more vulnerable to xylem embolism than branch xylem? *Journal of Experimental Botany* 69: 5611-5623, DOI: 10.1093/jxb/ery321.
<https://academic.oup.com/jxb/article/69/22/5611/5088935>
31. Link RM, **Schuldt B**, Choat B, Jansen S, Cobb A (2018). Size-bias in estimating vessel length distributions. *Journal of Theoretical Biology* 455: 329-341, DOI: 10.1016/j.jtbi.2018.07.036.
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0022519318303679>
30. Mausolf K, Wilm P, Härdtle W, Jansen K, **Schuldt B**, Sturm K, von Oheimb G, Hertel D, Leuschner C, Fichtner A (2018). Higher drought sensitivity of radial growth of European beech in managed than in unmanaged forests. *Science of the Total Environment* 642: 1201-1208, DOI: 10.1016/j.scitotenv.2018.06.065.
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29. Khansaritoreh E, **Schuldt B**, Dulamsuren C (2018). Hydraulic traits and tree-ring width in *Larix sibirica* Ledeb. as affected by summer drought and forest fragmentation in the Mongolian forest steppe. *Annals of Forest Science* 75: 30, DOI: 10.1007/s13595-018-0701-2.
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28. Zhang Y, Lamarque LL, Torres-Ruiz JM, **Schuldt B**, Karimi Z, Li S, Quin D-W, Bittencourt P, Pereira L, Cao K-F, Delzon S, Jansen S (2018). Testing the plant pneumatic method to estimate xylem embolism resistance of temperate trees. *Tree Physiology* 38: 1016-1025, DOI: 10.1093/treephys/tpy015.
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27. Hartmann H, **Schuldt B**, Sanders TGM, Macinnis-Ng C, Boehmer HJ, Allen CD, Bolte A, Crowther TW, Hansen MC, Ruehr NK, Anderegg WRL (2018). Monitoring global tree mortality patterns and trends.
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26. O'Brien MJ, Engelbrecht BMJ, Joswig J, Pereyra G, **Schuldt B**, Jansen S, Kattge J, Landhäusser SM, Levick SR, Preisler Y, Väänänen P, Macinnis-Ng C (2017). A functional trait toolbox for assessing tree vulnerability to drought-induced mortality. *Journal of Applied Ecology* 54: 1669-1686, DOI: 10.1111/1365-2664.12874.
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24. Fuchs S, Leuschner C, Link RM, Coners H, **Schuldt B*** (2017). Calibration and comparison of thermal dissipation, heat ratio and heat field deformation sap flow probes for diffuse-porous trees. *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology* 244-245: 151-161, DOI: 10.1016/j.agrformet.2017.04.003.
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23. Lübbe T, **Schuldt B**, Leuschner C (2017). Acclimation of leaf water status and stem hydraulics to drought and tree neighborhood: alternative strategies among the saplings of five temperate deciduous tree species. *Tree Physiology* 37: 456-468, DOI: 10.1093/treephys/tpw095.
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22. Hajek P, Kurjak D, von Wühlisch G, Delzon S, **Schuldt B*** (2016). Intraspecific variation in wood anatomical, hydraulic and foliar traits in ten European beech provenances differing in growth yield. *Frontiers in Plant Science* 7: 791, DOI: 10.3389/fpls.2016.00791.
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20. **Schuldt B***, Knutzen E, Delzon S, Jansen S, Müller-Haubold H, Burlett R, Clough Y and Leuschner C (2016). How adaptable is the hydraulic system of European beech in the face of climate change-related precipitation reduction? *New Phytologist* 210: 443-458, DOI: 10.1111/nph.13798.
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17. Lübbe T, **Schuldt B**, Leuschner C (2015). Species identity and neighbor size surpass the impact of tree species diversity on productivity in experimental broad-leaved tree sapling assemblages under dry and moist conditions. *Frontiers in Plant Science* 6: 857, DOI: 10.3389/fpls.2015.00857.
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 14. Jansen S, **Schuldt B**, Choat B (2015). Current controversies and challenges in applying plant hydraulic techniques. *New Phytologist* 205: 961-964, DOI: 10.1111/nph.13229.
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 13. Chenlemuge T, **Schuldt B**, Dulamsuren C, Hertel D, Leuschner C, Hauck M (2015). Stem increment and hydraulic architecture of a boreal conifer (*Larix sibirica*) under contrasting macroclimates. *Trees-Structure and Function* 29: 623-636, DOI: 10.1007/s00468-014-1131-x.
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00468-014-1131-x>
 12. Hoerber S, Leuschner C, Köhler L, Arias Aguilar D, **Schuldt B*** (2014). The importance of hydraulic conductivity and wood density to growth performance in eight tree species from a tropical semi-dry climate. *Forest Ecology and Management* 330: 126-136, DOI: 10.1016/j.foreco.2014.06.039.
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