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General research interests: marine fauna; parasites, protists; host-parasite relationships on molecular, cellular and tissue levels; light and electron microscopy.

Latest research activities:

Evolutionary trends of early emerging apicomplexans (Alveolata: Apicomplexa): ultrastructural and biological data. Fine structure and life cycle of metchnikovellids (Metchnikovellidae) in the context of putative evolutionary history of Microsporidia.

Morphology and taxonomy of henricias (Echinodermata: Asteroidea: Henricia) of the White Sea.

Courses:

1. "Zoological Video-Excursions" (lectures and video presentations, 26 hours), for the undergraduate students;
2. "Echinodermata" (lectures and practical works, 18 hours), for the undergraduate students;
3. "Ctenophora" (lectures and practical works, 8 hours), for the undergraduate students;
4. "Deuterostomia" (lectures and practical works, 6 hours), for the undergraduate students;
5. "Parasitic protists" (lectures and practical works, 48 hours), for the Master students.
6. Practical course "Zoology of Invertebrates" (practical works – 64 hours) – for the undergraduate students.
7. Summer practice «Zoology of Invertebrates» (White Sea Marine Station or Peterhoff (Petrodvorets), St Petersburg, 2 weeks), for the undergraduate students.

Peer-reviewed scientific articles

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7. Sokolova Yu.Ya., Paskerova G.G., Rotari Yu.M., Nasonova E.S., Smirnov A.V. 2014. Description of *Metchnikovella spiralis* sp. n. (Microsporidia: Metchnikovellidae), with notes on the ultrastructure of metchnikovellids. Parasitology, 141, pp 1108-1122. doi:10.1017/S0031182014000420.

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9. Valigurová A., Paskerova G.G., Diakin A., Kováčiková M., Simdyanov T.G. 2015. Protococcidian *Eleutheroschizizon duboscqi*, an unusual apicomplexan interconnecting gregarines and cryptosporidia. *PLoS ONE* 10(4): e0125063. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0125063.
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11. Paskerova G.G., Frolova E.V., Kováčiková M., Panfilkina T.S., Mesentsev E.S., Smirnov A.V., Nassonova E.S. 2016. *Metchnikovella dogieli* sp. n. (Microsporidia: Metchnikovellida), a parasite of archigregarines *Selenidium* sp. from polychaetes *Pygospio elegans*. *Protistology*, 10 (4): 148-157. doi:10.21685/1680-0826-2016-10-4-4.
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