

# Cedric Perret

## Postdoctoral Research Associate

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### Education and training

- 2018 **Santa Fe Complex Systems Summer School**, *Santa Fe Institute, USA*  
Information theory, Non-linear dynamics, Network theory, Machine learning, Human evolution
- 2016 **MSc in Evolutionary Biology and Ecology**, *University of Montpellier, France*  
Advanced evolutionary biology, Modeling in evolutionary biology, Advanced Biostatistics, Ecology, Population genetics, Evolutionary genomics, Quantitative genetics
- 2013 **MSc (1st year) in Ecology and Environment**, *State University of New Paltz, USA*  
Biostatistics, Seminar in evolutionary studies, Biogeography
- 2012 **BA in Biology and Ecology**, *University of Franche-comte, Besancon, France*  
Ecology, Formal and Population genetics, Biostatistics, Animals and plants Biology

### Research Experience

- 2020 - present **Post-doctoral research associate**,  
*Teeside University, UK*  
Research projects in evolutionary game theory with [The Anh Han](#)
- 2016-2019 **Ph.D. "The evolutionary iron law of oligarchy"**, *Edinburgh Napier University, UK*  
Under the supervision of [Simon T. Powers](#) and [Emma Hart](#)  
Under the examination of [Andy Gardner](#) and [Thomas Currie](#)  
Viva passed with minor corrections the 19/12/2019
- 2016 **Predation shapes the impact of cancer on population dynamics and the evolution of cancer resistance**  
*Institute of Research for Development, University of Montpellier, France*  
Internship under the supervision of [Frederic Thomas](#) and [Benjamin Roche](#)
- 2015 **Development of a computer tool for experimentations in cultural evolution**  
*Institute of Evolutionary Sciences of Montpellier, University of Montpellier, France*  
Internship under the supervision of [Jean-Baptiste André](#) and [Nicolas Claidière](#)
- 2015 **Co-evolution of the signalization of quality and mate choice in Human**  
*Institute of Evolutionary Sciences of Montpellier, University of Montpellier, France*  
Internship under the supervision of [Bernard Godelle](#)
- 2013 **Field study of genes implied in immunity responses of hosts infected by parasite *Borrelia sp***  
*Institute of Evolutionary Biology and Environmental Studies, Zurich, Switzerland*  
Internship under the supervision of [Melissa Lemoine](#)

### Core skills

#### **Programming language skills:**

- Proficient in Java, R, Mathematica
- Efficient in Python, Bash, Markdown

#### **Computers skills:**

- Proficient in LaTeX, Mendeley, Github, Microsoft office programs
- Efficient in web design (Wordpress, github.io)

#### **Language skills:**

- French: C2 (native language)
- English: C1 (TOEFL 2016 : 583/677)
- Spanish: B1

European driving license

## **Peer-reviewed publications:**

### **First author:**

- 2019 **Being a leader or being the leader: The evolution of institutionalised hierarchy.**  
C.Perret, E.Hart and S.T. Powers  
*ALIFE 2019: The 2019 Conference on Artificial Life*. MA: MIT Press  
[https://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/pdf/10.1162/isal\\_a\\_00158](https://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/pdf/10.1162/isal_a_00158)
- 2018 **Can justice be fair when it is blind? How social network structures promote or prevent the evolution of despotism.**  
C. Perret, S.T. Powers, J. Pitt and E. Hart  
*ALIFE 2018: The 2018 Conference on Artificial Life*. MA: MIT Press  
[https://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/abs/10.1162/isal\\_a\\_00058](https://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/abs/10.1162/isal_a_00058)
- 2017 **Emergence of hierarchy from the evolution of individual influence in an agent-based model**  
C. Perret, S.T. Powers and E. Hart  
*Proceedings of the European Conference on Artificial Life 2017*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press  
[http://cognet.mit.edu/proceed/10.7551/ecal\\_a\\_058](http://cognet.mit.edu/proceed/10.7551/ecal_a_058)
- Submitted **Disorganized equality or efficient despotism: How group size drives the evolution of hierarchy in human societies**  
C.Perret, S.T. Powers and E.Hart.
- Under revision **Reciprocal interactions between cancer and ecological dynamics in a prey-predator system**  
C.Perret, B. Roche, C. Gidoin, B. Ujvari and F. Thomas.

### **Co-author:**

- 2018 **Trusting Intelligent Machines: Deepening trust within socio-technical systems**  
P. Andras, L. Esterle, M. Guckert, T.A. Han, P.R. Lewis, K.Milanovic, T.Payne, C. Perret, J. Pitt, S.T. Powers, N. Urquhart and S. Wells  
*IEEE Technology and Society Magazine* - <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/8558724>
- In preparation **Talking loud or talking often: How the interplay between network structure and agent influence affects the time to reach consensus in collective decision-making**  
Z. Neu, C. Perret, A. Santoro, G. St-Onge.

### **Other outputs:**

- 2019 **A theoretical investigation of transgenerational effects of population-scale disaster on prevalence of schizophrenia.**  
C. Gunaratne, S. Jankowski, C. Perret, J. Tuominen, M. Wadl  
*Santa Fe project report*
- 2019 **Using an opinion formation model to investigate the effect of leaders on collective decision-making**  
C.Perret, S.T. Powers, E.Hart  
*Extended abstract - Workshop on Agent-Based Modelling in Human Behaviour (ABMHuB 2019)*

## **Research dissemination:**

### **International conferences:**

#### **Oral presentation at:**

- ALIFE 2019: The Conference on Artificial Life, Newcastle, UK - <https://2019.alife.org>
- Evolution 2018: Joint Congress on Evolutionary Biology, Montpellier, France - <https://www.evolutionmontpellier2018.org>
- ECAL 2017: European Conference on Artificial Life, Lyon, France - <https://project.inria.fr/ecal2017/>

#### **Poster presentation at:**

- Evolution 2018: Joint Congress on Evolutionary Biology, Montpellier, France - <https://www.evolutionmontpellier2018.org>

#### **Participation to:**

- ESEB 2017: Congress of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology, Groningen, Netherlands - <https://eseb.org/congresses/>

- PPSN 2016: 14th International Conference on Parallel Problem Solving from Nature, *Edinburgh, UK* - <http://www.ppsn2016.org/conference/>

### **Local conferences:**

#### **Oral presentation at:**

- 2019 Scottish Informatics and Computer Science Alliance (SICSA) pre evolutionary computing day, *Stirling, UK*
- 2019 School of Computing Research Conference, *Edinburgh Napier, UK*
- 2018 School of Computing Research Conference, *Edinburgh Napier, UK*
- 2016 MEE: Models in Ecology and Evolution Seminar, *Montpellier, France*

#### **Poster presentation at:**

- 2017 Scottish Informatics and Computer Science Alliance (SICSA) PhD Conference, *Dundee, UK*
- 2017 Edinburgh Napier University Research Conference, *Edinburgh Napier, UK*

#### **Participation to:**

- 2019 Scottish Informatics and Computer Science Alliance (SICSA) PhD Conference, *Stirling, UK*

### **Workshops:**

- 2019 Workshop on Agent-Based Modelling in Human Behaviour, *ALIFE 2019, Newcastle, UK* - <http://abmhub.braintree.com/>
- 2019 Workshop on Evolution of Human Behaviour: Using theory to address societal challenges, *ALIFE 2019, Newcastle, UK* - <https://ehbalife.github.io/>
- 2019 Workshop on Trust in Intelligent Machines, *University of Gießen, Germany*
- 2019 Workshop on the Evolution and Dynamics of Institutions (EDI), *Edinburgh Napier University, UK*
- 2018 Workshop on Trust in Intelligent machines (TIM), *Edinburgh Napier University, UK* - <https://tim2018.wordpress.com/>

### **Seminar presentations:**

- 2019 School of biology seminar, Department of Ecology and Evolution, *University of Lausanne (Swiss)*
- 2018 Pr.Lehmann's team seminar, Department of Ecology and Evolution, *University of Lausanne (Swiss)*
- 2018 Pr.Gardner's team seminar, School of Biology, *University of St Andrews (UK)*
- 2018 Dr.Gross's team seminar, Collective dynamics group, *University of Bristol (UK)*
- 2016, 2018 School of Computing seminars, School of Computing, *Edinburgh Napier University (UK)*

### **Academic event organisation:**

#### **Organisation of international workshops and conferences:**

##### **Lead organiser of:**

- The 2019 Workshop Evolution of Human Behaviour: Using Theory to Address Societal Challenges, *ALIFE 2019 conference, Newcastle*. <https://ehbalife.github.io/>
- The 2019 Workshop on the Evolution and Dynamics of Institutions, *Edinburgh Napier University*.

##### **Co-organiser of:**

- The 2018 Workshop on Trust in Intelligent Machines, *Edinburgh Napier University*. <https://tim2018.wordpress.com/>

##### **Member of local organiser committee of:**

- PPSN 2016: 14th International Conference on Parallel Problem Solving from Nature, *Edinburg, UK*.

### **Organisation of seminar series:**

#### **Co-organiser of:**

- 2017-2018 • School of Computing Seminar Series, *Edinburgh Napier University*
  - Organisation, scheduling and seminars facilitation
- 2017 • PhD Masterclasses, *Edinburgh Napier University*
  - Organisation of a one-day workshop with invited speakers

- Organisation of a seminar series to offer PhD students the opportunity to share their skills

## **Grants**

### **Lead applicant to:**

- 2019 • PhD impact improvement Funds
  - **Three months stipend** funded by Edinburgh Napier University
- 2018 • Researcher Development Funds for «Workshop on the Evolution and Dynamics of institutions »
  - **£1500** funded by the Research Innovation Office, *Edinburgh Napier University*
- 2018 • Funds for Participation to Santa Fe Complex System Summer School
  - **£1000** funded by Small Project & Mobility Grants, *Edinburgh Napier University*
  - **£500** funded by SISCAs summer school bursary, *Scottish Informatics & Computer Science Alliance*
- 2018 • Public engagement funds for « SciVid: Animated videos to support wider scientific communication »
  - **£2500** funded by *Edinburgh Napier University*

### **Co-applicant to:**

- 2017 • Researcher Development Funds for « School of Computing Masterclasses »
  - **£800** funded by the Research Innovation Office, *Edinburgh Napier University*
- 2017 • Researcher Development Funds for « Workshop on Trust in Intelligent Machines»
  - **£1500** funded by Research Innovation Office, *Edinburgh Napier University*
- 2016 • PhD studentship
  - **Payment of full-time tuition fees and stipend for 3 academic years**, *Edinburgh Napier University*

## **Honours and Awards:**

- 2019 **Best presentation Awards (3<sup>rd</sup> year PhD)** at the 2019 Edinburgh Napier School Conference
- 2018 **Best presentation Awards (2<sup>nd</sup> year PhD)** at the 2018 Edinburgh Napier School Conference
- 2017 **Best poster Awards** at the 2017 Edinburgh Napier University Conference

## **Professional activities:**

### **Public engagement:**

- 2018 SciVid Project: Animated videos to support wider scientific communication, *Edinburgh Napier University*
  - Lead organiser of the project
  - Organisation of a one-day workshop on science scriptwriting
  - Two months supervision of intern for the creation of an animated video on one of my published research
- 2017, 2018 Explorathon, *Edinburgh*
  - Presentation of the field of artificial evolution during two open public events
- 2017 Cyber academy workshop, *Edinburgh Napier University*
  - Introduction of Colinton Primary school to robotics and programming

### **Teaching:**

- 2017, 2018 Two classes in the module “Multi-Agent Systems”, *Edinburgh Napier University*
- 2018 Two months student supervision for the SciVid Project, *Edinburgh Napier University*

### **Peer-reviews:**

- 2018-2019 Peer-review manuscripts for journals:
  - 2 manuscripts for Scientific Reports
  - 1 manuscript for Journal of Mathematical Psychology

### **Others:**

- 2019 Editor assistant for the Evolutionary Computation Journal, *Edinburgh Napier University*

- Pre-processing of submissions to the journal
- Reports writing

2019 Member of the funding panel for the Research Development Fund, *Edinburgh Napier University*

- Reviewing of application to the fund

## **Referees**

**Simon Powers**, Lecturer  
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*Edinburgh Napier University, Edinburgh*  
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