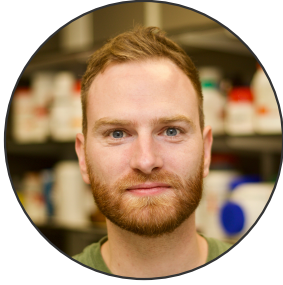


# Conor M. Finlay

## SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW

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*I am an energetic, ambitious immunologist who has a goal of or being a future world leader in macrophage biology. My career focus on myeloid cells has brought me through three disciplines, animal models, bioinformatics, and translational research. This approach makes me a uniquely well-rounded researcher in the Irish research environment who can plan, implement, and integrate pre-clinical, informatic and translational aspects of biomedical research.*

## Employment and Education

### Senior Research Fellow

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

• COVID-19 SFI-funded strategic partnership, investigating myeloid cell dysfunction in COVID-19. CO-PI of research Lab

Trinity College Dublin

Dec 2021-Present

### Honorary Research Fellow

LYDIA BECKER INSITUTE

• Collaboration on MRC programme grant (PI Judi Allen).

University of Manchester

April 2021-present

### Research Fellow

SUPERVISOR: PROF MARK LITTLE

• Laboratory management of Trinity Kidney Health Centre. Clinical data analysis and translational research.

Trinity College Dublin

April 2021-December 2021

### Informatics Training Scheme (Wellcome Trust TPA)

PROGRAMMING AND COMPUTATIONAL APPROACHES TO BIOLOGY MODULES

• Constituted 50% of taught component of MSc Bioinformatics and Systems Biology

University of Manchester

2020

### Research Associate

SUPERVISOR: PROF JUDITH ALLEN.

• Origin, heterogeneity, proliferation and effector function of macrophages during helminth infection and type 2 immune responses.

University of Manchester

2017-2021

### Lecturer (teaching relief post)

SCHOOL OF BIOCHEMISTRY AND IMMUNOLOGY

• Performed the teaching duties for a senior professor on sabbatical

Trinity College Dublin

2016-2017

### Post-doctoral Researcher

SUPERVISOR: PROF KINGSTON HG MILLS.

• IP-protected project identifying novel helminth-derived proteins as therapeutics for inflammatory disease. Role of mast cells in the alternative activation of macrophages via IL-33. Circadian regulation of autoimmune disease

Trinity College Dublin

2013-2016

### PhD in Immunology

IMMUNE MODULATION BY THE HELMINTH PARASITE FASCIOLA HEPATICA

• Supervisor: Kingston Mills

Trinity College Dublin

2013

## Funding

### MR/V011235/1 Programme Grant

2.26 MILLION GBP, RESEARCH CO-INVESTIGATOR

• "Macrophages in type 2 immunity: unravelling susceptibility and resistance to tissue nematode infection". I co-wrote grant and provided scientific design and preliminary data. Awarded an honorary position at UoM to facilitate ongoing collaboration after leaving Manchester

Medical Research Council

2021

### Building Engagements in Health Research Scheme

10K EUR, Co-PI

• 'Nanoparticle modulation of neutrophil and monocyte responses to ANCA'

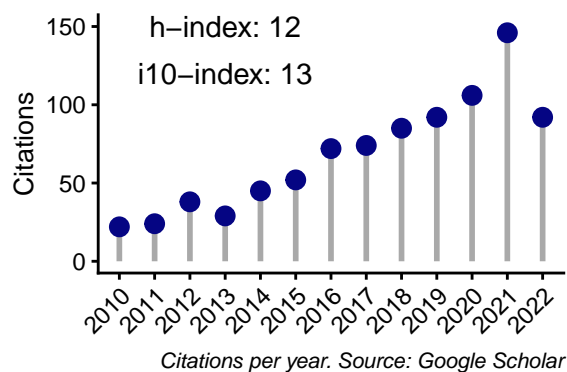
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2021

## Recent Presentations

- 2022 Mononuclear Phagocytes in Health and Disease (Invited talk)
- 2022 Parasitic Helminths: New Perspectives in Biology and Infection
- 2022 COVID-19 Immunology, Vaccines and Lessons for the Future (Invited talk)
- 2022 Trinity Translational Medicine Institute - Conference 2022 (Invited talk)
- 2021 Cytokine and interferon society meeting
- 2019 Irish Society of Immunology (best presentation award)
- 2019 BSI Type 2 Immunology Meeting
- 2019 KU Leuven, UZ Gasthuisberg Campus (Invited talk)

CRICK, London  
Hydra, Greece  
TCD, Dublin  
TTMI, Dublin  
Cardiff  
RCSI, Dublin  
Manchester  
KU Leuven



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Total papers	15
As First Author	6
As primary supervisor	1
Secondary author – Major contribution (>3 months)	6
Secondary author – Minor contribution (<3 months)	2
As corresponding author	4

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