Grégoire Le Lay

PhD Candidate in Physics

	Education
	Academic training
2022-2025	Physics PhD , under the supervision of Pr. Adrian Daerr Nonlinear Meandering Dynamics of a Liquid Filament Matière et Systèmes Complexes (MSC), Université Paris Cité CNRS
2021-2022	Admission to Agrégation de Physique High-level competitive exam for future physics teachers (rank : 2/459) École Normale Supérieure and Sorbonne Université
2020-2021	Master 2 Nonlinear and Out of Equilibrium Phenomena in Physics & Mathematics Applied and Theoretical Mathematics (MATH) Master's degree École Normale Supérieure and Université Paris Dauphine
2019-2020	Master 2 Lophiss in History and Philosophy of Science Université Paris Diderot
2017-2022	Scolarity at École Normale Supérieure Elite academic institution accessed by competitive exam in Paris, France 2017-2019: Bachelor in Physics (L3 FIP) and Master 1 in Fundamental Physics (ICFP)
	Research Internships
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2021 (5 months)	Experimental study of the meandering of a liquid rivulet, with Adrian Daerr — Laboratoire Matière et Systèmes Complexes, Université Paris Cité, Paris, France
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Dub	lications
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[under review] **Grégoire Le Lay** & Adrian Daerr

Dancing rivulets in an air-filled Hele-Shaw cell

[under review] —

2025 **Grégoire Le Lay** & Adrian Daerr

Controlling deposition and characterizing dynamics of thin liquid films with high temporal and

spatial resolution

Physics of Fluids — Featured Article — 10.1063/5.0268672

2025 **Grégoire Le Lay** & Adrian Daerr

Phase-locking parametric instability coupling longitudinal and transverse waves on rivulets in a

Hele-Shaw cell

Physical Review Letters — 10.1103/PhysRevLett.134.014001

2024 **Grégoire Le Lay**, Sarah Layani, Adrian Daerr, Michael Berhanu et al.

Magnetic levitation in the field of a rotating dipole

Physical Review E — Editor's suggestion — 10.1103/PhysRevE.110.045003

2023 Tania Gajardo, Mathilde Bernard, Marie Lô, Elisa Turck et al.

Actin dynamics regulation by TTC7A/PI4KIIIa limits DNA damage and cell death under

confinement

Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology — 10.1016/j.jaci.2023.06.016

2021 Antoine Gaillard, Jack S. Keeler, **Grégoire Le Lay**, Grégoire Lemoult et al.

The life and fate of a bubble in a geometrically perturbed Hele-Shaw channel

Journal of Fluid Mechanics — 10.1017/jfm.2020.844

2021 Sundary Sormendi, Mathieu Deygas, Anupam Sinha, Mathilde Bernard et al.

 $HIF2\alpha$ is a direct regulator of neutrophil motility

Blood — 10.1182/blood.2020007505

Presentations

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01/2025 **Journées de la Physique Statistique**, Paris (fr), Contributed talk.

12/2024 **MSC Internal Seminar**, Paris (fr), Invited seminar.

10/2024 **Journées de la Matière Condensée**, Marseille (fr), Contributed talk.

09/2024 **European Fluid Dynamics Conference**, Aachen (de), Contributed talk.

06/2024 **International meeting in the memory of Yves Couder**, Paris (fr), Poster presentation.

03/2024 **Rencontres du Non-Linéaire**, Paris (fr), Poster presentation.

03/2024 **Séminaire Café**, Paris (fr), Invited seminar.

09/2023 **European Coating Symposium**, Paris (fr), Contributed talk.

07/2023 **Congrès Général des 150 ans de la SFP**, Paris (fr), Contributed talk.

06/2023 **Non-linear physics seminar**, Paris (fr), Invited seminar.

03/2023 **Rencontres du Non-Linéaire**, Paris (fr), Poster presentation.

Expertise

Experimental Optical alignment protocols

Chemistry lab techniques

Computer Assisted Design, 3D printing & Laser cutting

Softwares Experiment control (LabView, Arduino, Limrendir)

Technical drawing (Inkscape, FreeCAD, SolidWorks)

Image analysis (openCV, ImageJ)

Programming Python - Image analysis, Data treatment

C, C++ - Software development, GTK & Qt frameworks

Git - Distributed version control

Para-academic activities

2023-2025 **Laboratory board member**, MSC

Elected representative of the non-permanents (PhD students and post-docs) at the laboratory

board of MSC.

2024 **EDPIF Scientific Day organizer**, Paris

Planning and supervision of a one-day event reuniting \sim 150 2nd year PhD students of the

doctoral school EDPIF.

2023 **Young Physicists Meeting organizer**, Paris

Organisation of the RJP 2023, a one-day wide-range conference reuniting ~200 PhD students

and Post-Docs with a budget of 15 k€.

2022-2025 **French IPHO scientific comitee member**, French Ministry of Education

Member of the scientific comitee of the selection and training of the french team for the

International Physics Olympiads (IPHO).

Outreach

05/2025 **Pint of Science**, Paris

30-minutes intervention for the Pint of Science global science festival.

10/2023 **Science Fair**, Université Paris Cité

Presentation of scientific experiments to primary school classes.

07/2023 **Before du grand congrès de la SFP**, Cité des sciences et de l'industrie

Vulgarization of a scientific concept to the general public.

2018-2019 **Cours aux ernests**. ENS

Short courses explaining the basics of physics for non-physics students.

10/2018 **Science Fair**, ENS

Presentation of scientific experiments for the general public.

Grants obtained

03/2025 Chaos, Météo & Roue à Eau (1 k€), Scientific Mediation Call (Université Paris Cité)

Designing and building a visual experiment to introduce chaos theory to the general public.

01/2024 **Multi-camera observation** (2 k€), MSC internal call

Buying loudspeakers, cameras and lenses in order to improve an existing experiment.

	Teaching
2023-2025	Master of Science Theoretical courses, Préparation à l'agrégation interne, Université Paris Cité MS (2nd year) — Intense courses in wave phenomena and electromagnetism 22.5 hETD (30 trainee / session)
2022-2025	Préparation au montage , Préparation à l'agrégation interne, Université Paris Cité MS (2nd year) — Preparation of the experimental evaluation for candidates to the agrégation 36 hETD (15 trainee / session)
2022-2025	Oral training , Préparation à l'agrégation interne, Université Paris Cité MS (2nd year) — Preparation of the oral evaluation for candidates to the agrégation 9 hETD (15 trainee / session)
2022-2025	LASER , École d'Ingénieurs Denis Diderot (EIDD) MS (1st year) — Write and dispense 9 tutorial sessions on the physics of lasers 54 hETD (20 students / session)
2022-2023	Experimental physics , Master MEEF, Université Paris Cité MS (1st year) — Supervision of practical work for candidates to the CAPES competitive exam 27 hETD, 15 students / session
	Bachelor's degree
2022-2025	Training for the International Physicists' Tournament (IPT) , Université Paris Cité Bachelor (3rd year) — Supervising and training the university's team for the IPT 43.5 hETD, 10 students / session
2020-2022	Oral evaluations , Prépa Hadamart Bachelor (1st and 2nd year) — Preparation for the oral part of the physics competitive exam Two times one hour per week, 3 students / session
	Volunteering
2019-2020	Tutoring , Jean Zay State boarding school Bachelor (1st and 2nd year) — Personnalized tutoring for state scholarship holders Four times one hour a week, individual

Interns supervision

Tutoring, Maison des Jeunes Talents

2017-2019

2025 (2 mo)	Zacharie Leridon (L3) : Surface tension measurements by the Pendent Drop method
2024 (2 mo)	Youtta-Maria Saad (L3) : Surface tension measurements by the Pendent Drop method
2024 (2 mo)	Appoline Malliach (L3): Out of equilibrium statical physics of 2D dices

Bachelor (1st and 2nd year) — Tutoring for state scholarship holders

One time two hours per week, 3 to 9 students / session