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PERSONAL DATA

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: Barakaldo, Spain | 19 March 1992

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Current | PhD student at University of Zürich, Department of Comparative Lan-

guage Science

JAN 2017 | Ergativity in language comprehension and production, supervised by Prof.

Balthasar Bickel & Prof. Martin Meyer

OCT-NOV 2016 | LIONBRIDGE, Cologne

Software testing, translation and linguistic validation.

APR-OCT 2016 | Student assistant at SFB 1102 University of Saarland, Saarbrücken

A1 project: Script-based Surprisal in Online Comprehension

Preparation and development of EEG experiments.

Aug-Dec 2015 | Deutsche Forschungszentrum für Künstliche Intelligenz (DFKI),

Saarbrücken

MaryTTS

Maintenance and development of the DFKI text-to-speech synthesizer.

SEP 2013 -JAN 2014 | Student researcher at UNIVERSITY OF BARCELONA, Barcelona

Phonetics Laboratory

prosodic data extraction and analysis from different dialectal variants of the American

Spanish language in an experimental phonology research

FEB - JUNE 2013 | Student researcher at VU UNIVERSITY AMSTERDAM, Amsterdam

Field work in the English Language Department, phonetic data gathering and transcrip-

tion

EDUCATION

Expected early 2021 | PhD studies in Comparative Psycholinguistics

University of Zürich, supervised by Prof. Balthasar Bickel

& Prof. Martin Meyer

DECEMBER 2016 | Master of Science in LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES,

Erasmus Mundus Double Degree Program

University of Malta, Saarland University (Saarbrücken)

Language of instruction: English

JULY 2014 Undergraduate Degree in LINGUISTICS, University of Barcelona

English and Latin Specialization

GPA: 3.51/4

Language of instruction: Catalan

SEP 2012 - June 2013 | Exchange Year at VU University, Amsterdam

GPA: 3.62/4

Language of instruction: English

JUNE 2010 | Axular Institutua (High School diploma), Santurtzi, Spain |

Language of instruction: Basque

LANGUAGES

SPANISH: Mother tongue
BASQUE: Proficient
ENGLISH: Proficient
CATALAN: Fluent
DUTCH: Intermediate

GERMAN: Basic knowledge
ITALIAN: Basic knowledge

COMPUTER SKILLS

Scripting languages: PYTHON, R, UNIX, PROLOG, PRAAT

GRAMMATICAL FRAMEWORK, XFST

Libraries & Tools: EEGLAB, FIELDTRIP, WEKA, E-PRIME

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Speech Science, Syntax, Language Typology, Computational Linguistics Neuroscience, Psycholinguistics, Clinical Linguistics, Machine Learning

RESEARCH VISITS

OCTOBER 2018 | Donders Institute for Brain, Cognition and Behaviour

Nijmegen, The Netherlands

OCT 2017 - APR 2018 | University of South Australia

Centre for Cognitive and Systems Neuroscience

Adelaide, Australia

CONFERENCE TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

September 2019 $\mid 13^{th}$ Conference of the Association for Linguistic Typology: talk

The agent preference in sentence planning: challenges from ergative

case marking

Authors Aitor Egurtzegi, Sebastian Sauppe, Damian Blasi, Kamal Choudhary, Nathalie Giroud, Yingqi Jing, Shikha Bhattamishra, Mahima Gulati, Ina

Bornkessel-Schlesewsky, Itziar Laka, Martin Meyer, and Balthasar Bickel

MARCH 2019 | CUNY CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SENTENCE PROCESSING: poster presenta-

tion

The agent preference in sentence planning is modulated by case marking: eye tracking evidence from Hindi, Basque and Swiss Ger-

nan.

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Bornkessel-Schlesewsky, Itziar Laka, Martin Meyer, and Balthasar Bickel

ATTENDED SUMMER SCHOOLS

JULY 2019 | 9^{th} Lisbon Machine Learning School (LxMLS)

Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisboa

MAY 2018 $\mid 5^{th}$ Summer Neurolinguistics School

Brainwaves of Language: Neural Oscillations and Language Processing

National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow

 3^{rd} Summer School of the ARC Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language

The Australian National University, Canberra

JOURNAL ARTICLES

NOVEMBER 2017

SUBMITTED | Neural signatures of syntactic variation in speech planning

Sebastian Sauppe, Kamal K. Choudhary, Nathalie Giroud, Damián E. Blasi, Elisabeth Norcliffe, Shikha Bhattamishra, Mahima Gulati, Aitor Egurtzegi, Ina Bornkessel-Schlesewsky, Martin Meyer, Balthasar Bickel

IN PREP | Crossli

Crosslinguistic differences in case marking shape the time course of sentence planning: evidence from eye movements and neural theta- and alphaband oscillations in Basque and German

Aitor Egurtzegi, Sebastian Sauppe, Damián E. Blasi, Ina Bornkessel-Schlesewsky, Itziar Laka, Martin Meyer, Balthasar Bickel