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Professional experience

June 2020present NIH-National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) Postdoctoral Researcher

Center for Comparative & Evolutionary Biology of Hearing Trainee

& Department of Hearing and Speech Sciences

University of Maryland, College Park

Education

August 2020 **Ph.D., Linguistics,** University of California, Berkeley

Keith Johnson & Sharon Inkelas (co-chairs)

2017 **M.A., Linguistics**, University of California, Berkeley

2015 Master 1, Phonetics and Phonology

Université Sorbonne Nouvelle-Paris 3

2014 **M.A., Spanish**, Indiana University

Additional training

2020 Certificate of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education

University of California, Berkeley

2018-2019 Learning to Talk Lab, Hearing and Speech Sciences Department

University of Maryland

Spring 2017 **Department of Linguistics**

Stanford University

Spring 2011 Study Abroad

Université Paul Valéry III, Montpellier, France

Support

2021-present NIH-NIDCD F32 Individual Postdoctoral Training Grant. "How

children with cochlear implants learn speech from their

environments." **Cychosz, M.** (Principal Investigator). Edwards, J., & Newman, R (Co-Principal Investigators). Projected award period:

06/01/2021-05/31/2023. Total cost: \$137,999.

To be funded NIH-NIDCD Loan Repayment Program. "How children with cochlear

implants learn speech from their environments." **Cychosz, M.** (Principal Investigator). Estimated total funding: \$30,000.

2020-2021	NIH-NIDCD T32 DC000046 "Training grant on comparative and
	evolutionary biology of hearing." Cychosz, M. (Postdoctoral

trainee). 06/01/2020-05/31/2021.

Publications

Refereed journals

Under revision Cychosz, M. & Newman, R. Units of processing in perceptual

normalization for speaking rate. [pre-print]

Under revision Cychosz, M. Language exposure predicts children's phonetic

patterning: Evidence from language shift. [pre-print]

Accepted **Cychosz, M.**, Newman, R., Munson, B., & Edwards, J. Auditory

feedback experience in phonetic development: Evidence from children with cochlear implants and their normal-hearing peers.

Journal of the Acoustical Society of America. [pre-print]

Accepted Cychosz, M., Villanueva, A., & Weisleder, A. Efficient estimation of

children's language exposure in two bilingual communities. Journal

of Speech, Language and Hearing Research. [pre-print]

To appear **Cychosz, M.**, Edwards, J., Bernstein Ratner, N., Torrington Eaton, C.,

& Newman, R. Acoustic-lexical characteristics of child-directed speech between 7 and 24 months and their impact on toddlers' phonological processing. Frontiers in Psychology: Developmental

Psychology. [pre-print]

To appear **Cychosz, M.,** Cristia, A, Bergelson, E., Casillas, M., Baudet, G.,

Warlaumont, A. S., Scaff, C., Yankowitz, L., & Seidl, A. Vocal

development in a large-scale, crosslinguistic corpus.

Developmental Science. [early view]

To appear Cychosz, M., Munson, B., & Edwards, J. Practice and experience

predict coarticulation in child speech. Language Learning and

Development. [paper]

2021 **Cychosz, M.** The coarticulation-duration relationship in early

Quechua speech. Journal of Phonetics. 87, 101052. [paper]

2021 **Cychosz, M.**, Erskine, M., Munson, B., & Edwards, J. A lexical

advantage in four-year-old children's word repetition. Journal of

Child Language. 48(1), 31-54. [pubmed]

2020 **Cychosz, M.***, Romeo, R., Soderstrom, M., Scaff, C., Ganek, H.,

Cristia, A., Casillas, M., de Barbaro, K., Bang, J., & Weisleder, A.* Longform recordings of everyday life: Ethics for best practices.

Behavior Research Methods. 52, 1951-1969.

2019	Cychosz, M. , Edwards, J., Munson, B., & Johnson, K. Spectral and temporal measures of coarticulation in child speech. <i>Journal of the Acoustical Society of America-L, 146</i> (6), EL516-EL522.
2018	Cychosz, M . Bilingual adolescent vowel production in the Parisian suburbs. <i>International Journal of Bilingualism</i> , 23(6), 1291-1315.
	Fully peer-reviewed conference proceedings
2019	Cychosz, M. Holistic lexical storage: Coarticulatory evidence from child speech. In <i>Proceedings of the 19th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences</i> . Melbourne, Australia.
2019	Lin, S.*, Cychosz. M. *, Shen, A.*, & Cibelli, E. The effects of phonetic training and visual feedback on novel contrast production. In <i>Proceedings of the 19th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences</i> . Melbourne, Australia.
2019	Schuller, B. W. Batliner, A. Bergler, C., Pokorny, F. B., Krajewski, J., Cychosz, M. , Vollmann, R., Roelen, S., Schnieder, S., Bergelson, E., Cristia, A., Seidl, A., Warlaumont, A., Yankowitz, L., Noth, E., Amiriparian, S., Hantke, S., & Schmitt, M. The INTERSPEECH 2019 Computational Paralinguistics Challenge: Styrian Dialects, Continuous Sleepiness, Baby Sounds & Orca Activity. In <i>Proceedings of Interspeech 2019, Graz, Austria.</i>
2018	Cychosz, M. Functional load and frequency as predictors of consonant emergence across five languages. In <i>Proceedings of the 40th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society.</i>
2017	Cychosz, M. , Gordon, A., Odimegwu, O., Connolly, O., Bellassai, J., & Roemmele, M. Effective Scenario Designs for Free-text Interactive Fiction. Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Interactive Digital Storytelling (ICIDS). Madeira, Portugal.
2017	Bellassai, J., Gordon, A., Roemmele, M., Cychosz, M. , Odimegwu, O., & Connolly, O. Unsupervised Text Classification for Natural Language Interactive Narratives. <i>Proceedings of the 10th International Workshop on Intelligent Narrative Technologies (INT10)</i> . Snowbird, Utah.
	Other conference proceedings
2018	Cychosz, M., & Kalt, S. The contribution of functional load on

children's vocalic development. In Gallagher, G., Gouskova, M., and Yin, S. (eds.), Supplemental Proceedings of the 2017 Annual

	Meeting on Phonology. Washington, DC: Linguistic Society of America.
2018	Cychosz, M. , & Kalt, S. Language-specific sources of acoustic stability. In Proceedings of the 42nd Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development.
2016	Cheng, A., Faytak, M., & Cychosz, M . Language, race, and vowel space: Contemporary California English, <i>Proceedings of the 42</i> nd Annual Meeting of the Berkeley Linguistics Society. (Vol. 42). Berkeley, California.
	Datasets and other resources
2020	Cychosz, M.* , Romeo, R., Soderstrom, M., Scaff, C., Ganek, H., Cristia, A., Casillas, M., de Barbaro, K., Bang, J., & Weisleder, A.* Daylong Audio Recordings of Children's Linguistic Environments (DARCLE) Ethics Repository. DOI 10.17605/OSF.IO/U3TFV.
2019	Cychosz, M., Cristia, A, Bergelson, E., Casillas, M., Baudet, G., Warlaumont, A. S., Scaff, C., Yankowitz, L., & Seidl, A. BabbleCor: A Crosslinguistic Corpus of Babble Development in Five Languages. DOI 10.17605/OSF.IO/RZ4TX.
2018	Cychosz, M. Cychosz HomeBank Corpus, DOI 10.21415/YFYW-HE74. (2000+ hours of naturalistic daylong recordings of bilingual children learning South Bolivian Quechua and Spanish)
2016	Escobar, E., Cychosz, M. Hayes, D., Lapierre, M., Raskit, T. L., Michael, L., Nee, J. E., & Remirez, E. <i>Berkeley Field Methods: South Bolivian Quechua, SCL 2016-13</i> , Survey of California and Other Indian Languages. University of California, Berkeley. DOI: 10.7297/X2T72FMM.
	* Denotes shared first authorship
	Fellowships and Awards
2021	Strategic Plan Presentation Winner (for exemplifying international research related to children's development) Society for Research on Child Development
2019	Raymond H. Stetson Scholarship in Phonetics and Speech Science \$30,000, Acoustical Society of America
2019	Indigenous Languages of Latin America (ILLA) Travel Grant \$1,000, UC Berkeley
2019	Oswalt Documenting Endangered Languages Grant \$4,500, UC Berkeley

2018, 2019 **Student Travel Subsidy Award**, Acoustical Society of America 2018 **Student Technology Fund Grant**, UC Berkeley to fund recording and field equipment for child language data collection in Bolivia 2018 Oswalt Documenting Endangered Languages Grant \$5,000, UC Berkeley Spring & Fall 2018 **Dissertation Completion Fellowship**, UC Berkeley 2017 Society for Language Development Student Award (awarded annually to the student demonstrating the most diverse research agenda) 2017 Tinker Summer Field Research Grant, UC Berkeley 2016 **Graduate Assembly Conference Travel Grant**, UC Berkeley 2016-17 Foreign Language Area Studies Fellowship: Portuguese Institute for European Studies, UC Berkeley 2015, 2016, 2018 **Department of Linguistics Travel Grant**, UC Berkeley 2015, 2017 **Student Technology Fund Grant, UC Berkeley** with Keith Johnson and Auburn Barron-Lutzross to fund recording equipment for UC Berkeley Sociophonetic Area for Recording Conversational Language 2013 Summer Research Grant, Indiana University 2012 Phi Beta Kappa 2011-2015, Kappa Alpha Theta academic scholarship annually **Presentations Invited Talks** May 2022 **Cychosz, M.** Mechanisms behind coarticulatory development in children. Invited talk part of special session "Perspectives on Long Distance Coarticulation" 183rd Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America. Denver, CO. June 2021 **Cychosz, M.** Why kids are hard to understand: Implications for speech technology and children's development. Invited talk for the Acoustical Society of America Press Room. [An outlet that

provides "efficient dissemination of information regarding...the field of acoustics to the news media, science writers, and other interested parties."]

June 2021 **Cychosz, M.** Reconsidering variability in child speech production.

Invited talk part of special session "Ideas worth reconsidering in speech perception and production." 181st Meeting of the

Acoustical Society of America. [virtual]

March 2021 **Cychosz, M.** Environmental influences on speech development.

University of Delaware Syntax, Neurolinguistics, and Phonetics/Phonology (SNaP) Meeting. Newark, DE.

October 2020 **Cychosz, M.** Environmental influences on children's phonetic

development. UCLA Phonetics Seminar. Los Angeles, CA.

October 2019 **Cychosz, M.** Daylong audio recordings in linguistic research:

Collection, management, and use. Presented for the Group on

American Indian Languages, Berkeley, CA.

February 2019 **Cychosz, M.** Child learners and daylong recording methods: New

challenges in linguistic fieldwork. Presented for the UC Berkeley

Fieldwork Forum, Berkeley, CA.

April 2018 Cychosz, M. Functional load and frequency as predictors of

consonant emergence across five languages. Presented for Georgetown University Linguistics Department, PhonLab.

Washington, D.C.

March 2018 **Cychosz, M.** Cross-linguistic predictors of consonant emergence.

Presented for University of Maryland, Learning to Talk lab. College

Park, MD.

February 2018 **Cychosz, M.** Cross-linguistic predictors of consonant emergence.

Presented for University of Maryland, Project on Children's

Language Learning. College Park, MD.

September 2017 **Cychosz, M.** Language specificity in phonological development.

Presented for University of California, Berkeley, Language and

Cognitive Development Lab, Berkeley, CA.

Conference presentations

2021 **Cychosz, M.,** Munson, B., & Edwards, J. Children talking also

matters: Language practice and experience predict speech production patterns. Talk to be given at the 15^{th} Congress of the

International Association for the Study of Child Language.



	assess language development in infants." The International Congress of Infant Studies. Glasgow, UK.
2020	Cychosz, M. Coarticulation as a lens into children's lexical planning. Presented at the 94 th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
2020	Cychosz, M. , & Tracy, E. Response time judgments indicate linguistic bias to bilingual speech. Presented at the 94 th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, New Orleans, LA.
2019	Cychosz, M. , & Johnson, K. Novel acoustic measures of coarticulation reveal morphological planning in child speech. Presented at the 178 th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, San Diego, CA.
2019	Cychosz, M. , Lin, S., & Johnson, K. Estimating bilingual children's language exposure from daylong audio recordings. <i>California Meeting on Psycholinguistics</i> . Santa Cruz, CA. [Unable to attend]
2019	Cychosz, M. Holistic lexical storage: evidence from child speech. Presented at the 19 th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, Melbourne, Australia.
2019	Lin, S.*, Cychosz. M .*, Shen, A., & Cibelli, E. The effects of phonetic training and visual feedback on novel contrast production. Presented at the 19 th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences. Melbourne, Australia.
2019	Cychosz, M. , Munson, B., & Edwards. J. Familiarity and practice predict autonomy in children's speech gestures. Presented at the Workshop on Modeling the Development of Speech Planning in Production. Macquarie University, Sydney Australia.
2019	Cychosz, M. Coarticulation varies by consonant identity in adult and child speech. Presented at the 177 th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Louisville, Kentucky.
2018	Cychosz, M. , & Tracy, E. Bilingual speech associations in phonetic representation. Presented at the 176 th Meeting of the Acoustical Society of America, Victoria, BC, Canada.
2018	Cychosz, M. , Erskine, M., & Edwards, J. The lexical advantage: Four year old children learn words, not sounds. Presented at the 43 rd Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development, Boston, MA.
2018	Cychosz, M. Functional load and frequency as predictors of consonant emergence across five languages. Presented at the 40 th Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Science Society, Madison, WI.

2018	Cychosz, M. Cross-linguistic predictors of consonant emergence, Presented at the <i>International Child Phonology Conference</i> , Crete, Greece.
2017	Cychosz, M. & Kalt, S. Language-specific sources of acoustic stability in phonological development. Presented at the 42 nd Boston University Conference on Language Development, Boston, MA.
2017	Cychosz, M. & Kalt, S. The contribution of functional load on children's phonological development. Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting on Phonology, New York, NY.
2017	Daidone, D., Lidster, R., Kruger, F., & Cychosz. M . New methods for predicting perceptual discriminability of non-native contrasts. Presented at the 9th Annual Pronunciation in Second Language Learning & Teaching (PSLLT) Conference.
2017	Cychosz, M. , & Johnson, K. Social evaluation addresses actuation in sound change. Presented at the 4^{th} Workshop on Sound Change. Edinburgh, Scotland.
2017	Lin, S., Cychosz, M ., Shen, A., & Cibelli, E. Instructional and biofeedback training in L2 contrast learning. Presented at the 91st Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America, Austin, TX.
2016	Cychosz, M. Sources of variation in an emerging Parisian French vernacular. Presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation 45, Vancouver, Canada.
2016	Cychosz, M. , & Garrote Salazar, M. Acquisition of the passive in Spanish-learning children: Constructing the syntactic skeleton. Presented at the 41st Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development. Boston, MA. [unable to attend]
2016	Cychosz, M. Identity and adolescence as factors in L2 phonological acquisition. Presented at New Sounds: 8th International Conference on Second-Language Speech, Aarhus, Denmark.
2016	Cheng, A., Faytak, M., & Cychosz, M . Language, race, and vowel space: Contemporary California English. Presented at <i>Berkeley Linguistics Society 42</i> , Berkeley, CA.
2015	Cychosz, M. Variation in the signal: Social correlation in a completed sound change. Presented at New Ways of Analyzing Variation 44, Toronto, Canada.

Press

Newswise. Variabilities in Children's Speech Perhaps Not So Concerning. https://www.newswise.com/articles/variabilities-in-

children-s-speech-perhaps-not-so-concerning

2021 American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

Variabilities in children's speech perhaps not so concerning.

https://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2021-06/asoa-vic060321.php

2021 **News-Medical.net.** Reconsidering the variations in children's

speech. https://www.news-

medical.net/news/20210609/Reconsidering-the-variations-in-

childrens-speech.aspx

Teaching Experience

University of Maryland, College Park: Tutorials

Winter 2021 Intermediate/advanced R, Primary Instructor

Winter 2021 **Practical tips for R**, Primary Instructor

UC Berkeley: Courses

Spring 2020 Linguistics: Phonological Development, Primary Instructor

Fall 2019 Linguistics: Phonetics, Graduate student instructor

Primary instructor: Susan Lin

Spring 2019 **Psychology: Language Development**, Graduate student instructor

Primary Instructor: Mahesh Srinivasan

Summer 2018 Linguistics/Psychology: Language Development, Primary Instructor

Fall 2017 Linguistics: Historical Linguistics, Graduate student instructor

Primary Instructor: Andrew Garrett

Indiana University: Courses

Spring 2014 Fall 2013 Spring 2013 Fall 2012 **Spanish 200**, primary instructor **Spanish 105**, primary instructor

Advising/Mentoring

UC Berkeley Linguistics Research Apprentice Program (LRAP)

2020 Adela Arriola 2020 Hitomi Torng

2019-2020	Karina Fong-Hirschfelder
2019-2020	Sierra Adachi
2019-2020	Rachel Elia
2019-2020	Kiran Girish
2019	Sonnet Phelps
2017-2018	Benjamin Papadopoulos
2016-2017	Sofea Dil
2016-2017	University of Maryland

University of Maryland

2021-present 2020-2021	Ria Garg Kavya Ganesan, Kaliyah Gowing
	, ,
2018-present	Michele Liquori
2018-2019	Becca Higgins

Other Professional Experience

Summer 2016	Visiting Research Assistant, Institute for Creative Technologies
	University of Southern California

2014-2015 English Language Teaching Assistant, Lycée Darius Milhaud Le Kremlin Bicêtre, France

Summer 2012 Machine Translation Intern, Reverso-Softissimo Paris, France

Academic Service

Manuscript Reviewing: Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, Behavior Research Methods, Bilingualism: Language and Cognition, Developmental Science, Ear and Hearing, Journal of Child Language

Conference Reviewing: Linguistic Society of America Annual Meeting, Cognitive Science Society, Many Paths to Language Acquisition, Berkeley Linguistics Society

Adhoc Grant Reviewing: UK Medical Research Council, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong

Organizing

2022 Co-organizer with Katie Franich: Linguistic Society of America Symposium on "Suitcase phonetics: Creating a portable phonetics laboratory" at the 2022 Linguistic Society of America Meeting 2021 Co-organizer LangVIEW International Summer/Winter School on Language Acquisition, Pedagogical Team

2020 **Co-organizer** Berkeley Linguistics Society Workshop (BLS 2020): Phonological Representations. 2019 Co-organizer 10th Annual Computational Paralinquistics Challenge (ComParE): Interspeech 2019 2017 **Organizer**, Berkeley Women in Linguistics Working Group 2017 Conference Organizer, Berkeley Linguistics Society (BLS42) 2017 Conference Organizer, Institute for European Studies Conference 2016-2017 Organizer, Berkeley Phonetics & Phonology Phorum

Committees

2021-2024 **Appointed Member**, Acoustical Society of America Speech Communication Technical Committee Pre-PI Representative and pre-PI group organizer, DARCLE Board 2017-present (Daylong Audio Recordings of Children's Linguistic Environments) Member University of Maryland Language Science Center 2021 taskforce on undergraduate education Alternate Representative, Graduate Student Assembly, UC Berkeley 2015-2017

Skills

Software Python, R, SQL, shell scripting, Praat (analysis, scripting), Git,

OpenSesame, LaTeX, Audacity, CLAN, Fieldwork tools (ELAN, FLEX)

Hardware Eyetracking (EyeLink 1000), Ultrasound (Edgetrak),

Language Environment Analysis (LENA)

Languages

Native English

Spanish, French Near-native Conversational **Portuguese**

Reading Catalan, Romanian (undergraduate coursework) **South Bolivian Quechua** (coursework 2016-2017; Research

fieldwork 2017-present)

Ecuadorian Quechua, Yucatec Maya (graduate coursework)

Professional Affiliations

Acoustical Society of America Linguistic Society of America International Congress of Infant Studies International Phonetic Association Phi Beta Kappa