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Education

- 2014–2018 **DPhil (PhD)**, *University of Oxford*, Kellogg College.
Systems Approaches to Biomedical Sciences Centre for Doctoral Training at the Mathematical Institute and the Department of Statistics
Full EPSRC Studentship
EPSRC Doctoral Prize from the University of Oxford
- 2012–2014 **Master of Science (Physics)**, *Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*.
Specialisation: Statistical Physics and Nonlinear Dynamics
- 2011–2012 **Fulbright Scholar**, *University of California, Santa Barbara*.
Participation in the Education Abroad Programm of the UCSB
- 2008–2012 **Bachelor of Science (Physics with minor in Mathematics)**, *Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin*.

Employment

- 1/2023– **Senior Researcher**, *Novo Nordisk Research Centre Oxford*, Department of Computational Biology.
Data analysis of CRISPR screens for drug-target discovery
- 10/2021–12/2022 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Freie Universität Berlin & Max-Planck-Institut für molekulare Genetik*, Prof. Martin Vingron.
Research on networks science and topological data analysis for single-cell data analysis
- 10/2019–9/2021 **Postdoctoral Research Associate**, *Imperial College, Department of Mathematics & University of Cambridge, Mitochondrial Biology Unit*, Prof. Nick Jones & Prof. Patrick Chinnery.
Research on single-cell RNA-sequencing to understand mitochondrial mutations in ageing and embryonic development
- 10/2018–9/2019 **Stipendiary Lecturer for Mathematics**, *Christ Church, University Oxford*.
Teaching applied mathematics to undergraduate and graduate students
- 10/2018–9/2019 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *University Oxford, Department of Statistics*, Prof. Charlotte Deane & Prof. Gesine Reinert.
Research on protein interaction networks as hypergraphs and node-weighted networks

Scholarly work

(* indicates equal contribution by multiple authors)

In preparation

- [1] **FK** and Martin Vingron. *In silico* construction of celltype-specific protein interaction networks.
- [2] **FK**, Dane Taylor, and Heather A Harrington. Denoising filtrations for robust topological data analysis.
- [3] Elisa Maske, Martin Vingron, and **FK**. Categorising the community structure in single-cell RNA-sequencing networks.

Submitted

- [4] Alistair Green*, **FK***, Aidan S Marshall, Juvid Aryaman, Patrick F Chinnery, and Nick S Jones. Cryptic mtDNA mutational ageing takes a lifetime and is pathophysiologically informative in single cells across tissues and species.

Publications

- [5] **FK**, Nick S. Jones, and Michael T. Schaub. Modularity maximization for graphons. *SIAM Journal on Applied Mathematics*, 82(6):1930–1952, 2022.
- [6] Stephen P. Burr*, **FK***, Prater Malwina Glynos, Angelos, Pamela Sendon, Pavel Nash, Marie-Lune Simard, Nina Bonekamp, Hector Diaz, Maria Falkenberg, Michal Minczuk, James B. Stewart, and Patrick F. Chinnery. Lineage-specific mitochondrial resilience during organogenesis. *Cell*, (accepted to appear).
- [7] **FK**. Quantifying the ‘end of history’ through a bayesian markov-chain approach. *Royal Society Open Science*, 9(11), 2022.
- [8] **FK**. Topological data analysis of truncated contagion maps. *Chaos: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Nonlinear Science*, 32(7):073108, 2022.
- [9] Sarah M Griffin and **FK**. Networks and museum collections. In Tom Brughams, Matthew Peeples, Barbara Mills, and Jessica L. Munson, editors, *Oxford Handbook of Archaeological Network Research*. Oxford University Press, Oxford, (accepted to appear).
- [10] Haixin Zhang, Marco Esposito, Mikael G Pezet, Juvid Aryaman, Wei Wei, **FK**, Claudia Calabrese, Stephen P Burr, Carolina H Macabelli, Carlo Viscomi, Mitinori Saitou, Marcos R Chiaratti, James B Stewart, Nick S Jones, and Patrick F Chinnery. Mitochondrial DNA heteroplasmy is modulated during oocyte development propagating mutation transmission. *Science Advances*, 7(50), 2021.
- [11] Mikael G Pezet, Aurora Gomez-Duran*, **FK***, Juvid Aryaman, Stephen Burr, Wei Wei, Mitinori Saitou, Julien Prudent, and Patrick F Chinnery. Oxygen tension modulates the mitochondrial genetic bottleneck and influences the segregation of a heteroplasmic mtDNA variant in vitro. *Communications Biology*, 4(1):1–12, 2021.
- [12] **FK**. Functional change along cellular trajectories (*invited News & Views article*). *Nature Computational Science*, 1(2):102–103, 2021.
- [13] **FK**, Charlotte M Deane, and Gesine Reinert. Hypergraphs for predicting essential genes using multiprotein complex data. *Journal of Complex Networks*, 9(2), 2021.
- [14] **FK**, Enrique M Toledo, Thomas Monfeuga, Fang Zhang, Charlotte M Deane, and Gesine Reinert. Functional module detection through integration of single-cell RNA sequencing data with protein–protein interaction networks. *BMC Genomics*, 21(1):1–10, 2020.
- [15] **FK*** and Benjamin F Maier*. Commentary: A network science summer course for high-school students. *Network Science*, pages 1–13, 2020.
- [16] **FK**. Minimal connections and what they reveal. *Mathematics Today*, 2019.
- [17] Lia Papadopoulos, Pablo Blinder, Henrik Ronellenfitch, **FK**, Eleni Katifori, David Kleinfeld, and Danielle S. Bassett. Comparing two classes of biological distribution systems using network analysis. *PLOS Computational Biology*, 14(9):1–31, 09 2018.

- [18] Megan M Sperry, Qawi K Telesford, **FK**, and Danielle S Bassett. Rentian scaling for the measurement of optimal embedding of complex networks into physical space. *Journal of Complex Networks*, 5(2):199–218, 2016.
- [19] Dane Taylor, **FK**, Heather A Harrington, Miroslav Kramár, Konstantin Mischaikow, Mason A Porter, and Peter J Mucha. Topological data analysis of contagion maps for examining spreading processes on networks. *Nature Communications*, 6, 2015.
- [20] **FK**, Javier Borge-Holthoefer, Niels Wessel, Jürgen Kurths, and Gorka Zamora-López. Individual node’s contribution to the mesoscale of complex networks. *New Journal of Physics*, 16(12):125006, 2014.
- [21] **FK**, Danielle S Bassett, Jean M Carlson, and Peter J Mucha. Resolving structural variability in network models and the brain. *PLOS Computational Biology*, 10(3):e1003491, 03 2014.
- Peer-reviewed Conference Abstracts**
- [22] **FK**, Charlotte M Deane, Jonny Wray, and Mason A Porter. Reconfiguration of protein interaction networks during nematode development *The International Conference on Complex Networks and Their Applications 2017*

Doctoral Thesis

title Generalised networks for protein interaction analysis
supervisors Prof. Mason Porter, Prof. Charlotte Deane, and Dr. Jonny Wray
examiners Prof. Gesine Reinert and Dr. Mariano Beguerisse Díaz (transfer of status), Prof. Jotun Hein and Prof. Felix Reed-Tsochas (confirmation of status), Prof. Heather Harrington and Prof. James Wakefield (DPhil)

Master Thesis

title Characterisation of individual nodes in the mesoscale of complex networks
supervisors Prof. Jürgen Kurths and Dr. Gorka Zamora-López

Bachelor Thesis

title Charge transmission through single molecules – A density matrix approach
supervisors Prof. Beate Röder and Dr. Volkhard May

Study Group Papers

(authors in alphabetical order)

- 2016 **Root Segmentation Over Multiple Time Points**, *Multi-scale Biology Study Group University of Birmingham*, Henry Allen, Laura Cooper, Gustav Delius, Meurig Gallagher, Tom Johnson, **FK**, Ferdinando Randisi, Tom Shearer, and Clare Ziegler.
- 2015 **Abstract Modelling of Adverse Outcome Pathways**, *Quantitative Systems Pharmacology Study Group AstraZeneca*, Gerold Baier, Teresa Collins, Joanne Dunster, Ciarán Fisher, Enuo He, Andrzej Kierzek, John King, **FK**, Gary Mirams, Tom Snowden, and John Ward.

Funding

- 2021 **Add-on Fellowships for Interdisciplinary Life Science by the Joachim Herz Foundation**, €12,500.
- 2021 **CRUK Imperial Centre & NIHR Imperial BRC Data Science in Cancer Research Award**, Co-PI (with Nick Jones & Jesus Gil), £25,000.

- 2018 **EPSRC Doctoral Prize Fellowship**, ~ £23,000.
2014 **EPSRC & MRC Doctoral Studentship**, ~ £87,000.

Honours

- 2019 **Best Poster Award**, *University of Cambridge*, Cambridge Network Day.
2018 **EPSRC Doctoral Prize**, *University of Oxford*.
2018 **Award for 'Contribution to the Life of the Department'**, *Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford*.
2018 **Public Engagement Prize**, *Doctoral Training Centre, University of Oxford*.
2017 **Best Talk Award**, *London Mathematical Society*, Graduate Student Meeting.
2017 **MCR Excellence Award**, *Kellogg College University of Oxford*.
2011 **Silver Medal**, *University Physics Competition*.

Pre-doctoral Scholarships

- 2018 **Grad Student Travel Grant**, *Joint Mathematics Meetings*.
2013 **Leonardo da Vinci**, *European Commission*.
2012 **PROMOS**, *German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)*.
2011–2012 **German-American Fulbright Program**.
2011–2012 **Full Fee Waiver**, *University of California at Santa Barbara*.
2008–2010 **Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes**, *German National Academic Foundation*.

Teaching Experience

Freie Universität zu Berlin

- Winter 2022/23 **Lecturer**, with Prof. Katharina Jahn.
Algorithmic Bioinformatics
Summer 2022 **Lecturer**.
Bioinformatics for Biochemists
Summer 2022 **Co-Lecturer & Tutor**, with Prof. Alexander Bockmayr and Prof. Martin Vingron.
Complex Systems in Bioinformatics
Winter 2021/22 **Lecturer & Supervisor**.
Softwarepraktikum (software project)
Winter 2021/22 **Lecturer & Supervisor**.
Introduction to Focus Areas

Christ Church, University of Oxford

- Trinity 2019 **Stipendiary Lecturer (Tutor)**.
Dynamics (Prelims), Calculus of Variation (Part A), Fourier Series and PDE's (Prelims),
Multivariable Calculus (Part A)
Michaelmas 2018 **Stipendiary Lecturer (Tutor)**.
Quantum Theory (Part A), Differential Equations I (Part A), and Probability (Part A)

Somerville College, University of Oxford

- Hilary 2017 **Tutor**.
Integral Transforms (Part A)

Michaelmas 2016 **Tutor.**
Quantum Theory (Part A)
[Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford](#)

Hilary 2019 **Tutor & Assessor.**
Networks (Part C)

Hilary 2018 **Tutor.**
Networks (Part C)

Hilary 2017 **Teaching Assistant.**
Networks (Part C)

Michaelmas 2016 **Teaching Assistant.**
Graph Theory (Part B)

Michaelmas 2015 **Teaching Assistant.**
Numerical Solutions to Differential Equations II (Part B)
[Doctoral Training Centre, University of Oxford](#)

Michaelmas 2018 **Senior Demonstrator & Lecturer.**
Introduction to Programming

Michaelmas 2015 & 2018 **Demonstrator.**
HTML and Web-Design

Michaelmas 2015 **Demonstrator.**
Introduction into Matlab
[Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin & Charité Berlin](#)

Summer 2010, 2013, 2014 **Teaching Assistant.**
Supervisor at the Physical laboratory for students of Dentistry

Winter 2009 **Lecturer & Tutor.**
Introduction to university-level Mathematics for Physicists
[Teaching Qualifications](#)

2017 Associate Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy

2015 Teaching Assistant Training Mathematical Institute University of Oxford

Research Supervision

4/2022– Kadir Cakir (Master student in Biophysics, Humboldt Universität zu Berlin): ‘Statistical inference of assortative community structure in cell–cell similarity networks’

5/2022–9/2022 Elisa Maske (Bachelor student in Bioinformatics, Freie Universität Berlin): ‘Categorisation of community structure in cell–cell similarity networks’

5/2020–10/2021 Rein Leetma (MRes/PhD student in Biomedical Research, Imperial College London, joint with Nick Jones): ‘Mitochondria and cell competition’

3/2021–7/2021 Camilla Lyons (Visiting Master student, University of Cambridge, joint with Patrick F. Chinnery): ‘Single-cell analysis of the effects of heteroplasmic mtDNA mutations on cell-transcriptome in germline cells’

3/2021–9/2021 Muhan Ma (Master Thesis in Applied Mathematics, Imperial College London, joint with Nick Jones): ‘RNA velocity for studying the effect of mitochondrial mutations’

3/2021–9/2021 Valentino Assandri (Master Thesis in Applied Mathematics, Imperial College London, joint with Nick Jones): ‘A Topological Temporal Analysis of German Elections’

- 6/2020–9/2020 Vedang Joshi (Visiting undergraduate student from the University of Bristol, Imperial College London, joint with Nick Jones): 'Mitochondrial protein–protein interaction networks'
- 3/2020–9/2020 Benjamin Wong (Master Thesis in Applied Mathematics, Imperial College London, joint with Nick Jones): 'Topological data analysis of election outcomes'
- 6/2019–9/2019 Yiqian Qian (Master Thesis in Statistical Science, University of Oxford, joint with Gesine Reinert): 'Ranking Musicians and Concert Venues'
- 7/2019–9/2019 Harrison Green (Research intern, joint with industrial collaborator ADARGA): 'Edge-prediction in large temporal networks'

Membership of Examination Committees

- 11/7/2022 **Freie Universität Berlin**, *Doctorate in Computer Science*, Lam-Ha Ly.
- 5/7/2022 **Freie Universität Berlin**, *Doctorate in Computer Science*, Eldar Abdullaev,).
- 4/7/2022 **Freie Universität Berlin**, *Doctorate in Computer Science*, Elzbieta Lida Gralinska.
- 27/6/2022 **Freie Universität Berlin**, *Doctorate in Computer Science*, Martyna Gajos.
- 16/9/2021 **Imperial College London**, *MSc Applied Mathematics*, Sophie Gruenstein.
- 16/9/2021 **Imperial College London**, *MSc Applied Mathematics*, Danny Lee.

Outreach

- 4/28/2022 **Speaker**, *Girls' Day* Max-Planck Institute for Molecular Genetics.
Bioinformatics for female high-school students
- 4/7/2019 **Speaker**, *Undergraduate Open Day* Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford.
Statistics & Probability for prospective students
- 3/2019–6/2019 **Presenter**, *Oxford Maths Festival* Department of Statistics, University of Oxford.
Presenting virtual reality experience to the general public
- 3/2019–6/2019 **Virtual Reality Designer**, *Dimensions: the Mathematics of Symmetry and Patterns*
Ashmolean Museum of Art and Archaeology.
Creating a virtual reality experience for a general public audience (22k visitors). The exhibition was Highly Commended in Oxford's 'The Vice-Chancellor's Public Engagement with Research Awards 2019'.
- 29/4/2018 **Speaker**, *Oxford Maths Festival* Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford.
Networks: Describing an Interconnected World for general public
- 15/11/2017 **Speaker**, *Graduate Open Day* Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford.
Community Detection in Networks for prospective students
- 28/9/2017 **Speaker**, *Tag der Wissenschaft & Wirtschaft* Humboldt-Gymnasium Eichwalde.
Biomathematics and Networks for high school students
- Summer 2016 **Co-Organiser & Lecturer**, *Schülerakademie*.
Summer school on *Networks and Complex Systems* for high school students, 16 days
- 2015 **Tutor**, Masterclass.
Networks for middle school students, two 45 min sessions
- 2015 **Translation**, Network Literacy: Essential Concepts and Ideas *from English into German*.

Voluntary Work & Services

- 9/12/2019 **Organiser**, *Complexity Oxford Imperial College (COXIC)*.

- 2018–2019 **Postdoctoral Representative**, *Departmental Committee*, Department of Statistics, University of Oxford.
- 2018–2019 **Organiser**, *Networks Seminar*, Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford.
- 2018 **Co-organiser**, *SIAM-IMA Student Chapter Conference*, University of Oxford.
- 2017–2018 **Treasurer**, *SIAM Student Chapter*, University of Oxford.
- 2017–2018 **Member**, *Consultative Committee for Graduate Students*, Mathematical Institute Oxford.
- 2016–2017 **President**, *Middle Common Room*, Kellogg College, (in this position member of various college committees).
- 2015–2016 **Treasurer**, *Middle Common Room*, Kellogg College.
- 2012–2013 **Mentor**, Stanford University in Berlin.
- 2009–2011 **Member**, Kommission für Lehre und Studium (*Committee of Studies*), Institut für Physik der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.
- 2009–2011 **Mentor**, Institut für Physik der Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.
- 2009–2010 **Co-organiser**, Zusammenkunft aller Physikfachschaften (*Federal Union of all Physics Student Representatives*), Berlin/Frankfurt.

Peer Review

- Journals *Physical Review Letters*, *Physical Review E*, *Scientific Reports*, *Journal of Complex Networks*, *Physical Review Research*, *Nature Computational Science*, *PLOS ONE*, *Bioinformatics*, *Computational and Structural Biotechnology Journal*, *Applied Network Science*
- Conferences ISMB (*Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology*), RECOMB (*International Conference on Research in Computational Molecular Biology*)
- Grant Panels UK Fulbright Commission

Membership in Professional Organisations

- 2021–present London Mathematical Society
- 2017–present Royal Statistical Society
- 2016–present Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics
- 2014–present Complex Systems Society
- 2008–present Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft (DPG, German Physical Society)

Talks

(**bold** indicates invited talks)

- 15/12/2022 **S3RI seminar, University of Southampton**
- 10/2022 TopoNets22, Palma de Mallorca
- 10/2022 Conference on Complex Systems 2022, Palma de Mallorca
- 9/2022 IMA Conference on The Mathematical Challenges of Big Data, Oxford
- 7/2022 NetSci 2022, Shanghai
- 2/2022 Bioinformatics Social Meeting, Berlin
- 7/2021 Networks 2021: A joint Sunbelt and NetSci Conference
- 25/6/2021 NetBioMed: Networks in Biology and Medicine, a Networks 2021 Satellite

14/6/2021 **Oberseminar Dynamics, Technical University Munich**
 26/5/2021 CompleNet 2021: International Conference on Complex Networks
 23/05/2021 **SIAM Dynamical Systems: Mini-symposium on Topological Data Analysis in the Biological Sciences**
 4/3/2021 Digital Approaches to Art History and Cultural Heritage, Oxford Research Centre in the Humanities
 5/1/2021 **Max Planck Institute for Molecular Genetics, Berlin**
 9/11/2020 Single Cell Biology, Wellcome Genome Campus (short talk & poster)
 05/10/2020 **Virtual Seminar on Complexity**, University of Milan
 21/9/2020 NetSci, Rome
 18/9/2020 TopoNets 2020 NetSci, Rome
 15/7/2020 Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology, virtual event (short talk & poster)
 30/3/2020 **Networks Approaches for Healthcare Applications**, University of Exeter
 8/10/2019 **Centre for Complexity Science**, Imperial College London
 3/9/2019 Single Cell Biology Consortium, University of Oxford
 29/8/2019 Cambridge Networks Day ('flash talk', poster & *Best Poster Award*)
 7/12/2018 The Connected Past, University of Oxford
 14/6/2018 NetSci, Paris
 12/6/2018 NetSciEd Satellite, Paris
 25/4/2018 Kellogg College Seminar, Oxford
 17/4/2018 COXIC, Imperial College London
 10/1/2018 Joint Mathematics Meeting, San Diego
 29/11/2017 Complex Networks, Lyon
 10/11/2017 London Mathematical Society Graduate Student Meeting (*Best Talk Award*)
 13/9/2017 2nd Symposium on Spatial Networks, Oriel College Oxford
 6/9/2017 Mediterranean School of Complex Networks
 16/6/2017 SIAM Student Conference, Reading
 13/6/2017 Cambridge Networks Day ('flash talk' & poster)
 17/5/2017 SIAM Student Conference, Oxford
 21/9/2016 Conference on Complex Systems, Amsterdam
 23/3/2016 Emphasis Workshop 'Generalized Network Structures & Dynamics', MBI Columbus, Ohio
 21/9/2015 14th Mathematics of Networks Meeting, Oxford
 6/2/2015 TOPONETS15 NetSci, Zaragoza
 24/02/2015 Algebraic Topology Workshop, University Oxford

Languages

German Native speaker

English Fluent

French Basic

Latin Basic

UniCERT IV, TOEFL iBT with 107 points (30/28/24/25)

4 years of high school education, participation in student exchange

3 years of high school education