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Education

- 2015–20 **Doctor of Philosophy**, *University of Oxford*.
Systems Approaches to Biomedical Science CDT
Department of Statistics
- 2011–15 **MMath Mathematics and Statistics**, *University of Oxford*.
Worcester College
- 2006–11 **High School Diploma**, *Sofia High School of Mathematics*.

Employment

- since 09/21 **Bioinformatician**, *University of Cambridge*, MRC Mitochondrial Biology Unit and Department of Clinical Neurosciences.
Method development and analysis of mtDNA heteroplasmy dynamics.
- 01/21–08/21 **Departmental lecturer**, *University of Oxford*, Department of Statistics.
Network analysis. TB modelling. MSc student teaching and supervision.
- 08/20–12/20 **Research associate**, *Relation Therapeutics*, Bioinformatics.
Data science. Robustness in knowledge graph analysis.
- 07/19–09/19 **Research intern**, *BenevolentAI*, Biomedical Informatics.
Generation and analysis of tissue-specific networks.

Scholarly work

Peer-reviewed publications

- [1] Burr, S. P., Klimm, F., Glynos, A., Prater, M., Sendon, P., Nash, P., Powell, C. A., Simard M.-L., Bonekamp, N. A., Charl, J., Diaz, H., **Bozhilova, L. V.**, Nie, Y., Zhang, H., Frison, M., Falkenberg, M., Jones, N., Minczuk, M., Stewart, J. B., & Chinnery, P. F. (2023). Cell lineage-specific mitochondrial resilience during mammalian organogenesis. *Cell*.
- [2] Kremer, L. S.*, **Bozhilova, L. V.***, Rubalcava-Gracia, D., Filograna, R., Upadhyay, M., Koolmeister, C., Chinnery, P.F. & Larsson, N.G. (2022). A role for BCL2L13 and autophagy in germline purifying selection of mtDNA. *PLoS Genetics*.
* These authors contributed equally.
- [3] Pardo-Diaz, J., **Bozhilova, L. V.**, Beguerisse-Diaz, M., Poole, P. S., Deane, C. M. & Reinert, G. (2021) Robust gene coexpression networks using signed distance correlation. *Bioinformatics*.
- [4] **Bozhilova, L. V.**, Pardo-Diaz, J., Reinert, G., & Deane, C. M. (2020). COGENT: evaluating the consistency of gene co-expression networks. *Bioinformatics*.
Software: <https://github.com/lbozhilova/COGENT>.

- [5] **Bozhilova, L. V.**, Whitmore, A. V., Wray, J., Reinert, G., & Deane, C. M. (2019). Measuring rank robustness in scored protein interaction networks. *BMC Bioinformatics*, 20(1), 1-14.

Preprints

- [1] **Bozhilova, L. V.**, Grindrod, P., Reinert, G., & Temcinas, T. (2022). Principles and Consequences of Evolutionary 'Omic Development: a Topological Perspective. *researchgate.net*.
Authors listed in alphabetical order.

Doctoral thesis

title Confidence in protein interaction networks.
supervisors Professor Gesine Reinert, Professor Charlotte Deane.
examiners Professor Heather Harrington, Professor Nick Jones.

Undergraduate (MMath) dissertation

title Uniform spanning trees.
supervisors Louigi Addario-Berry.

Research supervision

- 06/21–09/21 Mike Fan, *MSc in Statistical Science*, Similarities and differences in protein interaction networks based on yeast two-hybrid versus tandem affinity purification data.
Co-supervised with Professor Gesine Reinert.
- 06/21–09/21 Siqi Wu, *MSc in Statistical Science*, Investigating Lit, Gray and Dark trading venues using stock volume correlation networks.
Co-supervised with Professor Gesine Reinert. Collaboration with the Royal Bank of Canada.
- 04/18–06/18 Francesca Romana Crucinio, *OxWaSP CDT rotation project*, Community detection in uncertain networks..
Co-supervised with Professor Charlotte Deane and Professor Gesine Reinert.

Teaching experience

Department of Statistics, University of Oxford

- 2021 **Class tutor, class host**, MSc in Statistical Science.
- 2016–19 **Tutor, TA**, Probability and Statistics for Network Analysis. Simulation and Statistical Programming.

Mansfield College, University of Oxford

- 2018–19 **Tutor**, Probability and Statistics for Network Analysis. Probability. Differential Equations.

Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford

- 2018–19 **Teaching assistant**, Statistical Analysis of Networks.

St Edmund's Hall, University of Oxford

- 2017 **Tutor**, Probability and Statistics for Network Analysis.

d'Overbroeck's College

2014 **Teaching assistant**, *Undergraduate Ambassador Scheme*.
Mathematics and statistics.

Conferences and talks

10/22 Talk, MRC BSU Open Science Workshop, Cambridge
10/22 Talk, OPIG 20th Anniversary Symposium, Oxford
10/22 Poster and short talk, MRC MBU Symposium, Cambridge
05/22 Short talk, Data Champions Forum, Cambridge
05/22 ggplot2 data visualisation workshop, MRC MBU, Cambridge
02/22 Seminar talk, MRC MBU Postdoctoral Society, Cambridge
07/19 Poster and Ignite talk, ISMB/ECCB 2019, Basel
10/18 Seminar talk, Network seminar, Mathematical Institute, Oxford
09/18 Short talk, COSTNET18, Warsaw
10/17 Poster, COSTNET17, Palma
03/17 Poster, SEMSTAT: Statistical Network Science, Eindhoven
03/17 Poster, 2nd QBIOX Colloquium, Oxford

Administrative roles and voluntary work

since 02/23 **WIDE Committee (Chair)**, *MRC Mitochondrial Biology Unit, University of Cambridge*.
Wellbeing, Inclusion, Diversity and Equality. Co-organising the MRC MBU near-peer mentoring scheme. Member of the committee since 09/21.

since 03/22 **Data Champion**, *University of Cambridge*.
Providing research data management (RDM) support and guidance. Promoting good RDM practice.

since 10/21 **Public Engagement Committee**, *MRC Mitochondrial Biology Unit, University of Cambridge*.

10/21–02/23 **Postdoctoral Society Committee**, *MRC Mitochondrial Biology Unit, University of Cambridge*.
Communications officer. Co-organising joint seminar series with the Cambridge Institute for Medical Research.

03/21–08/21 **Teaching Committee**, *Department of Statistics, University of Oxford*.

02/21–08/21 **EquiStats**, *Department of Statistics, University of Oxford*.
Organising equity and diversity discussion events within the department.

Outreach

- 03/23 Meet the Scientists, Beaulieu School & MRC MBU
- 11/22 Meet the Scientists, Cambridge Regional College & MRC MBU
- 10/22 Big Biology Day, Hills Road Sixth Form College
- 2018–19 Oxford Maths Festival
- 10/18 Graduate open day, Department of Statistics, University of Oxford
- 07/15 Undergraduate open day, Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford

Awards

- since 10/22 Postdoctoral affiliate, Newnham College, Cambridge
- 2015–19 Full studentship for EU students, EPSRC
- 2013 Scholarship for academic excellence, Worcester College, Oxford

Languages

- Bulgarian **Native**
- English **Fluent**
- German **Basic**