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#### **EDUCATION**

University of Cambridge - MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit Oct 2023 – present PhD, Medical Science Cambridge, UK University of Amsterdam Sep 2020 - Sep 2022 Amsterdam, The Netherlands Master of Science, Psychological Research (cum laude) Radboud University Sep 2017 – Sep 2020 Bachelor of Science (Honours), Psychology (cum laude) Nijmegen, The Netherlands

#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

## University of Cambridge - MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit Postgraduate Research Assistant (full time)

Oct 2022 – Oct 2023 Cambridge, UK

Research on the mental health impacts of digital technologies using large social media datasets and advanced computational and longitudinal methods. Supervision: Amy Orben.

# University of Oxford

Nov 2021 - Nov 2022

Sep 2021 - Oct 2022

Research Assistant (part time)

Oxford, UK

Research on selective attention and learning deficits in psychopathic individuals and potential downstream consequences. Supervision: Elaine Fox & Robin Murphy.

### University of Amsterdam

Teaching Assistant (part time)

# Amsterdam, The Netherlands

# University of Amsterdam

Research Assistant (part time)

Feb 2021 – Dec 2022 Amsterdam, The Netherland

Worked in multiple research groups at the university and was involved in all aspects of the research process. Notable contributions include co-leading a large longitudinal collaboration at the Universities in Amsterdam, Cambridge, Helsinki, and Konstanz. Supervision: Bruno Verschuere & Sanne de Wit

#### VISITING POSITIONS

Jun 2024 – Jun 2024 University of Rotterdam Rotterdam, The Netherlands Visiting Researcher University of Oxford Oct 2019 - Nov 2019 Visiting Researcher Oxford, UK

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Gunschera, L.J., Dutton, K., Fox, E., Temple-McCune, A., Murphy, R. (2024). Overburdening associations: The dependency of psychopathy-related acquisitional learning deficits on processing load. Personality and Individual Differences. doi.org/10.1016/j.paid.2024.112705

Gunschera, L.J., Verschuere, B., Murphy, R., Temple-McCune, A., Dutton, K., Fox, E. (2023). No impaired integration in psychopathy: Evidence from an illusory conjunction paradigm. Personality Disorders: Theory, Research, and Treatment. doi.org/10.1037/per0000619.

Gunschera, L.J., Brazil, I.A., Driessen, J.M.A. (2022). Socio-economic decision-making and psychopathy: A systematic review and meta-analysis. Neuroscience and Biobehavioural Reviews. 10.1016/j.neubiorev.2022.104966

## UNDER REVIEW AND PREPRINTS

Ferguson, A., Richards, M., Gunschera, L.J., Mutak, A., Goldberg, R., Modecki, K., Orben, A. (preprint). Digital parenting in the 21st century: Development and validation of a new digital parenting scale.

Turner, G., Gunschera, L.J., Subrahmanya, S., Salecha, A., Eichstaedt, J.C., Palminteri, S., Orben, A. (preprint). Computational model of reward learning and habits on social media.

# EVIDENCE FOR POLICY

**Gunschera, L.J.**, Orben, A., Turner, G. (2024). Addressing Gaps in Digital Media Research: Pathways for Future Science and Policy. *European Joint Research Commission Report*.

Orben, A., **Gunschera, L.J.**, Turner, G. (2023). Written evidence for Initiative to protect youth mental health, safety, and privacy online. *National Telecommunications and Information Administration*. NTIA-2023-0008-0001

# INVITED TALKS

Addressing gaps in digital media research: Pathways for future science and policy European Commission	Mar 2025 Online
Cognitive processes linking social media and mental health CERES, Jacobs Foundation	Sep 2024 Newport Beach, USA
Cognitive phenotypes of social media risk and resilience SO-REBEL and SYNC research groups, University of Rotterdam	Jun 2024 R <i>otterdam, The Netherlands</i>
No impaired integration in psychopathy Personality disorder and addiction conference	Mar 2023 Utrecht, The Netherlands
Do psychopaths suffer from impaired information integration? Netherlands Institute of Psychologists (NIP)	Feb 2023 <i>Online</i>
PLACEMENTS	
Radboud University Honours Programme	Sep 2018 – Sep 2020 Nijmegen, The Netherlands
Radboud University Interdisciplinary Honours Programme	Jan 2018 – Jul 2018 Nijmegen, The Netherlands
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS	
UK Research and Innovation Medical Research Council Studentship	Oct 2023 – Sep 2027
Wolfson College, Travel Award	May 2025
British Association for Psychopharmacology, Bursary	May 2025
Wolfson College, Travel Award	May 2024
American Psychological Association, Editor's Choice Award	Mar 2023
Thesis Award, Netherlands Institute of Psychologists	Mar 2023
Radboud Honours Academy, Honours Bachelor	Sep 2020
Radboud Honours Academy, Honours Interdisciplinary	Sep 2018
Radboud University, Propedeuse cum laude	Sep 2018
TEACHING AND SUPERVISION	
Graduate Thesis Supervision University of Cambridge	2025 <i>Cambridge,</i> UK
Undergraduate Dissertation Supervision University of Cambridge, PBS3	2024 – 2025 Cambridge, UK
Improving Scientific Practices in Cognitive Science University of Cambridge, MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit	2024 Cambridge, UK
Social and Developmental Psychology University of Cambridge, Girton College	2024 Cambridge, UK
Meta-Analysis University of Amsterdam	2022 Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Scientific Writing and Presenting University of Amsterdam	2022 Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Addiction and Compulsive Disorders University of Amsterdam	2021 Amsterdam, The Netherlands

# PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Notes on Science	2024
Co-Founder	Cambridge, UK
Summer CAMP	2024 – 2025
Supervisor	Cambridge, UK
Pint of Science Organising Member	2024 Cambridge, UK
Open Science Day MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit	Mar 2024
Co-Organiser	Cambridge, UK

# PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for the Study of Addiction, Member	Jun 2025 – present
British Association for Psychopharmacology, Member	Apr 2024 – present
Wolfson College, Member	Oct 2023 – present
Cambridge Philosophical Society, Member	Oct 2023 – present
Cambridge Union, Member	Oct 2023 – present
Cambridge Journal of Science and Policy, Editor	Jan 2023 – present
MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit Open Science Committee,	Oct 2022 – present
Member	Jul 2022 – present
Psychonomic Society, Member	Jan 2022 – present
Society for Applied Research in Memory & Cognition, Member	Mar 2023 – Mar 2024
Society for the Improvement of Psychological Science, Member	Jan 2021 – Oct 2022
Student Initiative for Open Science, Member	Sep 2020 – Sep 2022
University of Amsterdam, Student Delegate	

# **SKILLS**

Programming	R, Stan, Git, SQL, MPLUS, Python, Docker, Inquisit, Lotus
Data acquisition	Electroencephalography, electrodermal, electrocardiography, respiration, eye-tracking
Formal Analyses	Bayesian inference, computational modeling, multilevel modeling, longitudinal modeling, structural equation modeling, meta-analysis

June 11th, 2025