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RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

Broad

Semantics, pragmatics, cross-linguistic variation, philosophy of language

Narrow

Evidentiality, modality, subjective language, attitudes, clausal complementation, speech acts, question bias

TEACHING COMPETENCE

Broad:

Language, logic, argumentation

Narrow:

Typology, fieldwork, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, rhetoric, formal logic

Positions

2023-present Assistant professor (tenured; Universitair Docent)

Utrecht University, Netherlands

- Research: 'Language, logic and information', Institute for Language Sciences
- Teaching: University College Utrecht, Liberal Arts & Sciences Program

2022 Interim fixed-term professorship in General and English Linguistics (Vertre-

tungsprofessur in Allgemeine und Anglistische Sprachwissenschaft)

Linguistics Department, University of Konstanz, Germany

50% W3, 1 semester

2017-2022 Post-doctoral researcher

Linguistics Department, University of Konstanz, Germany

- Personal grant from the Alexander von Humboldt foundation
- Position in the project "Universal preferences for natural concepts" (Joint initiative with the Philosophy Department)

2016-2017 Post-doctoral researcher

Collaborative Research Center (SFB) 833 "Construction of Meaning"

University of Tübingen, Germany

Position in projects

"Time course of presupposition processing"

• "Phenomena of ambiguity in diachrony and in typological comparison"

EDUCATION

2010-2016 **PhD in Linguistics**

University of California, Los Angeles; USA

PhD dissertation: Heterogeneity and uniformity in the evidential domain

Chairs: Yael Sharvit and Dominique Sportiche

Committee: Pranav Anand, Roumyana Pancheva, Timothy Stowell

2003-2009 **BA+MA** in Linguistics (Specialist degree pre-Bologna)

Russian State University for the Humanities [RGGU]; Moscow, Russia MA Thesis: Temporal and aspectual suffixes in Adyghe [In Russian]

Chair: Yakov Testelets

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2023 University Teaching Qualification (Basiskwalificatie Onderwijs, BKO)

Utrecht University, Netherlands

Accreditation in higher education didactics

RESEARCH STAYS

January 2024 Linguistics Department, Stanford University; USA

February-March 2020

Formal Linguistics Research Group, Pompeu Fabra University; Barcelona, Spain

February 2019

Department of English, Arizona State University; Phoenix, USA

July 2017 Linguistics Department, UC Santa Cruz; Santa Cruz, USA

August-December 2015

Philosophy Department, Carnegie Mellon University; Pittsburgh, USA

September-December 2013

Institut Jean-Nicod, CNRS-ENS-EHESS; Paris, France

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Third-party

2020; declined

Juan de la Cierva Programme

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Spanish State Research Agency

2017–2019 "Wh-scope marking and wh-parentheticals across Slavic"

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship; €63.600 Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, Germany

On campus

2022 "Subjectivity in language"

Young Scholar Fund University of Konstanz

2020–2021 Konstanzia Transition Fellowship

University of Konstanz

2020 "Biased questions in Russian"

Young Scholar Bridge Fellowship

University of Konstanz

2019 "Ignorance and grammar"

Mentorship program, mutual visits with Tyler Peterson; €2.400

Center for Advanced Studies, University of Konstanz

2014–2015 Dissertation Year Fellowship; \$20.000 (+tuition)

University of California, Los Angeles

2010–2011 Mellon fellowship in the Humanities; \$10.000

University of California, Los Angeles

PUBLICATIONS

Manuscripts

Draft 2019 The subjective heart of evidentiality.

Journal articles

2023 C. Bary and N. Korotkova. Expressing evidence. *Journal of Pragmatics* 218, 1-5.

P. Anand and N. Korotkova. How to theorize about subjective meaning: A lesson from 'de re'. *Linguistics and Philosophy* 45 (3), 619-681.

N. Korotkova. The embedding puzzle: Constraints on evidentials in complement clauses. *Linguistic Inquiry* 52(1):210-226.

N. Korotkova. Interrogative flip and indexical shift are distinct phenomena. *Snippets* 39 (2):3-5.

N. Korotkova. Evidential meaning and (not-)at-issueness. *Semantics & Pragmatics* 13(4).

N. Korotkova and Y. Lander. Deriving affix ordering in polysynthesis: Evidence from Adyghe. *Morphology* 20(2):299–319.

Papers in collections (peer-reviewed)

N. Korotkova. Disagreement with evidentials: A call for subjectivity. J. Hunter, M. Simons and M. Stone (Eds.): *JerSem: The 20th Workshop on the Semantics and Pragmatics of Dialogue*, 65–75. New Brunswick, NJ: SemDial.

Proceedings (peer-reviewed by abstract)

- N. Korotkova. Conversational dynamics of Russian questions with *razve*. In Maria Onoeva, Anna Staňková, and Radek Šimík (Eds.) *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 27, 328–346. Praha: Charles University.
- F. Frühauf, H. Karawani, T. Koev, N. Korotkova, D. Penka and D Skibra. Vanilla rules: The "no ice cream" construction. In Maria Onoeva, Anna Staňková, and Radek Šimík (Eds.) *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 27, 209–227. Praha: Charles University.
- N. Korotkova and P. Anand. *Find, must* and conflicting evidence. In P. G. Grosz, L. Martí, H. Pearson, Y. Sudo, and S. Zobel (Eds.) *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 25, 515–532. University College London and Queen Mary University of London. Open Journal Systems.
- J. Harris and N. Korotkova. Preference for single events guides perception in Russian: A phoneme restoration study. In Eszter Ronai, Laura Stigliano and Yenan Sun (Eds.) *Proceedings of the Fifty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society.* 149–164. Chicago: CLS.
- P. Anand and N. Korotkova. Acquaintance content and obviation. U. Sauerland and S. Solt (Eds.): *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung* 22, vol. 1, ZASPiL 60, 55–72. ZAS, Berlin. Open Journal Systems.
- N. Korotkova. Evidentials and (relayed) speech acts: Hearsay as quotation. S. D'Antonio, M. Moroney, and C.R. Little (Eds.): *Proceedings of Semantics and Linguistic Theory* 25, 676–694. Open Journal Systems.
- N. Korotkova. Evidentials in attitudes: Do's and dont's. E. Csipak and H. Zeijlstra (Eds.): *Proceedings of Sinn und Bedeutung 19*, 340–357. Open Journal Systems.
- N. Korotkova. On alleged *wh*-scope marking in Russian. N. Arnett and R. Benett (Eds.): *Proceedings of West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics 30*, 205–215. Somerville, MA: Cascadilla Proceedings Project.

Volumes edited

Bary, C. and N. Korotkova. Expressing evidence. Special issue of the *Journal* of *Pragmatics*.

2015 Kimmelman, V., N. Korotkova and I. Yanovich (eds.). *Proceedings of MOSS 2: Moscow Syntax and Semantics*. MIT Working Papers in Linguistics 75. Cambridge, MA.

Other publications

- N. Korotkova. Proshloe i "sverxproshloe" v adygejskom jazyke [The past and the "superpast" in Adyghe. In Russian]. In *Aspects of Polysynthesis: Essays on the Adyghe grammar*, 262–286. Moscow: RGGU.
- N. Korotkova. O pokazatele refaktiva -3'ə- v adygejskom jazyke [On the refactive marker -3'ə- in Adyghe. In Russian]. In *Field Studies of RGGU students. Ethnological, folklore, and linguistic studies, 1,* 180–183. Moscow: RGGU.

TALKS

Invited talks

- TBA. Workshop "Background beliefs and the common ground", University of Tübingen, Germany.
- TBA. Colloquium of the Institute for Linguistics, University of Stuttgart, Germany.
- 2024 "To *li* or not to *li*: A close look on polar questions in Russian". S-circle, Linguistics Department, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA. (joint work with M. Esipova)
- "A new outlook on cognitive factives". Construction of Meaning Workshop, Linguistics Department, Stanford University, USA. (with P. Anand)
- "Conversational dynamics of Russian questions with *razve*". Discourse and Philosophy Colloquium, ILLC, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- "Hearsay and (non-)commitment". New York Philosophy of Language Workshop, New York University, USA.
- "Refining find". Workshop Subjectivity in semantic interpretation, NASSLLI, University of Southern California, USA. (with P. Anand)
- "Hearsay and (non-)commitment". Meaning in Language Colloquium, Institute for Language and Information, University of Düsseldorf, Germany.
- "Hearsay and (non-)commitment". Keynote talk at TripleA 8, hosted online by the National University of Singapore. [video]
- "Evidentiality and not-at-issue content". Oberseminar English Linguistics, University of Tübingen, Germany.
- 2021 "Find, must and conflicting evidence". Colloquium of the English Department, University of Stuttgart, Germany. (Based on joint work with P. Anand)

"Find, must and conflicting evidence". Linguistics Department, University of 2021 Massachusetts, Amherst, USA. (Based on joint work with P. Anand) "Find, must and conflicting evidence". Colloquium of the Formal Linguistics 2020 Group, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain. (Based on joint work with P. Anand) "Find, must and conflicting evidence". Colloquium of the Oberseminar Gen-2020 eral Linguistics, University of Tübingen, Germany. (Based on joint work with P. Anand) "Evidentiality and not-at-issue content". Colloquium of the Oberseminar En-2019 glish Linguistics, University of Tübingen, Germany. 2019 "Hearsay and (non-)commitment". Semantics Babble, University of California, San Diego, USA. 2019 "Subjective language". Interdisciplinary Committee on Linguistics Colloquium, Arizona State University, Phoenix, USA. "The subjective heart of evidentiality". Colloquium of the Formal Linguistics 2019 Group, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain. 2018 "The subjective heart of evidentiality". Colloquium of the Oberseminar English *Linguistics*, University of Göttingen, Germany. "The subjective heart of evidentiality". Job talk, University of Southern Cali-2018 fornia, USA. "Subjective language". Forum Scientiarum, Center for Ethics in Sciences and 2017 Humanities, University of Tübingen, Germany. 2016 "Evidentiality: An opinionated guide". Linguistics Department, Stanford University, USA. "Evidentials and questions". Workshop Differentiating contents. Center for 2015 Formal Epistemology, Carnegie Mellon University, USA. "Evidentials across languages: one class or not". Workshop New work on 2015 speech acts and modality. Zukunftskolleg, University of Konstanz, Germany. "Varieties of evidential shift". Cross-linguistic semantics colloquium. Amster-2014 dam Center for Language and Communication & Institute for Logic, Language and Computation, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands. 2014 "Varieties of evidential shift". Semantics circle, Center for General Linguistics (ZAS), Berlin, Germany.

2014

many.

"Non-uniformity of indexicals". Commentary on Orin Percus' paper "Un-

pronounced indexicality (and pronouns)" at the workshop *Pronouns in embedded contexts at the syntax-semantics interface*, University of Tübingen, Ger-

- 2013 "Embedding evidentials across languages". Discourse and Philosophy Colloquium, Institute for Logic, Language and Computation, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- 2013 "How to embed evidentials". UiL OTS, Utrecht University, Netherlands.

Conference presentations (peer-reviewed papers)

"Disagreement with evidentials: A call for subjectivity". *JerSem: the 20th Workshop on the Semantics and Pragmatics of Dialogue*, Rutgers University, USA.

Conference presentations (peer-reviewed abstracts)

- (with P. Anand) "Today I learned: English 'coming-to-know' predicates". Workshop "Advances in the semantics of clause-embedding predicates: theories, cross-linguistic data, and experimentation", University of Konstanz, Germany.
- (with M. Esipova) "To *li* or not to *li*: A close look on polar questions in Russian". Workshop "Polar Question Meaning(s) Across Languages", ILLC, University of Amsterdam.
- (with P. Anand) "Today I learned: English 'coming-to-know' predicates". Workshop "(De-)composition and modification of attitude predicates" at the 46th Annual Meeting of the German Linguistic Society (DGfS), University of Bochum, Germany.
- 2023 (with M. Esipova) "To *li* or not to *li*". Formal Descriptions of Slavic Languages 16, University of Graz, Austria.
- "Conversational dynamics of *razve*-questions in Russian" (poster presentation). *Sinn und Bedeutung* 27, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 2022 (with F. Frühauf, H. Karawani, T. Koev, D. Penka & D. Skibra) "Vanilla rules: The "no ice cream" construction". *Sinn und Bedeutung* 27, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic.
- "Hearsay and (non-)commitment". Workshop *Commitments in Grammar and Discourse* at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sprachwissenschaft (DGfS), Tübingen, Germany.
- (with P. Anand) "Find, must and conflicting evidence". Sinn und Bedeutung 25, hosted virtually by University College London (UCL) and Queen Mary University of London (QMUL), UK. [video and slides]
- "The subjective heart of evidentiality". Workshop *Semantic universals in the modal and attitudinal domain*, GLOW 43, hosted virtually by ZAS and Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany. [video and handout]
- 2019 (with P. Anand) "Find". Workshop *Evaluative language*, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris, France.

- 2018 "Less is more: Revisiting interrogative flip". Workshop *Meaning in non-canonical questions*, University of Konstanz, Germany.
- 2018 (with J. Harris) "Preference for single events guides perception in Russian: A phoneme restoration study". *The 54th meeting of the Chicago Linguistic Society*, University of Chicago, USA.
- "Diagnosing the semantic status of evidentials". Workshop *Questioning speech acts*, University of Konstanz, Germany.
- 2017 (with P. Anand) "Acquaintance content and obviation". *Sinn und Bedeutung* 22, ZAS & University of Potsdam, Germany.
- 2017 (with P. Anand) "Acquaintance inferences and the grammar of directness". Workshop *Subjectivity in language and thought*, University of Chicago, USA.
- "On the semantic uniformity of evidentials" (poster presentation). *New Ideas in Semantics and Modelling*, Paris, France.
- 2016 (with P. Anand) "Predicates of personal taste and 'de re' construal". Workshop *Perspectivization*, GLOW 39, University of Göttingen, Germany.
- (with J. Harris) "Preference for single events guides perception in Russian: A phoneme restoration study" (poster presentation). Workshop "Events in language and cognition" in conjunction with the 29th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, University of Florida, Gainesville, USA.
- 2015 "Evidentials and attitudes" (poster presentation). *Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT)* 25, Stanford University, USA.
- "Varieties of evidential shift". *Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB) 19*, University of Göttingen, Germany.
- "How do you think? Apparent wh-scope marking in Russian". Workshop "Parenthesis and ellipsis: Cross-linguistic and theoretical perspectives" during the 35th annual meeting of the DGfS (the German Linguistic Society), University of Potsdam, Germany.
- 2012 "How perfect is the perfect of evidentiality: Evidence from Georgian". *The Nature of Evidentiality*, Leiden University, Netherlands.
- "Against partial *wh*-movement in Russian" (poster presentation). *West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL) 30*, UC Santa Cruz, USA.
- 2008 (with Y. Lander) "Affix ordering in polysynthesis: Evidence from Adyghe". Workshop "Affix Ordering" during the *13th International Morphology Meeting*, University of Vienna, Austria.
- "Circassian double past and its counterparts in other West Caucasian languages". International Workshop on Morphosyntax of Caucasian Languages, IN-ALCO, Paris, France.

Other presentations

(with P. Anand). "Evidence across domains: two pieces on acquaintance and (in)directness". Workshop *The Acquaintance Inference: Linguistic and Philosophical Perspectives*. University of Konstanz.

2022 (with F. Frühauf, H. Karawani, T. Koev, D. Penka & D. Skibra) "Impersonal rules: The case of general prohibitives". *The 46th Conference of Generative Grammar in the South*, University of Stuttgart.

SUPERVISION

Utrecht University

BA theses

2024	First supervisor for Demi Dijkstra, Femicide awareness and media coverage (Department of Languages, Literature and Communicaton)
2024	First supervisor for Öznur Topal, <i>L2 effects in a multilingual classroom</i> (Department of Languages, Literature and Communicaton)
2024	First supervisor for Dana Bigelbach, <i>Language ideology in Luxembourg</i> (Department of Languages, Literature and Communicaton)
2024	Second reader for Gabe Lubbers, <i>Negation under conjunction in European law</i> (Department of Languages, Literature and Communicaton; First supervisor: Fabienne Martin)
2023	Second reader for Paulien Idema, From Mistakes in Judgement to Consensual Workplace Relationships (University College Utrecht; First supervisor: Jocelyn Ballantyne)
2023	Second reader for Ana Celmare, <i>The Influence of Attention on the Processing of Non-Adjacent Dependencies: An Information-Theoretic Perspective</i> (University College Utrecht; First supervisor: Sergey Avrutin)

TEACHING

Utrecht University

University College Utrecht (Liberal Arts & Sciences Program, BA/BSc)

Fall 2023 Language Form and Meaning

Spring 2023, 2024

Introduction to Linguistics

Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024

Logic, Discourse and Representation: Propositional Logic

Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024 Predicate Logic Spring 2023, 2024

Introduction to Rhetoric

University of Konstanz

Academic year 2021–22

BA English Education

Lexical semantics of English [syllabus]

BA German Education

Pragmatics 1 [syllabus]

BA Linguistics

Morphology 2 [syllabus] Linguistic typology [syllabus]

University of California, Los Angeles

2012–15	Study of language (general education class)
2013	Historical linguistics
2013	Semantics 1
2012	Field methods
2012	Syntactic typology
2011	Introduction to linguistics (for linguistics majors)

Invited lecture series

2020	"The notional category of evidentiality" Web Summer School for Logic, Language, and Information (WeSSLLI) Brandeis University, USA [online due to the COVID-19 pandemic]
2020	"The notional category of evidentiality" Department of Translation and Language Sciences Pompeu Fabra University, Spain
2016	"Evidentiality" English Department University of Tübingen, Germany
2015	"The landscape of evidentiality" Philosophy Department Carnegie Mellon University, USA

Summer schools (peer-reviewed by proposal)

2022 "Futurity, evidentiality and modality: Cross-disciplinary perspectives" (with

F. Cariani)

The North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information

(NASSLLI)

University of Southern California, USA

"An opinionated guide to the language of opinion" (based on joint work with

P. Anand)

The 32nd European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information

(ESSLLI)

Utrecht University, Netherlands [online due to the COVID-19 pandemic]

2019 "Speech reports" (based on joint work with P. Anand)

The 31st European Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information (ESS-

LLI)

University of Latvia

"An opinionated guide to predicates of personal taste" (with P. Anand)

The North American Summer School in Logic, Language, and Information

(NASSLLI)

Carnegie Mellon University, USA

LINGUISTIC FIELDWORK

2014–present Turkish (Turkic)

individual work with consultants

Los Angeles, USA and Tübingen, Germany

2014–present Bulgarian (South Slavic)

individual work with consultants

Los Angeles, USA and Tübingen, Germany

2012–2015 Georgian (South Caucasian)

individual work with consultants

Los Angeles, USA

2012–2013 Imbabura Quichua (Quechuan)

field methods class Los Angeles, CA

2007 Khakas (Turkic)

fieldwork trip with Russian State Humanities University

Kazanovka, Khakassia, Russia

2007 Kalmyk (Mongolic)

fieldwork trip with St. Petersburg State University

Yergenensky, Kalmykia, Russia

2004–2010 Adyghe (Northwest Caucasian)

fieldwork trips with Russian State Humanities University

Hakurinohabl & Hatazhukay, Adyghea, Russia

ACADEMIC DUTIES AND SERVICE

Administrative service

2023-present Coordinator of the study program in linguistics

University College Utrecht, Utrecht University

Academic service: reviewing

Journals Glossa (x2), Inquiry (x1), Journal of Semantics (x4), Languages of the Caucasus

(x1), Linguistic Inquiry (x1), Linguistics and Philosophy (x2), Natural Language Semantics (x2), Philosophical Studies (x2), Probus: International Journal of Latin

and Romance Linguistics (x1), Languages (x1)

Grants National Science Foundation (x1) (USA)

Conferences ESSLLI Student session, Experimental Pragmatics Conference (XPRAG), Formal

Approaches to Slavic Linguistics (FASL), General Linguistics in the Old World (GLOW), Pronouns in the embedded contexts at the syntax-semantics interface, Northeastern Linguistics Society (NELS), Semantics and Linguistic Theory (SALT), Semantics and Philosophy in Europe (SPE), Sinn und Bedeutung (SuB), TripleA Workshop, Web School for Logic, Language and Information Student Session, West

Coast Conference in Formal Linguistics (WCCFL)

Other Affix Ordering Across Languages and Frameworks (book chapter)

Organizational activities

October 2022 The Acquaintance Inference [program]

workshop in linguistics and philosophy, co-organizer

University of Konstanz, Germany

March 2022 Natural Concepts [program]

workshop in linguistics and philosophy, organizer

University of Konstanz, Germany

2021-22 Reading group in semantics and philosophy of language

founder and organizer

University of Konstanz, Germany

June 2019 Expressing Evidence [program]

workshop in linguistics and philosophy, co-organizer

University of Konstanz, Germany

2011–2013 Semantics Tea

seminar in semantics, founder and organizer

Linguistics department, UCLA, USA

2007–2011 Moscow Syntax and Semantics (MOSS) I, II, Syntactic Structures I, II

international peer-reviewed conferences, co-founder and co-organizer

Moscow, Russia

SUMMER SCHOOLS

NASSLLI 7 (Rutgers University, USA)

ESSLLI 26 (University of Tübingen, Germany)

NASSLLI 5 (UT Austin, USA)

École d'Automne de Linguistique (EALING) IV (ENS, Paris, France)

LSA Summer Institute (Stanford University, USA)

LANGUAGES

Russian, native
English, fluent
German, advanced (TELC C1 certificate)
French, conversational
Bulgarian, beginner
Polish, beginner

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

2007–2010 computational linguist

ABBYY Production, Moscow, Russia

formal description of Russian and English syntax for parsing and machine

translation

2005-2007 linguist

Russian National Corpus, Moscow, Russia

corpus annotation, morphological homonymy resolution