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Research Areas

Areas of Specialization

History and Philosophy of Life and Biomedical Sciences • Philosophy of Science in Practice • Science Studies

Areas of Competence

History of Philosophy of Science • History and Philosophy of Technology, Modeling, and Physical Sciences

EDUCATION

University of Copenhagen

Copenhagen, DK

Ph.D. in History and Philosophy of Science (Starting 1 March 2024)

Duke University

Durham, NC, USA

Ph.D. in Cell Biology April 2022

• Dissertation: Temporal regulation of cell divisions in the embryo of *Drosophila melanogaster*

• Committee: Stefano Di Talia, Michel Bagnat, Danny Lew, Bernard Mathey-Prevot, Nick Buchler

University of California, San Diego

La Jolla, CA, USA

B.A. in Philosophy, B.S. in Chemistry, Minor in Political Theory, magna cum laude

June 2012

EXPERIENCE

University of Copenhagen

Copenhagen, DK

Graduate Student Researcher, Advisor: Karin Tybjerg, Ph.D.

Graduate Student Researcher, Advisor. Rafin Tybjerg, Fil.D.

Starting 2024

- Affiliation: Medical Museion, Department of Public Health
- Affiliation: Novo Nordisk Foundation Centre for Basic Metabolic Research
- Research: History, philosophy, and sociology of research practices in the metabolic sciences

The National Research Centre for the Working Environment

Copenhagen, DK June 2022-present

Postdoctoral Researcher, Advisor: Keld Alstrup Jensen, Ph.D.

- Affiliation: Section for Chemistry and Microbiology
- Research: Chemistry and physics of airborne particles in workplace environments

Copenhagen Institute for Futures Studies

Copenhagen, DK

Junior Health Associate, Advisor: Bogi Eliasen

January-June 2022

• Research: Futures of healthcare and biomedicine

Duke University

Durham, NC, USA

Graduate Student Researcher, Advisor: Stefano Di Talia, Ph.D.

2014-2022

- Affiliation: School of Medicine, Department of Cell Biology
- Affiliation: Program in Cell and Molecular Biology
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• Research: Cell cycle regulation in the early fly embryo

El Paso, TX, USA

Research Technician, Advisor: Laura O'Dell, Ph.D.

2012-2014

• Affiliation: Department of Psychology

University of Texas, El Paso

• Research: Neuroscience of drug addiction in rats

Scripps Institute of Oceanography

La Jolla, CA, USA

Undergraduate Researcher, Advisor: Lynn Russell, Ph.D.Affiliation: Aerosol Research Group

• Research: Chemistry and physics of atmospheric aerosols

2012

Manuscripts in progress

- P. L. Ferree, M. Polat, J. K. Nøjgaard, K. A. Jensen, "A study of airborne particulate matter and diesel engine exhaust on infrastructure construction sites" (Submitted).
- P. L. Ferree, C. Ribalta, A. CØ Jensen, J. K. Nøjgaard, S. Nielsen, N. Sahlgren, T. Berthing, K. A. Jensen, "Workplace exposure to ultrafine particles, chemicals, and dust during plastic production with recycled plastics".
- P. L. Ferree, S. Brantley, T. Starr, A. Chao, S. Di Talia, "Activatror and repressor dynamics time mitosis during *Drosophila* gastrulation".

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **P. L. Ferree**, "Temporal regulation of cell divisions in the embryo of Drosophila melanogaster", Ph.D. dissertation, Duke University, 2022.
- [2] **P. L. Ferree**, M. Xing, J. Q. Zhang, and S. Di Talia, "Structure-function analysis of Cdc25 Twine degradation at the Drosophila maternal-to-zygotic transition", Fly, vol. 16, no. 1, pp. 111–117, Dec. 2022, ISSN: 1933-6934.
- [3] P. L. Ferree and S. Di Talia, "Developmental Biology: Embryos Need to Control Their Nucleotides Just Right", Current Biology, vol. 29, no. 7, R252–R254, Apr. 2019, ISSN: 09609822.
- [4] P. L. Ferree and S. Di Talia, "Chemical Waves in Embryonic Cell Cycles", Israel Journal of Chemistry, vol. 58, no. 6, pp. 714–721, 2018, ISSN: 18695868.
- [5] P. L. Ferree and S. Di Talia, "For Embryos, Mother Can Only Take You So Far", Developmental Cell, vol. 42, no. 3, pp. 203–205, 2017, ISSN: 18781551.
- [6] P. L. Ferree, V. E. Deneke, and S. Di Talia, "Measuring time during early embryonic development", Seminars in Cell & Developmental Biology, 2016, ISSN: 10849521.
- [7] L. M. Carcoba, J. E. Orfila, L. A. Natividad, O. V. Torres, J. A. Pipkin, **P. L. Ferree**, E. Castañeda, D. E. Moss, and L. E. O'Dell, "Cholinergic transmission during nicotine withdrawal is influenced by age and pre-exposure to nicotine: Implications for teenage smoking", *Dev. Neurosci.*, vol. 36, no. 3-4, pp. 347–355, 2014, ISSN: 14219859.
- [8] O. V. Torres, J. A. Pipkin, **P. L. Ferree**, L. M. Carcoba, and L. E. O'Dell, "Nicotine withdrawal increases stress-associated genes in the nucleus accumbens of female rats in a hormone-dependent manner", *Nicotine and Tobacco Research*, vol. 17, no. 4, pp. 422–430, 2014, ISSN: 1469994X.

SELECT TALKS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- P. L. Ferree, C. Ribalta, A. Jensen, J. K. Nøjgaard, S. Nielsen, N. Sahlgren, T. Berthing, K. A. Jensen, "Workplace exposure to ultrafine particles, chemicals, and dust during plastic production with recycled plastics", British Occupational Hygiene Society: Inhaled Particles and NanOEH, Manchester UK, May 2023 (Talk).
- P. L. Ferree, A. De Simone, S. Di Talia, "An activator-repressor model for improved temporal precision of transcription", Quantitative Biology (Q-Bio), Oahu, HI, USA, Feb. 2019 (Talk).
- P. L. Ferree & C. Bunce, "The Questions of Developmental Biology", The Society for Developmental Biology (SDB), Boston, MA, USA, July 2019 (Poster).
- **P. L. Ferree**, A. De Simone, S. Di Talia, "An activator-repressor model for improved temporal precision of transcription", Tissue Self-Organization: Challenging the Systems, Heidelberg, Germany, March 2018 (**Poster**).
- **P. L. Ferree**, A. Momen-Roknabadi, S. Di Talia, "Precise timing of mitosis during *Drosophila* gastrulation", Winter School on Quantitative Biology, International Center for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy, Dec. 2017 (**Poster**.)

Select Schools and Workshops Attended as a Student

Crossing the Disciplinary Boundaries of Physics, Bohr Centennial, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 2023. Three days of presentations on the history of physics and its impact on other sciences, especially biology.

Workshop on Methods in the Philosophy of Science, Vienna, Austria, May 2023. Two days of presentations and discussions on contemporary methods in philosophy of science.

Summer School on the History of the Life Sciences, Ischia, Italy, June 2022. One week of presentations and discussions on the theme of kinship and other relations in biology.

Winter School on Quantitative Biology, International Center for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy, December 2017. Two weeks of pedagogical lectures, presentations, and discussions between physicists and biologists.

Academic Societies

Member, International Society for the History, Philosophy, and Social Studies of Biology, 2024-present.

Member, Society for Philosophy of Science in Practice, 2023-present.

Member, The Richard Rorty Society, 2019-present.

REFERENCES

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Stefano Di Talia, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Cell Biology, Duke University Relationship: Ph.D. advisor, Email: stefano.ditalia@duke.edu, Phone: +1 919 684 8079

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