PROJECTS

2021–24   Complex Predicates in Languages: Emergence, Typology, Evolution (comPLETE), binational project ANR-DFG; CNRS, Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz).

2020–21   Valorisation du corpus de langue mian, au travers de la Collection Pangloss, Labex-EFL Action Défis sociétaux (Défi des langues minoritaires et des langues en danger).

2020   Arguments and agreement in Mian discourse, Labex-EFL Axe 3 Typologie des systèmes flexionnels à flexion non canonique.

2018–23   Optimal Categorisation: the origin and nature of gender from a psycholinguistic perspective (ESRC UK Grant RN0362A; University of Surrey).

2018   New approaches to the typology of inflection systems, Fédération typologie et universaux linguistiques.

2015   Incomplete systems: Evidence from sporadic agreement, Research Incubator grant, University of Sydney.

2014–17   Grammar Matrix Reloaded: Syntax and Semantics of Affectedness" (MOE2013-T2-1-016; Nanyang Technological University, Singapore).

2013–16   Combining gender and classifiers in natural language (AHRC UK Grant AH/K003194/1; University of Surrey).

2009–12   Alor-Pantar languages: origins and theoretical impact (AHRC UK Grant AH/H500251/1; University of Surrey).

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KEYNOTES

2021   "Typology meets data-mining: the German gender system" (with Matías Guzmán Naranjo & Greville G. Corbett), 54th Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea 2021, SLE 2021 platform.

2020   "Gender: New Horizons", Abralin Ao Vivo (with Greville G. Corbett, Michael Franjieh, Alexandra Grandison & Erich Round).

2019   "Nominal classification: The usefulness of the Canonical Approach" (with Greville G. Corbett) (22 October 2019), Various Dimensions of Contrastive Studies: Language Contact, Ustroń, Poland (organized by the University of Silesia in Katowice).

2019   "Categorization: what languages – and linguists – do with it" (with Greville G. Corbett, Michael Franjieh, Alexandra Grandison & Erich Round), Centre for Language Evolution, University of Edinburgh.

2016   "The typology of nominal classification: Australian perspectives and a Canonical Typology approach" (with Greville G. Corbett), Australian Linguistic Society annual conference, Monash University, Melbourne.

2016   "The typology of features: what we learn from simple and concurrent systems" (with Greville G. Corbett & Erich R. Round), Syntax of the World's Languages 7, Palacio de la Autonomía, Mexico City.

2016   "A new approach to gender and classifier systems: Evidence from Austronesian and Papuan languages" (with Greville G. Corbett), 8th Austronesian and Papuan Languages and Linguistics Conference, SOAS London.

2013   "Mian for typologists – the essentials". Plenary talk (Georg von der Gabelentz Award), 10th Biennial Conference of the Association for Linguistic Typology 10, Leipzig.

2012   "Typological perspectives on number" (with Greville G. Corbett), Workshop "Number and quantity in East Nusantara", 12th International Conference on Austronesian Linguistics, Udayana University, Denpasar (Bali).

2012   "Tone in Ok – a typological comparison", Workshop on Languages in Melanesia, Australian National University Kioloa Campus.

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