RESEARCH TOPICS

- language typology
- language variation & change
- psycholinguistics
- categorisation in language & cognition
- gender & classifiers
- Papuan languages & linguistics
- morphology & syntax



S. Fedden on fieldwork in Papua New Guinea in 2004 (© S. Fedden)

PROJECTS

2023-	The phonetics of Mian, a Papuan language of New Guinea. Phonetic analysis of the Mian language with Marija Tabain (La Trobe University, Melbourne)
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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