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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Donostia International Physics Center

Donostia-San Sebastián, Gipuzkoa, Spain

Ikerbasque Research Fellow

Sept. 2024 – present

“la Caixa” Foundation’s Junior Leader

Sept. 2022 – present

- Run coordinator of the NEXT-100 experiment.
- R&D of wavelength shifting fibers and photodetectors for the NEXT-HD detector.
- Positron emission tomography with cryogenic CsI crystals.

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Berkeley, CA, United States

Owen Chamberlain Postdoctoral Fellow

Sept. 2019 – Sept. 2022

- Assembly and testing of pixelated LArTPC prototypes, leading developer of the near detector simulation framework with GPU algorithms for the DUNE collaboration.
- Monte Carlo samples production manager, development of deep learning methods for particle identification for the Mu2e collaboration.

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA, United States

Postdoctoral Fellow

Apr. 2019 – Aug. 2019

Graduate Fellow

Sept. 2017 – Mar. 2019

- First measurement of cosmic-ray reconstruction efficiency in a LArTPC.
- Leading analyzer of the low-energy excess search for the MicroBooNE collaboration.

INFN Frascati National Laboratories

Frascati, Rome, Italy

Graduate Fellow

Feb. – Sept. 2015

- Full characterization of the first electromagnetic calorimeter prototype for the Mu2e experiment. Three test beams and radiation-hardness tests.

EDUCATION

University of Oxford

Oxford, United Kingdom

Ph.D. in Particle Physics

Mar. 2019

- Thesis: “[Search for a low-energy excess of electron neutrinos in MicroBooNE](#)”
- Advisors: Roxanne Guenette, Alfons Weber

Sapienza University of Rome

Rome, Italy

Master (Laurea magistrale) in Physics

Jan. 2015

- Thesis: “[Study of requirements and performances of the electromagnetic calorimeter for the Mu2e experiment at Fermilab](#)”
- Advisors: Stefano Miscetti, Cesare Bini

Sapienza University of Rome

Rome, Italy

Bachelor (Laurea) in Physics

Oct. 2012

TEACHING & TUTORING EXPERIENCE

- PhD advisor of three students (M. del Barrio-Torregrosa, M. Seemann, L. Navarro Cozcolluela) at the **University of the Basque Country** 2022 – present
- Supervisor for the DIPC summer internship program 2023 – present
- Supervisor of one student at the **University of California - Berkeley** for their undergraduate academic research project 2021
- Tutor of one student for the **Harvard University summer student program** 2018
- Demonstrator in the **Optics laboratory of the University of Oxford** 2017
- Tutor of one student for the **University of Oxford summer student program** 2017

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Proyecto de Investigación Básica del Gobierno Vasco PUE24-10 (€73,000) 2024 – 2025
- “la Caixa” Foundation’s Junior Leader Fellowship LCF/BQ/PI22/11910019 (€305,000) 2022 – 2025
- Owen Chamberlain Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory 2019 – 2022
- Ermenegildo Zegna Founder’s Scholarship 2015 – 2017
- University of Oxford St Catherine’s College Graduate Scholarship 2016 – 2017
- INFN Postgraduate Scholarship 2015
- INFN - Fermilab Summer Student Scholarship 2013
- University College “Lamaro Pozzani” Scholarship 2009 – 2014

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- **Referee** for the [Journal of Instrumentation](#), the [European Physical Journal C](#), and the [Journal of Advanced Instrumentation in Science](#) 2021 – present
- **APS April Meeting 2024** organizing committee 2023
- **Qiskit training session**, IBM-Euskadi Quantum Computational Center 2023
- **GPU Hackathon**, Simon Fraser University 2021
- **Computational and Data Science Training for High Energy Physics**, Princeton University 2019
- **International Neutrino Summer School**, ICISE, Vietnam 2016
- **Fermilab Summer Student**, Fermilab 2013

OUTREACH & COMMUNITY

- **UPV/EHU Semana de la Ciencia, la Tecnología y la Innovación** 2024
- School students guide at DIPC 2024
- **NEXT collaboration website** <https://next-experiment.org> 2023
- **Early Career Member-at-Large**, American Physical Society, Topical Group on Data Science 2022 – 2024
- **DIPC neutrino group website** <https://neutrino.dipc.org> 2022
- **Nuclear Science Day for Scouts** at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory 2021
- Developer and maintainer of a **neutrino preprints Twitter bot** [@nuarxiv](#) 2020
- Re-design of the **MicroBooNE collaboration website** <https://microboone.fnal.gov> 2017
- Marking of **British Physics Olympiads** papers at the University of Oxford 2015 – 2016

PRESENTATIONS & TALKS

Invited talks

- **LLP2024**, *SHiNESS: Searching for Hidden Neutrinos at the European Spallation Source*, University of Tokyo, July 2024
- **NERSC Annual Meeting**, *Highly-parallelized simulation of a pixelated LArTPC on a GPU*, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Sept. 2023
- **University of Oxford invited seminar**, *The NEXT step in the quest for neutrinoless double beta decay*, Oxford, United Kingdom, February 2023
- **UC Berkeley PHYS 290E invited seminar**, *Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence at the intensity frontier*, University of California Berkeley, Mar. 2022
- **Yale WIDG invited seminar**, *Demonstration of a novel, ton-scale, single-phase LArTPC with pixelated readout*, Wright Lab, Yale University, Nov. 2021
- **Machine Learning Group Meeting invited talk**, *Simulation of a neutrino detector using GPU algorithms*, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Sept. 2021
- **Research Progress Meeting invited seminar**, *Search for a low-energy excess at MicroBooNE*, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Jan. 2019

Conference talks

- **The Fundamental Nuclear and Particle Physics at the ESS workshop**, *Search for Hidden Neutrinos: the SHiNESS experiment*, Lund, Sweden, January 2025
- **ICHEP 2024**, *Cryogenic CsI crystals for positron emission tomography*, Prague, Czech Republic, July 2024
- **PSMR 2024**, *Cryogenic CsI as a potential PET material*, Elba, Italy, May 2024
- **XV CPAN days**, *Searching for neutrinoless double beta decay with the NEXT experiment*, Santander, Spain, October 2023
- **LIDINE 2023**, *Towards a fiber barrel detector for next-generation high-pressure gaseous xenon TPCs*, Madrid, Spain, June 2023
- **XeSAT2023**, *Searching for neutrinoless double beta decay with NEXT*, Nantes Université, France, June 2023
- **Neutrino 2022**, *Demonstration of a novel, ton-scale, single-phase LArTPC with pixelated readout* (poster), Seoul, South Korea (remote), May 2022
- **ROOT Users Workshop**, *Mu2e Analysis Models*, CERN (remote), May 2022
- **HEP Software Foundation Frameworks Working Group**, *Mu2e and its Framework Usage*, Fermilab (remote), May 2022
- **APS April Meeting 2022**, *Demonstration of a novel, ton-scale, single-phase LArTPC with pixelated readout*, New York, United States Apr. 2022
- **APS April Meeting 2021**, *Highly-parallelized simulation of a 3D pixelated charge readout for liquid argon time projection chambers*, Apr. 2021
- **PHYSTAT-nu 2019**, *Status of the MicroBooNE low-energy excess and evaluation of the systematic uncertainties* (poster), CERN, Switzerland, Jan. 2019
- **Neutrino 2018**, *Electron-neutrino reconstruction and selection in the MicroBooNE LArTPC using the Pandora pattern recognition* (poster), Heidelberg, Germany, June 2018
- **MASS 2018**, *MicroBooNE status and recent results*, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark, May 2018
- **DPF 2017**, *Cosmic-ray reconstruction efficiency and detector performances in the MicroBooNE experiment*, Fermilab, United States, July 2017
- **WIN 2017**, *Detector performance and cosmic-ray reconstruction efficiency in MicroBooNE*, University of California Irvine, United States, June 2017

- **NNN 2016**, *Cosmic-ray reconstruction efficiency with the MicroBooNE detector*, IHEP, Beijing, China, Nov. 2016
- **NuPhys 2015**, *The Muon Counter System of the MicroBooNE experiment*, Queen Mary University, London, United Kingdom, Dec. 2015
- **IFAE 2015**, *Characterization of the prototype for the Mu2e electromagnetic calorimeter*, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Rome, Italy, Apr. 2015
- **SIF National Congress**, *The electromagnetic calorimeter of the Mu2e experiment*, University of Pisa, Pisa, Italy, Sept. 2014