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Current Position

Since 2025 Research Fellow · University of Geneva

In the SNSF research project *Higher-Order Metaphysics: Foundations, Motivations and Hyperintensional Developments*

Philosophical Interests

AOS Metaphysics, Philosophical Logic, Philosophy of Science

AOC Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Mathematics

Primary Past Positions

2023-2025 Postdoctoral Researcher · University of Geneva

2021-2023 Researcher · University of Lucerne

2020-2023 Lecturer (Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin) · Freie Universität Berlin

2019-2021 Visiting Scholar · University of Geneva

2016-2019 Early Stage Researcher · University of Barcelona

Other Past Positions & Visiting Stays

2017-2018 Visiting PhD Student · University of Geneva

2013 Visiting Student · La Sapienza University Rome

2012-2016 Research Assistant · Humboldt University Berlin

2010-2011 Teaching Assistant · University of Konstanz

2009-2010 Research Assistant · University of Konstanz

Education

2022 PhD in Philosophy · LOGOS, University of Barcelona

Thesis: *Essence and Nomicity. On the Foundations of Dispositional Essentialism*

Grade: *Excellent*, with *Cum Laude*-distinction

Supervisors: Sven Rosenkranz, Esa Díaz-León

Examiners: Kit Fine, Carl Hoefer, Stephan Leuenberger

2016 MA in Philosophy · Humboldt University Berlin

2011 BSc in Mathematics · University of Konstanz

Publications

Journal Articles

- Forthcoming Upwards Essence, *Philosophical Studies*
- 2026 Dispositions and Dependence, *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, 112 (2): 510-526
- 2024 Ground by Status, *Philosophical Studies*, 181 (2): 419-432
Cardinal Composition (with Jonas Werner), *Erkenntnis*, 89 (4): 1457-1479
Two Problems for Zylstra's Truthmaker Semantics for Essence, *Inquiry*, 67 (1): 289-301
- 2022 Nominalist Dispositional Essentialism, *Synthese*, 200 (156)
- 2021 The Strong Arm of the Law: A Unified Account of Necessary and Contingent Laws of Nature (with Salim Hirèche, Niels Linneman and Robert Michels), *Synthese*, 199 (3-4): 10211-10252
The Modal Status of the Laws of Nature. Tahko's Hybrid View and the Kinematical/Dynamical Distinction (with Salim Hirèche, Niels Linneman and Robert Michels), *European Journal for Philosophy of Science*, 11(25)

Book chapter

- Forthcoming How Similar Are Causation and Grounding? Ennobling, Extrinsicity, Contingency (with Nathaniel Baron-Schmitt). In: Y. Kappes, A. Passinsky, J. De Rizzo & B. Schnieder (eds.), *Facets of Reality*, De Gruyter

Book

- Under contract *Einführung in die Metaphysik* ('Introduction to Metaphysics') (with Siegfried Jaag, Jonas Werner, Tobias Wilsch). Under contract with Metzler Verlag, Stuttgart

Selected Presentations

(* invited, ** peer-reviewed)

- 2026 *How Should Humeans Deal With Tied Best Systems?* (joint work with N. Linnemann and R. Michels), Theoretical Philosophy Group*, University of Leiden
Comment on Tobias Wilsch, 'The Sources of Necessity', G27*, University of Frankfurt
- 2025 *How Should Humeans Deal With Tied Best Systems?* (joint work with N. Linnemann and R. Michels), GAP.12**, University of Düsseldorf
Comment on Vera Hoffmann-Kolss, 'A Supervaluationist Theory of Causal Indeterminacy', 4th International Conference on the Philosophy of Quantum Gravity*, Champéry/University of Geneva
Comment on Michael Raven, 'Essence', The Neuchâtel Workshop on Contemporary Metaphysics: Truth, Worlds, and Circumstances*, University of Neuchâtel
How Should Humeans Deal With Tied Best Systems? (with R. Michels; joint work with N. Linnemann), Indeterminacy in Science Workshop, University of Lisbon

- 2024 *Comment on Claudio Calosi, 'Composition & Location', 4th Ca'Foscari-Lugano Workshop**, Università Ca' Foscari Venice
- How Similar are Causation and Grounding?* (joint work with N. Baron-Schmitt), Formal Metaphysics of the Material World*, Università Ca' Foscari Venice
- Upwards Essence*, Formal Approaches to Metaphysics*, University of Konstanz
- How Similar are Causation and Grounding?* (joint work with N. Baron-Schmitt), 45th International Wittgenstein Symposium*, Kirchberg am Wechsel
- Upwards Essence*, Higher-Order Metaphysics Workshop, World Congress of Philosophy*, La Sapienza University Rome
- Upwards Essence*, Ontological Dependence, Grounding, and their Applications*, University of Padua
- Dispositional Essentialism and the Connections Between Essence, Dependence, and Ground, Powers, Modality, Causation**, Freie Universität Berlin
- 2023 *Dispositional Essentialism and the Connections between Essence, Dependence, and Ground, ECAP11***, University of Vienna
- Upwards Essence*, The Little Perspectival Workshop*, University of Geneva
- Upwards Essence*, Colloquium*, University of Neuchâtel
- Higher-Order Upwards Essence*, Higher-Order Metaphysics of Ground*, University of Hamburg
- Dispositional Essentialism and the Connections between Essence, Dependence, and Ground*, Research Seminar*, University of Greifswald
- 2022 *Foundationalism and Partial Fundamentality* (with J. Werner), Fundamentality and the Fringes of Explanation*, University of Vienna
- Scrutinising Non-Absolutist Law Accounts in Physics: The Case for a Non-Absolutist DTA Account* (with S. Hirèche, N. Linnemann, R. Michels), Fourth International Conference of the German Society for Philosophy of Science**, Technical University Berlin
- Foundationalism and Partial Fundamentality* (with J. Werner), Grounding and the Direction of Explanation*, University of Bern
- Foundationalism and Partial Fundamentality* (with J. Werner), TWIP Seminar*, Humboldt University Berlin (online)
- 2021 *Essence Grounds Prejacentes Revisited*, Things and Their Explanatory Power – Essence, Grounding, and Causation*, University of Bern
- Comment on Jennifer McKittrick, 'Powers in Contemporary Philosophy'*, Workshop on Powers: A History*, Humboldt University and Freie Universität Berlin (online)
- Austere Nominalist Dispositionalism*, Research Seminar*, University of Tübingen (online)
- 2020 *The Modal Status of the Laws of Nature. Tahko's Hybrid View and the Kinematical/Dynamical Distinction* (with S. Hirèche, N. Linnemann, R. Michels), MetaScience Reading Group*, University of Bristol (online)

- The Modal Status of the Laws of Nature. Tahko's Hybrid View and the Kinematical/Dynamical Distinction* (with S. Hirèche, N. Linnemann, R. Michels), ECAP 10**, University of Utrecht (online)
- The Modal Status of the Laws of Nature. Tahko's Hybrid View and the Kinematical/Dynamical Distinction* (with S. Hirèche, N. Linnemann, R. Michels), Annual Meeting of the German Physical Society**, University of Bonn [cancelled due to Covid-19]
- Countable Composition* (joint work with J. Werner), Wholes and their Parts: Mereology and its History**, University of Italian Switzerland Lugano [cancelled due to Covid-19]
- 2019 *Comment on Vassilis Livanios, 'Powers, Unmanifestability, and Dispositional Monism'*, IV POND Conference: Science and Objectivity*, University of Barcelona
- Nominalist Dispositionalism Revisited*, Diaphora Final Conference, University of Barcelona
- Nominalist Dispositionalism Revisited*, New Foundations of Dispositionalism*, University of Exeter
- Comment on Alice Huang, 'Gerrymandering 'Structure': On the Absolute Intrinsicity Interpretation'*, MLAG Graduate Conference III*, University of Porto
- 2018 *Dispositional Essentialism and Governance*, 4th Conference of the Society for the Metaphysics of Science**, University of Milan
- How Can Dispositional Essences Govern the Fundamental Level?*, Colloquium in Theoretical Philosophy*, Freie Universität Berlin
- 2017 *Can Dispositional Essences Fulfill their Explanatory Role?*, Diaphora Midterm Conference, University of Barcelona
- Comment on Benj Hellie and Jessica Wilson, 'The Semantic Defectiveness of 'Grounding' and 'Consciousness''* (with C. Diehl), Grounding and Consciousness Conference*, La Pietra Florence / NYU and University of Hamburg
- Philosophical Analysis* (with M. Valente), Diaphora Workshop on A Priori Knowledge, University of Stirling
- 2016 *(Un)restricted Triviality Troubles for Hofweber's Theory of Quantification*, Humboldt & Hamburg Workshop on Language and Ontology, Humboldt University Berlin
- Comment on Alireza Fatollahi, 'Predictionism and Fertility'* (with C. Diehl), Cognition and Causation in Early Modern and Contemporary Philosophy*, University of Princeton
- 2015 *A Problem for Bird's Dispositional Essentialism*, GAP.9*, University of Osnabrück
- 2014 *Bird's Characterization of Dispositional Roles*, MCMP Summer School on Mathematical Philosophy for Female Students**, LMU Munich
- Bird's Characterization of Dispositional Roles*, HU Berlin & King's College London Joint Graduate Workshop**, Humboldt University Berlin

Project Funding

- 2025-2029 Funding by the Swiss National Science Foundation for the research project *Higher-Order Metaphysics: Foundations, Motivations and Hyperintensional Developments*. Application jointly written with Fabrice Correia; principal investigator and applicant: Fabrice Correia. Involves three members; project duration: four years

Scholarships & Awards

- 2025 Best Paper Award of the GAP.12 for ‘How Should Humeans Deal With Tied Best Systems?’ (co-authored with Niels Linnemann and Robert Michels)
- 2019-2020 Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship for Foreign Scholars and Artists
- 2017 Award for Outstanding Achievements in the Master’s Degree, Department of Philosophy, Humboldt University Berlin
- 2013-2016 E-Fellows.Net Scholarship
- 2013 Erasmus Scholarship

Teaching

- Instructor MA Seminar *Higher-Order Metaphysics* (with Fabrice Correia), University of Geneva, Fall 2025
- MA Seminar *Themes in Metaphysics* (with Fabrice Correia, Giovanni Merlo), University of Geneva, Spring 2025
- BA Seminar *David Lewis’ Metaphysics*, Freie Universität Berlin, Summer 2023
- BA Seminar *Introduction to Metaphysics*, Freie Universität Berlin, Winter 2022/23
- MA Seminar *Topics in the Metaphysics of Science* (with Claudio Calosi), Freie Universität Berlin, Summer 2022
- BA Writing Course *Introduction to Theoretical Philosophy*, Freie Universität Berlin, Winter 2021/22
- BA Seminar *Philosophy of Mathematics*, Freie Universität Berlin, Summer 2021
- BA Seminar *Freedom of the Will*, Freie Universität Berlin, Winter 2020/21
- TA Lecture *Philosophy of Language* (teaching of weekly discussion sessions), Humboldt University Berlin, Winter 2013/14
- Lecture *Linear Algebra I* (teaching of weekly discussion sessions & grading), University of Konstanz, Winter 2010/11
- Lecture *Philosophy of Science* (teaching of weekly discussion sessions & grading), University of Konstanz, Summer 2010

Membership in PhD Committees

- 2023 Internal examiner for Nastasia Müller, Freie Universität Berlin

Services to the Profession

- Refereeing Member of the editorial committee of *Dialectica*, 2018-2022
Journal Referee: *Abstracta*, *Analysis*, *Ergo*, *Erkenntnis*, *Journal of Social Ontology*, *Philosophical Quarterly*, *Philosophical Studies*, *Ratio*, *Res Philosophica*, *Synthese*, *Topoi*
Conference Referee: GAP.12, GAP.11, ECAP 11, SMS 9
- Organization Co-convenor of the weekly *Eidos Research Seminar*, University of Geneva, since 2024
Co-organizer of the workshop *Approaches to Hyperintensionality*, University of Geneva, 2024
Co-organizer of the symposium *Are all Laws Created Equal?* at the Fourth International Conference of the German Society for Philosophy of Science, Technical University Berlin, 2022
Co-organizer of the *Diaphora Workshop on Philosophical Methodology*, University of Barcelona, 2019
Co-organizer of the *Joint Humboldt & Hamburg Workshop on Language and Ontology*, Humboldt University Berlin, 2016
- Departmental Service Guidance Counsellor for Students, Department of Philosophy, Freie Universität Berlin, 2022-2023
Student Representative for the Curricular Committee of the Department of Mathematics, University of Konstanz, 2008-2010
Student Representative for the Mathematics and Natural Sciences Faculty Council, University of Konstanz, 2009-2010
- Outreach Co-organizer of the event *Do We Act Freely?* for female highschool students, in the context of the *Girls' Day*, Freie Universität Berlin, 2021 & 2022

Non-Academic Work Experience

- 2018 Internship in the NGO *Search for Common Ground*, Brussels
Three-months internship within the context of the DIAPHORA project

Memberships

- Projects *Higher-Order Metaphysics: Foundations, Motivations and Hyperintensional Developments*, University of Geneva, since 2025, research fellow
Indeterminacy in Science, University of Lisbon, since 2025, external project member
Human Abilities, Humboldt University Berlin and Freie Universität Berlin, since 2021, affiliated member
Describing the World, University of Geneva, 2023-2025, postdoctoral researcher
Being without Foundations, University of Lucerne and University of Glasgow, 2021-2023, researcher

DIAPHORA – Philosophical Problems, Resilience, and Peer Disagreement, University of Barcelona, 2016-2019, early stage researcher

Meta-Metaphysics, Humboldt University Berlin, 2012-2016, research assistant

What if? The Epistemology of Counterfactuals and Thought-Experiments, Humboldt University Berlin, 2012-2016, research assistant

Formal Epistemology, University of Constance, 2009-2010, research assistant

Groups *ideos*, The Centre for Metaphysics, since 2019

LOGOS, Research Group in Analytic Philosophy, 2016-2022

BIAP, Barcelona Institute of Analytic Philosophy, 2016-2022