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EDUCATION:

June 1988— March 1993 **Dept. of Linguistics, Stanford University.**
M.A. in Linguistics (October 1992)
PhD in Linguistics (September 1993).
Aug 1984—May 1988 **Massachusetts Institute of Technology.**
Received B.S. in Mathematics (May 1988)
Received B.S. in Philosophy (May 1988)

Dissertation

“Aspect and Argument Structure in Modern Scottish Gaelic”

READERS:

Peter Sells, Stanford University

Jim McCloskey, University of California at Santa Cruz

Paul Kiparsky, Stanford University

Henriette de Swart, Stanford University

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AND FIELDS OF INTEREST:

Correlations and mismatches between morphosyntactic form and compositional semantics, particularly within the realm of verbal meaning, tense, aspect and modality; The division of labour between lexical encyclopedic content, structural semantics and pragmatics; the relationship between language and general human cognition; English, Scottish Gaelic, Bengali, Scandinavian crosslinguistic comparison.

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS:

1997 **British Academy Award**
Small grant with co-researcher Dr D. Adger to investigate
Relative Clause patterns in Scottish Gaelic
1994–present **Fellow of Linacre College, Oxford University**
1993–1994 **Visiting Scholar at Wolfson College, Oxford University**
1988–1992 **University Fellowship**, Dept. of Linguistics,
Stanford University, Stanford, CA.
Summer 1989 **Language Society of America Fellowship**
to attend the Linguistic Institute in Tucson, Arizona.
1984–1988 **National Scholarship Trinidad and Tobago**,
Top student in country 1984 (based on GCE A-Level results)

POSITIONS HELD :

- 2006-present **Professor, Linguistic Institute, University of Tromsø.**
2007-2013 **Senior Researcher, Center for the Advanced Study of Theoretical Linguistics (CASTL)**
2004-2006 **Associate Professor, Linguistic Institute, University of Tromsø**
1994-2004 **University Lecturer in General Linguistics, Oxford University**

GRANTS/PROJECTS:

- 2015-2018 **Project Leader CASTL-FISH** Formal Investigations into Structure and Hierarchy
3-year Research Group funded by University of Tromsø
- 2012-2016 **Principal Investigator.** Research Council of Norway FRIHUM grant.
Transitivity Alternations in English and Norwegian: Experimental Investigations
University of Tromsø, Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education.
(5.637 million Norwegian Kroner over 3 years). Project Number 213470/F10
- 2005-present **Senior Researcher in Syntax/Semantics, CASTL**
One of six core researchers (*Center for the Advanced Study of Theoretical Linguistics*)
(A Research Centre with a 10 year grant from the Norwegian Research Council)
- 2009-present **Project Member**
Nominalizations. Explorations at the Syntax-Lexicon and Syntax-semantics interfaces.
DAAD project 199852, University of Tromsø, University of Stuttgart, University of Paris

SUPERVISION AND EXAMINING (Doctoral):

Phd Theses

- 2002 *Constructing Telicity in English and Italian* (R. Folli)
Oxford University (with Prof. J. T. Higginbotham)
- 2002 *Information Structure in Japanese* (H. Tanaka)
Oxford University
- 2002 *Anaphora and the Bilingual* (D. Leigh)
Oxford University
- 2003 *Imperative Clause Structure in English and Scandinavian* (B. Jensen)
Oxford University (with Prof. A. Holmberg)
- 2003 *The Semantics of Spatial and Directional Prepositions* (D. Maillat)
Oxford University
- 2004 *Perfectivity in Russian* (E. Romanova)
University of Tromsø (with Tarald Taraldsen)
- 2011 *Tense, Modality and Aspect in Saamáka* (M. van de Vate)
University of Tromsø
- 2012 *A profile of the Hungarian DP* (Éva Dékány)
University of Tromsø
- 2013 *Context and (Co)reference in the Syntax and its Interfaces* (Sandhya Sundaresan)
University of Tromsø
- 2015 *Adjectival and Genitival Modification in the Icelandic DP* (Alexander P. Pfaff)
University of Tromsø
- 2017 *Dependent Plurals and the Semantics of Distributivity* (Sergey Minor)
University of Tromsø

SUPERVISION AND EXAMINING (Masters):

MPhil Theses, Oxford University (selected 1994-2003)

- 1999 *Issues in the Syntax and Semantics of Romanian* (R. Sichitiu)
- 2000 *Scrambling and Information Structure in German* (C. Hoyer)
- 2001 *German Denominal Verbs and the Syntax of Argument Structure* (P. Lucas)
- 2002 *Restructuring in Slovene* (S. Dobnik)
- 2003 *Comparative Subdeletion in Modern Greek* (E. Daskalaki)
- 2004 *Attributive Adjectives and the Nominals they Modify* (R. Truswell)

PUBLICATIONS:

Books

- to appear *Situations and Syntactic Structures: Auxiliaries and Ordering in English*
MIT Press Monographs
- 2008 *Verb Meaning and the Lexicon*
Cambridge University Press
- 2007 *Oxford handbook of Linguistic Interfaces*
Co-editor with Charles Reiss, Concordia University
- 1997 *Aspect and Predication: The Semantics of Argument Structure*
Oxford University Press.

Articles in Journals and Refereed Volumes

- 2017 'The Event Domain'
in *The Verbal Domain*, Irene Franco and Roberta D'Alessandro (eds).
- 2015 Encoding Event Structure in Urdu/Hindi Verbnet.
with Annette Hautli-Janisz and Tracy Holloway King
Proceedings of the 3rd Workshop on EVENTS: Definition, Detection, Coreference and Representation (NAACL)
- 2014 'Deriving the Functional Hierarchy'
with Peter Svenonius. *Language Sciences*. Volume 46: 152-174
- 2014 'Structural Meaning and Conceptual Meaning in Verb Semantics'
Linguistic Analysis. Volume 39: 211-247.
- 2014 'Argument Structure: Creating a Productive Space for Theory and Experimentation'
in *Structuring the Argument: Multidisciplinary research on verb argument structure*.
Bachrach, Roy and Stockall (eds). pp 185-200. John Benjamins. Language Faculty and Beyond Series
- 2014 'Causal Chains and Instrumental Case in Hindi/Urdu'
Causation in Grammatical Structures, B. Copley and F. Martin (eds.), Oxford University Press .

Articles in Journals and Refereed Volumes cont.

- 2014 ‘Objects as Locations in English and Mainland Scandinavian’
with Björn Lundquist. *Journal of Comparative Germanic Syntax*.
- 2014 ‘Deriving Variable Linearization’
Natural Language and Linguistic Theory.
- 2013 ‘Argument Structure and Argument Structure Alternations’
in *Cambridge Handbook of Generative Syntax*, M. den Dikken (ed.), CUP
- 2012 ‘Contact, Animacy and Affectedness in Germanic’
in *Proceedings of CGSW23/24*, P. Ackema, R. Alcorn, and C. Heycock (eds.), J. Benjamins.
(with Björn Lundquist).
- 2011 ‘Minimalist Semantics’
in *Handbook of Linguistic Minimalism*, Cedric Boeckx (ed.)
- 2009 ‘Complex Predication: How did the child pinch the elephant?’
in *Reality Exploration and Discovery*, Linda Uyechi and Lian-Hee Wee (eds.)
(with Miriam Butt and Tracy Holloway King), CSLI publications, pp 231-256
- 2008 ‘Lexical items in complex predications: selection as underassociation’
Nordlyd. Tromsø Working Papers 35: 115-141
- 2008 ‘Mapping a Parochial Lexicon onto a Universal Semantics’
(with Peter Svenonius, CASTL/University of Tromsø)
in *The Limits of Syntactic Variation*. John Benjamins. pp 219-245
(T. Biberauer, ed.)
- 2008 ‘Perfectivity as aspectual definiteness: Time and the event in Russian’
Lingua, volume 118: 1690-1715
- 2007 ‘Events in Syntax: Modification and Predication’
Language and Linguistics Compass. Volume 1: 476-497
- 2006 ‘Aspect and Verbal Prepositions’
(with Mai Tungseth, University of Tromsø)
Nordlyd. Tromsø Working Papers 33(2): 149-175
- 2005 ‘Post-Davidsonianism’.
Theoretical Linguistics; 31(3) 359-373
- 2005 ‘Merge and Move: Wh-Dependencies Revisited’
(with David Adger, Queen Mary, London). *Linguistic Inquiry* 36(2), pp 161-193

Articles in Journals and Refereed Volumes cont.

- 2005 'Two Types of Negation in Bengali',
in *Clause Structure in South Asian Languages*, V. Dayal and A. Mahajan (eds.).
Dordrecht: Kluwer.
- 2005 'Complex Aspectual Structure in Hindi/Urdu'
in *the Syntax of Aspect*. N. Erteschik-Shir and T. Rapoport (eds)
Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- 2004 'Time and the Event: The Semantics of Russian Prefixes'
in *Nordlyd* Vol 32. University of Tromsø
- 2004 'Prepositions and Results in Italian and English:
An Analysis from Event Decomposition'
Perspectives on Aspect, Dordrecht: Kluwer.
(H. de Swart and H. Verkuyl, eds.)
- 2003 'Predication and Equation', with David Adger, Queen Mary, London
Linguistic Inquiry, volume 34/3)
- 1998 'Deconstructing the Lexicon', in M. Butt and W. Geuder (eds.)
Argument Projection, CSLI Publications, Stanford, CA. pg 65-97
- 1996 'Two Subject Positions in Scottish Gaelic',
in *Natural Language Semantics*, Dordrecht: Kluwer, volume 4(2).

Articles in Proceedings etc.

- 2014 'Stativity and Present Tense Epistemics'. *Proceedings of SALT 24*: 102-121
- 2005 'Psych Nouns and the Structure of Predication'
(with David Adger, Queen Mary, University of London)
Proceedings of North Eastern Linguistic Society (NELS), 2005.
- 2002 'The Lexical Syntax and Lexical Semantics of the Verb Particle Construction',
with Peter Svenonius, University of Tromsø
WCCFL 21 proceedings, Cascadilla Press, pg 387-400.
- 2001 'Phases and Interpretability', with David Adger, University of York
WCCFL 20 proceedings, Cascadilla Press, pg 1-14.
- 2001 'Getting Results: Motion Constructions in Italian and Scottish Gaelic',
with Raffaella Folli, University of Oxford
WCCFL 20 proceedings, Cascadilla Press, pg 192-205.

Articles in Proceedings etc.

- 2001 ‘Complex Aspectual Structure in Hindi/Urdu’, with Miriam Butt, University of Konstanz, in M. Liakata, B. Jensen and D. Maillat (eds.), *Oxford Working Papers in Linguistics, Philology and Phonetics*, 6. pg 1-30.
- 1997 ‘Questions, Polarity and Alternative Semantics’
North Eastern Linguistic Society (NELS) proceedings 27 1996.
- 1994 ‘Introduction’ to *Theoretical Perspectives on Word Order in South Asian Languages* (with Tracy Holloway King), CSLI Publications.
Also **Co-Editor** of same volume (with T.H.King and M.Butt)
- 1993 ‘Verbal Nouns and Event Structure in Scottish Gaelic’
Proceedings of the Semantics and Linguistic Theory conference (SALT III)
- 1993 ‘Aspect Phrase in Modern Scottish Gaelic’
North Eastern Linguistic Society (NELS) proceedings 1992.
- 1990 ‘Complex Predicate Formation in Bangla’
Proceedings, 9th West Coast Conference on Formal Linguistics (WCCFL)

RELATED ACADEMIC WORK/ADMINISTRATION:

- 2017- **President of GLOW (Generative Linguistics in the Old World)**
- 2016- present **Associate Editor**
Natural Language and Linguistic Theory
- 2013-present **Steering Committee Member**
for the *Norwegian National Graduate School in Linguistics and Philology*
(funded for 10 years by the Research Council of Norway).
- 2009-present **Graduate School Coordinator**
CASTL Forskerskole, University of Tromsø
- 2006- 2010 **Co-editor (with Curt Rice and Peter Svenonius)**
Linguistic Inquiry, Squibs and Discussions
- 2006- present **Editorial Board**
Journal of Linguistics
- 2016-present **Editorial Board**
Glossa