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Areas of Specialisation: Metaphysics.

Areas of Competence: Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Logic and Language, Modern Philosophy.

EDUCATION

PhD **2016-2020**

Durham University

Title of Dissertation: ‘*Powers for Dispositionalism: A Metaphysical Ground for New Actualism*’.

Supervisors: Matthew Tugby, Stephen Mumford, and Anna Marmodoro.

Viva passed with Minor Corrections. Examiners: Barbara Vetter (FU Berlin), Robin Hendry (Durham).

MA Philosophy (Distinction) **2016**

Università di Bologna.

Title of Dissertation: ‘Truthmakers for Modal Claims’.

Supervisors: Walter Cavini and Fabrice Correia (Université de Neuchâtel).

BA Philosophy (Distinction) **2014**

Università di Bologna

Supervisor: Eva Picardi.

PUBLICATIONS

2020

“Actualism minus Naturalism Equals Platonism?” co-authored with Matthew Tugby, *Philosophical Inquiries*, S.I. on Barbara Vetter’s *Potentiality* (OUP, 2015), 2020.

Forthcoming

“Formal Causes for Powers” co-authored with Stephen Mumford, to appear in Sandstad & Jansen (eds.) *Neo-Aristotelian Perspectives on Formal Causation*, Routledge, 2020.

Under Review

“Powers, Processes, and Eternalism” (R&R, Erkenntnis)

“New Powers for Dispositionalism” (R&R, Synthese)

Work in Progress

“Universals Cannot Be Manifestations of Powers”

“The Source of Independence and the Source of Necessity”

“Can There Be a Fundamental Level in a Powerful World?”

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2019 Royal Institute of Philosophy Bursary.

2019 Durham Excellence in Learning and Teaching Award.

2016 ARHC - Northern Bridge Doctoral Training Partnership Doctoral Scholarship.

2015 University Award for Academic Excellence (Borsa di studio per merito) for the year 2013/14.

2014 University Award for Academic Excellence (Borsa di studio per merito) for the year 2012/13.

2012 University Award for Academic Excellence (Borsa di studio per merito) for the year 2010/11.

TEACHING

Lecturing

Metaphysics (3rd year)	Durham University	2019-20
Introduction to Modern Philosophy (1st year)	University of Bologna	2015-6
Theory of Argumentation (1st year)	University of Bologna	2015-6

Tutoring

Modern Philosophy I	Durham University	2019-20
Metaphysics	Durham University	2019-20
Logic, Language, and Reality	Durham University	2019-20
Knowledge and Reality	Durham University	2019-20 2018-9
Reading Philosophy (Gorgias, Plato, Hume, Sartre, Anscombe, Murdoch)	Durham University	2019-20 2018-9 2017-8
Translation Seminar: Gorgias' <i>On Non-Existence</i> .	University of Bologna	2015
Translation Seminar: Plato's <i>Euthyphro</i>	University of Bologna	2014
Translation Seminar: Plato's <i>Theaetetus</i>	University of Bologna	2013

Translation Seminar: Aristotle's <i>De Memoria et Remin- iscentia</i>	University of Bologna	2012
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SELECTED TALKS AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- 2020** “The Dispositionalist Source of Necessity and Independence”
Issues on the (Im)possible VIII, Royal Academy of Sciences, Bratislava (*cancelled*)
- 2020** “Can there be a fundamental level in a world of powers?”
Modality, Ground, Essence Workshop. University of Graz (*cancelled*)
- 2020** “The source of Independence and the Source of Necessity”
The Mereology of Potentiality seminar series. University of Oxford
- 2019** “The Dependency Problem for Physical Intentionality”
Open Minds XIV, University of Manchester
- 2019** “A Crowded World. Dispositionalism and Necessitism”
The Swedish Congress of Philosophy, University of Umeå
- 2019** “A Crowded World. Dispositionalism and Necessitism”
Issues on the (Im)possible VII, Royal Academy of Sciences, Bratislava
- 2019** “New Categories for Dispositionalism”
New Foundations of Dispositionalism, University of Exeter
- 2019** “New Categories for Dispositionalism”
The Mereology of Potentiality seminar series. University of Oxford
- 2018** “Reconstruction of the Four Cases for Power Theorists” with Stephen Mumford
Formal Causation, Rostock University
- 2018** “Dispositionalism and Essentialism: a Scorekeeping Game”
Essentialism and Modality, University of Graz
- 2018** “Resemblance, Representation, and Counterparts”
Issues on the (Im)possible VI. Royal Academy of Sciences, Bratislava
- 2018** “Resemblance, Representation, and Counterparts”
46th Annual Meeting of Society for Exact Philosophy, UConn
- 2018** “Resemblance, Representation, and Counterparts”
II MLAG Graduate Conference, University of Porto

SUMMER SCHOOLS

- 2020** The Hyperintensional Revolution, Hamburg.
- 2019** The Metaphysics of Time-Continuum, Imperia.
- 2018** Aristotle Now and Then, Falconara.

- 2018** The History and the Metaphysics of the Concept of Laws of Nature, Budapest.
2017 Truth-maker semantics, Augsburg.

ORGANISATION OF ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- 2020** Second Durham Metaphysics Postgraduate Conference. (Postponed to May 2021)
Co-organiser (with Andrew Thomas).
- 2020** BPPA Masterclass “Micro-Progressions. Picking up the voices of the Other”.
Co-organiser (with Susan Notess).
- 2019** MAP Interdisciplinary Reading Group.
Co-organiser (with Susan Notess).
- 2019** First Durham Metaphysics Postgraduate Conference.
Co-organiser (with Andrew Thomas).
- 2019** Joint Session of the Aristotelian Society.
Troubleshooting
- 2017** Durham Metaphysics Reading Group.
Organiser.
- 2017** Durham Minorities and Philosophy Durham Chapter.
Co-founder (with Sarah Lewin).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer

2019-20 *Synthese; European Journal for Philosophy of Science; Manuscripto; Dialectica*

Research Assistant

2019 Research Impact Assistant for the Durham University Philosophy Department’s submission for the UK government’s Research Excellence Framework (REF) assessment in 2021.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Italian: Native

English: C2

French: B1

Spanish: B1

German: A2

Ancient Greek: Reading

Latin: Reading

REFEREES

Matthew Tugby, Durham University

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Doctoral Supervisor

Stephen Mumford, Durham University

stephen.mumford@durham.ac.uk

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Anna Marmodoro, Durham University; Oxford University

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Doctoral Supervisor

Barbara Vetter, Freie Universität Berlin

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External Examiner

Robin Hendry, Durham University

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Internal Examiner

Walter Cavini, Università di Bologna

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MA Supervisor