

# CHIARA CALDINELLI

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## EDUCATION

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- PhD in Psychology** 2018 - 2023  
Trinity College Dublin  
Thesis: Connectivity of executive control regions and its relation to function in adults and infants  
Advisor: Rhodri Cusack
- MSc in Cognitive Neuroscience and Clinical Neuropsychology** 2012 - 2015  
University of Padua  
Thesis: Alterations in structural connectivity in memory tracts following perinatal brain injury in adults who were born very preterm  
Advisor: Patrizia Bisiacchi and Chiara Nosarti
- BSc in Cognitive Science and Psychobiology** 2009 - 2012  
University of Padua  
Thesis: Lateralized numerical abilities in the domestic chick (*Gallus gallus*): the case of ordinality  
Advisor: Lucia Regolin

## RESEARCH POSITIONS

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- Research Assistant** 2017 - 2018  
Cardiff University Brain research Imaging Centre Cardiff University  
'Characterising brain network differences during scene perception and memory in APOE-e4 carriers: multi-modal imaging in ALSPAC'  
Advisor: Kim Graham
- Trainee in Child Neuropsychology** 2016  
Pediatric Neurology Ward Besta Neurological Institute, Milan  
Administer standardised tests, wrote reports and planned therapy to improve long-term outcomes. In December 2016 I qualified as a clinical psychologist in Italy  
Advisor: Sara Bulgheroni
- Research Assistant** 2015 - 2016  
Speech and Brain Research Group University of Oxford  
A DTI study of speech-related white matter tracts in patients with left-hemisphere stroke. In collaboration with Richard Wise's group at Imperial College  
Advisor: Kate Watkins
- Research Assistant** 2014 - 2015  
Preterm Research Group King's College London  
The long-term outcomes of brain injury following very preterm birth using diffusion MRI (Spherical Deconvolution)  
Advisor: Chiara Nosarti
- Research Assistant** 2008 - 2009  
Comparative Psychology lab University of Padua  
Lateralized numerical abilities in the domestic chick (*Gallus gallus*): the case of ordinality  
Advisor: Lucia Regolin

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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- Python Foundation** 2019  
To organise Python workshops at Trinity College Dublin. Amount: \$2,169.93
- Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship** 2018 - 2023  
Ireland Research Council. Amount: €96,000

<b>Postgraduate Scholarship</b>	2018 - 2022
Trinity College Dublin - kindly declined. Amount: €54,000	
<b>Student and Postdoc OHBM SIG funding</b>	2017
To organise events at OHBM annual meeting. Amount: €23,000	
<b>Erasmus grant for Erasmus Internship at University of Oxford</b>	2015
To attend University of Oxford. Amount: €1,000	
<b>Guarantors of Brain grant</b>	2015
To attend Annual Flux congress in Leiden, The Netherlands. Amount: €400	
<b>Erasmus grant for Erasmus Internship</b>	2014
To attend King's College London. Amount: €3,000	
<b>Erasmus grant for Erasmus Study Exchange</b>	2013
To attend the University of Warsaw. Amount: €600	

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Caldinelli, C.**, Cusack, R. (2022). The fronto-parietal network is not a flexible hub during naturalistic cognition. *Human Brain Mapping*, 43(2), 750-759. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hbm.25684>
- Bielczyk, N. Z., Ando, A., Badhwar, A., **Caldinelli, C.**, Gao, M., Haugg, A., Hernandez, M., Ito K.L., Kessler, D., Lurie, D., Makary, M. M., Nikolaidis, A., Veldsman, M., Allen, C., Bankston, A., Bottenhorn, K. L., Braukmann, R., Calhoun, V., Cheplygina, V., Boffino, C. C., Ercan, E., Finc, K., Foo, H., Khatibi, A., La, C., Mehler, D. M. A., Narayanan, S., Poldrack, R. A., Raamana, P. R., Salo, T., Godard-Sebillotte, C., Uddin, L. Q., Valeriani, D., Valk, S. L., Walton, C. C., Ward, P. G. D, Yanes, J. A., Zhou, X., OHBM Student and Postdoc Special Interest Group. (2020). Effective self-management for early career researchers in the natural and life sciences. *Neuron*, 106(2), 212-217. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuron.2020.03.015>
- Bielczyk, N., Veldsman, M., Ando, A., **Caldinelli, C.**, Makary, M. M., Nikolaidis, A., Scelsi, M. A., Stefan, M., OHBM Student and Postdoc Special Interest Group, Badhwar, A. (2018). Establishing online mentorship for early career researchers: Lessons from the Organization for Human Brain Mapping International Mentoring Programme. *European Journal of Neuroscience*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ejn.14320>
- Caldinelli, C.**, Froudish-Walsh, S., Karolis, V., Tseng, J.C., Allin, M.P., Walshe, M., Cuddy, M., Murray, R.M., Nosarti, C. (2017) White matter alterations to cingulum and fornix following very preterm birth and their relationship with cognitive functions. *NeuroImage*: 150, 373–382. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2017.02.026>
- Tseng, J.C, Froudish-Walsh, S., Brittain, P.J., Karolis, V., **Caldinelli, C.**, Kroll, J., J. Counsell, S.J., C.R. Williams, S.C.R., Murray, R.M., Nosarti, C. (2016) A Multimodal Imaging Study of Episodic Memory in Very Preterm Born Adults. *Human Brain Mapping*: 38(2), 644-655. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hbm.2340>
- Froudish-Walsh S., Karolis, V., **Caldinelli, C.**, Brittain, P.J., Kroll, J., Rodriguez-Toscano, E., Tesse, M., Colquhoun, M., Howes, O., Dell'Acqua, F., Thiebaut de Schotten, M., Murray, R. M., Williams, S.C.R., Nosarti C. (2015). Very early brain damage leads to remodelling of the working memory system in adulthood; a combined fMRI/tractography study. *The Journal of Neuroscience*, 35(48): 15787-15799. <https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.47-14.2015>

## TALKS AND POSTERS

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- Caldinelli, C.** Connectivity of the executive control network and its relation to function in adults and infants. Stanford University, February, 23 2023, oral presentation.
- Caldinelli, C.** Connectivity of the executive control network and its relation to function in adults and infants. Yale University, April 24, 2023, oral presentation.
- Caldinelli, C.** and Cusack, R. The fronto-parietal network is not a flexible hub during naturalistic cognition. Neuroscience Ireland Annual Meeting, Sep 9-10, 2021, online poster presentation.
- Caldinelli, C.** and Cusack, R. The Fronto-Parietal Network Is Not a Flexible Hub During Naturalistic Cognition. OHBM Online Annual Meeting, June 21-25 2021. P: 1205
- Caldinelli, C.** and Cusack, R. Functionally Predictive Differences in Connectivity in the DLPFC are Present in Infants. OHBM Annual Meeting in Singapore, June 19-21 2018, Singapore. P: 1170

**Caldinelli, C.**, Geranmayeh, F., Wise, R.J.S., Watkins, K. A DTI study of speech-related white matter tracts in patients with left-hemisphere stroke. Society for the Neurobiology of Language 2016 Annual Meeting, August 17-20. P: C41

**Caldinelli, C.**, Froudish-Walsh, S., Karolis, V., Brittain, P.J., Kroll, J., Tesse, M., Tseng, C., Nosarti, C. Alterations to Memory-Related White Matter Tracts in Adults Who Were Born Very Preterm. Organization for Human Brain Mapping meeting, Geneva, Switzerland, June 26-30, 2016, P: 3165

**Caldinelli, C.**, Froudish-Walsh, S., Karolis, V., Brittain, P.J., Kroll, J., Tesse, M., Tseng, C., Nosarti, C. Alterations to Memory-Related White Matter Tracts in Adults Who Were Born Very Preterm. Platform 2170—Neonatology: Neonatal Follow Up, Pediatric Academic Society meeting, Baltimore, 30 April-3 May 2016 (oral presentation)

**Caldinelli, C.**, Froudish-Walsh, S., Karolis, V., Tseng, C., Allin, M.P., Walshe, M., Cuddy, M., Murray, R.M., Nosarti, C. White matter tracts and memory abilities alterations following perinatal brain injury in adults who were born very preterm. Annual Flux congress, Leiden, The Netherlands, 17-19 September 2015, P-2-134

**Caldinelli, C.**, Froudish-Walsh, S., Karolis, V., Nosarti, C. Alterations in Structural Connectivity in Memory Tracts Following Perinatal Brain Injury in Young Adults Who Were Born Very Preterm. Pediatric Academic Society annual meeting, San Diego, 25-28 April 2015, E-PAS2015:4139.288

## TEACHING

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### Graduate Teaching Assistant

2021 - 2022

School of Psychology

Trinity College Dublin

Led python-based lab sessions for the Research Methods (PSU22011) and Statistics (PSU202122) modules to allow Year 2 Psychology students to develop scientific research skills and perform parametric and non-parametric statistical analyses in a reproducible manner using Google Colab

Advisor: Rob Whelan

## STUDENT ADVISEES

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### Emma Hudson, Trinity College Dublin

2020 - 2021

BSc Psychology Thesis - The effect of image complexity on infant curiosity: An investigation of the 'Goldilocks effect' through online testing

### Emily Markey, Trinity College Dublin

2020 - 2021

BSc Psychology Thesis - Too fast, too slow, or just right: An investigation into 'the Goldilocks effect' of infant curiosity through stimulus speed

## LEADERSHIP

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### Associate Editor

2018 - 2022

Journal of European Psychology Students

Served as an editor, invited reviewers and conducted reviews.

### President

2018 - 2020

Neuroscience Society

Trinity College Dublin

Led the Neuroscience Committee to bring students and faculty members together along the broad spectrum of neuroscience via seminars presented by renowned academics and social events to bridge the gap between undergraduate and postgraduate students interested in neuroscience

### Social Coordinator

2017 - 2019

Organization for Human Brain Mapping

Organized social events during the OHBM annual meetins in Singapore and Rome

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Neuroimaging Softwares:** SPM, FSL, FreeSurfer, AFNI

**Programming Languages:** Python, Linux, Bash, R, MatLab, Java

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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**Reviewer** 2015 - 2022  
Ad hoc reviewer for Neuroimage and Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience

**Scientific meetings organised**  
Python Workshop, various 2018-2020  
Hackathon, Brainhack Ireland, 2-4 May 2018

## EDUCATIONAL COURSES

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**Regression Module, Postgraduate Certificate in Statistics (ST7002)** 2019  
School of Statistics and Computer Science of Trinity College, Dublin

**Visceral Mind** 2018  
Bangor University  
Participated in a week-long summer school to deepen neuroanatomy knowledge by dissecting post mortem human brains and patient studies

**Clinical Neuroimaging and Radiological Neuroanatomy course** 2018  
National University of Ireland, Galway  
Course designed to increase knowledge in neuroanatomy through medical imaging and post mortem dissection

**7th IMPRS NeuroCom Summer School** 2017  
University College London  
Course focused on computational modeling in cognitive neuroscience

**Machine Learning Techniques for Neuroimaging Data** 2017  
Cardiff University  
Course focused on machine learning applied to neuroimaging data