

Notes from the Principal Investigator

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Dr Katie Atkins

My group works on Evolutionary Epidemiology to answer questions about how the evolution of pathogens affects control of infectious diseases. I am an infectious disease modeller with a particular interest in HIV, antimicrobial resistance and vaccines. My work is funded by the ERC and the Wellcome Trust. I split my time between the University of Edinburgh – where I’m a Reader in the Medical School – with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine – where I’m an Associate Professor of Infectious Disease Modelling. I teach a course on Infectious Disease Epidemiology within the Medical School at Edinburgh, and a short course on Modern Techniques in Infectious Disease Modelling at the London School.

Dr Carsten Hansen

I am a cell biologist with an interest in how cellular sensing is transduced from the plasmamembrane to the nucleus. I started my research career at MRC-LMB in Cambridge with Ben Nichols, followed by post-doctoral fellowships at Cambridge and, later, in San Diego to work with Professor Kun-Liang Guan. In 2015, I was recruited to the University of Edinburgh Centre for Inflammation Research on a Chancellor’s Fellowship to set up a new lab. I am pleased that our team is diverse, international and that all are great team citizens. Through our shared interest in discovery based interdisciplinary science, we seek to address fundamental biological questions. We strive to be challenged and to make important discoveries, but also seek to have fun along the way.

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Dr Catherine Montgomery is a Chancellor’s Fellow in the Sociology of Biomedicine at the University of Edinburgh. She works at the intersection of Medical Sociology and Science and Technology Studies (STS), and her research focuses on the juncture between scientific knowledge production and clinical care. She has two decades experience of interdisciplinary health-related research. In 2023, she was awarded a €2 million ERC Consolidator grant for the project DARE, ‘Data and the Healthcare ‘Revolution’’, which explores the transformations taking place at the intersection of data practices, care and learning in informatics-informed healthcare.

Dr Wataru Uegaki is a UKRI Future Leaders Fellow and Lecturer in Semantics at University of Edinburgh in the Department of Linguistics and English Language within the School of Philosophy, Psychology, and Language Sciences. He obtained his PhD at MIT Linguistics in 2015 and was previously a JSPS postdoctoral fellow and an assistant professor at Leiden University Centre for Linguistics (2016-2019). He serves as the (co-)PI of the following two collaborative research projects: (1) AHRC/DFG project: MECORE: A cross-linguistic investigation of meaning-driven combinatorial restrictions in clausal embedding (2021-2024); (2) UKRI Future Leaders Fellowship: Logic in Semantic Universals (2022-2025). Twitter: @wataruu.

