

# LUKE DAVIS

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## EXPERIENCE

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Postdoctoral researcher at **University of Luxembourg**

Principle investigator: Ass. Prof. Etienne Fodor

*Nov 2020 - Nov 2022*

Visiting researcher at **University of Toronto**

Principle investigator: Prof. Anton Zilman

*Sept 2019 - Jan 2020*

## EDUCATION

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PhD (Theoretical Physics) **University College London**

Supervisors: Prof. Bart W. Hoogenboom, Assoc. Prof. Andela Šarić, and Prof Ian J. Ford *2016 - 2020*

MPhys (Physics) 1<sup>st</sup> class honours **Swansea University**

Supervisor: Prof. Biagio Lucini

*2011 - 2016*

Erasmus (Physics) **UAB Barcelona**

*2013 - 2014*

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. [Physical modelling of multivalent interactions in the nuclear pore complex](#) **Luke K. Davis**, Andela Šarić, Bart W. Hoogenboom, and Anton Zilman. *Biophys. J.* (2021) (Accepted)
2. [Modelling fibrillogenesis of collagen-mimetic molecules](#) Anne E. Hafner, Noemi G. Gyori, Ciaran A. Bench, **Luke K. Davis**, and Andela Šarić. *Biophys. J.* (2020)
3. [Intrinsically disordered nuclear pore proteins show ideal-polymer morphologies and dynamics](#) **Luke K. Davis**, Ian J. Ford, Andela Šarić, and Bart W. Hoogenboom. *Physical Review E* (2020)
4. [A programmable DNA-origami platform for organizing intrinsically disordered nucleoporins](#) Qi Shen, Patrick D. E. Fisher, Bernice Akpınar, **Luke K. Davis**, Kenny Chung, David Baddeley, Andela Šarić, Thomas Melia, Bart W. Hoogenboom, C. Patrick Lusk, and Chenxiang Lin. *ACS Nano* (2018)

## SUPERVISION AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**University College London**

*2016 - 2019*

- I demonstrated undergraduate courses in computational physics Java (x2), Python (x2), and Mathematics (x2).
- Assisted supervision of bachelors student Kirsten Bark (computer simulations) with Prof. Ian J. Ford (UCL).
- Developed interactive plots and animations (Python in jupyter) to assist in the teaching of a 2nd year course in Statistical Physics with Prof. Bart W. Hoogenboom (UCL).

## AWARDS AND HONOURS

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**UCL Inclusion Awards** University College London

*2020*

Nomination

**Soft Matter poster prize** University College London

*2018*

**PM Davidson Prize** Swansea University

*2016*

I was awarded the PM Davidson prize for the best theoretical project at masters level.

## CERTIFICATES

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University of California, Santa Cruz

2020

Bayesian Statistics: From Concept to Data Analysis (Coursera) (92/100)

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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- **Programming Languages** C++ (and C), Python, Perl, Java, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Mathematica, Matlab, Bash, and R.
- **Operating Systems** Linux, Unix, and Windows.
- **Simulation** LAMMPS, VMD, Ovito, Molecular Dynamics, Monte Carlo, Density Functional Theory, high performance computing, parallel computing (MPI and OpenMP), and freud.
- **Machine Learning** Convex and concave hull algorithms and unsupervised clustering/segmentation algorithms (simulations and in images).
- **Other** Raspberry Pi tinkering, Linux machine building, gaming console emulation tinkering, Github, and making interactive python animations.

## CONFERENCES

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**Fundamental theoretical approaches to the equation of state** 2018 Talk, Manchester (UK)

**Biosoft Symposium** 2018 Talk, Jülich (Germany)

**Physical Aspects of Polymer Physics** 2017 Poster, Swansea (UK)

**Biophysics conference** 2016 Poster, Israel

## OUTREACH PROJECTS

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**Black Role Models in STEM** UCL, London

2020

I gave a talk and answered questions at the Black Role Models in STEM event at UCL. This event consisted of Black academics at various stages talking about their experiences and thoughts on being successful in academia.

**Diversity Challenge** Royal Institution, London

2019

I founded, led, and co-organized a University Challenge inspired live gameshow that celebrates diverse pioneers in STEM. I made the hardware (Raspberry Pi) and the software (Python) from scratch, the code is available on [GitHub](#). **Grants awarded:** £2000 from the Wellcome Trust and £2,650 from the London centre for Nanotechnology.