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PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. candidate 2018-
University of Barcelona: Cognitive Science and Language
Under the supervision of Prof. Cedric Boeckx

MA. Cognitive Science and Language 2016-2017
University of Barcelona

BA. Spanish Language and Literature 2012-2016
University of Murcia

COURSES

Archaeological Science in the Post-Genome Era 2018
University of Copenhagen, Natural History Museum

Analyses of genotyping and NGS data in medical and population genetics 2018
University of Copenhagen

WORK EXPERIENCE

Intern 2016
Asociación Arqueología de Guardia

Arqueología de Guardia organizes cultural activities, science communication events, and educational workshops involving new findings in the fields of Archaeology, History and Cultural Heritage. As an intern, I participated in the organization and execution of some of these activities, including archaeological prospection, field analysis and communications for non-specialized public.

LANGUAGES

Spanish (mother tongue)
Hungarian (mother tongue)
English (fluent)
French (fluent)
Catalan (basic)

PUBLICATIONS, CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS

- *Molecular evolution of human-specific facial traits and socio-cognitive profile: Insights from neurocrisopathies* Matteo Zanella*, Alessandro Vitriolo*, **Alejandro Andirko**, Nicolo Caporale, Adrianos Skaros, Cedric Boeckx, Giuseppe Testa.
Poster at ESHE meeting (2018)
- *'What is life? Schrödinger at 75.'* **Alejandro Andirko**
Conference attendance (2018)
- *The symbolic species?* **Alejandro Andirko**, Stefanie Sturm, Thomas O'Rourke, Pedro Tiago Martins, Cedric Boeckx.
Poster at UBICS meeting 2018 (2018)
- *The biocognitive 'guns, germs, and steel' underlying Homo sapiens' unique material culture* **Alejandro Andirko**, Saleh Alamri, Stefanie Sturm, Thomas O'Rourke, Pedro Tiago Martins, Cedric Boeckx.
Talk at Evolang12 workshop *The 'stuff' of language* (2018)
- *Oxytocin and Vasopressin Receptor variants as a window onto the evolution of human prosociality.* Constantina Theofanopoulou*, **Alejandro Andirko***, Cedric Boeckx.
Article, currently under peer-review (2018)
- *Differences on the OXTR between modern humans and extinct hominids: a window to our language-ready behavior.* **Alejandro Andirko**, Constantina Theofanopoulou, Cedric Boeckx.
Poster: Protolang5 (2017)

PRIZES

- *Best Science Communication Video.* Thomas O'Rourke, Stefanie Sturm, **Alejandro Andirko**, Pedro Tiago Martins.

SCIENCE OUTREACH

- *¿Qué es la vida? El futuro de la biología, 75 años después de Schrödinger* **Alejandro Andirko***, Stefanie Sturm*, Thomas O'Rourke*, Pedro Tiago Martins*, Cedric Boeckx.
Scientific Journalism piece at The Conversation (2018)
- *Participation in Somos científicos* Two weeks
Initiative that brings together highschool teenagers and scientists in order to answer their questions

SOCIETIES & ORGANIZATIONS

- European Society for the Study of Human Evolution (ESHE)
Member
- UBICS (University of Barcelona Institute of Complex Systems).
Member