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RESEARCH POSITIONS & ACTIVITIES

- September 2014 – **Post-doctoral Researcher** in the newly-founded TheraLab in Cyprus
date University of Technology led by Assistant Professor Kakia Petinou
for the investigation of early language development.
- February 2014 – **Post-doctoral researcher** in the project *An adaptation of the*
February 2016 *MacArthur-Bates Communicative Development Inventory (CDI) in*
Cypriot Greek at the **University of Cyprus**. Funded by the Leventis
Foundation.
- November 2011 – **Independent Researcher** in the project “Early Identification and
November 2012 Assessment of Preschool Children with Specific Language
Impairment in Cyprus”. Funded by the Cyprus Research Promotion
Foundation.
- December 2009 – **Post-doctoral researcher, University of Potsdam** in collaboration
February 2010 with Professor Birgit Elsner.

TEACHING POSITIONS

- January 2014 - **Instructor of undergraduate courses** (“Developmental Psychology”,
date “Introduction to Linguistics”, “Psycho- and Neuro-Linguistics”),
Department of Rehabilitation Sciences, **Cyprus University of**
Technology.
- January 2015 – **Instructor of undergraduate courses** (“Topics in Cognitive
January 2016 Development”, “Psychology of Language”), Department of
Psychology, University of Cyprus.
- January - May 2013 **Instructor of MA courses** (“Trends in Applied Linguistics” and
“Portfolio Development”), Department of English Studies,
University of Cyprus.
- September 2011 – **Instructor of undergraduate courses** (“Topics in Cognitive
May 2012 Development”, “Knowledge Representation”), Department of
Psychology, **University of Cyprus**.
- 2006 - 2008 **Tutor for undergraduate courses** (“Language and Cognition”,
“Psycholinguistics” and “Language Development”), Department of
Experimental Psychology, University of Oxford.
- 2005 - 2007 **Greek Language Tutor** in the Oxford Greek School.

EDUCATION & ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- October 2004 – D.Phil. in Experimental Psychology (language development),
April 2009 **University of Oxford**, supervised by Professor Kim Plunkett.
- July 2003 Oxford University Connectionist Summer School.
- 2002 - 2004 M.Phil. in General Linguistics at the **University of Oxford**
- June-August 2001 **Harvard University** Summer School.
- 1998 - 2002 B.A. in Greek Philology at the **University of Athens**.
Graduated with 8.1/10.

1995 - 1998 High School Diploma from **Laniteio Lyceum A'**, Limassol, Cyprus.
Humanities and Classics Section – 20/20 (Excellent).

ORGANISATIONAL & TEAM-WORKING SKILLS

Summer 2008 **Founder and First Secretary of Oxford University Cypriot Society**
2006 – 2008 **Student Representative** of the Department of Psychology,
University of Oxford, at the **Academic Staff Faculty Committee**.
2006 - 2008 **Student Representative at the Academic Staff Departmental
Committee**.
March 2008 **Mentor in Oxford Local UK Grad School**: involved in the
organization and successful implementation of the course.
March 2007 **Participant in Oxford Local UK Grad School**: Four-day seminar
providing training and expert advice on problem-solving, team-
working and networking skills, and career development.
2007 Member of the Programming and Reviewing committees of the
second **post-graduate Linguistics Conference (LingO)** at the
University of Oxford.
2005 Member of the Organizing Committee of the first **post-graduate
Linguistics Conference (LingO)** at the University of Oxford.
April 2005 Vice-Chairperson of the Organizing Committee of the **Graduate
Exchange Workshop “Aegean Koinē”** organized by the Oxford
University Greek Society during my presidency.
2004 – 2005 **President of the Oxford University Greek Society**.

FUNDING & AWARDS

2014 – 2016 **Funded research project** at UCY after peer-review process for the
adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI in Cypriot Greek (2 years).
2006 **Early Career Research Travel Award** from the International Society
for Infant Studies (ICIS, Kyoto).
2003 – 2004 Grant of the Committee of Comparative Philology and General
Linguistics of **Oxford University**.
2002 – 2005 Grant from the **Leventis Foundation** for studying at a graduate level.
1998 – 2002 Scholarship from the **Cyprus Scholarship Foundation** for studying at
an undergraduate level.

LANGUAGE & IT SKILLS

(Cypriot) Greek, English Excellent
Other languages Italian - Very good knowledge & French, Spanish, German
– Basic conversational skills
IT and analytical skills Expert use of Microsoft Office, Text-editing (LaTeX),
Statistical (SPSS), Sound/Image-editing (Goldwave, Adobe
Suite, Flash) and Experimental software (Presentation,
Look).

TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Petinou, K., Taxitari, L., Phinikettos, I., Minaidou, D., Allagioti, D., Gavriil, I. & Gerolemou, Z., *Early language markers: predicting MLU and vocabulary size from children's phonetic abilities*, Oral Presentation at the 30th World Congress of the International Association of Logopedics and Phoniatrics, 21-25/08/2016, Dublin, Ireland.

Kambanaros, M., Taxitari, L., Theodorou, E., Varnava, M. & Grohmann, K.K. *When Nonverbal IQ and Vocabulary remain the same, but morpho-syntactic abilities Improve: Evidence from DiGeorge Syndrome*. Poster Presentation at the Speech Pathology Australia National Conference, 15-18/05/2016, Perth, Australia.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. and Grohmann, K. K. *Investigating Early Language Development in a Bilectal Context*, Oral Presentation at the Workshop on Linguistic and Sociolinguistic Perspectives on new speakers in a multilingual Europe, 19-20/10/2016, UCLAN, Cyprus.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. and Grohmann, K. K. *Investigating Early Language Development in a Bilectal Context*, Oral Presentation at the ISMBS 2015, 7-10/09/2015, Chania, Greece.

Taxitari, L., Christodoulou, M. and Constantinidou, F. *Spontaneous production of features to describe common objects across the lifespan*, Poster Presentation at the 4th Conference of the Centre of Applied Neuroscience, 14/09/2015, UCY, Nicosia, Cyprus

Kambanaros, M. & Taxitari, L. *Linguistic Markers of Sibling SLI*, Oral Presentation at the Advances in the Sciences of Language Disorders, 20-21/06/2015, Nicosia, Cyprus.

Petinou, K., Taxitari, L. & Minaidou, D. *Lexical Diversity and Lexical Profiling Skills in Late Talkers*, Oral Presentation at ELPSE 2015, 27-31/05/2015, Nicosia, Cyprus.

Petinou, K., Taxitari, L. & Minaidou, D. *Lexical Profiling in Late Talkers*, Poster presentation at CPLOL 2015, 6-8/05/2015, Florence, Italy.

Taxitari, L., Petinou, K., Minaidou, D., Christofidou, V., Michael, A., Alexandrou, M. & Veresie, M. *Developmental Profiling of Expressive Language in Typically-Developing Children*, Poster presentation at CPLOL 2015, 6-8/05/2015, Florence, Italy.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. and Grohmann, K. *Early Greek Language Development in Cyprus: A bilectal adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI*, Oral Presentation at the 36th Annual Meeting of Greek Linguistics, 24-25/04/2015, Thessaloniki, Greece.

Taxitari, L., Christodoulou, M. and Constantinidou, F., *Use of (semantic) features for the description of everyday objects: a lifespan approach*, Oral Presentation at the 5th International Conference on Language Disorders in Greek, 29-30/05/2014, Limassol, Cyprus.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. and Grohmann, K. *A Cypriot Greek adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI*, Oral Presentation at the 5th International Conference on Language Disorders in Greek, 29-30/05/2014, Limassol, Cyprus.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. and Grohmann, K. *A Cypriot Greek adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI: the case of a bi-lectal community*, Poster presentation at Child Language Impairment in Multilingual Contexts: Final Conference of Cost Action IS0804, 27-29/05/2013, Krakow, Poland.

Taxitari, L., *Gavagai! – or Constraint-Guided Learning during Lexical Development*, CAT Lecture 07/02/2011, University of Cyprus.

Taxitari, L. and Plunkett, K., *Lexical Categorisation in the Early Stages of Lexical Development*, Oral Presentation at the 1st Greek Conference of Developmental Psychology, Athens 2008.

Taxitari, L. and Plunkett, K., *Evidence for linguistic categorization abilities in 10-month-old infants*, Oral Presentation at the International Conference on Infant Studies, Kyoto 2006.

Styles, S. and Taxitari, L., *Looking at language: Using eye-gaze as a measure of language processing*, Oral Presentation at LingO, Oxford 2005.

Taxitari, L., *The case of past tense (in Modern Greek): Linguistic evidence for single-route models of mental processing*, Oral Presentation at the Greek Conference of Cognitive Science, University of Thrace 2004.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Taxitari, L., Thomey, K., Westermann, G. & Mani, N. (in preparation). Cows and horses: The limitations in early word learning.

Kogetsidis, M., Soteriadou, L. & Taxitari, L. (in preparation). Developing pragmatic competence in an instructed setting: the effectiveness of pedagogical intervention in Greek EFL learners' request production.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M., Floros, G. & Grohmann, K.K. (in press). Early language development in a bilingual context: The Cypriot adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI, In Babatsouli, E. & Ingram, D., Where typical and atypical language acquisition meet cross-linguistically, *Communication disorders across languages*, NY: Multilingual Matters.

Kambanaros, M., Taxitari, L., Theodorou, E., Varnava, M. & Grohmann, K.K. (in press). Structural language deficits in a child with DiGeorge syndrome: Evidence from Greek, In Babatsouli, E. & Ingram, D., Where typical and atypical language acquisition meet cross-linguistically, *Communication disorders across languages*, NY: Multilingual Matters.

Leivada, E., Kambanaros, M., Taxitari, L. & Grohmann, K.K. (in press). (Meta)linguistic abilities of bilingual educators: the case of Cyprus. [Special Issue] *International Journal of Bilingual Education and Bilingualism*.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. & Grohmann, K.K. (2016). Early Greek language development in Cyprus: A bilingual adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI, *Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of Greek Linguistics 36 2015*, Department of Linguistics, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. & Grohmann, K.K. (2015). Investigating early language development in a bilingual context, *Proceedings of the International Conference of Monolingual and Bilingual Speech 2015*.

Kambanaros, M., Taxitari, L., Theodorou, E. & Grohmann, K.K. (2015). Structural language deficits in a child with DiGeorge syndrome: Evidence from Greek, *Proceedings of the International Conference of Monolingual and Bilingual Speech 2015*.

Taxitari, L., Kambanaros, M. & Grohmann, K.K. (2015). A Cypriot Greek adaptation of the MacArthur-Bates CDI: use of translation equivalents in a bi-(dia)lectal context, *Journal of Greek Linguistics*, 15, pp. 122-145.

Taxitari, L. (2010), Η εκδίκηση των τόνων ή επιστημονικές ατονίες (in Greek), *Glossologia*, 18, pp. 57-67.

Taxitari, L. (2007), *Ο Αστερίκκος στους Ολυμπιακούς Αγώνες*, Mamouth Comix, Athens – Official Translator of the Volume *Asterix aux Jeux Olympiques* in Cypriot Greek.

Taxitari, L. (2004), The case of past tense (in Modern Greek): Linguistic evidence for single-route models of mental processing (in Greek), *Proceedings of the first Greek Conference of Cognitive Science*.