CURRICULUM VITAE
Yoana Vergilova

EDUCATION

Sep 2018 –	**Post-doctoral researcher, Psychology.** Psychology department, Saarland University, Germany SFB/CRC "Information density and linguistic encoding" Project A5: The role of language experience and visual context in surprisal
Sep 2013 –	**PhD Student, Psycholinguistics.** Department of Language Science and Technology Saarland University, Saarbrücken, Germany Research Topic: Hemispheric Differences in Sentence Prediction
Sep – Nov 2015	**Visiting researcher** in Prof. Marta Kutas Lab Cognitive Science Department, UC San Diego, USA
Feb 2011 – Jul 2012	**MSc in Cognitive Science** New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria Thesis: "Combining Spatial and Motor Affordance Effects with the Divided Visual Field Paradigm"
Oct 2008 – Jul 2011	**BA in Psychology** New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria Thesis: "Dragons in the Mist: Does Concreteness Influence Grammatical Gender Agreement in Bulgarian"
Oct 2007 – Oct 2008	Sofia University "Kliment Ohridski", Sofia, Bulgaria 2 semesters in **English Studies**
Sep 2002 – May 2007	**II English Language High School** "Thomas Jefferson", Sofia, Bulgaria

TEACHING

Apr – Jul 2017	Seminar: Hemispheric differences in language processing

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Oct 2012 **–** Feb 2013	**International Adoptions Psychologist** at "Family" National Association, Sofia
Nov 2011 **–** May 2012	**Project Manager/Speech Data Analyst**, Google Speech Data Operations, Sofia (fulltime, parallel to MSc program)
Jan – Aug 2010	**Research Assistant** in the Experimental Psychology Lab, New Bulgarian University, Sofia, Bulgaria

REWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Sep 2013 – Sep 2016	Marie Skłodowska-Curie ITN PhD Fellowship: "LanPercept" project, Saarland University
Sep – Nov 2015	DAAD and GradUS Global travel grant for research visit in UCSD, USA
Aug – Dec 2010	CEEPUS Scholarship for Budapest Semester in Cognitive Science
Aug 2005 – Aug 2006	ASSIST Scholarship, Junior Exchange Year, Cate School, CA, USA

RESEARCH INTERESTS   Hemispheric differences in language, action and perception; sentence predictability; grounded cognition; grammatical gender processing

LANGUAGES   Bulgarian native
English fluent
German proficient
Russian proficient

COMPUTER SKILLS   BrainVision Analyser/Recorder, E-prime, R, MatLab, SPSS, Statistica, MS Office

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

Vergilova, Y., Sikos, L., Crocker, M. (2018) The lateralization of expectations: Evidence from a divided visual field ERP study. Oral presentation at the 24th International Architectures and Mechanisms of Language Processing Conference, Berlin, Germany.

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Crocker, M. (2017) ERP time-course of (pseudo)word form activation and integration. Poster at the 30th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Boston, MA, USA.

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Crocker, M. (2016) Context predictability and frequency effects in the cerebral hemispheres. Oral presentation at the Language and Perception Conference, Trondheim, Norway.

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Crocker, M. (2015) Dynamic interactions between frequency and predictability in sentential context. Poster at the Society for Neurobiology of Language Meeting, Chicago, IL, USA.

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Crocker, M. (2015) Early dependency of frequency on context predictability. Oral presentation at the 28th Annual CUNY Conference on Human Sentence Processing, Los Angeles, USA.

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Crocker, M. (2014) Hemispheric sensitivity to frequency and predictability: Evidence from early and late ERPs. Poster at 20th International Conference in Architectures and Mechanisms of Language Processing, Edinburgh, UK.

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Crocker, M. (2014) ERP indices of word frequency and predictabilty in the left and right hemispheres. Poster at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Neurobiology of Language, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

Vergilova, Y., Drenhaus, H., Sikos, L., Crocker, M. (in prep) Crossing predictability and frequency elicits hemispheric differences during incremental sentence processing.

Vergilova, Y., & Janyan, A. (2012). Combining motor and spatial affordance effects with the divided visual field paradigm. Cognitive Processing, 13(1), 355-358

Janyan, A., & Vergilova, Y. (2011). Biological sex context influences grammatical gender categorization of objects. In B. Kokinov, A. Karmiloff-Smith, N.J. Nersessian (Eds.), *European Perspectives on Cognitive Science.* Sofia: New Bulgarian University Press.