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## Research interests

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theoretical linguistics, Caucasian, Slavic, Russian Sign Language, negation, disjunction, cognitive science

## Education

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### 2010–2015

PhD in Linguistics, Centre for Language and Cognition Groningen, The University of Groningen, Groningen, The Netherlands  
Thesis: *Dependency and discourse-configurationality: A study of Avar*  
Committee: [Prof. Jack Hoeksema](#), [Prof. Jan-Wouter Zwart](#), [Prof. Enoch Aboh](#), [Prof. Maria Polinsky](#), [Prof. Jan Koster](#)

### 2002–2007

Specialist (roughly MA equivalent) with distinction in linguistics and translation  
Chelyabinsk State University, Chelyabinsk, Russian Federation  
Thesis: *Концепт «свобода» в англо- и арабоязычной картинах мира* [Linguistic conceptualisation of freedom in English and Arabic]

## Academic appointments

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### 2017–present

Post-doctoral fellow, National Research University Higher School of Economics, Moscow

### 2017

Lecturer, The Presidential Academy, Moscow

### 2015–2016

Teaching fellow in general linguistics and English language, University of Groningen

### 2015–2016

Guest lecturer in English linguistics, Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg, Oldenburg

### 2010–2015

PhD candidate, Centre for Language and Cognition Groningen, University of Groningen

### 2007–2010

Teaching fellow, The Russian State University for the Humanities, Moscow

# Publications

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## Books

### 2015

*Dependency and discourse-configurationality: A study of Avar.* University of Groningen Ph.D. thesis (Groningen Dissertations in Linguistics 129). ISBN: 978-90-367-7747-6

## Papers in preparation and undergoing revision

### in revision

Disjunct size, positive polarity, and the scope of disjunction in Russian: A commentary on Nicolae 2017.

### in preparation

Early spellout, split ergativity and adposition agreement in Avar.

(with A. Kuznetsova) Linearization constraints on negation in Russian Sign Language are prosodic. To be submitted to *Sign Language Studies* (Q2).

(with G. Moroz) Automatic detection of natural phonological classes in spoken and signed languages.

(with A. Volkova) The syntax of differential argument marking in Meadow Mari participial relative clauses.

## Journal articles

### under review

Against reducing anaphoric binding to agreement: Evidence from Avar. Submitted to *Glossa: a journal of general linguistics*.

Against Upwards Agree. Submitted to *The Linguistic Review*. [Scimago JR: Q1]

(with A. Volkova) Case marking in Russian eventive nominalizations revisited. Submitted to *Russian Linguistics*. [Scimago JR: Q2]

(with F. Baykov) Not all obligatory control is movement. Submitted to *The Journal of Linguistics*. [Scimago JR: Q1]

### 2019

Agreeing adpositions in Avar and the directionality of valuation debate. *Linguistic Inquiry* Just Accepted. doi: [10.1162/ling\\_a\\_00360](https://doi.org/10.1162/ling_a_00360). [Scimago JR: Q1]

### 2017

Minimal pronouns, logophoricity and long-distance reflexivisation in Avar. *Studia Linguistica* 71(1): 154–177. doi: [10.1111/stul.12066](https://doi.org/10.1111/stul.12066) [view preprint] [Scimago JR: Q1]

### 2015

Events, locations and situations: On the interaction of negation and finiteness in Avar. *Linguistics in the Netherlands* 32: 142–154. John Benjamins Publishing Company. doi: [10.1075/avt.32.11rud](https://doi.org/10.1075/avt.32.11rud) [Scimago JR: Q3]

## 2011

Why Turkish *kendisi* is a pronominal. *Ural Altaic Studies*. 4(1): 76–92. [Scimago JR: Q2]

Рефлексивы в дагестанских языках и природа анафорических отношений [Reflexives in Daghestanian languages and the nature of anaphoric relations]. *Acta Linguistica Petropolitana*. Transactions of the Institute for Linguistic Studies VII(3): 184–188. [RSCI WoS]

## Working papers

### 2018

(with George Moroz and Antonina Plaskovitskaya) Automatic detection of natural phonological classes in Russian Sign Language. *Higher School of Economics Research Paper No. WP BRP 74/LNG/2018*. Working Papers of the Basic Research Programme. National Research University Higher School of Economics.

## Chapters in edited volumes

### 2015

*Kendisi* revisited. In Peter Arkadiev, Ivan Kapitonov, Yury Lander, Ekaterina Rakhilina & Sergei Tatevosov (eds.), *Donum semanticum: Opera linguistica et logica in honorem Barbarae Partee a discipulis amicisque Rossicis oblata*, 263–271. Moscow: LRC Publishing. ISBN: 978-5-94457-222-6

## Review articles

### 2010

Glyn Hicks. 2009. *The Derivation of Anaphoric Relations* by Glyn Hicks (John Benjamins, Amsterdam. 2009). *Oslo Studies in Language* 2(3): 651–661 (ISSN 1890-9639)

## Manuscripts that have attracted peer attention

### 2011

(with Vadim Kimmelman) Breaking the coreference rule: Reflexivity in Russian Sign Language. Ms., University of Amsterdam and University of Groningen.

## Grants

### 2018–2021

Russian Science Foundation Youth Research Group *When the verb isn't a verb: Non-finite constructions in the languages of Russia*, ₹15,000,000 (ca. €207,000). PI: Natalia Zevakhina

### 2018

(with Natalia Slioussar) Higher School of Economics Research and Study Group project: *Modality effects in the syntax of Russian Sign Language*, ₹1,400,000 (ca. €20,000)

## Academic presentations

### upcoming

(with Anna Volkova) *Case marking in Russian eventive nominalizations revisited*. HSE School of Linguistics Academic Seminar.

## 2019

*Dynamic locality, split ergativity and adposition agreement in Avar.* The 35th Annual Meeting of the Israel Association for Theoretical Linguistics (IATL35). The Open University of Israel.

*Optional spellout and split ergativity in Avar.* HSE School of Linguistics Academic Seminar.

*Against the DP hypothesis: Evidence from Russian.* HSE Formal Linguistics Lab.

*Dynamic locality, split ergativity and adposition agreement in Avar.* LAGB 2019. Queen Mary University of London.

*'External' agreement in Avar and theories of Agree.* Societas Linguistica Europæa — 52nd Annual Meeting. Universität Leipzig. [cancelled]

*Dynamic phases, split ergativity and adposition agreement in Avar.* CamCoS 8. University of Cambridge.

*Towards an exhaustification analysis of plain disjunction in Russian.* Formal Approaches to Russian Linguistics 3. Lomonosov Moscow State University.

*Against Upwards Agree: A view from Dagestan.* FormLingLab Seminar. HSE.

*Features in minimalist syntax.* FormLingLab Seminar. HSE.

## 2018

*Agreeing adpositions in Avar and theories of Agree.* School of Linguistics.

*East Caucasian coördination.* Andic Seminar. Institute of Linguistics of the Russian Academy of Sciences and HSE.

*Minimalism: Linguistic theory and considerations of simplicity.* HSE Saint Petersburg.

*Plain disjunction markers in Russian and positive polarity.* Societas Linguistica Europæa – 51st Annual Meeting. Tallinna Ülikool.

*Agreeing adpositions in Avar and theories of Agree.* Groningen Syntax Seminar. University of Groningen.

*Morphosyntactic duality of Avar negation.* Surrey Morphology Group, University of Surrey.

## 2017

*The nature of restrictions on the expression of negation in Avar.* Andic seminar. Institute of Linguistics of the Russian Academy of Sciences. Moscow.

*Disjunct size, positive polarity and the scope of disjunction in Russian.* The 33rd annual meeting of the Israel Association for Theoretical Linguistics (IATL33). Tel Aviv University.

*Paths to positive polarity: The case of two plain PPI-disjunctions in Russian.* Formal Approaches to Russian Linguistics 2017. Lomonosov Moscow State University and The Moscow State University for Education.

**2016**

*The syntactic side of positive polarity: PPI-disjunctions in Russian.* Comparative Syntax Meetings. Universiteit Leiden.

*Particles, disjunction and inquisitiveness in Avar.* TABU Dag 37. Rijksuniversiteit Groningen.

*Core and peripheral disjunction strategies and sentential negation in Russian.* De Grote Taaldag 2016. The Dutch Association for General Linguistics.

**2015**

*The interaction of negation and disjunction in Russian.* Syntax Interface Lectures. Universiteit Utrecht.

*Dependency and discourse-configurationality: A study of Avar negation.* That depends...: A workshop on the occasion of my doctoral defence. Rijksuniversiteit Groningen.

*Locations and situations: On the interaction of negation and finiteness in Avar.* TiN-Dag (Linguistics in the Netherlands). Utrecht.

**2013**

*Towards a non-cartographic approach to Avar focus movement.* New Approaches to the Syntax/Semantics Interface. Georg-August-Universität Göttingen.

**2012**

*Matrix constituent interrogatives in Avar.* Typology, Theory: Caucasus. Boğaziçi Üniversitesi & IFEA, Istanbul.

**2011**

*Syntax and semantics of constituent interrogatives in Standard Avar: a base-generation approach.* 8th Workshop on Syntax & Semantics. CNRS, Paris.

*Wh-fronting is not (necessarily) wh-movement.* Workshop of the Irish Network in Formal Linguistics. Dublin City University.

*Long-distance anaphora in Avar: why it can't be empathy all alone.* The World of Reflexives. Utrecht University.

(with Vadim Kimmelman) *Russian Sign Language Pronouns, Indexicality and the Signing Space.* The World of Reflexives. Utrecht University.

## 2010

*Quantification, Possession and the DP/NP Debate*. The Leiden Syntax Lab.

(with Vadim Kimmelman) *Breaking the Coreference Rule*. Peculiar Binding Configurations. University of Stuttgart.

*Эмпатия, логофоричность и семантика дистантной рефлексивизации* [Empathy, logophoricity and the semantics of long-distance reflexivisation]. The XVII International student, postgraduate and young scientist conference 'Lomonosov'. Moscow State University.

*Semantics and syntax of Turkish* kendisi. The 5th Moscow Student Conference in Linguistics. Independent University of Moscow.

*Long-distance anaphora in Avar*. The 5th Newcastle Postgraduate Conference in Linguistics. Newcastle University.

## 2009

*Рефлексивы в дагестанских языках и природа анафорических отношений* [Reflexives in Daghestanian languages and the nature of anaphoric relations]. The 6th Conference in Typology and Grammar for Young Scholars. Institute for Linguistic Studies. St Petersburg.

## 2008

*Синтаксис и семантика разрывных составляющих* [Syntax and semantics of split constituents]. Formal Seminar Series. Russian State Humanities University.

## Teaching

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### HSE

Formal representation of natural language [graduate]

Formal models in Linguistics [graduate]

Theory in Language Description [graduate]

Academic skills [post-graduate]]

### University of Groningen

The Language Situation in the Low Countries [undergraduate]

Academic English [undergraduate]

Syntax I. [undergraduate, lectures and seminars; in Dutch]

Preparing a Poster Presentation [undergraduate]

Syntax & Semantics: Capita Selecta. A-bar dependencies. [undergraduate]

### Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg

Introduction to Linguistics and the English Language [undergraduate]

## Russian State University for the Humanities

English as a Second Language [undergraduate]

Translation Theory and Practice [undergraduate]

Academic English for PhD students [graduate]

Theories of Grammar

Responsible for 2-hour weekly seminars in syntax for senior undergraduate students

## Student supervision

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### 2019–2020

Ivan Netkachev. *The syntax of the Indonesian noun phrase*. BA honours thesis.

Fyodor Baykov. BA honours thesis, topic t.b.d.

### 2018–2019

Anna Kuznetsova. *The syntax of coordination in Russian Sign Language*. HSE Qualifying paper

Fedor Baykov. *Oblique control in Russian*. HSE Qualifying paper.

### 2017–2018

Antonina Plaskovitskaya. *Basics of Russian Sign Language phonology*. Generals/term paper.

Lena Pasalskaya. *Syntax of non-manual negation in Russian Sign Language* (with Vadim Kimmelman). Undergraduate Honours thesis.

## Other professional service

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### Reviewing

*Linguistic Inquiry* (2018–present)

*Glossa* (2019)

*The Linguistic Review* (2015–present)

*Studies in Linguistics and Philosophy* (Springer, 2015)

*Lingua* (2011–2013)

### Conference organisation

(with K. Shagal, Helsinki, and Anna Volkova, HSE) *Multifunctionality and syncretism in non-finite forms*. Special panel at the 53rd Annual Meeting of the Societas Linguistica Europaea (Bucharest), August 2020.

CLCG colloquium 2011–2012 (Groningen)

CLCG LingLunch 2011–2012 (Groningen)

TaBu Dag 2011. University of Groningen, 17th–18th June 2011.

### Typesetting

Style sheet design and typesetting for *Donum semanticum: Opera linguistica et logica in honorem Barbarae Partee a discipulis amicisque Rossicis oblata*. Moscow: LRC Publishing.

## Translation work

Translation from English into Russian of Mark Baker's *Atoms of language* (chapters 4, 5, 6).  
Бейкер, М. *Атомы языка: Грамматика в темном поле сознания*. Пер. с англ. Издательство URSS. 2008. 272 с.

## Computer skills

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### Productivity applications

LaTeX, HTML/CSS

### Operating systems

GNU/Linux, macOS

## Language skills

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### Russian, English, Dutch, Ukrainian

Full working proficiency

### French, German

Intermediate, good structural knowledge

### Estonian, Italian, Portuguese

Good reading and structural knowledge

### Avar, Turkish, Tatar

Fieldwork, good structural knowledge

## Membership in professional organisations

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### 2018–present

Societas Linguistica Europaea (SLE)

### 2017–present

The Israel Association for Theoretical Linguistics

### 2015–2017

The Dutch Association for General Linguistics

## Referrals

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