

# Curriculum vitae



## Personal information

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## Education

Year	Faculty/department – University/institution – Country
2005	<i>Dr. Philos. in Linguistics</i> , Department of Linguistics, University of Tromsø (UiT), Norway
1985	<i>Cand. Philol. in English, German and Linguistics</i> , Tromsø, Bergen and Oslo, Norway
1984	<i>Master of Arts in Linguistics</i> , University of California San Diego, USA

## Positions – current and previous (selection)

Year	Job title – Employer
2024-	Director, Center for Language, Brain & Learning (C-LaBL), UiT The Arctic University of Norway
2020-2024	Director, AcqVA Aurora Center (Acquisition, Variation & Attrition: The Dynamic Nature of Languages in the Mind) – UiT The Arctic University of Norway
2015-	Professor II (20%) – NTNU Norwegian University of Science and Technology
2009-2012	Director, RCN Center of Excellence: <i>Center for Advanced Study in Theoretical Linguistics</i> (CASTL) – UiT The Arctic University of Norway
2009-	Professor of Linguistics – UiT The Arctic University of Norway

## Project management experience (selection)

Year	Project – Role – Funder
2024-2029	Center for Language, Brain & Learning (C-LaBL) – Center Director – Funding: Trond Mohn Foundation and UiT (NOK 72 million)
2020-2024	AcqVA Aurora Center (Acquisition, Variation & Attrition: The Dynamic Nature of Languages in the Mind) – Center Director – Funding: UiT (NOK 30 million)
2022-2024	ADIM (Across-domain Investigations in Multilingualism) – PI (with Magdalena Wrembel, Poznań) – Funding: EEA / Norway grants (EUR 1.2 million)
2023-2024	AcqCESS (Acquisition & attrition & Crosslinguistic Effects of Structural Similarity: Ukrainian

	meets Polish, German & Norwegian) – PI – Funding: Centre for Advanced Study, Oslo (NOK 150,000)
2019-2021	<i>MultiGender</i> – PI (with Terje Lohndal) – Funding: Centre for Advanced Study, Oslo (NOK 3.5 million)
2016-2020	MiMS <i>Micro-variation in Multilingual Situations</i> – PI – Funding: Research Council of Norway (NOK 9 million)
2015-	Joint NTNU/UiT research center AcqVA (Acquisition, Variation & Attrition) – Director – Funding: UiT & NTNU
2012-2014	Bilingual Immigrant Children (BIC) & Norwegian-Russian Children (NoRus) – PI – Funding: Tromsø Research Foundation (NOK 2 million)
2009-2012	Center for Advanced Study in Theoretical Linguistics (CASTL), a Norwegian Center of Excellence – Center Director and PI of Language Acquisition Group – Funding: Research Council of Norway (NOK 60 million, 2003-2012)

## Fellowships and awards

Year	Description
2021-23	Michael Sharwood Smith Award for best article published in <i>Second Language Research</i>
2019	Outstanding Researcher Award, UiT The Arctic University of Norway (NOK 100,000)
2016	Outstanding Research Award, Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education, UiT
1990/91	Fulbright fellowship, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

## Supervision of students

MA	PhD	University/institution – Country
45+	13	UiT & NTNU – Norway (11), Potsdam Research Centre for Multilingualism (1) and Universität Konstanz (1) – Germany

## Research communication / Outreach

Year	Description
2011-	<i>Flere språk til flere</i> (information service on multilingualism), Norwegian branch of international network <i>Bilingualism Matters</i> – Director 2011-2014, currently participating member
2005-	6 popular science articles, 19 media contributions

## Other relevant professional experience (selection)

Year	Description
2021-2024	Member of Advisory Committee, National Heritage Language Resource Center, UCLA
2011-2017	Member of Executive Committee <i>International Association for the Study of Child Language</i>
2016-	The Royal Norwegian Society of Science and Letters – Member since 2019 The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters – Member since 2016 Academia Borealis, Academy of Science and Letters North Norway – Member since 2016

2017-	Supervisor for 8 MSCA Marie Skłodowska Curie fellowships (funded by European Commission)
2012-	Assessor for numerous funding organizations and academies (selection): Dutch Research Council, <i>Riksbankens Jubileumsfond</i> , <i>Kungliga Vetternhetsakademien</i> , British Academy, Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study (NIAS), Nansen Research Excellence Award
2012-17, 2018-24	Member of Program Committee (representative of the Research Council of Norway) of Czech-Norwegian Research Program, EEA & Norway grants (EUR 13 and 35 million respectively), deputy leader since 2019
2016-2018	Board member of review panel for Linguistics, Swedish Research Council ( <i>Vetenskapsrådet</i> )
2007-2014	Board member Tromsø Research Foundation
2010-present	Associate editor/Member of editorial boards of the following journals (selection): <i>Bilingualism: Language and Cognition</i> 2022-, <i>Journal of Child Language</i> 2021-, <i>Journal of Comparative Germanic Linguistics</i> 2016-, <i>Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism</i> 2015-, <i>Studies in Bilingualism</i> 2015-, <i>Norsk Lingvistisk Tidsskrift</i> 2011-, <i>Nordic Journal of Linguistics</i>
2000-present	Reviewer for the following journals (selection): <i>Language</i> , <i>Language Acquisition</i> , <i>Linguistic Inquiry</i> , <i>Journal of Child Language</i> , <i>Natural Language and Linguistic Theory</i> , <i>Bilingualism: Language and Cognition</i> , <i>Nordic Journal of Linguistics</i> , <i>International Journal of Bilingualism</i> , <i>Language Learning</i> , <i>Heliyon</i> , <i>Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism</i> , <i>Journal of Language Contact</i> , <i>Heritage Language Journal</i> , <i>Mind &amp; Language</i> , <i>The Journal of the European Second Language Association</i> , <i>Second Language Research</i> , <i>Glossa</i> , <i>Frontiers in Psychology</i>
1995-present	Member / Opponent of PhD and Habilitation committees, search and promotion committees at a number of universities, including UiT, NTNU, University of Oslo, Lund, Aarhus, Universität Oldenburg, Universities of Siena, Ulster, Leeds, York
2013-2024	Collaborator on national/international research projects (selection) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>CLIMA Crosslinguistic Influence in Multilingual Acquisition</i>. Funding: RCN (NOK 12 mill), PI Anne Dahl, NTNU</li> <li>• <i>HeLPiNG Heritage-bilingual Linguistic Proficiency in the Native Grammar</i>. Funding: Trond Mohn Foundation (NOK 23 mill), PI Jason Rothman, UiT</li> <li>• <i>CLIMAD Cross-linguistic influence in multilingualism across domains, 2021–2023</i>. Funding: Polish National Science Centre (PLN 1.2 mill), PI Magdalena Wrembel, UAM Poznan</li> <li>• <i>GenVAC Grammatical Gender in Norwegian Dialects: Variation, Acquisition &amp; Change</i>, Funding: RCN (NOK 12 million), PI Terje Lohndal, NTNU</li> <li>• <i>From Signal to Grammar in Cree</i>. Funding: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, PI Julie Brittain, Memorial University, Newfoundland</li> <li>• <i>LAMBA Latvian Language in Mono- and Bilingual Acquisition</i>. Funding: European Economic Area / Norway grants, PI Dace Marcus, Riga</li> <li>• <i>LIA Language Infrastructure made Accessible</i>. Funding: RCN (NOK 28 mill), PI Janne B. Johannessen, Multilingualism in Society across the Lifespan, UiO</li> </ul>

### Talks / Conference presentations (selection)

Year	Description
Career	Presentations at international conferences: Approximately 20 per year
Last 10 years	Invited keynotes (selection) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Understanding Multilingual Learning and Processing</i>. Haifa, June 2025</li> <li>• <i>Psycholinguistics of Slavic Languages</i>. Wrocław, July 2024</li> <li>• <i>The Einar Haugen Annual Lecture</i>. Oslo, September 2023</li> <li>• <i>Comparing &amp; Combining Approaches to High-contact Varieties</i>. Haifa, May 2023</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Summer School on Child and Adult Multilingualism</i>. Wuppertal, September 2022</li> <li>• <i>GALANA 9 Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition</i>. Reykjavik, May 2021</li> <li>• <i>12th International Conference of Nordic and General Linguistics</i>. Oslo, June 2021</li> <li>• <i>Theoretical and Experimental Approaches to Gender (ThEGen)</i>. Berlin, June 2018</li> <li>• <i>Summer School in Historical Linguistics</i>. Göttingen, July 2017</li> <li>• <i>Multilingual Language Acquisition, Processing and Use</i>. Poznan, May 2017</li> <li>• <i>GASLA 14 Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition</i>. Southampton, April 2017</li> <li>• <i>Heritage Language Institute: From Bilingual Children to Adult Heritage Speakers</i>. Seattle, June 2016</li> <li>• <i>ICEHL 18 International Conference on English Historical Linguistics</i>. Leuven, 2014</li> </ul>
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## Publications

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Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approximately 100 journal articles, 30+ book chapters, 20+ conference proceedings, 2 monographs, 1 edited book, 6 edited special issues of journals</li> <li>• No. 7 among the most published women in Norway, 2019-2022: <a href="https://www.khrono.no/fa-kvinner-pa-publiseringstoppen-det-er-jo-ikke-helt-likestilling-i-dette-landet/799540">https://www.khrono.no/fa-kvinner-pa-publiseringstoppen-det-er-jo-ikke-helt-likestilling-i-dette-landet/799540</a></li> <li>• Citations (Google Scholar, August 2024): 4,126 citations, h-index 38, i10-index 75</li> <li>• Full list of publications, see <a href="https://site.uit.no/maritwestergaard/publications/">https://site.uit.no/maritwestergaard/publications/</a></li> </ul>
Last 10 years	<p><b>Ten selected publications</b></p> <p>Mitrofanova, N., E. Leivada &amp; <b>M. Westergaard</b>. 2023. Crosslinguistic influence in L3 acquisition: Evidence from artificial language learning. <i>Linguistic Approaches to Bilingualism</i>.</p> <p>Mitrofanova, N., Y. Rodina, O. Urek &amp; <b>M. Westergaard</b>. 2022. Sensitivity to microvariation in bilingual acquisition: morphophonological gender cues in Russian heritage language. <i>Applied Psycholinguistics</i>.</p> <p><b>Westergaard, M.</b> 2021. L3 acquisition and crosslinguistic influence as co-activation. <i>Second Language Research</i> 37(3): 501-518.</p> <p>Rodina, Y., T. Kupisch, N. Meir, N. Mitrofanova, O. Urek &amp; <b>M. Westergaard</b>. 2020. Internal and External Factors in Heritage Language Acquisition: Evidence from Heritage Russian in Israel, Germany, Norway, Latvia and the UK. <i>Frontiers in Education</i>.</p> <p>Leivada, E., <b>M. Westergaard</b>, J. A. Duñabeitia &amp; J. Rothman. 2020. On the phantom-like appearance of bilingualism effects on cognition. <i>Bilingualism: Language and Cognition</i>.</p> <p><b>Westergaard, M.</b> 2019. Microvariation in Multilingual Situations: The Importance of Property-by-Property Acquisition. Keynote article in <i>Second Language Research</i>.</p> <p>Lohndal, T., J. Rothman, T. Kupisch &amp; <b>M. Westergaard</b>. 2019. Heritage language acquisition: What it reveals and why it is important for linguistic theories. <i>Language and Linguistics Compass</i>.</p> <p><b>Westergaard, M.</b>, N. Mitrofanova, R. Mykhaylyk &amp; Y. Rodina. 2017. Crosslinguistic influence in the acquisition of a third language: The Linguistic Proximity Model. <i>International Journal of Bilingualism</i>.</p> <p>Rodina, Y. &amp; <b>M. Westergaard</b>. 2017. Grammatical gender in bilingual Norwegian-Russian acquisition: The role of input and transparency. <i>Bilingualism: Language and Cognition</i>.</p> <p>Lohndal, T. &amp; <b>M. Westergaard</b>. 2016. Grammatical Gender in American Norwegian Heritage Language: Stability or attrition? <i>Frontiers in Psychology</i> 7:344.</p>