

SKILLS

- infectious disease modelling:
 - dynamic transmission models (ordinary differential/difference/integro-differential equations)
 - parameter inference: MCMC and optimisation methods
 - global sensitivity analysis of large-scale models
- health economics:
 - cost effectiveness analysis for preventive biologics, using clinical trial (efficacy) data
- Programming languages (in order of proficiency): R, MATLAB, Python, C++, Julia
- Certificates in ML: [Machine Learning](#) | [Machine Learning with Python](#) | [Neural Networks and Deep Learning](#) | [Improving Deep Neural Networks](#)
- Languages: English (C2), French (C1), German (C1), Hungarian (native)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Imperial College London, MRC Centre for Global Infectious Disease Analysis

06/2023-

Research fellow

London, UK

Senior postdoc position in mathematical modelling of tuberculosis

- Dynamic modelling of TB burden in England in foreign-born ethnic groups (R)
- Demographic model of immigration + transmission model of latent TB in ethnic minorities

LSHTM (Uni London), Centre for Math. Modelling of Infectious Diseases

08/2020-06/2023

Postdoctoral research fellow

London, UK

Postdoc in infectious disease (ID) modelling using dynamic transmission models

- 100+ variable ODE-model of RSV resurgence (UK), time series fitting (R)
- integro-differential model of immunity waning for RSV seasonality (C++, R)
- cost-effectiveness analysis (CEA) of RSV vaccine and monoclonal antibodies in LMICs
- leading collaboration & authoring lead article of joint paper on CEA of RSV immunisation
- three 1st + two shared-1st author publications in 2 years
- projects available as reproducible code at GitHub account ([1](#), [2](#), [3](#))

Institut Curie, Computational Systems Biology of Cancer group (U900)

09/2016-07/2020

Postdoctoral research fellow

Paris, France

Postdoc on mathematical modelling of cell fate decisions at French national cancer institute.

- Using matrix methods, derived exact solution as alternative to previously used stochastic simulator of cell-fate decisions, $\approx 10\times$ speed-up for models of intermediate size
- 1st author paper in BMC Bioinformatics
- Exact solution implemented and [publicly available](#) as MATLAB toolbox

Universität Heidelberg & Max Planck Institute Marburg

04/2012-05/2016

PhD candidate

Heidelberg/Marburg, Germany

PhD on mathematical modelling of microbial cell signalling at [one of the leading](#) unis of Germany

- ODE and algebraic model (MATLAB) of cell signalling, shared 1st author paper (Nature Comms.)
- Monte Carlo simulations and analytical approximation (MATLAB) of 2D motility of bacterial cells, shared 1st author paper (PNAS)

Eotvos Lorand University, Dept. of Biological Physics

09/2010-02/2012

Research assistant & MSc student

Budapest, Hungary

MSc on agent-based stochastic model of cell signalling, 2 months of research at UCSF (US).

- Within top 5% of class during MSc work by grades
- Built a stochastic agent-based model of cell signalling to test experimental hypotheses
- Co-built online cell signalling dashboard [Signalink](#), shared 1st author publication

EDUCATION

Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg

Heidelberg, Germany

PhD in Mathematical Biology, Grade for [thesis](#) 1.0 (highest distinction),

2016

Eotvos Lorand University

Budapest, Hungary

Diploma (BSc+MSc) in Biology/Biochemistry, thesis work at Dept. of Biological Physics

2012

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Group publications omitted. See [Google Scholar profile](#) for all.

M Koltai, J Moyes et al, *Estimating the cost-effectiveness of maternal vaccination and monoclonal antibodies for respiratory syncytial virus in Kenya and South Africa*, BMC Medicine, <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12916-023-02806-w>, 2023

F Krauer, T E Fjelde, M Koltai et al, *Estimating RSV seasonality from pandemic disruptions: a modelling study*, medrxiv, <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.06.18.22276591>, 2022

D Hodgson, M Koltai et al, *Optimal Respiratory Syncytial Virus intervention programmes using Nirsevimab in England and Wales*, Vaccines, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.vaccine.2022.10.041>, 2022

M Koltai, F Krauer et al, *Determinants of RSV epidemiology following suppression through pandemic contact restrictions*, Epidemics, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.epidem.2022.100614>, 2022

M Koltai, A Warsame et al, *Date of introduction and epidemiologic patterns of SARS-CoV-2 in Mogadishu, Somalia: estimates from transmission modelling of satellite-based excess mortality data in 2020*, Wellcome Open Research, 6, 255, 2021

M Koltai, V Noel, A Zinovyev, L Calzone, E Barillot, *Exact solving and sensitivity analysis of stochastic continuous time Boolean models*, BMC Bioinformatics 21, 241 (2020)

A. Banderas*, M. Koltai*, A. Anders, V. Sourjik, *Sensory input attenuation allows predictive sexual response in yeast*, Nat Commun. 2016 Aug 25;7:12590

S. Bubendorfer*, M. Koltai*, F. Rossmann, V. Sourjik, K. M. Thormann, *Secondary bacterial flagellar system improves bacterial spreading by increasing the directional persistence of swimming*, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA. 2014 Aug 5;111(31):11485-90

D. Fazekas*, M. Koltai*, D. Türei* et al, *Signalink 2 - a signaling pathway resource with multi-layered regulatory networks*, BMC Syst Biol. 2013 Jan 18;7:7

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