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Employment History

Oct 2013 - Present University Lecturer (equiv. to Assistant professor)

PDN, University of Cambridge, UK.

Oct 2014 - Present Clare College Fellow

May 2013- Oct 2013 Research Assistant Scientist. (Independent post) MBL, USA.

Sept 2011- May 2012 Post-Doc, Hanlon Laboratory, MBL. USA.

Jan 2010 - August 2011 Post-Doc, Leonardo Laboratory. Janelia Farm R.C.

HHMI, VA. USA.

Academic History

2006-2009 PhD Neurophysiology. Dept. Biomedical Sciences. University of

Sheffield,

UK. (Thesis advisor - Dr Mikko Juusola).

2005-2006 BSc. Hons. School of Biological Sciences, Plymouth University, UK.

2000-2002 BSc. Marine Biology and Zoology, University of Queensland, Australia

Honors and Awards

2016-2018 Councillor of the Society of Neuroethology

2013 **Cozzarelli Prize** (Biological Sciences section) awarded by PNAS editorial board for the most important publication in Biological Sciences in PNAS in 2012.

2011 **Capranica Prize** Awarded by the International Society for Neuroethology in recognition of outstanding achievement or future promise in the field of neuroethology.

2009 **Young Scientist Award (1st Prize)** by the Society of Experimental Biology. Annual meeting for the Society of Experimental Biology, Glasgow.

2006 **Ph.D Scholarship.** University of Sheffield.

Publications in referred journal articles

- Wardill T.J., Fabian S.T., Pettigrew A., Nordström K. **Gonzalez-Bellido P.T**. A Novel interception strategy in a miniature robber fly with extreme visual acuity. *Curr Biol*. 27, 854-859.
- Wardill TJ, Knowles K, Barlow L, Tapia G, Nordström K, Olberg RM, Gonzalez-Bellido PT. The Killer Fly Hunger Games: Target Size and Speed Predict Decision to Pursuit. *Brain Behav Evol. Sep* 24;86(1):28-37.
- Peng H, Tang J, Xiao H, Bria A, Zhou J, Butler V, Zhou Z, **Gonzalez-Bellido PT**, Wook Oh S, Zeng H, Iannello G, Hawrylycz M, Myers E, and Long F. 3D Virtual Finger Boosts 3D Imaging and Microsurgery, Terabyte Volume Image Data Visualization and

- Wook Oh S, Zeng H, Iannello G, Hawrylycz M, Myers E, and Long F. 3D Virtual Finger Boosts 3D Imaging and Microsurgery, Terabyte Volume Image Data Visualization and Annotation, and Image Analysis. *Nat Commun 5; published online Epub07/11/online* (10.1038/ncomms5342)
- 2014 **Gonzalez-Bellido PT***, Wardill TJ*, Ulmer KM, Buresch KC, Hanlon RT. Expression of squid iridescence depends on environmental luminance and peripheral ganglion control. *J Exp Biol*. 217, 850-858.
- Yang J, **Gonzalez-Bellido PT,** Peng H. A distance-field based automatic neuron tracing method. *BMC Bioinformatics*. doi: 10.1186/1471-2105-14-93.
- Gonzalez-Bellido PT, Peng H, Yang J, Georgopoulos AP, Olberg RM. Eight pairs of descending visual neurons in the dragonfly give wing motor centers accurate population vector of prey direction. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA*. 110: 696-701.
- Wardill TJ*, **Gonzalez-Bellido PT***, Crook RJ, Hanlon RT. Neural control of tuneable skin iridescence in squid. *Proc R Soc B* 279: 4243-4252. ***Equal Contribution**.
- Gonzalez-Bellido PT, Wardill TJ (Cover). Labeling and confocal imaging of neurons in thick invertebrate tissue samples. *Cold Spring Harbor Protocols*: doi: 10.1101/pdb.prot069625.
- 2011 **Gonzalez-Bellido PT**, Wardill TJ, Juusola M. Compound eyes and retinal information processing in miniature dipteran species match their specific ecological demands. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 108: 4224-4229.
- Overexpressing temperature-sensitive dynamin decelerates phototransduction and bundles microtubules in *Drosophila*. *J*. Neuroscience 29: 14199-14210.

Publications in preparation

Gonzalez-Bellido* PT, Scaros*, , L, Hanlon RT, Wardill TJ. Hold that pose: neural control of the cuttlefish masquerade. *Under review*.

Fabian S, Wardill TJ, Cornwall HL, Stewart F, **Gonzalez-Bellido PT**. Proportional navigation guides the attack of killer flies and robber flies.

Supple J, Gonzalez-Bellido PT. A population of robber fly descending neurons encodes target tracking information with a novel algorithm.

Reviews and primers

- Gonzalez-Bellido PT, Fabian ST, Nordstrom K. Target detection in insects: optical, neural and behavioral optimizations. *Curr Opin in Neurobiol*. 41:122–128
- Nordstrom K and **Gonzalez-Bellido PT**. Invertebrate Vision: Peripheral Adaptation to Repeated Object Motion. *Current Biol*. 23:R655–R656

Funding

2016-218 Marie Curie Fellowship to Kate Feller. (£132k)

2016-2017 Air Force Office of Scientific Research "Insect Cornea Maps" (allocated as extension to FA9550-15-1-0188, £41K)

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2015-2018 Air Force Office of Scientific Research ".Neural basis of target tracking in insects: Impact of body size and flight strategy" (FA9550-15-1-0188, £607k)

2014 Royal Society International Exchange Scheme. Title: Reconstruction of prey capture by the dipteran H.fusca, a tiny dragonfly mimic (£3k).

2014 Physiological Society Research Grant. Title: Target Selective Descending Neuron analogues in the miniature predatory dipteran species *Coenosia*. (£10k)

2014 Joint Research Grant for new Lecturer. (Internal Grant from the University of Cambridge). Title: Intercepting a small moving target: Neural coding strategies in a tiny dipteran fly(£82k)

2014 Successful bid 2x High Speed Videocameras (Photron SA2) and associated accessories. School of Biological Sciences large Equipment Fund for shared use. (£120)

Extension to the Air Force Office of Scientific Research for support grant to investigate the 3D trajectories *of Coenosia attenuata* predatory flight. (FA9550-10-0472 to RMO. P.I. Prof. Robert Olberg).(£3.5k)

Invited Talks

| 2017 | SOAR Meeting, Oxford, UK. |
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| 2017 | University of Chicago, (OBA department, Chicago). |
| 2017 | Air Force Research Laboratories (Florida). |
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| 2017 | Neuroethology Gordon Conference (Switzerland). |
| 2016 | Exeter University, Centre for Research in Animal Behaviour (CRAB) |
| 2016 | Science Festival Lecture (Cambridge). "What can a tiny brain do?" |
| 2016 | 28th Cambridge Neuroscience Symposium. Invited Speaker |
| 2016 | CADB Institute Spain, Universidad Pablo de Olavide. |
| 2015 | "Moving the Senses: From Motion Sensing to Animals in Motion", Bielefeld, Germany. |
| 2015 | SOAR Meeting, Bristol, UK. |
| 2015 | Newcastle University, Centre for Neuroecology, UK. |
| 2014 | Physics of Living Matter Symposium, Cambridge UK. |
| 2014 | Karger Workshop in Evolutionary Neuroscience, Washington DC, USA. |
| 2014 | 8th International Congress of Dipterology. Potsdam, Germany. |
| 2013 | 3 rd International Conference on Invertebrate Vision, Sweden. |
| 2013 | Rank Prize Funds Symposium. "Computational basis of early vision", Cumbria, |
| UK. | |
| 2012 | Japanese Electrophysiology and Biochemistry Society Annual Meeting. Hayama, |
| Japan. | |
| 2012 | Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Department, Brown University, MA, USA. |
| 2011 | NESM (New England Society for Microscopy). Northboro, MA, USA. |
| 2011 | WHOI Bio Seminar. Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, MA, |
| USA. | |
| 2011 | East Nerve Net Conference. Woods Hole, Marine Biological Laboratory, MA, USA. |

Supervisory role for

| 2016 onwards | Marie Curie Fellow (1) |
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| 2015 onwards | PhD student (3) |
| 2015 onwards | Laboratory Technician (1) |
| 2014 - 2016 | Undergraduate Projects (5 students) |

Teaching

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| 2016-2017 | Neuroethology course (3 Lectures on extreme adaptation for 3 rd year students) |
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| 2016-2017 | Neural systems and Behavior (Workshop for Master students) |
| 2015-2017 | Motor Control Module (4 Lectures on invertebrate systems for 3 rd year |
| students) | |
| 2014-2017 | Neurobiolology 1B (3 Lectures on Sensorimotor conversion for 2 nd year |
| students) | |
| 2014-2017 | Practical Class demonstrator (Action potentials, eye structure, eye |
| movements | |
| 2014-2016 | Undergraduate Project Supervision (5 students) |
| 2012-2013 | Summer intern supervision, Marine Biological Laboratory, MA, USA. |
| 2012 | Speaker "Research Experience for Undergraduates" (REU prog. funded by NSF). |
| 2011-2013 | Union College and Siena College Presentation for 1 st year students. NY, USA. |
| 2011 | Confocal Microscopy Techniques demonstration. |
| 2007 | Demonstrator on EMBO Practical Course, University of Sheffield, UK. |
| 2002 | Invertebrate Biology Teaching Assistant, University of Queensland. Australia. |
| 2002 | Statistics Teaching Assistant, University of Queensland. Australia. |

Service to Profession

Teaching

- "Research in biological sciences" presentation for High School students visiting Clare College
- Symposium organizer and co-chair "Neuronal mechanisms underlying target detection" symposium. International society of Neuroethology Congress. (2016)
- Organizing committee member for 2016 Neuroethology Symposium Cambridge (Monthly installment of talks through the year)
- Vice Chairman for the Neuroethology Gordon Research Seminar, Vermont, US (2013).
 Organizing Committee for East Coast Nerve Net, University of Massachusetts, US (2012) and the Young Physiologist Symposium, Sheffield, UK (2009).
- Reviewer for BBSRC Grants and AFOSR
- Reviewer for the Journal of Comparative Physiology A., the Journal of Experimental Biology, Current Biology, Frontiers in Neural Circuits, Royal Society letters.
- Reviewer for Konishi awards, Society of Neuroethology Young Scientist award and Gordon conference poster awards
- Career planning and presentation skills workshop. The Graduate University for Advanced Studies, Sokendai, Japan. (2012).
- Representative Faculty member in the Departmental Postdoctoral Committee.
- Departmental: member of the postdoctoral and wellbeing committees.

Media Exposure, impact and outreach (selection)

| March | 2017 | Robber fly manuscript covered in news by NYTimes, Scientific | | | |
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| American, BBC | | | | | |
| Science, BBC Radio4, Reuters agency | | | | | |
| Jan | 2016 | Article for Physiology News Magazine. | | | |
| Jan | 2016. | Research featured in "Horizons" Cambridge Magazine "think small" | | | |
| Oct | 2015 | Daily Planet (Canada) TV Show feature killer fly video o "discoveries". | | | |
| Sept. | 2015 | BBC Science Section "How tiny killer flies pounce on prey". | | | |
| August | 2015 | Outreach activity: "a day of fieldwork" for visiting summer camp | | | |
| students. | | | | | |
| March | 2014 | Nature highlight "How squid control their shine" on JEB squid | | | |
| manuscript. | | | | | |
| March | 2014 | JEB insider primer on 2014 JEB squid manuscript. | | | |
| January | 2013 | Explanation of our dragonfly PNAS manuscript in Scientific | | | |

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| January | 2013 | Explanation of our dragonfly PNAS manuscript in Scientific | | | |
| American | 1. | | | | |
| April | 2013 | Mention our dragonfly PNAS manuscript in the New York | | | |
| Times | | | | | |
| Sept. | 2012 | Electrophysiology demonstration for Brockton High School students, | | | |
| MBL. | | | | | |
| August | 2012 | Science Friday interview for NPR radio, Spanish Podcast. | | | |
| | "Los secretos de la iridiscencia submarina del calamar" (the secrets of the squid | | | | |
| | underwater iridescence) | | | | |
| August | 2012 | "Insane chromatophore" outreach video. 2 million views on You | | | |
| Tube | | | | | |
| August | 2012 | News articles regarding squid iridescence for LiveScience.com, New | | | |
| | Scientist, | | | | |
| | N | National Geographic News, Science Daily. | | | |

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