

# Christoph Ortner – Short CV

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## Appointments & Education

since 2020 Professor, University of British Columbia  
2014–2022 Professor, Warwick Mathematics Institute  
2011–2014 Associate Professor (Reader), Warwick Mathematics Institute  
2007–2011 RCUK Academic Fellow, Mathematical Institute, Oxford (permanent)  
2007–2011 College Lecturer and Research Fellow of Merton College, Oxford  
2006–2009 Post-doctoral Research Assistant, Mathematical Institute, Oxford  
2003–2006 D.Phil. in Numerical Analysis, Oxford; Supervisor: Endre Süli  
2002–2003 M.Sc. in Math. Model. & Sc. Comp., Oxford; Supervisor: Andy Wathen  
1999–2002 Mathematics in Computer Science, Vienna University of Technology

## Research Interests / Areas of Specialisation

Numerical and Applied Analysis, Molecular and multiscale modelling and simulation

## Selected Awards and Fellowships

2017 John Todd Award, Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach  
2017-2018 Ordway Visiting Professor, University of Minnesota  
2015 Whitehead Prize, London Mathematical Society  
2012–2014 Philip Leverhulme Prize, The Leverhulme Trust  
2006–2007 Worcester College Junior Research Fellowship

## Major Research Funding

2021–2026 NSERC Discovery Grant, C\$ 240k  
2018–2022 EPSRC, *Boundary Conditions for Atomistic Simulation of Material Defects*, £537k  
2018–2021 Leverhulme, *The Nature of Interatomic Forces in Metals*, £385k  
2014–2018 ERC, *Multiscale simulation of crystal defects*, ≈ 1.2M  
2012–2014 EPSRC, *Preconditioners for large-scale atomistic simulations*, £514k  
2010–2013 EPSRC, *Analysis of Atomistic-to-Continuum Coupling Methods*, £358

## Postdocs & PhD Students

Matthias Sachs (2020–2021; faculty at Birmingham), Liwei Zhang (2020–), Genevieve Dusson (2017–2020), Julian Braun (2016–2021; faculty at Heriot Watt), Letif Mones (2015–2018), Hong Manh Duong (2014–2017; faculty at Birmingham), Huajie Chen (2014–2016, faculty at Peking Normal), David Packwood (2012–2015), Lei Zhang (2010–2012, faculty at Jiaotong University); Jack Thomas (2018–2021), Stela Makri (2016–2019), Maciej Buze (2016–2019), Simon Etter (2015–2019), Faizan Nazar (2013–2016), Huan Wu (2013–2017), Simon Bignold (2012–2016), Thomas Hudson (2010–2014; Zeeman lecturer at Warwick), Hao Wang (2008–2013; faculty at Sichuan University), Bernhard Langwallner (2007–2011), Siobhan Burke (2006–2010)

## Representative Publications

<http://www.math.ubc.ca/~ortner/publications>

- [1] *Physics-inspired structural representations for molecules and materials*, with F. Musil, A. Grisafi, A. P. Bartók, G. Csányi, and M. Ceriotti, Chem. Rev. 121, 2021.
- [2] *Performant implementation of the atomic cluster expansion (pace): Application to copper and silicon*, with Y. Lysogorskiy, C. van der Oord, A. Bochkarev, S. Menon, M. Rinaldi, T. Hammerschmidt, M. Mrovec, A. Thompson, G. Csányi, and R. Drautz, NPJ Computational Materials 7, 2021.
- [3] *On the completeness of atomic structure representations*, with S. N. Pozdnyakov, M. J. Willatt, A. P. Bartók, G. Csányi, and M. Ceriotti Phys. Rev. Lett., 125:166001, 2020
- [4] *Atomic cluster expansion: Completeness, efficiency and stability*, with M. Bachmayr, G. Csanyi, G. Dusson, R. Drautz, S. Etter, C. van der Oord, arXiv:1911.03550
- [5] *QM/MM methods for crystalline defects. Part 2: Consistent energy and force-mixing*, with H. Chen, Multiscale Model. Simul. 15, 2021
- [6] *Analysis of blended atomistic/continuum hybrid methods*, with X. H. Li, A. Shapeev, and B. Van Koten, Numer. Math. 134, 2016
- [7] *An efficient dimer method with preconditioning and linesearch*, with N. Gould and D. Packwood, Math. Comp. 85, 2016
- [8] *Analysis of Boundary Conditions for Crystal Defect Atomistic Simulations*, with V. Ehrlicher and A. V. Shapeev, Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. 222, 2016
- [9] *Calculations of crystalline material: from the continuum to the atomistic*, with M. Luskin, Acta Numerica 2013
- [10] *The role of the patch test in 2D atomistic-to-continuum coupling methods*, M2AN 46, 2012
- [11] *Nonconforming FE discretization for convex variational problems*, IMA J. Numer. Anal. 31, 2011