CURRICULUM VITAE

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1. PERSONAL

Place and Date of birth: Lucca (Italy), December 5, 1990

Nationality: Italian

<u>Languages</u>: Italian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Dutch (intermediate – B1/B2)

Education

Ph.D., Physics, University of Pisa, full marks with honors	2014-2018
Dissertation: <i>Elasticity and scalings in amorphous solids and thin polymer films</i>	

Advisor: Prof. Dino Leporini

M.A., Theoretical Physics, University of Pisa, full marks with honors 2012-2014

Thesis: A theoretical investigation of the fundamental properties of the

minimalist models for proteins Advisor: Dr. Valentina Tozzini

B.A, Physics, University of Pisa, full marks with honors

2009-2012

Academic Employment

Assistant Professor (tenure track), University of Groningen	Oct 2021-present
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Postdoctoral Researcher, Northwestern University 2019-2021

Group Leader: Prof. Sinan Keten

Postdoctoral Researcher, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) 2018-2019

Group Leader: Dr. Jack F. Douglas (NIST Fellow)

Awards and honors

•	NWO XS research grant (2022), funded postdoc position	2022
•	University of Groningen FSE research grant, funded PhD position	2022
•	"Best Pitch Award", Proposal Pitch Competition, Northwestern University.	2020
•	PhD full scholarship, University of Pisa.	2014
•	"Master Degree Award", University of Pisa for full marks with honors.	2014

Membership of professional societies

• Member of the American Physical Society (APS), DPOLY division.

2. TEACHING & MENTORING

Teaching

•	Course coordinator for Biomechanics (BSc), University of Groningen	2022-present
•	Lecturer for Physics for Modern Technology (BSc), University of Groningen	2022-present
•	Guest Lecturer for Designer Materials (MSc), University of Wageningen	2022-2023
•	Teaching assistant Computational Material Design (MSc), Northwestern University	2020-2021
•	Teaching Assistant for Physics 1 (BSc), University of Pisa	2014-2017

Master and bachelor theses (co-)supervised

•	Ilija Gjerapic, Applied Physics - BSc research project	2023
•	Ties Leenstra, Applied Physics - BSc research project	2023
•	Tushar Singh, Biomedical Engineering - BSc research project	2023
•	Ian Soede, Applied Physics - BSc research project	2022
•	Iljia Gjerapic, Applied Physics – BSc Honors College research project	2022
•	Madeline Durmowicz, Mechanical Engineering – BSc summer internship	2020
•	Eleanor Colligan, Mechanical Engineering – BSc summer internship	2020
•	Daniel Oh, Mechanical Engineering – BSc summer internship	2020
•	Matteo Becchi, Physics – MSc research project	2018
•	Nicola Calonaci, Physics – MSc research project	2017

3. RESEARCH ACTIVITY

RESEARCH TOPIC

Multiscale modeling of functional supramolecular materials. Molecular dynamics of polymer composites, glass forming systems, self-assembly, and material design.

PhD theses (co-)supervised

•	Yang Wang, conjugated polymers. <u>Funding</u> : CSC scholarship	2022-present
•	Nayan Vengallur, polyelectrolyte-based materials. Funding: Faculty grant	2022-present
•	Utku Gurel, branched polymers composites. Funding: Start-up grant	2021-present

Postoctoral researchers

• Jose Ruiz Lopez, self-healing in glasses. <u>Funding</u>: NWO XS grant **2022-present**

PUBLICATIONS

Google scholar link: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=WXfWAbkAAAAJ&hl=en

- 1. S. Pal, K. Dansuk, A. Giuntoli, T. W. Sirk, S. Keten, "Predicting the Effect of Hardener Composition on the Mechanical and Fracture Properties of Epoxy Resins Using Molecular Modeling", Macromolecules 2023, June 13, myux?44itnkwl.465365764fhx3r fhwtr t&h57:<<
- 2. A. van Beek, A. Giuntoli, N. Hansoge, S. Keten, W. Chen, "Semi-Parametric Functional Calibration Using Uncertainty Quantification Based Decision Support", J. Verif. Valid. Uncert. 2023, 1-35.

- 3. Y. Zhu, A. Giuntoli, W. Zhang, Z. Lin, S. Keten, F. W. Starr, J. F. Douglas, "The effect of nanoparticle softness on the interfacial dynamics of a model polymer nanocomposite", J. Chem. Phys. 2022, 157 (9), 094901.
- 4. Y. Zhu, A. Giuntoli, N. Hansoge, Z. Lin, S. Keten, "Scaling for the inverse thickness dependence of specific penetration energy in polymer thin film impact tests", JMPS 2022, 161, 104808
- 5. **A. Giuntoli**, S. Keten, "Tuning star architecture to control mechanical properties and impact resistance of polymer thin films", Cell Rep. Phys. Sci. 2021, 2 (10), 100596.
- 6. **A. Giuntoli**, N. K. Hansoge, Z. Meng, A. van Beek, W. Chen, S. Keten, "Systematic coarse-graining of epoxy resins with machine learning-informed energy renormalization", **npj Comput. Mat. 2021,** 7 (1), 168.
- 7. N. K. Hansoge, A. Gupta, H. White, **A. Giuntoli**, S. Keten, "Universal relation for effective interaction between polymer grafted nanoparticles", **Macromolecules 2021**, 54 (7), 3052-3064
- 8. **A. Giuntoli**, N. K. Hansoge, S. Keten, "Star topology increases ballistic resistance in thin polymer films", **Extreme Mechanics Letters 2020**, 41, 101038.
- 9. **A. Giuntoli**, F. Puosi, D. Leporini, F. W. Starr, J. F. Douglas, "Predictive relation for the α-relaxation time of a coarse-grained polymer melt under steady shear", **Science Advances 2020**, 6 (17), eaaz0777.
- 10. **A. Giuntoli**, A. Chremos, J. F. Douglas, "Influence of polymer topology on crystallization in thin films", **J. Chem. Phys. 2020,** 152 (4), 044501.
- A. Tripodo, A. Giuntoli, M. Malvaldi, D. Leporini, "Mutual information does not detect growing correlations in the properties of a model molecular liquid", Soft Matter 2019, 15 (34), 6784-6790.
- 12. **A. Giuntoli**, D. Leporini, "Boson Peak decouples from elasticity in glasses with low connectivity", **PRL 2018**, 121 (18), 185502.
- 13. M. Becchi, A. Giuntoli, D. Leporini, "Molecular layers in thin supported films exhibit the same scaling as the bulk between slow relaxation and vibrational dynamics", Soft Matter 2018 14 (43), 8814-8820.
- 14. **A. Giuntoli**, D. Leporini, "Elastic modulus and yield strength of semicrystalline polymers with bond disorder are higher than in atomic crystals" **J. Phys. Chem. Solids 2018**, 118, 40-46.
- 15. A. Giuntoli, N. Calonaci, S. Bernini, D. Leporini, "Effect of nematic ordering on the elasticity and yielding in disordered polymeric solids" J. Polym. Sci. B 2017, 55 (23), 1760-1769.
- 16. A. Giuntoli, S. Bernini, D. Leporini, "Bond disorder, frustration and polymorphism in the spontaneous crystallization of a polymer melt" J. Non-Cryst. Sol. 2016, 453, 88.
- 17. **A. Giuntoli**, V. Tozzini, "A theoretical investigation of the fundamental properties of the minimalist models for proteins" Master thesis 2014, available at https://etd.adm.unipi.it/t/etd-09022014-144841/.

SELECTION OF INVITED LECTURES AND SEMINARS

- Invited Outreach Lecture "Emergence: a Paradigm Shift in the Science of the New Millenium", YAG Pub Lectures serie, Groningen (May 2023) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQwUp3xsNm8.
- Keynote talk "Trends and challenges in molecular- and particle-based mechanics", EM graduate school symposium, Netherlands (Oct 2022).
- Invited Talk "Molecular dynamics to accelerate material design", R&D workshop, Groningen (June 2022).
- Invited Seminar "Energy renormalization: a temperature-transferable coarse-graining scheme for glass-forming systems", University of Eindhoven (May 2022).

- Invited Seminar "A world of information from the picosecond dynamics" University of Groningen (Nov. 2020).
- Invited Talk, "Energy Renormalization Approach to Coarse-Grained Epoxy Resins" SES annual meeting (Oct. 2020).
- Invited Talk, "A world of information from the picosecond dynamics", Northwestern University (Oct. 2020). https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z2c4kUsDcEc.
- Talk, "Rejuvenation of a polymer melt after shear thinning and thermal jumps", XV International Workshop on Complex Systems, Andalo (March 2019).
- Invited Talk, "The third way" University of Pisa (Apr. 2015).

4. PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Institutional service at the University of Groningen

•	Member of the FSE Faculty Council	2023-present
•	Organizer of the Zernike Colloquia seminar series	2021-present
•	Committee member for the new Applied Physics BSc+MSc Rubrics	2022-present
•	Co-organized the Zernike Institute PhD symposyum	Sept. 2022

Peer reviewing

- Reviewer for several journals, including Science Advances, Cell Reports Physical Science, npj Computational Materials, Soft Matter, Macromolecules, Materials.
- Grant reviewer for the German Research Foundation.

Professional development

- UTQ (national teaching qualification) in progress.
- Mentoring PhD students.
- Managing PhD students with autism.
- 3 Dutch language courses, from 0 to B1/B2.