

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRESENT APPOINTMENT

(from 2022) Head of Department for Health, University of Bath
Senior Lecturer in Biomechanics
I lead and manage a department of approximately 70 academic staff; 50 research, technical and professional services staff; 100 PGR and 1200 PGT and UG students. Creating a collegiate atmosphere to enable excellence, nurture talent and create opportunity across the full portfolio of academic activity.

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

2018 – 2022 Deputy Head of Department and Senior Lecturer in Biomechanics, Department for Health, University of Bath
2005 - 2018 Lecturer in Biomechanics, Department for Health, University of Bath
2003 - 2005 Research Fellow - Concord Field Station, Harvard University
Limb muscle dynamics during steady and unsteady locomotion
2002 – 2003 Research Fellow – School of Biology, University of Leeds
Mechanical performance of bird flight muscles
2000 – 2002 Postdoctoral Research Associate - The Royal Veterinary College, University of London
Does muscle and surface damping of limb vibration prevent injury in the racehorse?

QUALIFICATIONS

2001 PhD, The Royal Veterinary College, University of London
The scope for adjustment of distal limb mechanics in the horse (Equus caballus)
1997 BSc Hons Zoology, University of Bristol

RESEARCH

My research focuses on how the neuromuscular system powers and controls locomotion in humans and animals, how it changes with age and injury, and ways in which its performance can be enhanced through training and assistive technology. This research is multidisciplinary in nature and has applications in many spheres of medicine, physiotherapy, veterinary, sports science and engineering.

GRANT FUNDING

2020-2025 Co-I Centre for the Analysis of Motion, Entertainment Research and Applications (CAMERA) - 2.0 (EPSRC) £1,122,607.20
2020-2024 Co-I Analysis of Spinal Injury in Horseracing (Racing Foundation) £186,059.69
2021-2022 Co-I IAA – Real World Evaluation of a Powered Intelligent Prosthetic Ankle (EPSRC) £27,591.65
2019-2022 Co-I CAMERA MC2 Award (EU Horizon 2020) £189,889.94
2015-2021 Co-I Centre for the Analysis of Motion, Entertainment Research and Applications (CAMERA) (EPSRC) £824,464.00
2013-2018 Co-I Arthritis Resesarch UK Centre for Sport and Exercise Injuries £126,418.00

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Wan, Y., **McGuigan, P.**, Bilzon, J. & Wade, L. (2024) The effect of foot orientation modifications on knee joint biomechanics during daily activities in people with and without knee osteoarthritis. *Clinical Biomechanics*. 117, 106287.
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- Cassidy, R. P., Lunt, K. M., Coppack, R. J., Bennett, A. N., Bilzon, J. L. J., **McGuigan, M. P.**, Egginton, N., Sellon, E., Day, J. & Ladlow, P. (2023) ADAPTations to low load blood flow restriction exercise versus conventional heavier load resistance exercise in UK military personnel with persistent knee pain: protocol for the ADAPT study, a multi-centre randomized controlled trial. *BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders*. 24, 1, 580.
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- Needham, L., Evans, M., Wade, L., Cosker, D. P., **McGuigan, M. P.**, Bilzon, J. L. & Colyer, S. L. (2022) The development and evaluation of a fully automated markerless motion capture workflow. *Journal of Biomechanics*. 144, 9 p., 111338.
- Wade, L., Needham, L., **McGuigan, P.** & Bilzon, J. (2022) Applications and limitations of current markerless motion capture methods for clinical gait biomechanics. *PeerJ*, vol. 10, e12995.
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- Perkin, O.J., **McGuigan, P.M.** & Stokes, K.A. (2019) Exercise Snacking to Improve Muscle Function in Healthy Older Adults: A Pilot Study. *Journal of Aging Research*, vol. 2019, 7516939, pp. 1-9.
- Farris, D.J., Trewartha, G., **McGuigan, M.P.** and Lichtwark, G.A. Differential strain patterns of the human Achilles free-tendon and aponeurosis determined in vivo with freehand three-dimensional ultrasound imaging. *J. Exp Biol*. 216, 594-600
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- McGuigan, M.P.**, Yoo, E., Lee, D.V. and Biewener, A.A. (2009) Dynamics of goat distal hind limb muscle-tendon function in response to locomotor grade. *J Exp Biol*. 212, 2092-104.
- Lee, D.V., **McGuigan, M.P.**, Yoo, E.H. and Biewener, A.A. (2008) Compliance, actuation, and work characteristics of the goat foreleg and hindleg during level, uphill, and downhill running. *J Appl Physiol*. 104, 130-41.
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- Wilson, A.M., **McGuigan, M.P.**, Su, A., and Bogert, A.J. van den (2001) Horses damp the spring in their step. *Nature* 414, 895-9