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Research Experience

2020 – Present Postdoctoral Researcher Chalmers University, Sweden

Postdoctoral researcher in the Evolved Stars Group in the Astronomy and Plasma Physics division at Chalmers University of Technology.

- Use of data software packages to reduce sub-mm and radio spectroscopic data from OSO 20m dish, on the yellow hypergiant (YHG) IRC+10420 and the red supergiant (RSG) NML Cyg, and to carry out a comparative analysis of NML Cyg with spectra from HIFI and JCMT to investigate the presence of multiple outflow components.
- Use of interferometric radio observations gathered with ATCA of O/B stars at multiple frequency bands, to help determine constraints on the clumping and mass-loss properties of their stellar winds.

Education

2016 – 2020 PhD in Astrophysics

University College

London, UK

Thesis Topic – A Radio Census of the Young Massive Cluster Westerlund 1.

Supervisor: Prof. Raman Prinja

- Reduced and analysed astronomical observations. Datasets included radio observations from ATCA (Australia Telescope Compact Array).
- Data provided information on physical features of stellar winds from a range of spectral types of stars, including source sizes and fluxes, which then led to constraints for mass-loss rates and spectral indices of many of the cluster members.
- Use of multiple data reduction software packages, including CASA, MIRIAD, and AIPS and programming languages, Python and Java.

2012 - 2016 MPhys, Physics with Astrophysics (1st Class)

University of Manchester, UK

Final Year Project: Considering the impact of RFI on LOFAR stations when searching for Lunar-AQN interactions.

Supervisors: Dr Justin Bray, Prof. Anna Scaife

- Final year research project was an investigation into a hypothetical particle known as an AQN (Anti-Quark Nuggets), a possible dark matter candidate, using radio LOFAR data. Practical experiments undertaken through the degree often required quick proficiency with new software.

- Demonstrator for the astronomy section of the course at the University College London Observatory, helping familiarise students with the use of Linux and basic astronomical concepts such as folded light curves and magnitudes.

PHAS0003: Practical Astronomy:

- Demonstrator for a first year astronomy course held at the University College London Observatory (UCLO). Responsible for general in-class queries whilst students completed computer exercises using both spectra and photometric data. Taught and assessed students on the safe and proper use of an optical refractor telescope.

Publications

- 2021 *The molecular content of supergiant outflows (in prep).*
Andrews, H., De Beck, E.
- 2019 *A radio census of Westerlund 1,*
Andrews, H., Fenech, D., Prinja R.K., Clark, J.S., and Hindson, L., A&A 632, A38
- 2018 *Asymmetric ejecta of cool supergiants and hypergiants in the massive cluster Westerlund 1,* Andrews, H., Fenech, D., Prinja R.K., Clark, J.S., and Hindson, L., MNRAS, 477, L55
- 2018 *An ALMA 3mm continuum census of Westerlund 1.*
Fenech, D.M., Clark J.S., Prinja, R.K., Dougherty, S., Najarro F., Negueruela I., Richards A., Ritchie B.W., and Andrews H., A&A, 617 (2018) A137

Conferences and Seminars

- June 2021 **EAS 2021**
Co-chair of OC for SS8: Welfare and Mental Health in Astronomy
Member of OC for SS6: Diversity and Inclusion Day
- March 2020 **ACT Seminar (Chalmers, Sweden)**
Talk: A Radio Census Survey of Westerlund 1
- June 2019 **EWASS (Lyon, France)**
Talk: A Radio Census Survey of Westerlund 1
Talk: The YHG's and RSG's of Westerlund 1
- November 2017 **Radio Stars: From kHz to THz (Haystack Observatory, Massachusetts, US)**
Poster.
- July 2017 **NAM (Hull, UK)**
Talk: Extended Radio Emission of Cool Hypergiants in Westerlund 1.

June 2015 CAPS (Manchester, UK)
Organising Committee member that ran the 2015 session of a national student physics conference.

International Schools Attended

May 2018 16th Synthesis Imaging Workshop (Socorro, US)

Outreach

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| 2021 | Vetenskapsfestivalen Science Festival – SKA Panel | (Global, via zoom) |
| 2021 | Supernova Foundation – Mentor (2 students) | (Global, via zoom) |
| 2020 | Vetenskapsfestivalen Science Festival – Public Talk | (Global, via zoom) |
| 2020 – Present | Astronomy on Tap Team Coordinator | (Gothenburg, Sweden) |
| 2020 – Present | Skype a Scientist | (Global, via zoom) |
| 2018 – 2019 | ORBYTS Tutor | (Hertfordshire, UK) |
| 2019 | Royal Observatory Greenwich – Public Talk | (London, UK) |
| 2019 | Diploma Club – Public Talk | (London, UK) |
| 2017 | School Tour Team Lead | (UCLO, London, UK) |
| 2016 – Present | Numerous talks given to various schools. | |

Additional Roles and Responsibilities

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| 2021 – Present | IAU Junior Member |
| 2020 – Present | Founder and Chair of the Postdoc Representative Committee in SEE department at Chalmers University |
| 2020 - Present | Member of the EAS Inclusion and Diversity WG |
| 2017 – Present | FRAS (Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society) |
| 2014 – 2016 | WISE Society Committee Member (Co-founder, various roles) |
| 2012 – 2016 | Undergraduate Physics Society Committee Member (Various roles) |

Technical Skills

Software: CASA, MIRIAD, AIPS, CLASS, DS9, LaTeX, ROOT, SHAPE

Programming Languages: Python (Proficient)
Java, C++, R (Basic)