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## Education

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**Instituto de Astrofísica e Ciências do Espaço (IA), Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade do Porto (FCUP)** *Sept 2024 – Current*  
*PhD in Astronomy*

- **Thesis title:** Refining the radial velocity method to uncover other Earths.
- **Supervisors:** Dr. Nuno C. Santos and Dr. Vardan Zh. Adibekyan
- **Submission:** Proposed date - September 2027
- **Research methods:** Extreme Precise Radial Velocity through identification of individual spectral lines that are more and less affected by stellar activity.

**Universidad Complutense de Madrid** *Sept 2021 – Feb 2023*  
*Masters degree in Astrophysics*

- **Dissertation:** Life Tolerability Index of known exoplanets. Application to rocky planets.
- **Supervisor:** Dr. Patricia Cruz
- **Relevant courses:** Stellar atmospheres, Astronomical instrumentation, Solar System and exoplanets, Cold stars and substellar objects, Experimental techniques in astrophysics

**Universidad Complutense de Madrid** *Sept 2016 – July 2021*  
*Degree in Physics*

- **Dissertation:** Characterization of exoplanetary systems
- **Supervisors:** Dr. David Montes
- **Relevant courses:** Stellar astrophysics, Observational astronomy, Statistical physics, Astrophysics, Cosmology and general relativity

**Alfonso X el Sabio High School** *Sept 2014 – June 2016*  
*International Baccalaureate*

## Experience

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**Science communicator** *European Space  
Nubalo Studios Astronomy Center  
Oct 2022 - May 2023*

- Conduct STEAM workshops and educational experiments on space sciences for students aged 7 to 18.
- Design and create new experiences on space science (using Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality, 3D printing, robotics, holograms, multimedia content, museumization, etc.).
- Participate in various events throughout the year: Researchers' Night, Science Week, Expoastronomica.
- Adapt the workshops and experiences for primary, secondary, and university students, as well as for other types of audiences.

**Intern in Cooperation Through Education in Science and Astronomy Research (CESAR)** *European Space  
Astronomy Center  
Feb 2022 - Aug 2022*  
*European Space Agency*

- Review of the current CESAR project website, focusing on online scientific challenges.
- Analyze the challenges to be taught in a more diverse and inclusive way.
- Develop a new scientific challenge, based on astrophysics and astrobiology. Ensure the new challenge is developed with an inclusivity perspective.
- Transfer all previous and new scientific challenges to an e-learning platform.
- Participate in seminars for primary and secondary school teachers about ESA projects and astrophysics.

## Conferences and Seminars

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<b>Extreme Precise Radial Velocity (EPRV) 6</b> Poster - The Path to 10 cm/s RV Precision: a new line-by-line code <a href="https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/eprv6/">https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/eprv6/</a>	July 2025
<b>PLATO ESP2025</b> Attendee - remote	June 2025
<b>Workshop on wavelength calibration for high-resolution spectrographs</b> Attendee - remote	May 2025
<b>2nd PoET Workshop</b> Speaker - Refining the radial velocity method to uncover other Earths <a href="https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/poet2024/index.html?opt=programme">https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/poet2024/index.html?opt=programme</a>	October 2024
<b>XXXIV Encontro Nacional de Astronomia e Astrofísica</b> Speaker - Refining the radial velocity method to uncover other Earths <a href="https://enaa-xxiv.github.io/program">https://enaa-xxiv.github.io/program</a>	September 2024
<b>Webinar Women's Voices - Intergenerational Dialogues</b> Speaker in round table <i>Voces de Mujer - Diálogos Internacionales — YouTube</i>	February 2021

## Organization

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<b>Exoplanets 6</b> Local Organizing Committee <a href="https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/exoplanets6/">https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/exoplanets6/</a>	December 2024 - Current
<b>Extreme Precise Radial Velocity (EPRV) 6</b> Local Organizing Committee <a href="https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/eprv6/">https://www.iastro.pt/research/conferences/eprv6/</a>	June 2024 - Current
<b>Cookie seminars (Centro de Astrofísica U.Porto)</b> Organizer <a href="https://www.iastro.pt/research/cookieSeminars.html">https://www.iastro.pt/research/cookieSeminars.html</a>	March 2024 - Current
<b>Diversity and Inclusion Group</b> Member	September 2023 - Current

## Courses

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<b>2025 ORP Proposal Writing School</b> <i>European Southern Observatory (ESO)</i>	Online February - March 2025
<b>4th Advanced School on Exoplanetary Science</b> <i>University of Salerno, Astronomical Observatory of Rome, National Institute of Astrophysics</i>	Vietri sul Mare, Italy May 2023
<b>ASTROTWINCOLO</b> <i>University of Antioquia and Leiden Observatory</i>	Online Nov 2021 - Dec 2021
<b>XXI SVO School</b> <i>Spanish Virtual Observatory</i>	Online Oct 2021 - Dec 2021
<b>Latex course</b> <i>Universidad Complutense de Madrid</i>	Online May 2021
<b>Space Master class</b> <i>Center for Applied Educational Technologies</i>	Korolyov, Russia Feb 2016

## Technical Skills

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**Programming Language:** Python, R, Fortran

**Operating Systems:** Linux, Windows

**Data reduction and Analysis Software:** Python, ESOReflex Molecfite, TelFit, ARES, Linesearcher

**Languages:** Spanish (mother tongue), English (C1), Portuguese (B2)