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EDUCATION

09/2020 - Present

PhD in Physics

University of Bern, Switzerland

- Exoplanetary science: High-precision photometry using CHEOPS data.
- · Advisor: Prof. Dr. Brice-Olivier Demory.

09/2018 - 05/2020

MSc in Experimental physics, Applied physics and Astronomy

University of Bern, Switzerland

- Master project in Exoplanetary science: Using infrared satellite imagery to compute near real-time precipitable water vapour above astronomical sites.
- Thesis advisor: Prof. Dr. Brice-Olivier Demory.

08/2013 - 01/2018

BSc in Physics

Benemérita Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, Mexico

· Degree focused on theoretical physics.

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

First-author

Investigating the visible phase-curve variability of 55 Cnc e

Meier Valdés, E.A.; Morris, B.M.; Demory, B.-O.; Brandeker, A.; Kitzmann, D.; Benz, W.; Deline, A.; Florén, H.-G.; Sousa, S.G.; Bourrier, V.; Singh, V.; Heng, K.; Strugarek, A.; Bower, D.J.; Jäggi, N.; Carone, L.; Lendl, M.; Jones, K.; Oza, A.V.; {...}

2023, Astronomy & Astrophysics V677, A112

Weak evidence for variable occultation depth of 55 Cnc e with TESS

Meier Valdés, E.A.; Morris, B.M.; Wells, R.D.; Schanche, N. and Demory, B.-O.

2022, Astronomy & Astrophysics V663, A95

Monitoring precipitable water vapour in near real-time to correct nearinfrared observations using satellite remote sensing

Meier Valdés, E.A.; Morris, B.M. and Demory, B.-O.

2021, Astronomy & Astrophysics V649, A132

Co-author

55 Cancri e's occultation captured with CHEOPS

Demory, B. -O.; Sulis, S.; **Meier Valdés, E.**; Delrez, L.; Brandeker, A.; Billot, N.; Fortier, A.; Hoyer, S.; Sousa, S. G.; Heng, K.; Lendl, M.; Krenn, A.; Morris, B. M.; Patel, J. A.; {...} • 2023, Astronomy & Astrophysics V669, A64

CHEOPS finds KELT-1b darker than expected in visible light: Discrepancy between the CHEOPS and TESS eclipse depths

Parviainen, H.; Wilson, T. G.; Lendl, M.; Kitzmann, D.; Pallé, E.; Serrano, L. M.; **Meier Valdés, E.**; Benz, W.; Deline, A.; Ehrenreich, D.; Guterman, P.; Heng, K.; Demangeon, O. D. S.; Bonfanti, A.; Salmon, S.; Singh, V.; Santos, N. C.; Sousa, S. G.; {...}

• 2022, Astronomy & Astrophysics V668, A93

RESEARCH PROJECTS

• NASA James Webb Space Telescope programmes: Co-I (x5)

ID 3730 (PI: Dr. Diamond-Lowe)

ID 4126 (PI: Dr. Fisher)

ID 4195 (PI: Dr. Fisher)

ID 3969 (Pl: Dr. Espinoza) ID 3279 (Pl: Dr. Hoeijmakers)

- · Member: ESA CHEOPS atmospheric characterisation working group.
- · Member: SNF NCCR PlanetS

TALKS & POSTER PRESENTATION

- Max Planck Institute for Astronomy, Heidelberg, Germany. Seminar talk. 11/2023
- Towards Other Earths 3, Porto, Portugal. Talk. 07/2023
- Exoclimes VI, University of Exeter, UK. Poster. 06/2023
- University of Leeds, Leeds, UK. Seminar talk. 06/2023
- Institut de Mathématiques de Bourgogne, Dijon, France. Seminar talk. 06/2023
- PlanetS JURA IV, Leissigen, Switzerland. Talk. 05/2023
- Observatoire de Genève, Switzerland. Seminar talk. 01/2023
- Rocky Worlds II, University of Oxford, UK. Poster. 08/2022
- Max Planck Institute for Astronomy, Heidelberg, Germany. Online talk. 06/2022

WORK EXPERIENCE

09/2020 - Present

Teaching assistant

Physics I and II for biology, geology and medicine students; Physics lab course for veterinary and biology students; Advanced statistical course; Physics lab course for physicists

University of Bern, Switzerland

03/2020 - Present

Teaching assistant, robotics course for children

Chlini Einsteins GmbH, Bern, Switzerland

02/2020 - Present

Tutor in physics and mathematics

Elementary school to bachelor level. TEACHY GmbH, Bern, Switzerland

08/2013 - 08/2018

Tutor in physics and mathematics for lower and upper secondary school students

Puebla, Mexico

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

• Co-founder: Exoplanet journal club, University of Bern, 2023.

SKILLS

Languages

Spanish – Native language

German - Fluent English - Fluent French - Basic

Programming

Python - Very good

R - Basic

SCHOLARSHIPS

01/10/2018 - 31/12/2019

MSc academic scholarship

CONACYT (Mexican National Council for Science and Technology)

Funding: EUR 16'350

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
22/06/2023 – 24/06/2023	ExoSLAM summer school University of Exeter, Exeter, UK
21/07/2021 – 25/07/2021	Summer school "Astrobiology introductory course 2021" attendance Online. Le Teich, France
29/01/2017 – 30/01/2017	Winter school "The quantum universe" attendance BUAP, Puebla, Mexico
12/07/2016 – 17/07/2016	VI Mathematics summer school attendance UNAM campus Juriquilla, Querétaro, Mexico