Carlos Gonzalo Díaz (PhD)

Professional Scientist in Astronomy and Astrophysics

- 18 yrs of science research
- 9 yrs of teaching higher education
- 3 yrs of astronomical equipment operations
- Bilingual (Spanish, English)



CONTACT:

Email: carlos.gonzalo.diaz@unc.edu.ar; cgonzadiaz@gmail.com

Work address: Astronomical Observatory of Córdoba - National University of Córdoba

Laprida 854, CP 5000, Córdoba Capital, Province of Córdoba, Argentina

Phones: Observatory: (+54) 351 433 1063

Website: https://gonza-portfolio.vercel.app/

CURRENT POSITION AND AFFILIATION:

Associate Researcher, "Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas" (CONICET)

EDUCATION:

2010 - 2015

Swinburne University of Technology Hawthorn, 3122, VIC, Australia **DOCTOR (PhD) IN ASTROPHYSICS**

Thesis in Extragalactic Astrophysics. Key words: Intergalactic medium, galaxies, reionization epoch of the Universe. Experience with large size telescopes (8 and 10 meters).

2003 - 2009

National University of San Juan

Faculty of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences José Ignacio de la Roza 590 (oeste), Rivadavia, 5400, San Juan, Argentina **DEGREE IN ASTRONOMY (BSc+MSc)**

Thesis on the use of the Fourier Transform for measuring stellar rotation speed. Keywords: Stellar rotation, high resolution spectroscopy. Experience with medium size telescopes (2 meters).

POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING:

2017 - 2020

Gemini Science Fellow

Gemini Observatory La Serena, Chile Keywords: Instrumentation, optical and infrared systems, complex scientific operations.

2015 - 2016

Institute of Astronomical, Earth and

Space Sciences - CONICET
San Juan, Argentina

CONICET Postdoctoral grant. Title: 'Chemical enrichment and reionization of the intergalactic medium'

Key words: Intergalactic medium, galaxies, reionization epoch of the Universe.

2015

Swinburne University of Technology

Hawthorn, Australia

Summer Postdoc. Title: 'The comoving mass density of CIV at redshift > 5'

Key words: Intergalactic medium, galaxies, reionization epoch of the Universe.

LANGUAGES:

- ENGLISH. **Expert** in the use of the four skills: reading, writing, speaking and listening. **Professional** level of interpretation and production of content, both written and oral.
- ENGLISH. Approval of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). August 2009.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE:

Data Acquisition: Experience in all modes of optical and infrared astronomical observations,

including MOS, IFS, and adaptive optics. Experience in observations of all types of astronomical objects, including point-sources, extended sources,

and non-sideral objects.

Data Analysis: Expert user of astronomical image analysis software: IRAF, DS9,

SExtractor, VOtools, among others.

Skilled user of: Python, Fortran, bash and Git.

Communication: Professional speaker. Extensive participation in conferences and science

outreach events. Highly skilled user of the LaTeX text composition system.

Multiple scientific publications.

Organization and planning:

tion and Experience in planning and conducting scientific projects since 2006, and

astronomical instrumentation projects since 2017.

Planning and execution of scientific operations with 8 and 10 meter

telescopes, in optical and infrared, in all observation modes.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS:

Initiative: Proactive. I have initiated research collaborations on many occasions since

very early in my career.

Leadership: Responsible and charismatic. Skilled coordinator of teams with defined

objectives, including research activities, scientific meetings, teaching and

outreach.

Teamwork: Participatory and expressive. Easy integration into work teams. I can lead

activities coordinated by others and maintain fluid communication with the team. I have participated in several committees, including organization of scientific events and evaluation of scientific projects and productions.

ASTRONOMICAL EQUIPMENT EXPERIENCE:

Infrared astronomical instrumentation

2018 - 2019

Gemini Observatory, La Serena, Chile

Scientific support of the Flamingos-2 infrared spectrograph,

seven conditioning procedures for scientific operations ('back to sky').

Reference: Dr. Díaz, R. J. - ruben.diaz@noirlab.edu

Scientific astronomical observation operations 07/2017 - 07/2020

Gemini Observatory, La Serena, Chile

Member of the night scientific operations team. Acquisition of astronomical observations with GMOS and Flamingos-2 cameras in

all their imaging and spectroscopy modes.

References: Dr. Rutten, R. - rene.rutten@noirlab.edu

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Associate Researcher CIC - CONICET

CIC - CONICET 11/2023 - Current **Astronomical Observatory of Córdoba, UNC,** Córdoba Argentina. **Interstellar Medium and Galaxies.** Reionization of the Universe.

Extragalactic HII regions and massive stars.

References: Dr. Ahumada, Andrea -andrea.ahumada@unc.edu.ar

Dr. Mast, Damián -damianmast@unc.edu.ar

Assistant Researcher

CIC - CONICET 10/2022 - 10/2023 **Astronomical Observatory of Córdoba, UNC,** Córdoba Argentina. **Interstellar Medium and Galaxies**. Reionization of the Universe.

Extragalactic HII regions and massive stars.

References: Dr. Ahumada, Andrea -andrea.ahumada@unc.edu.ar

Dr. Mast, Damián -damianmast@unc.edu.ar

Assistant Researcher

CIC - CONICET 03/2016 - 09/2022 Institute of Astronomical, Earth and Space Sciences (ICATE),

CONICET,San Juan, Argentina.

Extragalactic Astronomy. Galaxies, circum-galactic medium and intergalactic medium. Chemical enrichment and reionization of the Universe.

Reference: Dr. Donoso, Emilio -edonoso@icate-conicet.gob.ar

Postdoc

CONICET 06/2015 - 02/2016 Institute of Astronomical, Earth and Space Sciences (ICATE),

CONICET, San Juan, Argentina.

Extragalactic Astronomy. Galaxies and the intergalactic medium.

Chemical enrichment and reionization of the Universe.

Reference: Dr. Donoso, Emilio -edonoso@icate-conicet.gob.ar

Postdoc

02/2015 - 04/2015

Centre for Astrophysics and Supercomputing, Swinburne University

of Technology, VIC, Australia.

Extragalactic Astronomy. The intergalactic medium. Chemical

enrichment of the Universe.

Reference: Dra. Ryan-Weber, Emma - eryanweber@swin.edu.au

Doctorate

2010 - 2015

Centre for Astrophysics and Supercomputing, Swinburne University

of Technology, VIC, Australia.

Extragalactic Astronomy. The intergalactic medium and the first galaxies. Chemical enrichment and reionization of the Universe. Reference: Dra. Ryan-Weber, Emma - eryanweber@swin.edu.au

Degree

2007 - 2009

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ,San Juan,

Argentina.

Stellar Astrophysics. Implementation of techniques based on the Fourier transform in the measurement of the projected axial rotation speed of stars, using Echelle spectroscopy.

Reference: Dr. Gonzalez, J. F. - jfgonzalez@conicet.gov.ar

Undergraduate scholarship 2006 - 2007 **Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ,** San Juan, Argentina.

Planetary Sciences. Dynamics and physics of asteroids in cometary

orbits. Numerical analysis of collisional processes.

Reference: Dr. Gil-Hutton, Ricardo -

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Course: "Astronomy with the

Gemini Observatory^{*} 6 hours, 2016.

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ.

Astronomy course on the instruments available in the Gemini

Observatory telescopes.

1st category Assistant

Teacher

Chair: Physics I, 2016.

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ.

In charge of the practical classes of the chair.

Enrolled teacher

Chair: Epistemology and Research Methodology,

2016.

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ.

Participation in theoretical-practical classes of the chair. Guide for

Astronomy students in the development of thesis drafts.

Project supervisor

Swinburne Astronomy Online, 2010 - 2012.

Swinburne University of Technology.

Guide for Master's (MSc) students in bibliographic research

projects.

2nd category auxiliary

assistant.

Chair: Physics I, 2005 - 2009

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ.

In charge of the teaching support classes and assisting students in

laboratory practices.

Student Tutor

Second year of the Bachelor's degree in Astronomy, 2009.

Tutoring Service. Faculty of Exact, Physical and Natural

Sciences. UNSJ.

Monitoring, guidance and support in the academic progress of

students of the Bachelor of Astronomy.

2nd category auxiliary

assistant.

Chair: Algebra, 2008

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ.

In charge of support classes and the computer laboratory.

Enrolled student

Chair: Physics I, 2004

Department of Geophysics and Astronomy, UNSJ.

Support classes and laboratory practices.

ORGANIZATION OF SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

- Local Organizing Committee of the international conference "Distant Galaxies from the far south", Bariloche, Argentina, December **2017**. (www.astro.rug.nl/~galpatagonia/)
- Local Organizing Committee of the "59th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association", San Juan, Argentina, September **2016**.

EVALUATION COMMITTEES

- Coordinator of the National Time Allocation Committee (NTAC) of Argentina, for the Gemini Observatory. Semester 2024B.
- **Member** of the National Time Allocation Committee (**NTAC**) of Argentina, for the Gemini Observatory. Semesters **2017B**, **2022A**, and **2022B**.
- Reviewer (referee) of articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals since 2019.
- Thesis evaluator, 2017, San Juan National University, Argentina.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- "Proyecto de Investigación Científica y Tecnológica" (PICT), for "Newly formed research group",
 2023 2026: "The Starburst-AGN connection". (PICT-2021-GRF-TII- 00442).
- "Proyectos de Investigación Plurianual" (PIP), 2023 2025: "The Starburst-AGN connection".
 (PIP 11220210100520CO)
- PUE ("Proyecto de Unidades Ejecutoras"), 2019 2023: "Astronomy with large databases".
 Collaborator Group.
- Internal Postdoctoral Reintegration Scholarship, 2015, 2016.
- Victorian International Research Scholarship, 2010 2014.
- Swinburne University Postgraduate Research Award, 2010.
- Internal Research and Creation Scholarship. Category: Advanced Students, 2006.
- Scholarship from the El Leoncito Astronomical Complex (CASLEO), 2006.

AWARDS

- 2010 Medal and Diploma of Honor of the National University of San Juan, for the highest grade point average (9.83/10).
- 2007 / 2008 Standard Bearer of the Faculty of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences, National University of San Juan.

SCIENCE OUTREACH CONTRIBUTIONS

- Coordinator of the "Scientific Public Conference Series" of the Astronomical Observatory of Córdoba for the year **2023**, Córdoba, Argentina.
- Public dissertation and debate: "The origins of the Milky Way Galaxy", March **2023**, Córdoba, Argentina.
- Activity Coordinator in the "Night of the Museums", November 2022, Córdoba, Argentina, for the activity "Discover the Solar System".
- Public dissertation and debate: "A walkthrough the Universe", September **2016**, San Juan, Argentina.

OTHER COURSES AND TRAINING

- Attendance and approval of the "Adaptive Optics Training 2019" course. Pontifical Catholic University of Chile, Santiago, Chile. March-April 2019.
- Attendance and approval of the workshop "Cosmology of baryons at high redshift". The Abdus Salam International Center for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Trieste, Italy. August 2014.
- Attendance and approval of COSPAR: "Capacity Building Workshop on Planetary Science" (Montevideo, Uruguay, July 2007).
- Participation in the Solar Physics Workshop: "LASCO Data Analysis" (Universidad de la Punta, San Luis, Argentina, April 2007).
- Attendance of the degree course "Extrasolar Planets: Origin and Dynamics", Faculty of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences. April 2007 (Resolution No. 193/2005-CEFN).
- Attendance and approval of the Third Chilean Advanced School of Astrophysics: "Insights into Galaxy evolution from resolved stellar populations" (University of Concepcion, Chile, January 2007).
- Attendance and approval of the degree course "The Subject of Reason", Faculty of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences. October 2005 (Resolution No. 53/05-CD-FCEFN).
- Attendance and approval of the course "Towards a logic for everyday life", Faculty of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences. October 2004 (Resolution No. 41/2004-CD-FCEFN).

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS - FIRST AUTHOR

- 11) "Ionization state and geometry of the extragalactic HII región SMC-N88A for the interpretation of observations of galaxies in the epoch of reionization", **Díaz, C.G.**, Mast, D., Oio, G., Bassett, R., **2023**, **BAAA**, 64, 127.
- 10) "NISCAL: Near Infrared Spectroscopy Calibrator", **Díaz, C.G.**, Gaspar, G., Díaz, R.J., **2023**, **BAAA**, 64, 329.
 - 9) "Faint LAEs near z > 4.7 C IV absorbers revealed by MUSE", **Díaz, C.G.**, Ryan-Weber, E.V., Karman, W., Caputi, K.I., Salvadori, S., Crighton, N.H., Ouchi, M., and Vanzella, E.,**2021**, **MNRAS**, 502, 2645.
- 8) "The flow of baryons: the origin of metal absorption systems at z > 3", **Díaz, C.G.**, Ryan-Weber, E., V., Cooke, J., Crighton, N., H., Díaz, R., J., **2016**, **BAAA**, 58, 51.
- 7) "Tracking the chemical history of the Universe: the density of CIV at z ~ 6", **Díaz, C.G.**, Ryan-Weber, E., V., Codoreanu, A., Pettini, M., Madau, P., **2016**, **BAAA**, 58, 54.
- 6) "Large-scale environment of z~5.7 CIV absorption systems II. Spectroscopy of Lyman-α emitters", **Díaz, C.G.**, Ryan-Weber, E., V., Cooke, J., Koyama, Y., Ouchi, M., **2015**, **MNRAS**, 448, 1240.
- 5) "Large-scale environment of z~5.7 CIV absorption systems I. Projected distribution of galaxies", Diaz, C. G., Koyama, Y., Ryan-Weber, E., V., Cooke, J., Ouchi, M. (1999)., Shimasaku and K., Nakata, F., 2014, MNRAS, 442, 946.
- 4) "A galaxy as the source of a CIV absorption system close to the epoch of reionization", **Díaz, C. G**., Ryan-Weber, E. V., Cooke, J., Pettini, M. and Madau, P., **2011**, **MNRAS**, 418, 820.
- 3) "Accurate stellar rotational velocities using the Fourier transform of the cross correlation maximum", **Díaz, C.G.**, Gonzalez, J.F., Levato, O.H.**2011**, **A&A**, 487, 363.
- 2) "Collisional activation of asteroids in cometary orbits", **Díaz, C.G.** and Gil-Hutton, R., **2008**, **A&A**, 487, 363.
- 1) "Intrinsic Collision Probabilities and Impact Velocities for Asteroids in Outer Belt Families", **Díaz**, **C.G.** and Gil-Hutton, R., **2006**, **BAAA**, 49, 54.

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS - COAUTHOR

- 9) "Ionizing photons produced by massive stars in SMC-N88a", Krilich, M.T. and **Díaz, C.G.**, **2024**, **BAAA**, submitted, arXiv:2406.00126.
- 8) "Infrared variability of the active nucleus in NGC 2992", Levis, S., Gaspar, G., **Díaz, C.G.**, Mast, D., Díaz, R. J., **2023**, **BAAA**, 64, 247.
- 7) "GNIRS NIR Integral Field Spectroscopy of NGC 5128", Díaz, R. J., Mast, D., Gaspar, G., Günthardt, G., Dottori, H., Agüero, M. P., Camperi, J. A., **Díaz, C.G.**, Gimeno, G., and D'Ambra, A., **2021**, **BAAA**, 62, 219.
- 6) "Spectroscopic observations of the machine-learning selected anomaly catalogue from the AllWISE Sky Survey", Solarz, A., Thomas, R., Montenegro-Montes, F. M., Gromadzki, M., Donoso, E., Koprowski, M., Wyrzykowski, L., **Diaz, C. G.**, Sani, E., and Bilicki, M., **2020**, **A&A**, 642A, 103.
- 5) "The faint host galaxies of C IV absorbers at z > 5", Finlator, K., Doughty, C., Cai, Z., and **Díaz, C.G.**, **2020**, **MNRAS**, 493, 3223.

- 4) "On the lack of correlation between [O III]/[O II] and Lyman continuum escape fraction", Bassett, R., Ryan-Weber, E. V., Cooke, J., **Díaz, C.G.**, Nanayakkara, T., Yuan, T.-T., Spitler, L. R., Meštrić, U., Garel, T., Sawicki, M., Gwyn, S., and Golob, A., .**2019**, **MNRAS**, 483, 5223.
- 3) "Lyman-continuum galaxies and the escape fraction of Lyman-break galaxies", Cooke, J., Ryan-Weber, E., V., Garel, T. and **Díaz, C.G.**, **2014**, **MNRAS**, 441, 837.
- 2) "Superluminous supernovae at redshifts of 2.05 and 3.90", Cooke, J., Sullivan, M., Gal-Yam, A., Barton, E., J., Carlberg, R., G., Ryan-Weber, E., V, Horst, C., Omori, Y. and **Díaz, C.G.**, **2012**, **Nature**, 491, 228.
- 1) "Pair-instability and super-luminous supernova discoveries at z = 2.05, z = 2.50, and z = 3.90", Cooke, J., Sullivan, M., Gal-Yam, A., Carlberg, R., G., Ellis, R., S., Barton, E., J., Ryan-Weber, E., V., Horst, C., Omori, Y. and **Díaz, C.G.**, **2012**, **AIPC**, 1480, 200.

TECHNICAL REPORTS - ASTRONOMICAL INSTRUMENTATION

1) "Flamingos-2 On-Instrument Wavefront Sensor Repair 2018 - General Report", **Díaz, C.G.**, and Birchard, M., **2019, Gemini Observatory** (internal database).

PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES

- 24) 65th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (San Juan, Argentina, September **2023**. Contribution: "Production of ionizing photons from massive stars in SMC-N88a"
- 23) 64th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (CABA, Argentina, September 2022. Contributions presented: 1)"Ionization state and geometry of the HII SMC N88A region", 2)"NISCAL: Near Infrared Spectroscopy Calibrator ", and 3)"Infrared variability of the active nucleus in NGC 2992"
- 22) Conference: "2019 Elizabeth and Frederick White research Conference on Linking galaxies from the Epoch of initial star-formation to today" (Sydney, Australia, Febrero **2019**). Presentation: "Early contribution from sub-L* galaxies to the metals in the CGM at z>5".
- 21) Workshop: "Gemini Workshop in Argentina: Current Events and Prospecting" (La Plata, Argentina, September **2018**). Presentation: "Flamingos-2: Spectroscopy and Direct Imaging in the Near Infrared".
- 20) Conference: "Science and Evolution of Gemini Observatory" (San Francisco, USA, July 2018).
- 19) Symposium: "The Olympian Symposium 2018: Gas a Stars from milli-to mega- parsecs" (Paralia Katerini, Grecia, May **2018**). Presentation: "Discovery of sub-L* galaxies in the proximity of metal absorption systems at z > 5: early contribution from faint galaxies to the metals in the CGM"
- 18) Conference: "Distant Galaxies from the Far South" (Bariloche, Argentina December **2017**). Presentation: "Faint LAEs in the proximity of intergalactic metals at z > 4.7"
- 17) 60th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (Malargüe, Argentina, September **2017**). Presentation: "Faint galaxies polluting the intergalactic medium with metals at z > 5".
- 16) 59th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (San Juan, Argentina, September **2016**). Contribution: "Can't miss it: eleven chances in one shot with MUSE."

- 15) 58th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Association of Astronomy (La Plata, Argentina, September **2015**). Contributions presented: 1) "Tracking the chemical history of the Universe: the density of CIV at z~6", 2) "The environment of a CIV absorption system at z~5.7", 3) "The flow of baryons: the origin of metal absorption systems at z>3".
- 14) Workshop: "Cosmology from baryons at high redshift" (ICTP, Trieste, Italia, August **2014**). Presentation: "The environment of highly ionized absorption systems at the end of hydrogen reionization".
- 13) Workshop: "Lyman continuum leakage and cosmic reionization" (Estocolmo, Suecia, August **2014**). Presentation: "The environment of CIV absorption systems in the post-reionization Universe: discovery of the galaxies that dominate the ionizing flux density at z~6".
- 12) Conference: "Annual Scientific Meeting of the Astronomical Society of Australia" (Sydney, Australia, July **2014**). Presentation: "The environment of highly ionized absorption systems in the post-reionization Universe at z~5.7".
- 11) Conference: "Reionization in the Red Centre: New windows on the high redshift Universe" (Uluru, Australia, July **2013**). Presentation: "Large-scale environment of CIV absorption systems at $z \sim 5.7$: Galaxy distribution and the ionization state of the IGM after the Epoch of Reionization".
- 10) Conference: "First Binational Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association and the Chilean Astronomical Society" (San Juan, Argentina, October **2011**). Contributions presented: 1) "A galaxy-CIV absorber pair close to the Epoch of Reionization", and 2) "First probe of the physical processes of cosmic reionization".
- 9) Conference: "The Cosmic Odyssey of Baryons Accreting, Outflowing and Hiding" (Marsella, Francia, June **2011**). Presentation: "A galaxy-C IV absorber pair close to the Epoch of Reionization".
- 8) 53rd Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (Salta, Argentina, September **2010**). Contribution: "In search of those responsible for enriching the IGM to z >5.5".
- 7) Conference: "Annual Scientific Meeting of the Astronomical Society of Australia" (Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, July **2010**). Presentation: "Testing galactic outflows at z > 5.5".
- 6) Conference: "The First Galaxies, Quasars & Gamma-Ray Bursts" (Pennsylvania State University, USA, June **2010**). Contribution: "Testing galactic outflows at z > 5.5".
- 5) 51st Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (San Juan, Argentina, September **2008**). Presentation: "Use of cross correlations in determining the rotation speed of stars A".
- 4) "Fourth Planetary Sciences Workshop (San Juan, Argentina, February **2008**). Contribution: "Activating Asteroids in Cometary Orbits through collisions."
- 3) 50th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (Malargüe, Mendoza, Argentina, September **2007**). Contribution: "Activating Asteroids in Cometary Orbits through collisions".
- 49th Annual Meeting of the Argentine Astronomy Association (Capilla del Monte, Argentina, September 2006). Contribution: "Intrinsic probability and collision velocities for families of asteroids."
- 1) "Third Planetary Sciences Workshop" (Colonia del Sacramento, Uruguay, March **2006**). Contribution: "Collision-induced activity in Asteroids in Cometary Orbits".