# CHRISTOPHER CLARK

#### Curriculum Vitæ

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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# ACADEMIC HISTORY

#### 2014-Present

#### Postdoctoral Research Associate | CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

Part of the EU DustPedia project; responsible for reducing *Herschel* data, assembling ancillary data, and performing multiwavelength photometry, to construct a database with fluxes and imagery of 876 galaxies in 43 UV-submm bands. Simultaneously conducting independent research on the nature and evolution of the ISM in low-z galaxies, and on the properties of dusty stars in the Milky Way, along with carrying out management roles in JINGLE large program. REFERENCE: PROF JONATHAN DAVIES | (+44)2920 875255 | Jonathan.Davies@astro.cf.ac.uk

#### 2011-2015

#### PhD Astronomy | CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

Thesis: *The Origins and Evolution of Cosmic Dust in Galaxies with the Herschel Space Observatory* PhD consisted of two main investigations. Firstly, using *Herschel* data to determine if recent Milky Way supernovæ manufactured large quantities of dust; whilst Type-II supernovæ did, Type-Ia did not. Secondly, exploiting *Herschel-ATLAS* to perform the first blind, dust-selected, volume-limited survey of local galaxies, revealing that dust selection is a very effective way of identifying immature galaxies with a host of unusual properties.

Thesis Link

Reference: Prof Haley Gomez | (+44)2920 874058 | Haley.Gomez@astro.cf.ac.uk

#### 2011 | **Re**

### Research Assistant | Cardiff University

Employed to continue 4<sup>th</sup>-year undergraduate project work for publication.

#### 2007-2011

## MPhys Astrophysics 2:1 | CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

4<sup>th</sup>-year project: Searching with Herschel for Dust Created by Kepler's Supernova

Supervisors: Dr Peter Hargrave & Prof Haley Gomez

3<sup>rd</sup>-year project: Stacking Submillimetre-Undetected Elliptical Galaxies in BLAST Observations

SUPERVISOR: DR ENZO PASCALE

#### 2003-2007

# A-Levels & GCSEs | Helston School

Recieved 4 A-Levels (Maths, Physics, History, and Theology) and II GCSEs (including 9 A/A\*)

## **TEACHING**

## 2014-2016 Project student supervision

Primary supervisor of a Master's student, co-supervisor of three 3<sup>rd</sup>-year undergraduates

2015–2017 Undergraduate teaching | Computational Skills for Problem Solving

In charge of teaching weekly Ist-year Python class

## **GRANTS & AWARDS**

2016 £12 205 | Data Innovation Research Institute

Seedcorn Fund | Astronomical Oncology – Astronomical Image Analysis Techniques for Cancer Microscopy

2013 £400 | CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

Bessie Jones Prize for Most Outstanding Research Student

2012 €550 | EUROPEAN SPACE AGENCY

Competitive ESA Conference Sponsorship

2007 **£4000** | Institute of Physics IoP Undergraduate Bursary

## Successful Telescope Proposals

IRAM NIKA2 A pilot study for nearby galaxy observations with NIKA2, mapping continuum emission

of IC 342 at 1.2 & 2 mm | Principal Investigator

JCMT SCUBA2/RxA  $\,$  JINGLE (JCMT dust & gas In Nearby Galaxies Legacy Exploration) statistical 850  $\mu$ m &

<sup>12</sup>CO(2-1) local-Universe survey of gas and dust | **Executive Team of Large Program** 

IRAM NIKA2 IMEGIN (Interpreting Millimetre Emission of Galaxies with Iram & Nika2) 1.2 & 2 mm

survey of nearby galaxies with new instrument | **Executive Team of Large Program** 

ALMA CO and dust continuum observations of nearby galaxies to uncover 'the secret lives of

BADGRS' | Co-Author

JCMT HARP-B MALATANG (MApping the dense moLecular gAs in the sTrongest stAr-formiNg Galax-

ies) large program mapping HCN & HCO+ in nearby galaxies with FTS | Co-Auтнок

GMRT HI mapping of dust-rich local galaxies | Second Author

JCMT SCUBA2 850  $\mu$ m photometry of local galaxies containing very cold dust | Second Author

VLA HI mapping of passive late-type 'zombie' galaxies | Co-Author

IRAM EMIR <sup>12</sup>CO(1-0) spectroscopy of local galaxies with low dust-to-gas ratios | Co-Author

VLA HI mapping of immature gas-dominated nearby galaxies | Co-Author

# OBSERVING EXPERIENCE

MILLIMETRE PHOTOMETRY NIKA2 | 5 Nights at Telescope (2017)

I & 2 mm continuum observations of M 99 for NIKA2 science verification.

MILLIMETRE SPECTROSCOPY RXA, JAMES CLARK MAXWELL TELESCOPE | 5 Nights at Telescope (2016)

<sup>12</sup>CO(2-1) spectroscopy of low-redshift galaxies for the JINGLE large program.

SUBMILLIMETRE PHOTOMETRY SCUBA2, JAMES CLARK MAXWELL TELESCOPE | 8 Nights at Telescope (2014)

850  $\mu$ m photometry of local galaxies containing very cold dust.

MILLIMETRE SPECTROSCOPY MOPRA 22M ANTENNA | 7 Nights at Telescope (2012)

 $^{12}$ CO(1-0) spectroscopy of *Herschel*-detected galaxies in the Fornax Cluster.

## PROGRAMMING SKILLS

Python **Primary language** | Highly capable; especially proficient in, statistical methods, image processing, data visualisation, and general observational astronomical use. Also run 1st-year un-

dergraduate Python course.

IDL **Seconday language** | Adept in general numerical and astronomical applications.

R Versed in data-analysis and statistical use.

FORTRAN90 Undergraduate-level ability in basic use.

LATEX Competent in the creation of high-quality scientific and academic documents.

GIT Version control for all code development, made freely available on GitHub.

GitHub Link

## SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 **Symposium Chair** | *The ISM as a Window onto Galaxy Evolution* European Week of Space Science 2018 | Liverpool
- 2017 **Seminar** | *The Guilty Secrets of Dust in Nearby Galaxies* East Asian Observatory | Hilo
- 2016 **Poster** | *DustPedia: A Definitive Study of Dust in the Local Universe* RAS Specialist Meeting: Multiwavelength Extragalactic Surveys | London
- Talk & Local Organising Committee | Truths for a PhD in Astronomy

  Science & Technology Facilities Council Summer School in Astronomy | Cardiff
- Talk | Young, Blue, and Cold Blind Surveys of Nearby Galaxies with Herschel-ATLAS RAS National Astronomical Meeting | Llandudno
- Talk | Young, Blue, and Cold Blind Surveys of Nearby Galaxies with Herschel-ATLAS
  GAS, DUST, AND STAR-FORMATION IN GALAXIES FROM THE LOCAL TO FAR UNIVERSE | CRETE
- Poster | Herschel-ATLAS: A Blind Local Universe Survey Reveals Cold Immature Galaxies
  The Life Cycle of Dust in the Universe | Taipei
- Talk | A Blind Survey of the Local Dusty Universe with Herschel-ATLAS
  THE UNIVERSE EXPLORED BY HERSCHEL | NOORDWIJK
- Talk | A Blind Survey of the Local Dusty Universe with Herschel-ATLAS RAS NATIONAL ASTRONOMY MEETING | ST ANDREWS
- Talk | Dust in Historical Supernova Remnants with Herschel RAS NATIONAL ASTRONOMY MEETING | ST ANDREWS
- Poster | Dusty Stars in Herschel-ATLAS

  RAS Specialist Meeting: Origins of Dust in the Herschel & ALMA Era | London

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

Science Outreach >150 hours engaged in science outreach activities with the general public; including

public talks, science fairs, school events, agricultural shows, writing articles for uni-

versity media, and radio interviews.

SCOUT ASSOCIATION 5 years volunteering as an assistant leader at 1st Helston Scout Troop, 2004–2009;

attained Chief Scout's Award (equivalent to Duke of Edinburgh's Award).

University Challenge Bested 90% of teams to reach the televised stage of the BBC competition, representing

Cardiff University as an undergraduate.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

First Author

Clark C. J. R., et al., 2017, *DustPedia: Multiwavelength Photometry and Imagery of 876 Nearby Galaxies in 42 Ultraviolet–Microwave Bands*, accepted for publication in A&A ADS Link

Clark C. J. R., et al., 2016, An Empirical Determination of the Dust Mass Absorption Coefficient,  $\kappa_d$ , Using the Herschel Reference Survey, MNRAS 459 1646 ADS Link

Clark C. J. R., et al., 2015, Herschel-ATLAS: The Surprising Diversity of Dust-Selected Galaxies in the Local Submillimetre Universe, MNRAS 452 397

ADS Link

Clark C. J. R., 2015, On the Origins of Cosmic Dust and the Evolution of Nearby Galaxies with the Herschel Space Observatory, PhD Thesis

ADS Link |

Clark C. J. R., et al., 2014, *A Blind Survey of the Local Dusty Universe with Herschel-ATLAS*, in proceedings of 'The Life Cycle of Dust in the Universe', PoS LCDU2013 073

ADS Link

Co-Author

Casasola V., et al., 2017, Radial Distribution of Dust, Stars, Gas, and Star-Formation Rate in DustPedia Face-On Galaxies, A&A 605 A18 33

Rho J., et al., 2017, *A Dust Twin of Cas A: Cool Dust and Pre-Solar Grains of Silica Revealed in the Supernova Remnant G54.1+0.3*, submitted to MNRAS

ADS Link

de Vis P., et al., 2017, *Using dust, gas and stellar mass selected samples to probe dust sources and sinks in low metallicity galaxies*, accepted for publication in MNRAS

ADS Link |

Davies J. I., et al., 2016, DustPedia - A Definitive Study of Cosmic Dust in the Local Universe, PASP 129 044102

ADS Link

Bianchi S., et al., 2016, *The Herschel Virgo Cluster Survey. XX. Dust and Gas in the Foreground Galactic Cirrus*, A&A 597 A130 25

de Vis P., et al., 2016, Herschel-ATLAS: Revealing Dust Build-Pp and Decline Across Gas-, Dustand Stellar-Mass Selected Samples: I. Scaling Relations, MNRAS 464 4680 ADS Link

Eales A., et al., 2015, *H-ATLAS/GAMA: Quantifying the Morphological Eolution of the Galaxy Population using Cosmic Calorimetry*, MNRAS 452 3489

ADS Link

Rowlands K., et al., 2014, Herschel-ATLAS: Properties of Dusty Massive Galaxies at Low and High Redshifts, MNRAS 441 1017

ADS Link

Peason E. A., et al., 2013, Herschel-ATLAS: estimating redshifts of Herschel sources from sub-mm fluxes, MNRAS 435 2753

ADS Link |

Bourne N., et al., 2013, Herschel-ATLAS: correlations between dust and gas in local submm-selected galaxies, MNRAS 436 479

ADS Link

Agius N. K., et al., 2013, *GAMA/H-ATLAS: linking the properties of submm detected and undetected early-type galaxies:*  $I. z \le 0.06 \text{ sample}$ , MNRAS 431 1929 ADS Link

López-Caniego M., et al., 2013, Mining the Herschel-ATLAS: submillimetre-selected blazars in equatorial fields, MNRAS 430 1566

ADS Link

Gomez H. L., et al., 2012, A Cool Dust Factory in the Crab Nebula: A Herschel Study of the Filaments, ApJ 760 96

ADS Link

Gomez H. L. & Clark C. J. R., et al., 2012, *Dust in Historical Galactic Type-la Supernova Remnants with Herschel*, MNRAS 420 3557

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