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DATE OF BIRTH	15th March 1989	NATIONALITY British
ACADEMIC HISTORY	<p><b>September 2017 - present: GRAPPA, University of Amsterdam</b>          GRAPPA Post-doctoral Position          Supervisors: Dr. Gianfranco Bertone &amp; Dr. Christoph Weniger</p> <p><b>October 2014 - August 2017: LPTHE, Paris &amp; IPhT, CEA/Saclay</b>          NewDark ERC Post-doctoral Fellowship          Supervisor: Dr. Marco Cirelli</p> <p><b>September 2011 - September 2014: University of Nottingham, UK</b>          PhD, Particle Theory Group          PhD Thesis: <a href="#">“Confronting Astrophysical Uncertainties in the Direct Detection of Dark Matter”</a>          Supervisor: Dr. Anne M. Green</p> <p><b>September 2010 - June 2011: University of Cambridge, UK</b>          Master of Science (MSci): Theoretical Physics          Master’s thesis: “Wavepacket scattering simulations using GPGPU”          Modules in quantum field theory, particle astrophysics and cosmology.</p> <p><b>September 2007 - June 2010: University of Cambridge, UK</b>          Bachelor of Arts (BA): Natural Sciences (Physical)          First class honours degree (ranked 13 out of 578).</p>	
RESEARCH INTERESTS	My main research interest is in the phenomenology of <i>particle dark matter</i> (DM). My primary focus has been on the direct detection of particle DM in underground laboratory experiments. I have previously demonstrated how the astrophysics and particle physics properties of a new DM particle could be robustly determined in the event of a discovery. Ongoing research includes the study of novel signatures and new approaches in the direct search for DM. With the advent of gravitational wave (GW) astronomy, I have begun focusing on the effects of DM on GW signals from compact object mergers. In particular, I am interested in whether dense DM halos around black holes can be detected through their influence on observed merger rates and gravitational waveforms.	
PUBLICATIONS ( <a href="#">LIST ONLINE</a> )	34 publications (27 peer-reviewed). These include 5 single-author papers, 13 first-author papers and 2 papers published in <i>Physical Review Letters</i> .	
SELECTED TALKS ( <a href="#">SLIDES ONLINE</a> )	<p><a href="#">IFCA Colloquium</a>, Santander, Spain, 7 October 2019          Title: <a href="#">“Dark Matter, Black Holes, Gravitational Waves and Werewolves”</a></p> <p><a href="#">PRISMA Colloquium</a>, University of Mainz, 17 October 2018          Title: <a href="#">“Can we directly measure the local distribution of Dark Matter from Earth?”</a></p> <p>Invited Overview Talk, <a href="#">Dark Side of the Universe 2018</a>, Annecy, 25 June 2018          Title: <a href="#">“Signal Diversity and EFT in Dark Matter Direct Detection”</a></p> <p><a href="#">[Video]</a> Invited Overview Talk, <a href="#">DM-Stat Workshop</a>, Banff, 26 February 2018          Title: <a href="#">“An Introduction to Dark Matter”</a></p>	

[[Video](#)] LAW Physics Webinar, 17 January 2018

Title: “[Can we determine the particle/antiparticle nature of Dark Matter?](#)”

#### TEACHING & SUPERVISION

Astroparticle Physics Course for bachelor’s students (14 weeks; course design, lectures, TA sessions & grading; Amsterdam University College, 2019).

Theory Workshop for third-year bachelor’s students (4 weeks; lectures, examples classes & project supervision in astroparticle physics; Institute for Theoretical Physics Amsterdam, 2018 & 2019).

GRAPPA Student Seminar series for first-year MSc students (4 weeks; lectures & project supervision in astroparticle physics; University of Amsterdam, 2018).

Working closely with various PhD Students (including [Tom D. P. Edwards](#), [Ciaran A. J. O’Hare](#), [Andreas Rappelt](#)).

Supervision of Master’s Student (Konstantinos Antoniadis, University of Amsterdam, 2019-2020).

AWARDS & PRIZES [Institute of Physics \(IOP\) Astroparticle Physics Thesis prize](#), 2016.

Foundation Scholarship (for achieving a First class mark in all papers), University of Cambridge, UK, 2009, 2010, 2011.

David Thompson Scholarship (for achieving a First class mark), University of Cambridge, UK, 2008.

#### COMPUTER SKILLS ([CODE ONLINE](#))

*Languages & Software:* C/C++, CUDA (GPGPU programming), Fortran, Python, MATLAB, Mathematica, Git, high-performance computing, N-body simulation.  
*Operating Systems:* Windows, Linux, Mac OS X.

#### CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

[Gravitational Wave Probes of Fundamental Physics \(GW4FP\)](#), Local Organiser (Amsterdam, 2019).

[PHYSTAT Dark Matter](#), Scientific Advisory Committee (Stockholm, 2019).

[7th Amsterdam-Paris-Stockholm meeting](#) (2017).

NewDark mini-workshops: ‘[LCDM, Modified Gravity or new Dark Matter models?](#)’ (2017), ‘[Dark Matter and Stars](#)’ (2016) and ‘[Axion Theory and Searches](#)’ (2015) in Paris, France.

[Young Experimentalists and Theorists Institute \(YETI\) 2014](#), Durham, UK.

#### OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Member of the Square Kilometer Array (SKA) Gravitational Waves working group.

Referee for PRL, PRD, JCAP, EPJC and Physics of the Dark Universe.

Coordinating and editing publication of outreach article on the NewDark research group: ‘[Dark is the new black](#)’ (Scientia, 2016).

Outreach talks at undergraduate physics open days at University of Nottingham (2012, 2013) and at University of Cambridge Part III research day (2012).

Journal Club organiser and chair at University of Nottingham and at GRAPPA, University of Amsterdam.