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# Carl Andrew Ziegler

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# Research Interests

Characterization of exoplanets; formation and evolution of planetary systems in multiple star systems; large adaptive optics surveys; stellar multiplicity of nearby stars

### Education

May 2018 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

PHD, Physics and Astronomy

Thesis: "Characterization of Exoplanets and Stellar Systems with New Robots"

Research: exoplanets, multi-star systems and robotic adaptive optics

Advisor: Prof. Nicholas Law

August 2013 Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL

M.S., Physics

Thesis: "Adsorption of Neon on Open Carbon Nanohorn Aggregates"

Advisor: Prof. Aldo Migone

May 2009 William Jewell College, Liberty, MO

B.A., Physics and Mathematics

Research: variable stars, globular clusters

Advisor: Prof. Maggie Sherer

# **Highlighted Publications**

- Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey V: The effect of physically associated stellar companions on planetary systems
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, In press
- Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey IV: The effect of nearby stars on 3857 planetary candidate systems
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2018 155 161
- Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey III: Adaptive Optics Imaging of 1629 Kepler Exoplanet Candidate Host Stars
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2017 153 66
- SRAO: optical design and the dual-knife-edge WFS
  - C. Ziegler, et al., Proc. SPIE 9909, Adaptive Optics Systems V, 99093Z, 2016
- Multiplicity of the Galactic Senior Citizens: A High-resolution Search for Cool Subdwarf Companions
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2015 804 30

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# All Refereed Publications

20. Measuring the Recoverability of Close Binaries in Gaia DR2 with the Robo-AO Kepler Survey

- C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, In press
- 19. The Elusive Majority of Young Moving Groups. I. One Hundred New Low-mass Canddiates of Nearby Kinematic Associations
  - B. Bowler, S. Hinkley, C. Ziegler, et al., *In submission*
- 18. Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey V: The effect of physically associated stellar companions on planetary systems
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, In press
- Robo-AO Kepler Survey V: The effect of physically associated stellar companions on planetary systems
  - C. Ziegler, et al., Submitted to AAS Journals
- Robo-AO Kepler Survey IV: the effect of nearby stars on 3857 planetary candidate systems
   C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2018 155 161
- 15. Full Sky Coverage Laser-only Adaptive Optics Achieves Significant Image Quality Gains Compared to Seeing-limited Observations
  - W. Howard, N. Law, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, In press
- 14. Robo-AO Discovery and Basic Characterization of Wide Multiple Star Systems in the Pleiades, Praesepe, and NGC 2264 Clusters
  - L. Hillenbrand, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, In press
- 13. Robo-AO Kepler Asteroseismic Survey. I. Adaptive optics imaging of 99 asteroseismic Kepler dwarfs and subgiants
  - J. Schonhut-Stasik, C. Baranec, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Astrophysical Journal, 2017 847 97
- 12. Ultra Short Period Planets in K2 with companions: a double transiting system for EPIC 220674823
  - E. R. Adams, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2017 153 82
- 11. Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey III: Adaptive Optics Imaging of 1629 Kepler Exoplanet Candidate Host Stars
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2017 153 66
- 197 Candidates and 104 Validated Plantes in K2's First Five Fields
   Crossfield, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal Supplement, 2016 226 7
- 9. Probability of physical association of 104 blended companions to Kepler objects of interest using visible and near-infrared adaptive optics photometry
  - D. Atkinson, C. Baranec, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2017 153 25
- 8. Robo-AO Kepler Planetary Candidate Survey II: Adaptive Optics Imaging of 969 Kepler Exoplanet Candidate Host Stars
  - C. Baranec, C. Ziegler, et al., The Astronomical Journal, 2016 152 18
- 7. The strange case of WR2
  - A.-N. Chené, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., Submitted MNRAS, 2016
- 6. Two Small Temperate Planets Transiting Nearby M Dwarfs in K2 Campaigns 0 and 1 J. Schlieder, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2016 818 87
- 5. HII 2407: An Eclipsing Binary Revealed By K2 Observations of the Pleiades T. David, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2015 **814** 62

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# All Refereed Publications - Continued

- 4. KELT-8b: A Highly Inflated Transiting Hot Jupiter and a New Technique for Extracting Highprecision Radial Velocities from Noisy Spectra
  - B. Fulton, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2015 810 30
- 3. Multiplicity of the Galactic Senior Citizens: A High-resolution Search for Cool Subdwarf Companions
  - C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2015 804 30
- Robotic Laser Adaptive Optics Imaging of 715 Kepler Exoplanet Candidates with Robo-AO
   N. Law, ..., C. Ziegler, et al., The Astrophysical Journal, 2014 791 35
- Neon and CO<sub>2</sub> Adsorption on Open Carbon Nanohorns
   Krungleviciute, C. Ziegler, et al., Langmuir, 2013 29 (30), pp 9388–9397

# SPIE Instrumentation Papers

- SRAO: the southern robotic speckle + adaptive optics system
   N. Law, C. Ziegler, A. Tokovinin, Proc. SPIE 9907, Optical and Infrared Interferometry and Imaging V, 99070K, 2016
- SRAO: optical design and the dual-knife-edge WFS
   C. Ziegler, et al., Proc. SPIE 9909, Adaptive Optics Systems V, 99093Z, 2016
- The Robo-AO KOI survey: laser adaptive optics imaging of every Kepler exoplanet candidate
  - C. Ziegler, et al., Proc. SPIE 9909, Adaptive Optics Systems V, 99095U, 2016

# **Talks**

#### **Conference Talks**

- Robo-AO KOI Survey: LGS-AO imaging of every Kepler planetary candidate host star AAS 231, January 9-12, National Harbor, MD (2018)
- High resolution imaging of 4000 Kepler planetary candidate host stars
   Know Thy Star, Know Thy Planet, October 11, Pasadena, CA (2017)
- Robo-AO KOI Survey: LGS-AO imaging of every Kepler planetary candidate host star Transiting Exoplanets, July 17, Keele, UK (2017)
- Adaptive Optics Imaging of Kepler Planetary Candidates
   North Carolina Astronomers Meeting, September 24, Jamestown, NC (2016)
- The Robo-AO KOI Survey: Laser Adaptive Optics Imaging of Every Kepler Exoplanet Candidate AAS 227, January 4-8, Kissimmee, FL (2016)
- Study of Carbon Dioxide adsorption on Purified HiPco Nanotubes
   American Physical Society Meeting, March 18–22, Baltimore, MD (2013)

#### **Invited Talks**

- The Robo-AO KOI survey and the development of a Southern robotic AO system Institute for Astronomy, September 14, Hilo, Hawaii (2016)

#### **Conference Posters**

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Robo-AO KOI Survey: Robotic LGS-AO Imaging of Every Kepler Planetary Candidate
 C. Ziegler, et al., Kepler SciCon IV, NASA Ames (2017)

- SRAO: the first southern robotic AO system
  - C. Ziegler, et al., SPIE Astronomical Telescopes + Instrumentation, Edinburgh, UK (2016)
- The Robo-AO KOI survey: laser adaptive optics imaging of every Kepler exoplanet candidate
  - C. Ziegler, et al., SPIE Astronomical Telescopes + Instrumentation, Edinburgh, UK (2016)
- Multiplicity of the Galactic Senior Citizens: A high-resolution search for cool subdwarf companions
  - C. Ziegler & N. Law, AAS 225, Seattle, WA (2015)

# **Teaching Experience**

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Spring 2017	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC Undergraduate Research Mentor Advised UNC undergraduate with novel methods to reduce adaptive optics images of bright stars
Summer 2015	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC Summer Research Mentor Advised high school student with Kepler host star multiplicity research
Fall 2013- Spring 2014	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC Astronomy 101L Lab Teaching Assistant Led five lab sections using robotic "Skynet" telescopes
Fall 2010- Spring 2013	Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL Astronomy 101 Lab Teaching Assistant Taught twenty lab sections in astronomy
Spring 2012- Fall 2012	Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL  Physics Lab Instructor  Taught three calculus-based physics lab courses

### Professional Service and Public Outreach

- Referee of two papers for Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society (MNRAS)
- Assisted in twenty public observing nights for Chapel Hill Astronomical and Observational Society
- Two public talks for Raleigh Astronomy Club
- Organized and led astronomy booth for UNC Science Expo (2 years)

### Sofware Skills

Computer Programming:

- Python (primary language for astronomical data analysis)
- C++ (control software for Andor EMCCD camera, WFS reconstruction)
- IRAF (astronomical data analysis, primarily for SOAR spectroscopy)
- HTML (designed Robo-AO Kepler website, roboaokepler.org)
- LabVIEW (wrote control GUI for gas adsorption instrumentation)
- Mathematica (hydrodymical simulations for graduate ISM class)

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# Instrumentation

Instrumentation Design: - Zemax (optical design for Robo-SOAR)

- SolidWorks (modeling for fabrication of custom mounts and packaging

used in Robo-SOAR)

Robo-SOAR construction: - built optical testbed of NGS-AO system

- designed and constructed prototype of reflective pyramid WFS