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EDUCATION	Ph.D. Candidate in Physics <i>University of Chicago</i> Thesis Advisor: Jeff McMahon	2019-
	M.S. Physics <i>University of Michigan</i> Thesis Advisor: Jeff McMahon	2017-2019
	B.A. Physics <i>Santa Clara University</i> Graduation with Honors	2017
SKILLS	Programming Languages: Python, L ^A T _E X, IDL, HTML, Matlab, C++. Software Languages: SolidWorks, AutoCAD. Languages: Spanish (fluent), English (fluent) and Italian (B1). Instrumentation: Lathe, mill, drill press.	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	Graduate Student Researcher 2019 - Research focuses on the characterization of optical elements and systematics in the Simons Observatory Large Aperture Telescope, a next-generation cosmic microwave background (CMB) experiment. Extending this, I study the propagation of systematic effects into later analysis of the CMB.	University of Chicago Chicago, IL
	AWIS Co-President of Mentorship 2019 - 2020 Organize and schedule the AWIS Mentoring Circles Program, facilitate the application process for this program, train group leaders, and plan all-group events.	Association for Women in Science Ann Arbor, MI
	Graduate Student Researcher 2017 - 2019 My work included characterization of optical elements and systematics in the Large Aperture Telescope in Simons Observatory, the next-generation cosmic microwave background experiment. This work completed my Master's Degree in Physics, whereupon my advisor, Jeff McMahon, was hired by the University of Chicago. Following the completion of my Master's degree, I transferred to the University of Chicago where I continued onto my PhD candidacy.	University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI
	Committee on SS&T Intern Sept. 2019 - Oct. 2019 Two month internship in the House of Representatives Committee on Science, Space and Technology. I was tasked with writing scientific reviews of space policy meetings for the Space and Aeronautics subcommittee. I also advised committee staff on the science behind 5G technology.	United States House of Representatives Washington D.C., VA
	Undergraduate Researcher 2016 - 2017 As a part of the Research Experience for Undergraduates program, funded by the NSF, I assisted in the construction of a Fourier transform spectrometer, which will calibrate the detectors within the Atacama Cosmology Telescope in Chile.	University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI

Scientific Technical Author Carbon Design Innovations
 2015 - 2017 Burlingame, CA
 Reviewed atomic force microscopy technology provided by Carbon Design Innovations, captured publish worthy images and scans, and wrote scientific letters describing new products.

Student Researcher Department of Physics
 2014 - 2017 Santa Clara, CA
 Examined the efficiency and lifetime of polymer solar cells by varying a third component in the active layer, study cells under the atomic force microscope, manage projects in machine shop and operate atomic force and scanning electron microscopes.

Calculus Peer Educator Department of Mathematics
 2013 - 2014 Santa Clara, CA
 Presented guest lectures in Calculus III classes, held weekly office hours and study sessions, and produced study guides for students.

HONORS & AWARDS

National Science Foundation: Graduate Research Fellow	2018 - present
NASA: Space and Technology Research Fellowship Recipient (declined)	2018
American Physical Society, Society of Physics Students Travel Grant	2016
Santa Clara University: Presidential Scholarship	2016
Santa Clara University: Hayes Fellowship	2016
American Physical Society: Women in Physics Grant	2016
Santa Clara University: University Honors Program	2015-2017
Santa Clara University: Clare Booth Luce Research Scholar	2015
Santa Clara University: Roelandts Grant	2014-2015

SERVICE

The Simons Observatory: Conference Committee	2021
University of Chicago: Science Policy Group, Vice-President	2020-2021
University of Michigan: Association for Women in Science, Co-President of Mentorship	2019 - 2020
University of Michigan: LSA Machine Shop, Machining Instructor	2019
Santa Clara University: Women in Physics, Founder and President	2015-2017
Santa Clara University: Women in STEM, Leadership Board Member	2015-2017

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Science Policy Group at the University of Chicago
 Simons Observatory Collaboration
 Atacama Cosmology Telescope Collaboration
 American Women in Science, University of Michigan
 Sigma Pi Sigma, The Physics Honor Society
 Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society
 Society of Physics Students, American Physics Society
 Women in STEM, Santa Clara University
 Women in Physics, Santa Clara University

OUTREACH

<i>NSBP + Simons Obs. Undergraduate Program Coordinator</i>	2020 - present
<i>University of Michigan Department of Physics Graduate Mentor</i>	2018 - 2019
<i>University of Michigan Society for Women in Physics Mentor</i>	2018 - 2019
<i>University of Michigan Rackham International Network Mentor</i>	2018 - 2019
<i>Astrobites.com Guest Author</i>	2018
<i>After School Physics Instructor, Santa Jose, CA</i>	2017
<i>STEM Mentoring Program Educator, Santa Clara University</i>	2014-2015
<i>Newport High School Sexual Health Educator, Bellevue, WA</i>	2011-2013

INVITED TALKS 69th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting (2019).

AND

CONFERENCES "Reflectometry Measurements of the Loss Tangent in Silicon at Millimeter Wavelengths," ESA Workshop, Noordwijk, Netherlands (2018).

"ACTPol Instrumentation: Fourier Transform Spectrometer," Physics Department Research Colloquium, Santa Clara, CA (2016).

"Evaluation of 3D carbon nanotube composite AFM probes fabricated with ion flux molding," APS March Meeting, Baltimore, MD (2016).

"Evaluation of 3D carbon nanotube composite AFM probes fabricated with ion flux molding," (poster), APS Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics, Corvallis, OR (2016).

"Polymer Solar Cells with Varied Dye Percentages" APS Conference for Undergraduate Women, Santa Cruz, CA (2015).

**PUBLICATIONS,
MAIN AUTHOR**

1. "The Simons Observatory: Metamaterial Microwave Absorber (MMA) and its Cryogenic Applications", Z. Xu, **G.E. Chesmore**, et. al. *Applied Optics*, Volume 60 **4**, pp. 864-874 (2021), arXiv:2010.02233v2.
2. "Reflectometry Measurements of the Loss Tangent in Silicon at Millimeter Wavelengths", **Grace E. Chesmore**, Tony Mroczkowski, Jeff McMahon, Shreya Sutariya, Alec Josaitis, and Leif Jensen, *Proceedings from the 8th ESA Workshop on Millimetre-Wave Technology and Applications* (2018).
3. "Evaluation of 3D carbon nanotube composite AFM probes fabricated with ion flux molding," **Grace E. Chesmore** et. al., *Journal of Advanced Microscopy Research* (2016).

**PUBLICATIONS,
COLLABORATION**

1. "The Simons Observatory: modeling optical systematics in the large aperture telescope", J.E. Gudmundsson, P.A. Gallardo, R. Puddu, S.R. Dicker, et. al. *Applied Optics*, Volume 60 **4**, pp. 823-837 (2021), arXiv:2010.02233v2.
2. "The integration and testing program for the Simons Observatory Large Aperture Telescope optics tubes", K. Harrington, C. Sierra, G.E. Chesmore, et. al. *SPIE: Millimeter, Submillimeter, and Far-Infrared Detectors and Instrumentation for Astronomy*, Volume 11453, pp. 1145318 (2020).
3. "The Atacama Cosmology Telescope: A Measurement of the Cosmic Microwave Background Power Spectra at 98 and 150 GHz", S.K. Choi, M. Hasselfield, S.P.P. Ho, B. Koopman, M. Lungu, M.H. Abitbol, et. al. (2020), arXiv:2007.07289.
4. "The Atacama Cosmology Telescope: DR4 Maps and Cosmological Parameters", S. Aiola, E. Calabrese, L. Maurin, S. Naess, B.L. Schmitt, M.H. Abitbol, et. al. (2020), arXiv:2007.07288.
5. "Atacama Cosmology Telescope: Constraints on cosmic birefringence", T. Namikawa, Y. Guan, O. Darwish, B.D. Sherwin, S. Aiola, N. Battaglia, et. al. *Physical Review D*, Volume 101 **8**, (2020).
6. "Broadband, millimeter-wave antireflection coatings for large-format, cryogenic aluminum oxide optics", A. Nadolski, J. D. Vieira, J. A. Sobrin, A. M. Kofman, Grace E. Chesmore et. al. *Applied Optics*, submitted, in progress (2019).
7. "Wideband 67-116 GHz receiver development for ALMA Band 2", Pavel Yagoubov, Tony Mroczkowski, Grace E. Chesmore et. al. *Astronomy and Astrophysics*, Volume 634, article id A46, 22 pp. (2020).
8. "The Simons Observatory: Science Goals and Forecasts", The Simons Observatory Collaboration (2018).

9. "The Simons Observatory: Instrument Overview", The Simons Observatory Collaboration, *Proceedings of SPIE*, Volume 10708 (2018).
10. "Time-dependent efficiency measurements of polymer solar cells with dye additives: unexpected initial increase of efficiency," K. J. Bandaccari et. al., *European Physical Journal Photovoltaics*, (2018).
11. "Structure-function relationships of fullerene esters in polymer solar cells: Unexpected structural effects on lifetime and efficiency" Michael Tro, et. al., *International Journal of Energy Research* (2015).
12. "Effect of electron acceptor structure on stability and efficiency in polymer solar cells: a combinatorial approach," Michael Tro, et al., *International Journal of Energy Research* (2015).