

# Christopher C. Lovell

## Curriculum Vitae

### Appointments

- October 2022– Present **Dennis Sciamia Postdoctoral Research Fellow.**  
Institute of Cosmology and Gravitation, University of Portsmouth
- April 2022 – July 2022 **JSPS short-term postdoctoral research fellowship.**  
ICRR, University of Tokyo, Japan
- August 2019– October 2022 **Postdoctoral Research Fellow.**  
The School of Physics, Astronomy and Mathematics, University of Hertfordshire
- May 2019– August 2019 **Postdoctoral Research Fellow.**  
Astronomy Centre, School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, University of Sussex
- 2013–2015 **Data Scientist.**  
Bank of England, London

### Education

- September 2015– June 2019 **Ph.D. Astronomy, Modelling Galaxy Formation and Evolution during the Epoch of Reionisation and Beyond.**  
Astronomy Centre, School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, University of Sussex  
*Advisors:* Prof. Peter Thomas & Dr. Stephen Wilkins
- 2009–2013 **MPhys Astrophysics.**  
School of Physics and Astronomy, Cardiff University. *Advisors:* Prof. Peter Coles, Prof. Anthony Whitworth

### Grants, Awards & Successful Proposals

- April 2021 **Co-I on JWST General Observer Cycle 1 proposal 1791 (PI: Justin Spilker).**  
"The Early Assembly History of the Most Massive Halo in the Reionization Era"
- April 2022 **JSPS short-term postdoctoral research fellowship.**  
University of Tokyo, Japan, min. 1086000¥ (approx. £7700)
- November 2016 **Introduction to Astronomy in Python (Online Module Developer).**  
University of Sussex, £1000
- Summer 2013 **Cardiff Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme (CUROP).**  
School of Physics and Astronomy, Cardiff University. *Advisor:* Dr. Ian Harrison

### Selected Conferences, Meetings, & Invited Talks

- January 2023 **Kavli Institute, Cambridge, UK, Invited talk.**
- January – April 2023 **KITP program, Building a Physical Understanding of Galaxy Evolution with Data-driven Astronomy, Tutorial, blackboard talk, presentation, invited.**
- September 2022 **Mapping the Invisible Universe, Lorentz Center, Leiden, Netherlands, Invited.**
- September '22, March '23 **Learning the Universe Annual Meeting, Flatiron Institute, New York, US, Invited.**

May 2022	<b>Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan, <i>Invited talk.</i></b>
March 2022	<b>Department of Astronomy, University of Toronto, Canada, <i>Invited talk.</i></b>
October 2021	<b>SAZERAC SIP <a href="#">Models and Simulations of High-Redshift Galaxies</a>, SOC.</b>
February 2021	<b>SAZERAC SIP <a href="#">CIDER: The Cold ISM During the Epoch of Reionisation</a>, SOC.</b>
January 2021, December '18, '16	<b><a href="#">VIRGO</a> consortium meetings, <i>Contributed talks, (Lorentz Centre, Leiden, Netherlands), (ICC, Durham, UK), (remote).</i></b>
June 2020, 2021	<b><a href="#">SAZERAC</a> summer conference, <i>Contributed talks, remote.</i></b>
November 2020	<b><a href="#">Dust2020 in Marseille</a>, <i>Contributed talk, remote.</i></b>
February 2020	<b>New York University, New York, US, <i>Invited talk.</i></b>
January 2020	<b><a href="#">Star Formation across the Universe</a>, <i>Co-organiser, Hertfordshire, UK.</i></b>
July 2019	<b>University of Sussex, Brighton, UK, <i>Invited talk, STFC Summer School.</i></b>
March 2018	<b>University of California, Santa Cruz, US, <i>Invited talk.</i></b>
May 2018	<b><a href="#">European Week of Astronomy &amp; Space Science</a>, <i>Contributed talks, Liverpool.</i></b>
January 2018	<b><a href="#">American Astronomical Society Meeting</a>, <i>Contributed talks, Washington DC, US.</i></b>

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## Teaching, Communication & Outreach

2016–Present	<b>Writing.</b> I have written outreach articles on a number of subjects for a wide range of different audiences. Organisations included <a href="#">Astrobites</a> , which provides accessible summaries of the latest research papers in Astronomy for an undergraduate audience; <i>Significance</i> , the magazine of the Royal Statistical Society and the American Statistical Association, where I contributed an <a href="#">article</a> on the Search for ExtraTerrestrial Intelligence (SETI); The Conversation, where I have submitted <a href="#">articles</a> for the general public on the latest Astronomy news
2017–Present	<b>Webb UK.</b> I have performed outreach at a number of events around the UK related to the James Webb Space Telescope, including festivals and talks for societies.
2017–Present	<b>Outreach Talks.</b> I have given a number of outreach talks to the public, school groups of various age groups and astronomy societies on my research, with a particular focus on explaining how and why we run simulations, such as <a href="#">Building A Universe In A Box</a> , and <a href="#">How to Build a Universe</a>
2017–Present	<b>Student mentor, University of Sussex, University of Hertfordshire.</b> I have mentored a number of PhD students working in the FLARES team for a number of years (Aswin Vijayan, Will Roper, Jussi Kuusisto, Louise Seeyave). I also co-organise our weekly group meetings. At Hertfordshire and Portsmouth I am mentoring and co-advising a number of masters and PhD students.
2016–Present	<b>Associate Tutor / Lecturer, University of Sussex, University of Hertfordshire.</b> As a tutor at Sussex I performed marking and workshop supervision for a first year introductory Python course. At Hertfordshire I have hosted lectures and exercise classes for both bachelors and masters level data science courses, as well as an introductory Python course
2021	<b>Certified Software Carpentries Instructor, <a href="#">The Carpentries</a>.</b> The Carpentries Instructors are volunteers who teach foundational computational and data skills to researchers.
2017–Present	<b>Brilliant Club Tutor, <a href="#">Scholars Programme</a>.</b> I taught an intensive 6 week course on galaxy evolution. The scheme required the design from scratch of a course intended for secondary school age students, the delivery of that course, communication with students and teachers, and marking and assessment of submissions.

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## Technical Skills

Programming Languages	<b>Python, R, C, C++, Intel MPI, OpenMP, Javascript, Git, HTML, <math>\LaTeX</math>, bash.</b>
Software & Packages	<b>Pyro, Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit-learn, Hyperion, D3, HDF5.</b>

## Publications.

9 first author publications since 2018, 39 co-authored publications since 2016.  $h$ -index = 17 (according to ADS). An up to date list of my publications, along with (mostly accurate) citation metrics, is available at [ADS](#) or [Google Scholar](#).

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## First-Author Publications

- 2023 **FLARES VIII. The Emergence of Passive Galaxies in the Early Universe ( $z > 5$ ).**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, Will Roper, Aswin P. Vijayan & others,*  
Submitted to MNRAS [arXiv:2211.07540](#)
- 2023 **Extreme Value Statistics of the Halo and Stellar Mass Distributions at High Redshift: are JWST Results in Tension with  $\Lambda$ CDM?**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, Ian Harrison, Yuichi Harikane, Sandro Tacchella, Stephen M. Wilkins,*  
MNRAS, 518, 2, 2511 [arXiv:2208.10479](#)
- 2022 **An orientation bias in observations of submillimetre galaxies.**  
*C. C. Lovell, J. E. Geach, R. Davé & others,*  
MNRAS, 515, 3, 3644 [arXiv:2106.11588](#)
- 2022 **A machine learning approach to mapping baryons onto dark matter halos using the EAGLE and C-EAGLE simulations.**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, Stephen M. Wilkins, Peter A. Thomas, Matthieu Schaller, Carlton M. Baugh, Giulio Fabbian, Yannick Bahé,*  
MNRAS, 509, 4, 5046, [arXiv:2106.04980](#)
- 2021 **Reproducing sub-millimetre galaxy number counts with cosmological hydrodynamic simulations.**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, James E. Geach, Romeel Davé, Desika Narayanan, Qi Li,*  
MNRAS, 502, 1, 772, [arXiv:2006.15156](#)
- 2021 **First Light And Reionization Epoch Simulations (FLARES) – I. Environmental dependence of high-redshift galaxy evolution .**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, Aswin P Vijayan, Peter A Thomas & others,*  
MNRAS, 500, 2, 2127, [arXiv:2004.07283](#)
- 2021 **Sengi: a small, fast, interactive viewer for spectral outputs from stellar population synthesis models.**  
*Christopher C. Lovell*  
Astronomy & Computing, 34, [arXiv:1911.12713](#)
- 2019 **Learning the Relationship between Galaxies Spectra and their Star Formation Histories.**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, Viviana Acquaviva, Stephen M. Wilkins, Peter A. Thomas*  
MNRAS, 490, 4, 5503, [arXiv:1903.10457](#)
- 2018 **Characterising and Identifying Galaxy Protoclusters.**  
*Christopher C. Lovell, Peter A. Thomas, Stephen M. Wilkins*  
MNRAS 474, 4, 4612, [arXiv:1710.02148](#)

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## Co-Authored Publications

- 2023 **Efficient NIRCам Selection of Quiescent Galaxies at  $3 < z < 6$  in CEERS.**  
*Arianna S. Long, Jacqueline Antwi-Danso, Erini L. Lambrides, Christopher C. Lovell & others*  
Submitted to ApJ [arXiv:2305.04662](#)

- 2023 **JWST constraints on the UV luminosity density at cosmic dawn: implications for 21-cm cosmology.**  
*Sultan Hassan, Christopher C. Lovell & others*  
Submitted to ApJL [arXiv:2305.02703](#)
- 2023 **Robust field-level likelihood-free inference with galaxies.**  
*Natalí S. M. de Santi & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
Accepted to ApJ [arXiv:2302.14101](#)
- 2023 **A universal equation to predict  $\Omega_m$  from halo and galaxy catalogues.**  
*Helen Shao & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
Accepted to ApJ [arXiv:2302.14591](#)
- 2023 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) XI: [OIII] emitting galaxies at  $5 < z < 10$ .**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins, Christopher C. Lovell, Aswin P. Vijayan & others*  
MNRAS 522 3 4014 [arXiv:2301.13038](#)
- 2023 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) X: Environmental Galaxy Bias and Survey Variance at High Redshift.**  
*Peter A. Thomas, Christopher C. Lovell, Maxwell G. A. Maltz & others*  
Submitted to MNRAS [arXiv:2301.09510](#)
- 2023 **FLARES IX: The Physical Mechanisms Driving Compact Galaxy Formation and Evolution.**  
*William J. Roper, Christopher C. Lovell, Aswin P. Vijayan & others*  
Submitted to MNRAS [arXiv:2301.05228](#)
- 2023 **Mapping Circumgalactic Medium Observations to Theory Using Machine Learning .**  
*Sarah Appleby, Romeel Davé & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
Submitted to MNRAS [arXiv:2301.02001](#)
- 2023 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) VII: The Star Formation and Metal Enrichment Histories of Galaxies in the early Universe.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins, Aswin P. Vijayan, Christopher C. Lovell & others*  
MNRAS, 518, 3, 3935 [arXiv:2208.00976](#)
- 2023 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) V: The redshift frontier.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins, Aswin P. Vijayan, Christopher C. Lovell & others*  
MNRAS, 519, 2, 3118 [arXiv:2204.09431](#)
- 2023 **Unveiling the main sequence of galaxies at  $z \geq 5$  with the James Webb Space Telescope: predictions from simulations.**  
*Jordan C. J. D'Silva, Claudia D. P. Lagos, & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
MNRAS, 518, 1, 456 [arXiv:2208.06180](#)
- 2022 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) VI: The colour evolution of galaxies  $z = 5 - 15$ .**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins, Aswin P. Vijayan, Christopher C. Lovell & others*  
MNRAS, 517, 3, 3227 [arXiv:2207.10920](#)

- 2022 **MIGHTEE: Deep 1.4 GHz Source Counts and the Sky Temperature Contribution of Star Forming Galaxies and Active Galactic Nuclei.**  
*C. L. Hale, I. H. Whittam, M. J. Jarvis & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
MNRAS 520, 2, 2668 [arXiv:2211.05741](#)
- 2022 **Seeing sharper and deeper: JWST's first glimpse of the photometric and spectroscopic properties of galaxies in the epoch of reionisation.**  
*James A. A. Trussler, Nathan J. Adams & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
Submitted to MNRAS [arXiv:2207.14265](#)
- 2022 **Chaotic and Clumpy Galaxy Formation in an Extremely Massive Reionization-era Halo.**  
*Justin S. Spilker, Christopher C. Hayward & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
ApJ Letters, 929, 1, 3 [arXiv:2203.14972](#)
- 2022 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) - IV. The size evolution of galaxies at  $z \geq 5$ .**  
*William J. Roper, Christopher C. Lovell, Aswin P. Vijayan & others*  
MNRAS, 514, 2, 1921 [arXiv:2203.12627](#)
- 2022 **The BPT Diagram in Cosmological Galaxy Formation Simulations: Understanding the Physics Driving Offsets at High-Redshift.**  
*Prerak Garg, Desika Narayanan & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
ApJ, 926, 1, 80 [arXiv:2201.03564](#)
- 2022 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) III: The properties of massive dusty galaxies at cosmic dawn.**  
*Aswin P. Vijayan, Stephen M. Wilkins, Christopher C. Lovell & others*  
MNRAS, 511, 4, 4999 [arXiv:2108.00830](#)
- 2021 **Cosmic Evolution of the H<sub>2</sub> Mass Density and the Epoch of Molecular Gas.**  
*T. K. Garratt, K. E. K. Coppin, J. E. Geach, O. Almaini, W. G. Hartley, D. T. Maltby, C. J. Simpson, A. Wilkinson, C. J. Conselice, M. Franco, R. J. Ivison, M. P. Koprowski, C. C. Lovell, A. Pope, D. Scott, P. van der Werf*  
ApJ, 912, 1, 62, 14 [arXiv:2103.08613](#)
- 2021 **First Light And Reionisation Epoch Simulations (FLARES) II: The Photometric Properties of High-Redshift Galaxies .**  
*Aswin P. Vijayan, Christopher C. Lovell, Stephen M. Wilkins & others*  
MNRAS, 501, 3, 3289 [arXiv:2011.10584](#)
- 2020 **Debunking Generalization Error or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love My Training Set.**  
*Viviana Acquaviva, Christopher C. Lovell & Emille Ishida*  
Accepted for 2020 NeurIPS workshop "Machine Learning and the Physical Sciences", [arXiv:2008.06057](#)
- 2020 **The emergence of passive galaxies in the early Universe.**  
*P. Santini & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
A&A, 652, A30, 20 [arXiv:2011.10584](#)
- 2020 **Powderday: Dust Radiative Transfer for Galaxy Simulations.**  
*Desika Narayanan & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
ApJSS, 252, 1, 12, 18, [arXiv:2006.10757](#)

- 2019 **Nebular-line emission during the Epoch of Reionization.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins, Christopher C. Lovell, Ciaran Fairhurst & others*  
MNRAS, 493, 4, 6079 [arXiv:1904.07504](#)
- 2019 **Recalibrating the cosmic star formation history.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins, Christopher C. Lovell & Elizabeth Stanway*  
MNRAS, 490, 4, 5359 [arXiv:1910.05220](#)
- 2017 **Dust-obscured star-forming galaxies in the early universe.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
MNRAS, 473, 4, 5363, [arXiv:1710.01976](#)
- 2017 **The properties of the first galaxies in the BLUETIDES simulation.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
MNRAS, 469, 3, 2517 [arXiv:1704.00954](#)
- 2016 **The photometric properties of galaxies in the early universe.**  
*Stephen M. Wilkins & others including Christopher C. Lovell*  
MNRAS, 460, 3, 3170, [arXiv:1605.05044](#)
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## References

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