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**Current employment:** Postdoctoral researcher at Zentrum für Astronomie der Universität Heidelberg supervised by Dr Kathryn Kreckel

#### **Education:**

PhD in Astrophysics October 2016–April 2020 at Cardiff University

Thesis title: The Impact Of Stellar Feedback On The Host Star-Forming Clouds

Supervisor: Dr Nicolas Peretto
Scholarships: STFC studentship grant

MSc Astrophysics October 2015–September 2016 at Cardiff University

Dissertation title: Investigating the impact of stellar feedback on G316.75, a

massive star forming ridge

Degree Classification: Distinction

Scholarships: I. Cardiff University Master's Excellence Scholarship

2. Full tuition fee scholarship

BSc Astrophysics October 2012–June 2015 at Cardiff University

Degree Classification: First with honours

Scholarships: Cardiff University Scholarship

# Skills & experiences:

Computing skills Python (highly proficient), Linux (proficient), GILDAS (intermediate), Git

(intermediate) CASA (basic)

Observing experience Undertaken an observation run on the JCMT telescope for the project

"Dust Polarization Mapping toward Infrared Dark Clouds" PI Patrick Koch.

Awarded telescope time 6.7 h using 12m array, 131.5 h of ACA and TP arrays at ALMA to investigate

the kinematics of the high-mass star-forming filament, G316.75.

9.3 h using SOFIA HAWC+ to observe dust polarisation in the high-mass

star-forming filament, G316.75

5.2 h using MUSEVLT to observe ionised gas kinematics and ionised diagnostic lines in the high-mass star-forming filament, G316.75

<u>Training</u> Attended the IRAM Millimetre Interferometry School at Grenoble in 2018

<u>Teaching experience</u> Supervising a Masters student 2022-now

Demonstrator for Year I and 2 undergraduate Python courses 2016–2018

Other experience Organised star formation group meeting 2018

Organised and run a Journal club 2020–2022

## **Conference and Seminar presentations:**

STScI/JHU Low Density Characterising superbubbles in nearby galaxies using ALMA and JWST

<u>Universe seminar</u> – Oral presentation February 2023

Theory meets observations Impact of stellar feedback on molecular cloud conditions - Oral

<u>2022</u> presentation December 2022

Heidelberg-Havard workshop Characterising superbubbles in nearby galaxies using ALMA and JWST

on star formation observations – Oral presentation December 2022

Seminar at Cardiff Constraining feedback models using molecular superbubbles in nearby

galaxies & Tracking the evolution of Milky Way molecular clouds - Oral

presentation July 2022

EAS Constraining feedback models using molecular superbubbles in nearby

galaxies - Oral presentation June 2022

From Stars to Galaxies II Characterising superbubbles in nearby galaxies using CO Poster

presentation – June 2022 (poster prize winner and received a 10min oral

presentation as a prize)

PHANGS team meeting Characterising molecular Superbubbles in Nearby Galaxies using

PHANGS-ALMA 12CO (2-1) – Oral presentation January 2022

Ringberg Workshop/ Using the infrared bright fraction to trace molecular cloud evolution in the

seminar series Milky Way – Oral presentation November 2021

Annual Meeting of the Identifying Molecular Superbubbles in Nearby Galaxies using

<u>Astronomische Gesellschaf</u> PHANGS-ALMA 12CO (2-1) – Oral presentation September 2021

<u>SDSS V Collaboration</u> Tracking the evolution of Milky Way molecular clouds – Oral presentation

Meeting August 2021

SFB Seminar series Infrared-bright fraction as a tracer for molecular cloud evolution – Oral

presentation April 2021

PHANGS team meeting Identifying Molecular Superbubbles in Nearby Galaxies using

PHANGS-ALMA 12CO (2-1) – Oral presentation February 2021

SDSS-IV/V Collaboration

Meeting

The impact of O-stars on their parent cloud: gas exhaustion rather than gas

ejection – Oral presentation June 2020

ARI heidelberg Colloquium Feedback from OB-stars on their parent cloud: Gas exhaustion rather than

gas ejection - Oral presentation June 2020

Linking the Milky Way and

nearby galaxies

The impact of O-stars on their parent cloud: gas exhaustion rather than gas

ejection. Oral presentation – June 2019

<u>Cardiff University</u> The impact of O-stars on their parent cloud: gas exhaustion rather than gas

<u>postgraduate conference:</u> ejection. Oral presentation – October 2018

The Olympian Symposium Investigating how feedback from OB stars impacts G316.75-00.00. Poster

presentation - May 2018

EWASS Investigating how feedback from OB stars impacts G316.75-00.00. Poster

presentation - April 2018

<u>Cardiff Galactic Star</u> Investigating the impact of stellar feedback on G316.75, a massive star

<u>Formation workshop</u> forming ridge. Oral presentation – September 2017

**References:** 

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#### **Publication list**

## First and second author

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<u>PHANGS-JWST First Results: A statistical view on bubble evolution in NGC628</u> – **E. J. Watkins**, A.T. Barnes, K. Henny, H. Kim, K. Kreckel, S. E. Meidt, R. S. Klessen, S. C. O Glover, T. G. Williams, B.W. Keller, A. K. Leroy, E.W. Rosolowsky et al., 2023, ApJL, 944, L24

PHANGS-JWST First Results: Multi-wavelength view of feedback-driven bubbles (The Phantom Voids) across NGC 628 – A.T. Barnes, **E. J. Watkins**, S. E. Meidt, K. Kreckel, S. C. Mattia C R. G. Tress, S. C. O Glover, F. Bigiel, R. Chandar, E. Emsellem, J. C. Lee, A. K. Leroy, K. M. Sandstrom, E.W. Rosolowsky et al. in press ApJL, arXiv:2212.00812

<u>Feedback from OB stars on their parent cloud: Gas exhaustion rather than gas ejection</u> – **E. J. Watkins**, N. Peretto, K. Marsh, & G. A. Fuller, 2019, A&A, 628, A21

### **Co-author publications**

Improving Star Cluster Age Estimates in PHANGS-HST Galaxies and the Impact on Cluster Demographics in NGC 628 – Whitmore, Bradley C., Chandar, Rupali et al. (inc. **Watkins, Elizabeth J.**), 2023, MNRAS, 520, 63

PHANGS-JWST First Results: Massive Young Star Clusters and New Insights from JWST Observations of NGC 1365 – Whitmore, B. C., Chandar, R. et al. (inc. **Watkins, Elizabeth J.**), in press ApJL, arXiv:2212.12039

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PHANGS-JWST First Results: Mid-infrared emission traces both gas column density and heating at 100 pc scales – Leroy, A. K., Sandstrom, K. et al. (inc. **Watkins, Elizabeth J.**), 2023, ApJL, 944, L9

PHANGS-JWST First Results: Measuring Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbon Properties across the Multiphase Interstellar Medium – Chastenet, J., Sutter, J. et al. (inc. Watkins, Elizabeth J.), 2023, ApJL, 944, L12

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