

Ethan Nadler | Curriculum Vitae

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Research

Galaxy Formation

- Understanding how the faintest galaxies formed and evolved;
- Modeling the connection between dwarf galaxies and dark matter halos.

Dark Matter

- Searching for signals of dark matter microphysics in small-scale structure data;
- Simulating structure formation beyond CDM using high-resolution simulations.

Near-field Cosmology

- Reconstructing primordial density fluctuations from local dwarf galaxy surveys;
- Combining dwarf galaxies and strong lensing to search for galaxy-free dark halos.

Positions

University of California, San Diego <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Astronomy & Astrophysics</i>	2025–
Carnegie Observatories & University of Southern California <i>Joint Postdoctoral Research Fellow, CTAC & USC Department of Physics and Astronomy</i>	2021–24

Education

Stanford University <i>Ph.D., Physics (Advisor: Risa H. Wechsler)</i> Thesis: Faint Galaxies and Small Halos: Probes of Galaxy Formation and Dark Matter	2021
University of California, Santa Barbara <i>B.S., Physics (Advisor: S. Peng Oh)</i> Thesis: Universality in the Structure and Abundance of Dark Matter Halos	2016

Grants

NSF Astronomy & Astrophysics Research Grant (PI; \$419,979) <i>Collaborative Research: Reconstructing Primordial Density Fluctuations using Near-Field Cosmology</i>	2024–
UC San Diego School of Physical Sciences Outreach Grant (PI; \$2,500) <i>The Preuss School + UCSD Astronomy & Astrophysics: Dark Matter & Scientific Programming</i>	2024–25
Carnegie Outreach Grant (PI; \$1,500) <i>CreateNow + Carnegie: Dark Matter & Data Visualization</i>	2022–24

Scientific Collaborations

Rubin LSST Dark Energy Science Collaboration: Co-Convener, Dark Matter Working Group	2025–
Satellites Around Galactic Analogs Survey: Member	2019–
DECam Local Volume Exploration Survey: Member	2019–
Rubin LSST Dark Energy Science Collaboration: Member	2018–
Dark Energy Survey: Member, Milky Way Working Group	2018–

Fellowships & Awards

LSST Scialog Fellow: Research Corporation for Science Advancement	2025
ACCESS Allocation: Optimizing Next-generation Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations	2025–
Faculty Fellow: San Diego Supercomputer Center	2025
XSEDE Allocation: Cosmological Simulations of Milky Way Analogs with Galactic Disks	2022–23
XSEDE Allocation: Simulations of Milky Way Halos with Large Magellanic Cloud Analogs	2020–22
NSF Graduate Research Fellow: National Science Foundation	2018–21
Faculty Committee Commendation of Excellence: UCSB College of Creative Studies	2016
Outstanding Senior Award: UCSB Department of Physics	2016

Teaching

Professor (UCSD)	2025–
◦ <i>ASTR 2: Galaxies and the Universe</i> (Spring '25, '26);	
◦ <i>ASTR 122: Physical Cosmology</i> (Winter '26).	
Guest Lecturer (USC)	2022
◦ <i>Advanced Cosmology:</i> Lecture on <i>Structure Formation & Galaxies</i> .	
Textbook Co-Author (UC Davis)	2022
◦ <i>A Cosmology Workbook:</i> 31: Structure Formation , 32: Galaxy Formation .	
Teaching Assistant (Stanford)	2017–21
◦ <i>Structure Formation & Galaxy Formation, Modern Astrophysics, Cosmology & Extragalactic Astrophysics, Origin & Development of the Cosmos, Electricity & Magnetism.</i>	

Service

Workshop Organizer (Spec-S5 Dark Matter Meeting , KICP)	2025
Conference Organizer (GalFRESCA , UCSD)	2025
ArXiv Hour Committee Chair (UCSD Astronomy & Astrophysics)	2025–
Postdoctoral Scholar Mentor (UCSD Astronomy & Astrophysics)	2025–
Graduate Advisory Committee Member (UCSD Astronomy & Astrophysics)	2025–
Doctoral Committee Member (UCSD Physics)	2025–
Graduate Admissions Committee Member (UCSD Astronomy & Astrophysics)	2024–25
Conference Coordinator (Cosmic Signals of Dark Matter Physics: New Synergies , KITP)	2024
Proposal Review Panel Member (NASA ADAP, NSF AAG)	2022–
USC Physics and Astronomy Climate Committee (Postdoctoral & Staff Representative)	2021–24
Journal Referee (<i>ApJ</i> , <i>ApJL</i> , <i>Astronomy & Astrophysics</i> , <i>Astroparticle Physics</i> , <i>JCAP</i> , <i>MNRAS</i> , <i>Nature</i> , <i>PRD</i> , <i>PRL</i> , <i>Reviews of Modern Physics</i> , <i>Language & Cognition</i> , <i>Lingua</i>)	2019–

Outreach

Lyncean Group of San Diego Lecture (Speaker)	2025
UCSD STARTastro: Astronomy Workshop (Speaker)	2025
UCSD Stellar Beginnings: Astronomy & Astrophysics Department Launch (Speaker)	2025
UCSD Preuss High School: Dark Matter & Scientific Programming (Course Instructor)	2025
Carnegie Observatories Lectures at the Huntington (Speaker)	2023
USC Hybrid High School: Dark Matter & Data Visualization (Course Instructor)	2022
UCSB Physics NSF REU (Speaker)	2021–25
San Mateo County Astronomical Society (Speaker)	2021

Mentoring

Postdoc Advisor (bold: current)

2025–

- **Sandip Roy**, UCSD Schmidt AI Fellow: Emulating small-scale dark matter structure

Graduate Student Advisor (bold: current; †: thesis student)

2025–

- †**Ollie Jackson**, UCSD: Strong lensing dark matter substructure modeling and constraints
- †**Wisha Wanichwecharungruang**, UCSD: Near-field cosmology using semi-analytic models
- †**Zewei Wu**, UCSD: Hydrodynamic simulations of ultra-faint dwarf satellite galaxies

Undergraduate Student Advisor (bold: current; †: thesis student)

2025–

- **Stephen Canino**, UCSD '28: Subhalo abundance evolution in zoom-in simulations
- **Kimmy Dang**, Yale '28: Large Magellanic Cloud satellite populations across environments
- Steve Du, UCSD '25: Sterile neutrino dark matter constraints from small-scale structure
- **Bocheng Feng**, Peking '26: Dark matter halo pseudo phase space density profiles
- **Roxanne Lai**, UCSD '28: Subhalo abundance evolution in zoom-in simulations
- †**Sophia Um**, UCSD, '26: Environmental dependence of dwarf galaxy star formation

Graduate Student Co-advisor (bold: current)

2021–

- Niusha Ahvazi, UCR '24 → UVA: Semi-analytic modeling of dwarf galaxy formation and evolution (see [N. Ahvazi, A. Benson, L. Sales, E. O. Nadler et al. 2024](#));
- **Arif Chu**, USC: Dark matter–baryon scattering constraints from Milky Way satellite galaxies;
- **Wendy Crumrine**, USC: Constraining dark matter–radiation interactions with small-scale structure (see [W. Crumrine, E. O. Nadler et al. 2024](#));
- **Tara Dacunha**, Stanford: Satellite galaxy disruption and stellar stream modeling;
- Elise Darragh-Ford, Stanford '24: Searching for dwarf galaxies and stellar streams in *Gaia* data (see [E. Darragh-Ford, E. O. Nadler et al. 2021](#));
- **Trey Driskell**, USC '25: Semi-analytic modeling of structure and galaxy formation (see [T. Driskell, E. O. Nadler et al. 2022, 2024](#));
- Noah Glennon, UNH '23: Soliton orbital evolution in self-interacting axion dark matter (see [N. Glennon, E. O. Nadler et al. 2022](#); [N. Glennon, N. Musoke, E. O. Nadler et al. 2024](#));
- **Demao Kong**, UCR: Modeling SIDM subhalo populations in the Milky Way and strong lens analogs (see [D. Kong, H.-B. Yu, E. O. Nadler et al. 2025](#); [D. Kong, E. O. Nadler, H.-B. Yu 2025](#));
- Sidney Mau, Stanford '25: Constraining the dark matter particle lifetime with dwarf galaxies (see [S. Mau, E. O. Nadler et al. 2022](#));
- **Siddhesh Raut**, USC: Self-interacting dark matter halo gravothermal evolution modeling;
- Yunchong Wang, Stanford '24: Empirically modeling dwarf galaxy star formation histories (see [Y. Wang, E. O. Nadler et al. 2021, 2024a](#); [Y. Wang, P. Mansfield, E. O. Nadler et al. 2024b](#));
- **James Wen**, USC: Hydrodynamic simulations of dark matter–baryon interactions;
- Xingyu Zhang, Tsinghua '25: Modeling stellar stream perturbers as SIDM subhalos (see [X. Zhang, H.-B. Yu, D. Yang, and E. O. Nadler 2025](#)).

Undergraduate, Post-baccalaureate, & High-school Student Co-advisor

2018–

- Deveshi Buch, Stanford '24: Cosmological zoom-in simulations of Milky Way-like systems (see [D. Buch, E. O. Nadler et al. 2024](#));
- Shuxing Fang, USC '22: Large Magellanic Cloud infall in self-interacting dark matter;
- Abigail Lee, UPenn '19 → UChicago: Subhalo disruption in galaxy clusters.
- Nyal McCrea (Simons–NSBP Scholar), CWU '22: Zoom-in simulation visualizations;
- Ellen Min, Caltech '24: Code development and Python implementation for [Galacticus](#);
- Nicel Mohamed-Hinds, Stanford '19 → UW: Emulating hydrodynamic zoom-in simulations;
- Ezra Msolla (Simons–NSBP Scholar), UToronto '25: Neutrino self-interaction impact on cosmic structure
- Veronica Pratt, Stanford '23 → Tufts: Statistics of Large Magellanic Cloud analogs in the SAGA Survey;
- Juan Quiroz, Caltech '24: Modeling subhalo evolution in decaying dark matter models;
- Derek Rodriguez, USC Hybrid High '23 → UCLA: Symphony simulation analysis;
- Resherle Verna, USC '20 → UT Austin: Subhalo populations in SIDM + hydrodynamic simulations;
- Logan White (Simons–NSBP Scholar), NCSU '25: Halo mass function evolution beyond CDM;

Media

Astronomy Magazine , <i>How Weird is the Milky Way?</i>	2025
USC Today , <i>Scientists code Milky Way twin galaxies to better understand dark matter</i>	2025
UC San Diego Today , <i>A New Astronomy Programs Helps Young Minds Tackle Big Questions</i>	2025
UC San Diego Today , <i>Do “Completely Dark” Dark Matter Halos Exist?</i>	2025
UC Riverside News , <i>New dark matter theory explains two puzzles in astrophysics</i>	2023
Quanta Magazine , <i>In a Monster Star’s Light, a Hint of Darkness</i>	2023
KIPAC Research Highlight , <i>Between the worlds of the visible and invisible lies: Dark Matter</i>	2021
Fermilab Press Release , <i>DES census of the smallest galaxies hones the search for dark matter</i>	2020
SLAC Press Release , <i>Milky Way satellites reveal link between dark matter and galaxy formation</i>	2020
AAS Nova Research Highlight , <i>Constraining collisions of dark matter</i>	2019
SLAC Press Release , <i>Satellite galaxies provide new clues about dark matter</i>	2019
KIPAC Research Highlight , <i>Dark matter subhalo disruption: insights from machine learning</i>	2018

Presentations

<i>Dark Matter Insights from Small-scale Structure</i>	2025–
UC San Diego, High Energy Physics Seminar Stony Brook/Brookhaven, YITP Seminar	
<i>Which Dark Matter Halos Form Stars?</i>	2025–
UCSC 2025 Galaxy Workshop [video]	
<i>Review: Satellite Galaxies and Stellar Streams as Probes of SIDM</i>	2025
Valencia Instituto de Física Corpuscular, Small-scale Structure of the Universe & SIDM [slides]	
<i>Revealing Dark Matter and Galaxy Formation with Small-Scale Structure</i>	2024–25
University of Washington, Astronomy Colloquium Stanford/KIPAC, Astrophysics Colloquium [video] UCSC, Astronomy & Astrophysics Colloquium UC Merced, Physics Colloquium Carnegie Observatories, Colloquium Rice, Astronomy & Astrophysics Seminar UC San Diego, Astrophysics Colloquium Caltech, TAPIR Seminar	
<i>COZMIC: Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations with Initial Conditions Beyond CDM</i>	2024–25
UCLA, Dark Matter 2025 [slides] Princeton, Dark Cosmos Seminar Carnegie Observatories, GalFRESKA [slides] PACIFIC Conference	
<i>Review: What can Dwarf Galaxies Reveal about the Nature of Dark Matter?</i>	2024–25
Dynamical Tracers of the Nature of Dark Matter [slides] Durham, Small Galaxies, Cosmic Questions - II [slides]	
<i>Dark Matter Physics in the Sky</i>	2024
KITP Blackboard Talk [video]	
<i>Forecasts for Galaxy Formation and Dark Matter Constraints from Dwarf Galaxy Surveys</i>	2024
LSST DESC, Seminar LBNL, Fundamental Physics from Future Spectroscopic Surveys [slides]	

<i>SIDM (Sub)halos in Milky Way and Strong Lens Analogs</i> Pollica Physics Centre, Self-Interacting Dark Matter Models, Simulations and Signals [slides]	2023
<i>Cosmological Simulations with Novel Dark Matter Physics</i> UC Riverside, GalFRESCA UCLA, Dark Matter 2023 [slides] KICP, Astronomy & Astrophysics Seminar	2023
<i>The Faint End of the Galaxy–Halo Connection</i> KITP, Building a Physical Understanding of Galaxy Evolution [video]	2023
<i>Dark Matter Constraints from Small-Scale Structure</i> CERN, New Physics from Galaxy Clustering [video , slides]	2022
<i>Symphony: Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations over Four Decades of Host Halo Mass</i> Caltech, GalFRESCA [slides]	2022
<i>Dark Matter Physics + Rubin LSST</i> LSST DESC, CosmoPalooza [slides]	2022
<i>Towards Precision Near-Field Cosmology</i> KIPMU, Astro Lunch Seminar UC Riverside, Astronomy Seminar Fermilab, Cosmic Physics Center Seminar [video]	2021–22
<i>Dark Matter Constraints from a Unified Analysis of Strong Lenses and Satellite Galaxies</i> LSST DESC, Dark Matter Working Group Virginia Tech Center for Neutrino Physics, Journal Club	2021
<i>The Faintest Galaxies and their Dark Matter Halos</i> Caltech, TAPIR Seminar Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, GCSP Seminar [video] International Centre for Theoretical Sciences, Less Travelled Path of Dark Matter [video , slides] UC Berkeley Center for Cosmological Physics, Cosmology Seminar [slides] STScI, The Local Group: Assembly and Evolution KITP, The Galaxy–Halo Connection Across Cosmic Time: Recent Updates [video] LIneA, Webinar [video , slides] KIPAC, Astrophysics Colloquium [video] Fermilab, New Perspectives [slides] BSM Pandemic Seminar [video , slides]	2020–21
<i>Milky Way Satellites: Probes of Dark Matter Microphysics</i> University of Chicago, Cosmic Controversies [slides] KICP, LSST Dark Matter Workshop [slides] Institute for Advanced Study, Astro Coffee Johns Hopkins, High Energy Physics/Cosmology Seminar UC Berkeley, LSST DESC Winter Collaboration Meeting	2019
<i>Modeling Subhalos and Satellites in Milky Way-like Systems</i> KICP, Near-Field Cosmology with DES DR1 [slides] KITP, The Small-Scale Structure of Cold(?) Dark Matter [video , slides] UC Berkeley Center for Cosmological Physics, Cosmology Seminar [slides]	2018
<i>Predicting Realistic Subhalo Populations</i> KITP, The Galaxy–Halo Connection Across Cosmic Time	2017

First-authored Publications (Google Scholar h -index: 33; *: ≥ 100 Google Scholar citations)

20. **E. O. Nadler**, V. Gluscevic, and A. Benson. *The Effects of Linear Matter Power Spectrum Enhancement on Dark Matter Substructure*. 2507.16889 (ApJ in press).
19. **E. O. Nadler**, D. Kong, D. Yang, and H.-B. Yu. *SIDM Concerto: Compilation and Data Release of Self-interacting Dark Matter Zoom-in Simulations*. 2025, [ApJ](#), 991, 69.
18. **E. O. Nadler**, R. An, D. Yang, H.-B. Yu, A. Benson, and V. Gluscevic. *COZMIC. III. Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations of Self-interacting Dark Matter with Suppressed Initial Conditions*. 2025, [ApJ](#), 986, 129.
17. **E. O. Nadler**, R. An, V. Gluscevic, A. Benson, and X. Du. *COZMIC. I. Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations with Initial Conditions Beyond Cold Dark Matter*. 2025, [ApJ](#), 986, 127.
16. **E. O. Nadler** & A. Benson. *Semianalytic model for decaying dark matter halos*. 2025, [PRD](#), 111, 103522.
15. **E. O. Nadler**. *The Impact of Molecular Hydrogen Cooling on the Galaxy Formation Threshold*. 2025, [ApJL](#), 983, L23.
14. **E. O. Nadler**, V. Gluscevic, T. Driskell, R. H. Wechsler, L. A. Moustakas, *et al.* *Forecasts for Galaxy Formation and Dark Matter Constraints from Dwarf Galaxy Surveys*. 2024, [ApJ](#), 967, 61.
13. **E. O. Nadler**, D. Yang, and H.-B. Yu. *A Self-interacting Dark Matter Solution to the Extreme Diversity of Low-mass Halo Properties*. 2023, [ApJL](#), 958, L39.
12. **E. O. Nadler**, P. Mansfield, Y. Wang, X. Du *et al.* *Symphony: Cosmological Zoom-in Simulation Suites over Four Decades of Host Halo Mass*. 2023, [ApJ](#), 945, 159.
11. **E. O. Nadler**, A. Benson, T. Driskell, X. Du, and V. Gluscevic. *Growing the first galaxies' merger trees*. 2023, [MNRAS](#), 521, 3201.
10. **E. O. Nadler**, A. Banerjee, S. Adhikari, Y.-Y. Mao, and R. H. Wechsler. *The Effects of Dark Matter and Baryonic Physics on the Milky Way Subhalo Population in the Presence of the Large Magellanic Cloud*. 2021, [ApJL](#), 920, L11.
- *9. **E. O. Nadler**, S. Birrer, D. Gilman, R. H. Wechsler, X. Du, A. Benson, A. Nierenberg, and T. Treu. *Dark Matter Constraints from a Unified Analysis of Strong Gravitational Lenses and Milky Way Satellite Galaxies*. 2021, [ApJ](#), 917, 7.
- *8. **E. O. Nadler** & A. Drlica-Wagner *et al.* (DES Collaboration). *Constraints on Dark Matter Properties from Observations of Milky Way Satellite Galaxies*. 2021, [PRL](#), 126, 091101.
7. **E. O. Nadler**, A. Banerjee, S. Adhikari, Y.-Y. Mao, and R. H. Wechsler. *Signatures of Velocity-dependent Dark Matter Self-interactions in Milky Way-mass Halos*. 2020, [ApJ](#), 896, 112.
- *6. **E. O. Nadler** & R. H. Wechsler *et al.* (DES Collaboration). *Milky Way Satellite Census. II. Galaxy-Halo Connection Constraints Including the Impact of the Large Magellanic Cloud*. 2020, [ApJ](#), 893, 48.
- *5. **E. O. Nadler**, V. Gluscevic, K. K. Boddy, and R. H. Wechsler. *Constraints on Dark Matter Microphysics from the Milky Way Satellite Population*. 2019, [ApJL](#), 878, L32.
- *4. **E. O. Nadler**, Y.-Y. Mao, G. M. Green, and R. H. Wechsler. *Modeling the Connection between Subhalos and Satellites in Milky Way-like Systems*. 2019, [ApJ](#), 873, 34.
3. **E. O. Nadler**, Y.-Y. Mao, R. H. Wechsler, S. Garrison-Kimmel, and A. Wetzel. *Modeling the Impact of Baryons on Subhalo Populations with Machine Learning*. 2018, [ApJ](#), 859, 129.
2. **E. O. Nadler**, A. Perko, and L. Senatore. *On the bispectra of very massive tracers in the Effective Field Theory of Large-Scale Structure*. 2018, [JCAP](#), 1, 058.
1. **E. O. Nadler**, S. P. Oh, and S. Ji. *On the apparent power law in CDM halo pseudo-phase space density profiles*. 2017, [MNRAS](#), 470, 500.

Co-authored Publications (*: ≥ 100 Google Scholar citations)

51. D. Kong, **E. O. Nadler**, and H.-B. Yu. *Strong Lensing Perturbors from the SIDM Concerto Suite*. [2510.01491](#) (PRD submitted).
◦ Major contributions: Interpreted environmental dependence of SIDM predictions and comparisons to data.
50. Y. Asali *et al.* (SAGA Survey, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *The SAGA Survey. VI.: The Size–Mass Relation for Low-Mass Galaxies Across Environments*. [2509.25335](#) (ApJ in press).
49. E. Kado-Fong *et al.* (SAGA Survey, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *SAGAbg III: Environmental Stellar Mass Functions, Self-Quenching, and the Stellar-to-Halo Mass Relation in the Dwarf Galaxy Regime*. [2509.20444](#) (ApJ in press).
48. C. Y. Tan, A. Drlica-Wagner, A. B. Pace, W. Cerny, **E. O. Nadler et al.** (DELVE Collaboration). *DELVE Milky Way Satellite Census I: Satellite Population and Survey Selection Function*. [2509.12313](#) (ApJ submitted).
◦ Major contributions: Interpreted empirical constraints on total Milky Way satellite population and its anisotropy.
47. [T. Driskell](#), **E. O. Nadler**, A. Benson, and V. Gluscevic. *Population synthesis and astrophysical inference for high- z JWST galaxies*. [2410.11680](#) (MNRAS submitted).
◦ Major contributions: Conceptualized likelihood framework and interpreted galaxy–halo connection results.
46. D. Kong, H.-B. Yu, **E. O. Nadler et al.** *Novel challenges in tracking self-interacting dark matter subhalos*. 2025, [JCAP, 10, 074](#).
◦ Major contributions: Conceptualized subhalo finder comparison and interpreted subhalo population results.
45. D. C. Baxter, A. L. Coil, **E. O. Nadler et al.** *Quantifying the Impact of Incompleteness on Identifying and Interpreting Galaxy Protocluster Populations with the TNG-Cluster Simulation*. 2025, [ApJ, 990, 225](#).
44. M. S. Fischer, K. Dolag, M. Garny, V. Gluscevic, F. Groth, and **E. O. Nadler**. *N-body simulations of dark matter-baryon interactions*. 2025, [A&A 700, A145](#).
43. K. Tsiane, S. Mau, A. Drlica-Wagner, J. L. Carlin, P. S. Ferguson, K. Bechtol, **E. O. Nadler et al.** (DESC Collaboration). *Predictions for the Detectability of Milky Way Satellite Galaxies and Outer-Halo Star Clusters with the Vera C. Rubin Observatory*. 2025, [OJAp, 8, 89](#).
◦ Major contributions: Co-developed predictions for Rubin Milky Way satellite luminosity function constraints.
42. Y. Wang, P. Mansfield, **E. O. Nadler**, E. Darragh-Ford, and R. H. Wechsler. *EDEN: Exploring Disks Embedded in N-body simulations of Milky-Way-mass halos from Symphony*. 2025, [ApJ, 986, 147](#).
◦ Major contributions: Co-developed disk potential simulation algorithm and interpreted disruption results.
41. R. An, **E. O. Nadler**, A. Benson, and V. Gluscevic. *COZMIC. II. Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations with Fractional non-CDM Initial Conditions*. 2025, [ApJ, 986, 128](#)
◦ Major contributions: Developed pipeline for fractional non-CDM simulations and derived constraints.
40. S. Ando, S. Horigome, **E. O. Nadler**, D. Yang, and H.-B. Yu. *SASHIMI-SIDM: semi-analytical subhalo modelling for self-interacting dark matter at sub-galactic scales*. 2025, [JCAP, 2, 053](#).
◦ Major contributions: Derived analytic prediction for core-collapsed fraction and interpreted subhalo results.
39. W. Crumrine, **E. O. Nadler**, R. An, and V. Gluscevic. *Dark matter coupled to radiation: Limits from the Milky Way satellites*. 2025, [PRD, 111, 023530](#).
◦ Major contributions: Co-developed and interpreted dark matter–radiation scattering constraints.
38. D. Yang, **E. O. Nadler**, and H.-B. Yu. *Testing the parametric model for self-interacting dark matter using matched halos in cosmological simulations*. 2025, [Physics of the Dark Universe, 47, 101807](#).
◦ Major contributions: Provided cosmological SIDM simulations and interpreted parametric model results.
37. X. Zhang, H.-B. Yu, D. Yang, and **E. O. Nadler**. *The GD-1 Stellar Stream Perturber as a Core-collapsed Self-interacting Dark Matter Halo*. 2025, [ApJL, 978, L23](#).
◦ Major contributions: Developed subhalo resimulation method and interpreted GD-1 results.

36. Y. Wang, **E. O. Nadler** *et al.* (SAGA Survey). *The SAGA Survey. V. Modeling Satellite Systems around Milky Way–mass Galaxies with Updated UNIVERSEMACHINE*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **976**, 119.
 - Major contributions: Interpreted galaxy–halo connection constraints; co-developed modeling pipeline.
35. M. Geha *et al.* (SAGA Survey, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *The SAGA Survey. IV. The Star Formation Properties of 101 Satellite Systems around Milky Way–mass Galaxies*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **976**, 118.
34. Y.-Y. Mao *et al.* (SAGA Survey, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *The SAGA Survey. III. A Census of 101 Satellite Systems around Milky Way–mass Galaxies*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **976**, 117.
33. E. Kado-Fong *et al.* (SAGA Survey, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *SAGAbg II: The Low-mass Star-forming Sequence Evolves Significantly between $0.05 < z < 0.21$* . 2024, [ApJ](#), **976**, 83.
32. [D. Buch](#), **E. O. Nadler**, R. H. Wechsler, and Y.-Y. Mao. *Milky Way-est: Cosmological Zoom-in Simulations with Large Magellanic Cloud and Gaia–Sausage–Enceladus Analogs*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **971**, 79.
 - Major contributions: Piloted constrained zoom-in simulations and co-developed analysis pipeline.
31. P. Mansfield, E. Darragh-Ford, Y. Wang, **E. O. Nadler**, B. Diemer, and R. H. Wechsler. *SYMFIND: Addressing the Fragility of Subhalo Finders and Revealing the Durability of Subhalos*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **970**, 178.
30. X. Du *et al.* (incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *Tidal evolution of cored and cuspy dark matter halos*. 2024, [PRD](#), **110**, 023019.
29. E. Kado-Fong *et al.* (SAGA Survey, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *SAGAbg. I. A Near-unity Mass-loading Factor in Low-mass Galaxies via Their Low-redshift Evolution in Stellar Mass, Oxygen Abundance, and Star Formation Rate*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **966**, 129.
28. [N. Ahvazi](#), A. Benson, L. V. Sales, **E. O. Nadler** *et al.* *A comprehensive model for the formation and evolution of the faintest Milky Way dwarf satellites*. 2024, [MNRAS](#), **529**, 3387.
 - Major contributions: Interpreted galaxy–halo connection and Milky Way satellite predictions.
27. [N. Glennon](#), N. Musoke, **E. O. Nadler**, C. Prescod-Weinstein, and R. H. Wechsler. *Dynamical friction in self-interacting ultralight dark matter*. 2024, [PRD](#), **109**, 063501.
26. D. Yang, **E. O. Nadler**, H.-B. Yu, and Y.-M. Zhong. *A parametric model for self-Interacting dark matter halos*. 2024, [JCAP](#), **2**, 032.
 - Major contributions: Ran cosmological SIDM simulations and interpreted parametric model performance.
25. M. McNanna, K. Bechtol, S. Mau, **E. O. Nadler** *et al.* (DES Collaboration). *A Search for Faint Resolved Galaxies Beyond the Milky Way in DES Year 6: A New Faint, Diffuse Dwarf Satellite of NGC 55*. 2024, [ApJ](#), **961**, 126
 - Major contributions: Developed dwarf galaxy population predictions and interpreted NGC 55 satellite.
24. P. Hopkins, **E. O. Nadler**, M. Grudić, X. Shen *et al.* *Novel conservative methods for adaptive force softening in collisionless and multispecies N-body simulations*. 2023, [MNRAS](#), **525**, 5951.
 - Major contributions: Conceptualized softening algorithms and interpreted cosmological simulation results.
23. E. Darragh-Ford *et al.* (DESI Collaboration, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *Target Selection and Sample Characterization for the DESI LOW-Z Secondary Target Program*. 2023, [ApJ](#), **954**, 149.
22. R. An, V. Gluscevic, **E. O. Nadler**, and Y. Zhang. *Can Neutrino Self-interactions Save Sterile Neutrino Dark Matter?* 2023, [ApJL](#), **954**, L18.
 - Major contributions: Developed sterile neutrino limits and interpreted production mechanism constraints.
21. A. Banerjee, S. Das, A. Maharana, **E. O. Nadler**, and R. K. Sharma. *Nonthermal warm dark matter limits from small-scale structure*. 2023, [PRD](#), **108**, 043518.
 - Major contributions: Derived small-scale structure constraints and interpreted results.
20. W. Cerny *et al.* (DELVE Collaboration, incl. **E. O. Nadler**). *Six More Ultra-faint Milky Way Companions Discovered in the DECam Local Volume Exploration Survey*. 2023, [ApJ](#), **953**, 1.

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