

## Curriculum Vitae

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#### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**The University of Texas at Austin**, Department of Astronomy  
Samuel T. and Fern Yanagisawa Regents Professor (2024 –)  
Professor (2023 –)  
Associate Professor (2019 – 2023)  
Assistant Professor (2015 – 2019)

**University of Maryland**, Department of Astronomy  
Assistant Professor (2013 – 2015)

**University of California, Irvine**, Department of Physics and Astronomy  
*Southern California Center for Galaxy Evolution* Fellow (2010 – 2013). **Advisor:** James S. Bullock

**Max-Planck-Institut für Astrophysik** (Garching, Germany)  
Postdoctoral Fellow (2007 – 2010). **Advisor:** Simon D. M. White

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#### EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Physics, *University of California, Berkeley*: December 2006. **Advisor:** Chung-Pei Ma  
B.A. in Astrophysics, *magna cum laude* (concentration in Mathematics), *Columbia University*: May 2001

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#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND RECOGNITION

- [Clarivate Highly Cited Researcher](#) (2021, 2025)
- **Member**, 2020 Decadal Survey on Astronomy & Astrophysics (Astro2020) Panel on Galaxies, NAS
- **National Science Foundation CAREER (Faculty Early Career Development) Award** (2018)

**SELECTED PUBLICATIONS** (total: 23,065 citations, *h-index*=79 via [NASA Astrophysics Data System](#) on 2025.10.24)

*Accelerated by Dark Matter: a High-redshift Pathway to Efficient Galaxy-scale Star Formation*

M. Boylan-Kolchin [MNRAS](#), **538**, 3210 (30 citations)

*Stress Testing  $\Lambda$ CDM with High-redshift Galaxy Candidates*

M. Boylan-Kolchin (2023), [Nature Astronomy](#), **7**, 731 (344 citations)

*Uncertain Times: The Redshift–Time Relation from Cosmology and Stars*

M. Boylan-Kolchin, D. Weisz (2021), [MNRAS](#), **505**, 2764 (44 citations)

*FIRE in the Field: Simulating the Threshold of Galaxy Formation*

A. Fitts, M. Boylan-Kolchin, et al. (2017), [MNRAS](#), **471**, 3547 (241 citations)

*Small-Scale Challenges to the  $\Lambda$ CDM Model*

J. Bullock & M. Boylan-Kolchin (2017), [Ann. Rev. Astron. Astrophys.](#), **55**, 343 (1380 citations)

*Too Big to Fail? The Puzzling Darkness of Massive Milky Way Subhalos*

M. Boylan-Kolchin, J. Bullock, M. Kaplinghat (2011), [MNRAS](#), **415**, L40 (1280 citations)

*Resolving Cosmic Structure Formation with the Millennium-II Simulation*

M. Boylan-Kolchin, V. Springel, S. White, A. Jenkins, G. Lemson (2009), [MNRAS](#), **398**, 1150 (849 citations)