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### Employment/education

- 2020– ITC Fellow, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, Harvard University, Cambridge MA, United States
- 2016–2020 **PhD student, International Max Planck Research School for Astrophysics**, *University of Heidelberg*, Heidelberg, Germany

Thesis topic: Which physical processes drive the evolution of giant molecular clouds? Supervisor: J. M. Diederik Kruijssen

2015–2016 **MSc**, *Gonville and Caius College, University of Cambridge,* Cambridge, UK (First-class honours)

Thesis topic: Dynamical models of flattened, rotating globular clusters Supervisors: Jason L. Sanders and N. Wyn Evans

2012–2015 **BA Hons Physics**, *Gonville and Caius College, University of Cambridge*, Cambridge, UK

## Grants, awards and funding

- 2020— **ITC Fellowship**, *Harvard University*, Awarded an independent research fellowship worth \$US 350,000 for the research programme entitled 'Constraining the molecular cloud lifecycle'
  - 2017 **NEON Observing School scholarship**, *University of Copenhagen and La Palma Observatory* (success rate of 22%, 16/72, value approx. EUR 3500)
  - 2015 Research funding at Karl Remeis Sternwarte, University of Erlangen-Nuernberg
  - 2014 Research in Industrial Projects for Students scholarship, *Institute of Pure and Applied Mathematics, UCLA* (success rate 7%, 32/450, value approx. \$US 10,000)
  - 2014 Research funding in the optics research group, Glasgow University
- 2013-2016 Scholarship for continued academic excellence, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge University
  - 2013 **Amgen Scholars Programme scholarship**, *Karolinska Institutet* (success rate of 7%, 359/5123, value approx. \$US 9,000)

## Refereed publications

2017- 8 first-author/mentored student, 11 total

**Building the molecular cloud population: the role of cloud mergers,** Skarbinski, M. Jeffreson, S. M. R., Goodman, A. A., **MNRAS submitted** (2022)

On the scale-height of the molecular gas disc in Milky Way-like galaxies, Jeffreson, S. M. R., Sun, J., Wilson, C. D., MNRAS accepted (2022)

Introducing EMP-Pathfinder: modelling the simultaneous formation and evolution of stellar clusters in their host galaxies, Reina-Campos, M., Keller, B. W., Kruijssen, J. M. D., Gensior, J., Trujillo-Gomez, S., <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Pfeffer, J. L., Sills, A., **MNRAS accepted** (2022)

Momentum feedback from marginally-resolved HII regions in isolated disc galaxies, <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Krumholz, M. R., Fujimoto, Y., Armillotta, L., Keller, B. W., Chevance, M., Kruijssen, J. M. D., **MNRAS**, **505**, 3470 (2021b)

A scaling relation for the molecular cloud lifetime in Milky Way-like galaxies, <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Keller, B. W., Winter, A. J., Chevance, M., Kruijssen, J. M. D., Krumholz, M. R., Fujimoto, Y. **MNRAS 505**, 1678 (2021a)

The role of galactic dynamics in shaping the physical properties of giant molecular clouds in Milky Way-like galaxies, <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Kruijssen, J. M. D., Keller, B. W., Chevance, M., Glover, S. C. O., **MNRAS**, **498**, 385 (2020)

The lifecycle of molecular clouds in nearby star-forming disc galaxies, Chevance, M. et al. (incl. SMRJ), MNRAS, 493, 2872 (2020)

The dynamical evolution of molecular clouds near the Galactic Centre - II. Spatial structure and kinematics of simulated clouds, Kruijssen, J. M. D. et al. (incl. SMRJ), MNRAS, 484, 5734 (2019)

On the physical mechanisms governing the cloud lifecycle in the Central Molecular Zone of the Milky Way, <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Kruijssen, J. M. D., Krumholz, M. R., Longmore, S. N. MNRAS, 478, 3380 (2018b)

A general theory for the lifetimes of giant molecular clouds under the influence of galactic dynamics, <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Kruijssen, J. M. D., **MNRAS**, **476**, 3688 (2018a)

The Gaia-ESO Survey: dynamical models of flattened, rotating globular clusters, <u>Jeffreson, S. M. R.</u>, Sanders, J. L., Evans, N. W., Williams, A. A., Gilmore, G. F. et al. **MNRAS**, **469**, 4740 (2017)

### Mentoring/advising

2021–2022 Thesis co-advisor, (with Prof. Alyssa Goodman) to Maya Skarbinski (Junior), Harvard College Research Program, Ay98 (Research tutorial in Astrophysics for undergraduates)

Summer Primary research advisor, to Adriana Medina (Junior), Harvard Latino Initiative Program, co-advisor Angus Beane

Summer Primary research advisor, to Gorak Rajesh (PRISE-Emmanuel Fellowship recipient), co-advisor Eric Koch

- Summer Research co-advisor (with Dr. Eric Koch), to Courtney Carriera (Junior), Harvard REU Program
  - Teaching
  - 2019 Experimental Physics II, tutor/marker to class of 20, *University of Heidelberg,* Electrostatics, Electrodynamics, Electromagnetism, Optics, Special Relativity
- 2018–2019 **Experimental Physics I, tutor/marker to class of 20**, *University of Heidelberg,* Mechanics and Thermodynamics

#### Selected talks

- Feb. 2017 6 Invited Talks, 5 Colloquia, 12 Contributed Talks, 8 Seminar Talks
- Sep. 2022 Weekly seminar, CCA, New York (seminar)
- Aug. 2022 **IAU Symposium 373: Resolving the Rise and Fall of Star formation in Galaxies**, Busan, Korea (contributed talk)
- Jul. 2022 A holistic view of stellar feedback, Ascona, Switzerland (contributed talk)
- Jun. 2022 From Stars to Galaxies II Connecting our understanding of star and galaxy formation, Gothenburg, Sweden (contributed talk)
- May 2022 **Seminar**, McMaster University, Canada (invited seminar)
- Apr. 2022 MSS Seminar, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA (invited seminar)
- Jan. 2022 MPA Seminar, Munich, Germany (invited seminar)
- Jan. 2022 AAS Winter meeting, (contributed talk)
- Dec. 2021 Weekly Seminar, ANU, Canberra, Australia (invited seminar)
- Jul. 2021 Ringberg series, (contributed talk)
- Jun. 2021 AAS Summer meeting, (contributed talk)
- May 2021 ISM 2021: Structure, characteristic scales, and star formation, Beirut (contributed talk)
- Oct. 2020 ITC Colloquium, Harvard, USA (invited colloquium)
- Jul. 2020 ARI Colloquium, Heidelberg, Germany (colloquium)
- Nov. 2019 Harvard-Heidelberg workshop on the Physics of Star Formation: Linking Observations and Simulations, Harvard, USA (contributed talk)
- Nov. 2019 Seminar at the ITC, Harvard, USA (seminar)
- Nov. 2019 **SFIR Seminar**, Princeton, USA (seminar)
- Sep. 2019 Through Dark Lanes to New Stars, celebrating the career of Prof. Charles Lada, Crete, Greece (contributed talk)
- Jun. 2019 Linking the Milky Way and Nearby Galaxies, Helsinki, Finland (contributed talk)
- Jun. 2019 Institute for Theoretical Astrophysics Blackboard Colloquium, Heidelberg, Germany (colloquium)
- Nov. 2018 Hendrik van de Hulst Centennial Symposium: The Interstellar Medium of Galaxies, Status and Future Perspectives, Leiden, The Netherlands (contributed talk)
- Jul. 2018 The Laws of Star Formation: From the Cosmic Dawn to the Present Universe, Cambridge, UK (contributed talk)

- Jun. 2018 The Multi-Scale Physics of Star Formation and Feedback during Galaxy Formation, Heidelberg, Germany (invited talk)
- Jun. 2017 Galactic Star Formation with Surveys, Heidelberg, Germany (contributed talk)
- Apr. 2017 SFB 881 Seminar, Heidelberg, Germany (seminar)

### Scientific responsibilities held

- 2022 **Submillimeter Array (SMA) Time Allocation Committee**, *Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory*
- 2022 **Conference Local Organising Committee**, Seeing the Future: Of the Universe, Data, Learning & Digital Scholarship, Harvard University
- 2022 ITC Luncheon Organising Committee, Harvard University
- 2021 ITC Colloquium Organising Committee, Harvard University
- 2020 & 2021 ITC Fellowship Selection Committee, Harvard University
  - 2018 **Conference Local Organising Committee**, *The Multi-Scale Physics of Star Formation and Feedback during Galaxy Formation*, University of Heidelberg
  - 2017–2019 **Co-investigator on ALMA proposals**, *Cycles 5, 6, 7, 9*, Principal Investigators Adam Leroy, Eric Koch, Steven N. Longmore, Mélanie Chevance, Alexander P. S. Hygate

#### Outreach

- 2021 **Guest lecturer**, for Ay98 (Research tutorial in Astrophysics for undergraduates)
- 2022 Interview about 'Cosmic Cliffs' James Webb image, Boston Museum of Science (planetarium and social media)

### Refereeing

May 2019 - Referee, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society

Programming languages

C/C++, Python, Bash, HTML/CSS