Dr. Rebecca K. Leane



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Research Dark Matter Phenomenology, Astroparticle Physics, Collider Physics,

Interests Physics Beyond the Standard Model

ACADEMIC Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2017–Present

Appointments MIT Center for Theoretical Physics

Postdoctoral Research Associate

EDUCATION University of Melbourne 2013–2017

Centre of Excellence for Particle Physics at the Terascale (CoEPP)

Ph.D. in Theoretical Particle Physics

Thesis Title: Phenomenology of Particle Dark Matter

Thesis Advisor: A/Prof. Nicole Bell

University of Cambridge 2012–2013

Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics (DAMTP)

Master of Advanced Study in Mathematics (Part III of the Mathematical Tripos)

Essay Advisor: Prof. Ben Allanach

Monash University 2008–2011

Bachelor of Science Advanced with Honours

Majors: Physics and Mathematics. High Distinction.

Thesis Advisor: A/Prof. Csaba Balazs

VISITING Visiting Researcher Apr-Jun 2016

Positions Center for Cosmology and AstroParticle Physics (CCAPP), Ohio State University, USA

Collaborating with Prof. John Beacom

Visiting Researcher Sep-Oct 2015

School of Physics and Astronomy, Vanderbilt University, USA

Collaborating with Prof. Tom Weiler

PRIZES, AWARDS Royal Society of Victoria Young Scientist Research Prize 2016

& Scholarship Science Abroad Travelling Scholarship 2016

Best PhD Candidate Seminar of the Year in the School of Physics, U. Melbourne
Laby Foundation Early Career Researcher Travel Scholarship
2015

Australian Postgraduate Award (APA) 2012–2016 Monash Jubilee Honours Scholarship 2011

J. L. William Honours Scholarship 2011

- 1. N. F. Bell, Y. Cai, J. B. Dent, **R. K. Leane*** and T. J. Weiler, "Enhancing Dark Matter Annihilation Rates with Dark Bremsstrahlung", Phys. Rev. D96 (2017) no.2, 023011 [arXiv:1705.01105 [hep-ph]].
- R. K. Leane, K. C.Y. Ng, J. F. Beacom "Powerful Solar Signatures of Long-Lived Dark Mediators", Phys. Rev. D95 (2017) no.12, 123016 [arXiv:1703.04629 [astro-ph.HE]].
- 3. N. F. Bell, Y. Cai and **R. K. Leane***, "Impact of Mass Generation for Spin-1 Mediator Simplified Models", JCAP 01 (2017) 039 [arXiv:1610.03063 [hep-ph]].
- 4. N. F. Bell, Y. Cai and **R. K. Leane***, "Dark Forces in the Sky: Signals from Z' and the Dark Higgs", JCAP 08 (2016) 001 [arXiv:1605.09382 [hep-ph]].
- 5. N. F. Bell, Y. Cai and **R. K. Leane***, "Mono-W Dark Matter Signals at the LHC: Simplified Model Analysis", JCAP 01 (2016) 051 [arXiv:1512.00476 [hep-ph]].
- 6. N. F. Bell, Y. Cai, J. B. Dent, **R. K. Leane*** and T. J. Weiler, "Dark matter at the LHC: Effective field theories and gauge invariance", Phys. Rev. D92, no.5 053008 (2015) [arXiv:1503.07874 [hep-ph]].
- 7. N. F. Bell, Y. Cai, **R. K. Leane*** and A. D. Medina, "Leptophilic dark matter with Z' interactions", Phys. Rev. D 90, no.3, 035027 (2014) [arXiv:1407.3001 [hep-ph]].
- 8. G. Brooijmans et al, "Les Houches 2011: Physics at TeV Colliders New Physics Working Group Report", FERMILAB-CONF-12-924-T (2012) [arXiv:1203.1488 [hep-ph]]. (Note: Contribution 1, "DLHA: Dark Matter Les Houches Agreement", is heavily based on my bachelor thesis.)

OUTREACH

Key Scientific Researcher on International Science Documentary Series 2014–2015 "Uranium: Twisting the Dragon's Tail"

Worked with Emmy Award winning producer Sonya Pemberton and writer Wain Fimeri part time over 12 months. Had a major role in explaining science content and developing the script for the series. Aired in the United States, Australia, Germany, France, Middle East, Norway and Sweden. The series has been nominated for and won several science communication and film awards.

Young Scientist Research Prize Talk, Royal Society of Victoria, Australia	2016
Public Talk, Strathcona Girls' School, Australia	2014
Panel Member, National Science Week: Kids Ask Questions, Australia	2013
Panel Member, National Science Week: Ask a Scientist, Australia	2013
Public Talk, Monash University Open Day Seminar Series, Australia	2011
Physics Demonstrator, Monash University Open Day, Australia	2011

^{*}Author list is alphabetical, as per convention in particle physics.

Invited Seminars & Conference Talks	"Phenomenology of Particle Dark Matter" PhD Completion Seminar, University of Melbourne, Australia	Mar 2017	
	"Dark Matter Theory and New Searches" Invited Talk, CAASTRO-CoEPP Joint Workshop, Melbourne, Australia	Jan 2017	
	"Novel Signatures of Dark Matter in the Sky" Invited Talk, TRIUMF, Vancouver BC, Canada (remote)	Dec 2016	
	"Impact of Mass Generation for Simplified Dark Matter Models" Invited Talk, ATLAS Astroparticle Forum Plenary Meeting, CERN (remote)	Nov 2016	
	"Unitarity and Gauge Invariance in Dark Matter Models" Invited Talk, CETUP Dark Matter Workshop, Deadwood SD, USA Invited Talk, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati OH, USA	Jul 2016 May 2016	
	"Dark Forces in the Sky: Signals from Z' and the Dark Higgs" Invited Talk, CCAPP, Ohio State University, Columbus OH, USA Invited Talk, UC Riverside, Riverside CA, USA Invited Talk, UC Irvine, Irvine CA, USA Parallel Talk, Pheno 2016 Symposium, Pittsburgh PA, USA Invited Talk, University of Melbourne, Australia	Jun 2016 May 2016 May 2016 May 2016 Apr 2016	
	"Dark Matter at the LHC" Invited Talk, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Menlo Park CA, USA Invited Talk, CCAPP, Ohio State University, Columbus OH, USA Invited Talk, Fermilab, Batavia IL, USA Invited Talk, Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN, USA	Oct 2015 Oct 2015 Sep 2015 Sep 2015	
	"Dark Matter at the LHC: EFTs, Gauge Invariance and the Mono-W" Invited Talk, University of Melbourne, Australia	Aug 2015	
	"Dark Matter at the LHC: EFTs and Gauge Invariance" Parallel Talk, SUSY2015, Lake Tahoe CA, USA Geoff Opat Seminar Series, University of Melbourne, Australia	Aug 2015 May 2015	
	"Leptophilic Dark Matter with Z' Interactions" Parallel Talk, CoSPA2014, Auckland, New Zealand Contributed Talk, RESCEU APCosPA Summer School, Matsumoto, Japan	Dec 2014 Jul 2014	
	"Dark Matter and the Universe" Invited Talk, St Edmund's Academic Talks Series, Univ. of Cambridge, UK	Jun 2013	
Teaching	ATLAS International Masterclass Tutor, Univ. of Melbourne Physics Teaching Assistant (Tutorials, Grading, Office Hours), Univ. of Melbourne Physics Teaching Assistant (Lab Demonstrator, Grading), Univ. of Melbourne Physics Teaching Assistant (Lab Demonstrator, Grading), Monash University High School Senior Tutoring, Physics and Mathematics	e 2012	
TECHNICAL	Languages: C++, Python, Bash, Mathematica		
SKILLS	Packages & Frameworks: FeynRules, MadGraph, Pythia, ROOT, MadAnalysis, Fast-		

jet, Delphes, micrOMEGAs, PPPC4DMID, FeynArts, FeynCalc, TikZ, matplotlib

Other: Linux OS, \LaTeX