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Education

PhD in Astronomy, Leiden Observatory, NL

Sep 2022 - Present

Thesis: Isotope ratios of exoplanets and brown dwarfs
 Advisor: Prof. Dr. Ignas Snellen

MSc Astronomy, Leiden Observatory, NL

Sep 2020 - Aug 2022

 2nd Thesis: Polarimetric differential imaging with VLT/NACO Advisors: Dr. Matthew Kenworthy & Dr. Christian Ginski

Grade: 9.5/10

Grade: 9.0/10

Grade: 8.5/10

1st Thesis: An assessment of the VO line list & a non-detection of VO in the atmosphere of WASP-121b
 Advisors: Prof. Dr. Ignas Snellen & Dr. Aurora Kesseli

BSc Astronomy, Leiden Observatory, NL

Sep 2017 - Aug 2020

Thesis: Colour-magnitude diagrams of the Magellanic Clouds
 Advisor: Dr. Anthony Brown

Publications

Major Contributions

- 1. **de Regt, S.**, Gandhi, S., Snellen, I. A. G., Zhang, Y., Ginski, C., González Picos, D., Kesseli, A. Y., Landman, R., Mollière, P., Nasedkin, E., Sánchez-López, A., Stolker, T. (2024). *The ESO SupJup Survey. I. Chemical and isotopic characterisation of the late L-dwarf DENIS J0255-4700 with CRIRES*⁺. A&A, 688, A116.
- 2. **de Regt, S.**, Ginski, C., Kenworthy, M. A., Caceres, C., Garufi, A., Gledhill, T. M., Hales, A. S., Huelamo, N., Kóspál, Á., Millar-Blanchaer, M. A., Pérez, S., Schreiber, M. R. (2024) *Polarimetric differential imaging with VLT/NACO. A comprehensive PDI pipeline for NACO data (PIPPIN)*. A&A, 684, A73.
- 3. Gandhi, S., **de Regt, S.**, Snellen, I. A. G., Zhang, Y., Rugers, B., van Leur, N., Bosschaart, Q. (2023). *JWST Measurements of* ¹³C, ¹⁸O, and ¹⁷O in the Atmosphere of Super-Jupiter VHS 1256 b. ApJ, 957, L36.
- 4. **de Regt, S.**, Kesseli, A. Y., Snellen, I. A. G., Merritt, S. R., Chubb, K. L. (2022). A quantitative assessment of the VO line list: Inaccuracies hamper high-resolution VO detections in exoplanet atmospheres. A&A, 661, A109.

Minor Contributions

- Zhang, Y., González Picos, D., de Regt, S., Snellen, I. A. G., Gandhi, S., Ginski, C., Kesseli, A. Y., Landman, R., Mollière, P., Nasedkin, E., Sánchez-López, A., Stolker, T., Inglis, J., Knutson, H. A., Mawet, D., Wallack, N., Xuan, J. W. (2024). The ESO SupJup Survey. III. Confirmation of ¹³CO in YSES 1 b and Atmospheric Detection of YSES 1 c with CRIRES⁺. AJ, 168, 246.
- 2. González Picos, D., Snellen, I. A. G., **de Regt, S.**, Landman, R., Zhang, Y., Gandhi, S., Ginski, C., Kesseli, A. Y., Mollière, P., Stolker, T. (2024). *The ESO SupJup Survey: II. The* ¹²C/¹³C isotope ratios of three young brown dwarfs with CRIRES⁺. A&A, 689, A212.
- 3. Landman, R., Stolker, T., Snellen, I. A. G., Costes, J., **de Regt, S.**, Zhang, Y., Gandhi, S., Molliere, P., Kesseli, A., Vigan, A., Sanchez-López, A. (2024). β Pictoris b through the eyes of the upgraded CRIRES+. Atmospheric composition, spin rotation, and radial velocity. A&A, 682, A48.

Presentations

Contributed Talks

- 1. Two HoRSEs: Berlin, DE (July 2024). Double delight: CRIRES+ insights into the nearest brown dwarf binary
- 2. Exoplanets 5: Leiden, NL (June 2024). Double delight: CRIRES+ exploration of Luhman 16's binary atmospheres
- 3. petitRADTRANS workshop: Heidelberg, DE (Nov 2023). *Characterising the atmosphere of a late L-dwarf with CRIRES*+
- 4. NOVA fall school: Dwingeloo, NL (Nov 2023). *Characterising the atmosphere of a late L-dwarf with CRIRES+*
- 5. Exoplanets by the Lake: Starnberg, DE (Aug 2023). *Characterising a brown dwarf's atmosphere with CRIRES*+

Posters

1. Sagan Workshop: Pasadena, US (July 2023). First results from the ESO SupJup Survey: Detection of chemical dis-equilibrium in brown dwarf DENIS J0255's atmosphere

Teaching & Supervision

Teaching Assistant

Astronomy Lab & Observing Project
 A 2nd-year BSc. course, where my tasks include assistance at problem classes, the supervision of student research projects and their observations.

Research Supervision

– MSc. Quincy Bosschaart Oct 2022 - July 2023 1^{st} Thesis: The $^{12}CO/^{13}CO$ isotopologue ratio of VHS 1256-1257b

- MSc. Charlotte Coone
 Oct 2023 July 2024
 1st Thesis: Probing the Atmosphere of mid-L dwarf LSPM J0036+1821 using multi-wavelength CRIRES⁺ spectra
- MSc. Dion Cobelens
 1st Thesis: A Tale of Two Carbons: Exploring Isotopic Ratios, Atmospheric Composition, and the Formation Environment of PZ Tel B

Tools & Software

PIPPIN (PDI pipeline for NACO data): A python data reduction pipeline to apply the Polarimetric Differential Imaging (PDI) technique to VLT/NACO observations, as described in de Regt et al. (2024). The package can be found on (PyPi | GitHub) and reduced data products are available on Zenodo.

Other Experience

Exoplanet Group Meeting: Co-organising Leiden's weekly meeting since 2022.

Observing Experience

- 4 nights (Nov 2022) at the Very Large Telescope, using CRIRES+ to observe brown dwarfs and exoplanets as part of the ESO SupJup Survey.
- 8 nights (2023, 2024) at the Isaac Newton Telescope (La Palma), using the Wide Field Camera. My tasks included assisting students with their observing projects and the telescope operation.

Other publications

- NOVA press release (Apr 2024): Student cleans up archival data and uncovers two stellar cocoons
- Student article in Nederlands Tijdschrift voor Natuurkunde (Aug 2024): Planeetvormende schijven in beeld

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