

# Péter Veres | Curriculum Vitae

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## Research interests

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- **Gamma-ray burst theory:** prompt emission modeling, jet composition, high (GeV) and very high (TeV) energy emission, polarization
- **Gamma-ray burst analysis:** GRBs as counterparts to gravitational waves, sensitivity limit determination, sub-threshold searches
- **Other interests:** Gravitational waves, active galactic nuclei, X-ray binaries, Crab nebula

## Positions

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- **University of Alabama in Huntsville** advisor: **Michael Briggs**  
*Postdoctoral Scholar* 2015.5–
- **George Washington University** advisors: **Alessandra Corsi, Kalvir Dhuga**  
*Postdoctoral Scholar* 2014.0–2015.5
- **Pennsylvania State University** advisor: **Péter Mészáros**  
*Postdoctoral Scholar* 2011.6–2014.0
- **Eötvös Loránd University** advisors: **Zsolt Bagoly, István Horváth**  
*Graduate student - PhD* 2007.7–2011.6

## Awards

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- Bruno Rossi prize, as part of the Fermi-GBM team (2018)
- CSPAR Science Achievement Award (2017)
- NASA Space Flight Awareness Award, as part of the Fermi-GBM team (2017)
- NASA Group Achievement Award, as part of the Fermi-GBM team (2016)
- Hungarian Scientific Research Fund Grant (2009-)
- National Science Fund Ireland - Graduate Scholarship (2006-2007)
- National Scientific Competition (astrophysics): honorable mention (2005)
- Hungarian State Scholarship for Students from outside Hungary (2001-2006)
- Math. competition of Hungarian nationals (high school level): 1<sup>st</sup> prize (2001)

## Grants

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Principal investigator.....

- Is There a Relation between prompt grb polarization and spectral Parameters? Answers from Fermi-GBM AND AstroSAT (Fermi-GI, \$60k, 2017-2018)

Co-investigator.....

- Improving the Targeted Sub-threshold Search of GBM Data for Electromagnetic Counterparts to Gravitational Wave Detection (Fermi-GI, PI: Daniel Kocevski, 2018-2019)

- A Blind Search for Untriggered Short GRBs in the Continuous Data of Fermi GBM (Fermi-GI, PI: Michael S. Briggs, 2017-2018)
- Next Generation Time-dependent Spectral Models of GRBs (NASA-ATP, PI: Péter Mészáros, 2012-2015)

## Teaching experience

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- Astronomy 1002 lecturer (George Washington University)
- Classical physics lab assistant (University College Cork, Ireland)
- Electronics lab assistant (Eötvös U., Budapest, Hungary)
- Basic calculus and probability theory, Linear algebra (National Defense U., Budapest, Hungary)

## Professional activity

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- **Member** of: Fermi-GBM, Fermi-LAT and CTA collaborations
- **Panelist** for: NSF (2017), NASA/Fermi guest investigator program (2018)
- **Referee** for The Astrophysical Journal, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Science, Space Science Reviews
- **Supervisor** for **József Kóbori** (Eötvös University), MSc. thesis (2011)

## Computer skills

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- **Programming:** Python, IDL, Linux shell scripting, R, Mathematica, gnuplot
- **Astro-specific software:** rmfit, heasoft, AIPS, HEALPix

## Languages

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- **Hungarian:** native
- **English, Romanian:** fluent
- **German:** basic

## References

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## Talks, Seminars

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- Physics and Astrophysics at the Extreme, February 5-7, 2018, State College, PA  
[\*GRB 170817A and high energy detection prospects \(invited talk\)\*](#)
- GW170817: The First Double Neutron Star Merger, Dec 5-8, 2017, Santa Barbara, CA  
[\*Fermi GBM observations of GRB 170817A \(invited talk\)\*](#)
- Columbia University Rapid Response Workshop: Binary NS Merger, 2017 October  
[\*Fermi GBM observations of GRB 170817A \(invited talk\)\*](#)
- Gravitational Wave Astrophysics (IAU 2017), October 16-19, 2017 Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
[\*Results from electromagnetic counterpart search programs with Fermi GBM \(talk\)\*](#)
- A TPC for MeV Astrophysics: high-angular-resolution observations and polarimetry, April 12-14, 2017, Paris, FR  
[\*How polarization measurements will disentangle gamma-ray bursts models \(invited talk\)\*](#)
- European Week of Astronomy and Space Science, June 26-30, 2017, Prague, CZ  
[\*Photospheric models for gamma-ray burst prompt emission \(invited talk\)\*](#)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Huntsville Gamma-Ray Burst Symposium, October 24-28, 2016  
[\*Central Engines and Radiation Mechanisms of Gamma-Ray Bursts \(invited talk\)\*](#)
- Charles University Astrophysics seminar, June 29, 2017  
[\*Fermi satellite, gravitational waves detected by Advanced LIGO and the gamma-ray bursts\*](#)
- Columbia University Dept. of Astronomy seminar, October 31, 2013  
[\*Photospheric emission from GRB models with general dynamics and fits to Fermi LAT observations\*](#)
- Fifth International Fermi Symposium, October 20-24, 2014, Nagoya, Japan  
[\*Hints of the Jet Composition in Gamma-ray Bursts from Dissipative Photosphere Models \(talk\)\*](#)
- COSPAR meeting, 2-10 August 2014, Moscow, Russia  
[\*TeV range detection prospects of short gamma-ray bursts with extended emission episodes \(talk\)\*](#)
- The Unquiet Universe, 2-14 June 2014, Cefalù, Italy  
[\*TeV range detection prospects of short gamma-ray bursts with extended emission episodes \(talk\)\*](#)
- Gamma-Ray Bursts 2012 Conference, 7-11 May 2012, Munich, Germany  
[\*Single- and two-component gamma-ray burst spectra in the Fermi GBM-LAT energy range \(talk\)\*](#)
- Bolyai-Gauss-Lobachevsky Conference, Cluj-Napoca, Romania 5 - 9 July 2010  
[\*Gravitational Lensing Signatures in Gamma-Ray Burst Lightcurves \(talk\)\*](#)
- 5th Conference of Young Researchers in Astronomy and Astrophysics, Budapest, 2009 Sept. 2-4  
[\*Surprisingly strong outburst of an AGN at redshift  \$z=4.7\$  \(talk\)\*](#)
- 6th Integral/BART Workshop, Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic, 26-29 March 2009  
[\*Gamma-ray bursts: connecting the prompt emission with the afterglow\*](#)

## List of publications

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- [\*Analysis of Sub-threshold Short Gamma-ray Bursts in Fermi GBM Data\*](#)  
Kocevski, D., ... [P. Veres](#) et al.  
ApJ accepted, (arXiv:1806.02378)
- [\*The Origin of the Optical Flashes: The Case Study of GRB 080319B and GRB 130427A\*](#)  
Fraija, N., [Veres P.](#)  
ApJ, **859**, 70, (2018) (arXiv:1804.02449)

- *Light curves of a merger shock-breakout material ejected from a Binary Neutron Star system*  
Fraija, N., Veres P.,  
ApJ submitted, (arXiv:1803.02978)
- *Gamma-ray burst models in light of the GRB 170817A - GW170817 connection*  
Veres P., et al.  
ApJ submitted, (arXiv:1802.07328)
- *On the Interpretation of the Fermi-GBM Transient Observed in Coincidence with LIGO Gravitational-wave Event GW150914*  
V. Connaughton, . . . , P. Veres, et al.  
ApJL, **853**, 9, (2018) (arXiv:1801.02305)
- *Multi-messenger Observations of a Binary Neutron Star Merger*  
Abbott, B.P.; . . . P. Veres, et al.  
ApJL, **848**, 12, (2017) (arXiv:1710.05833)
- *Gravitational Waves and Gamma-Rays from a Binary Neutron Star Merger: GW170817 and GRB 170817A*  
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ApJL, **848**, 13, (2017) (arXiv:1710.05834)
- *An Ordinary Short Gamma-Ray Burst with Extraordinary Implications: Fermi-GBM Detection of GRB 170817A*  
Goldstein, A.; Veres P., et al.  
ApJL, **848**, 14, (2017) (arXiv:1710.05446)
- *Fermi Observations of the LIGO Event GW170104*  
Goldstein, A.; Veres P., et al.  
ApJL, **846**, 5, (2017) (arXiv:1706.00199)
- *Modeling the High-energy Emission in GRB 110721A and Implications on the Early Multiwavelength and Polarimetric Observations*  
Fraija, N.; Veres P., et al.  
ApJ, **848**, 94, (2017) (arXiv:1709.06263)
- *Theoretical Description Of GRB 160625B with Wind-to-ISM Transition and Implications for a Magnetized Outflow*  
Fraija, N.; Veres P., et al.  
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- *Properties of the Intergalactic Magnetic Field Constrained by Gamma-ray Observations of Gamma-Ray Bursts*  
Veres P.; Dermer, C. D.; Dhuga, K. S.  
ApJ, **847**, 39, (2017) (arXiv:1705.08531)
- *High-energy emission as signature of magnetic field amplification in Neutron Star Mergers*  
Fraija, Nissim; Lee, William H.; Veres, Péter; Barniol Duran, Rodolfo  
(arXiv:1701.01184)
- *Searching the Gamma-Ray Sky for Counterparts to Gravitational Wave Sources: /Fermi GBM and LAT Observations of LVT151012 and GW151226*  
Racusin, J. L.; . . . ; Veres P., et al.  
ApJ, **835**, 82, (2017) (arXiv:1606.04901)
- *Updates to the Fermi-GBM Short GRB Targeted Offline Search in Preparation for LIGO's Second Observing Run*  
Goldstein, A.; Burns, E.; Hamburg, R.; Connaughton, V.; Veres P.; Briggs, M. S.; Hui, C. M.;

The GBM-LIGO Collaboration.

Research note (arXiv:1612.02395)

- [\*High-Energy Non-Thermal and Thermal Emission from GRB141207A detected by Fermi\*](#)  
Arimoto, Makoto; Asano, Katsuaki; Ohno, Masanori; Veres, Péter; Axelsson, Magnus; Bissaldi, Elisabetta; Tachibana, Yutaro; Kawai, Nobuyuki.  
ApJ, **833**, 139, (2016) (arXiv:1610.04867)
- [\*Modeling the early afterglow in the short and hard GRB 090510\*](#)  
Fraija, Nissim; Lee, William H.; Veres, Péter; Barniol Duran, Rodolfo  
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- [\*Localization and Broadband Follow-up of the Gravitational-wave Transient GW150914\*](#)  
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- [\*The Third Fermi GBM Gamma-Ray Burst Catalog: The First Six Years\*](#)  
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- [\*The Fermi GBM gamma-ray burst time-resolved spectral catalog: brightest bursts in the first four years\*](#)  
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- [\*Modeling the early multiwavelength emission in GRB130427A\*](#)  
Fraija, Nissim; Lee, William H.; Veres, Péter  
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- [\*Fermi GBM Observations of V404 Cyg During its 2015 Outburst\*](#)  
Jenke, P. A.; Wilson-Hodge, C. A.; Homan, Jeroen; Veres P.; Briggs, M. S.; Burns, E.; Connaughton, V.; Finger, M. H.; Hui, M.  
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- [\*Happy Birthday Swift: Ultra-long GRB 141121A and its broad-band Afterglow\*](#)  
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- [\*Early-time VLA observations and broad-band afterglow analysis of the Fermi-LAT detected GRB 130907A\*](#)  
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