

Curriculum Vitæ - Vinicius Moris Placco

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Personal information

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Languages Portuguese (native), English (fluent),
Spanish (intermediate), Italian (basic)
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Employment / Appointments

2020– Associate Scientist
Community Science & Data Center – US National Gemini Office
NSF's National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory

2015–2020 Research Assistant Professor
Department of Physics
University of Notre Dame

2018–2020 Faculty Fellow
Liu Institute for Asia and Asian Studies
University of Notre Dame

2014–2015 Science Fellow
Gemini Observatory – Northern Operations Center
Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy

2013–2014 Postdoctoral Fellow
National Optical Astronomy Observatory
Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy

2010–2013 Postdoctoral Fellow
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo

Education

2007–2010 Doctorate degree in Astronomy
[*Search for very metal-poor stars based on carbon over-abundance*](#)
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo

2005–2007 Master's degree in Astronomy
[*Abundance patterns among very metal-poor stars in the Galaxy: a statistical approach*](#)
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo

2001–2005 Bachelor's degree in Physics (concentration: Astronomy)
Instituto de Física
Universidade de São Paulo

Awards

2011 *Featured Astronomy thesis of the year 2010*
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo

2005 *Best Astronomy undergraduate project*
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Universidade de São Paulo

Observatory Experience

Leadership roles/Service

- 2020–present Hubble Space Telescope External Proposal reviewer
- 2018–present Member of the J-PAS Survey Science Committee ([Javalambre Physics of the Accelerating Universe Survey](#))
- 2018–present Co-coordinator of the Resolved Stellar Population Working Group of the J-PAS Survey
- 2018–present Member of the Maunakea Spectroscopic Explorer (MSE) [Science Team](#)
- 2017–present Co-coordinator of the Stellar Parameters Value-Added Catalog Group of the J-PLUS Survey
- 2017–present Subaru Telescope Proposal reviewer – category group: Normal Stars, Metal-Poor Stars
- 2017–present Member of the S-PLUS Advisory Committee ([Southern Photometric Local Universe Survey](#))
- 2017–present Principal Investigator of the S-PLUS Short Survey
- 2019–2020 Member of the NSF’s NOIR Lab Time Allocation Committee - [Galactic Panel 2](#)
- 2017–2020 US representative for the Gemini Observatory Users Committee
- 2018–2019 Member of the NOAO Time Allocation Committee - [Galactic Panel 2](#)
- 2017–2018 Member of the Gemini OCS Upgrades Working Group
- 2018 US Extremely Large Telescope Program – [First Stars Key Science Project](#)

Operations and Instrument/User Support

- 2020–present **NSF’s NOIRLab**: Community Science & Data Center – US National Gemini Office
 Product development for the Gemini user community:
 [Twitter account bots](#) – [daily completion](#), [weekly paper](#), [monthly completion](#), [other metrics](#)
 [GitHub repositories](#) – [DRAGONS Imaging tutorials](#), [IRAF Spectroscopy tutorials](#), [users dashboard](#)
 Co-organization of AAS Splinter Meetings
 Migration and maintenance of the [US NGO Portal](#)
 Migration and maintenance of the [GMOS Cookbook](#)
 Gemini HelpDesk – Responsible for selected Tiers 2 and 3 inquiries
- 2021–present **NSF’s NOIRLab**: Gemini Observatory – Science User Support Department
 Part of the Science Verification effort for the DRAGONS spectroscopic routines
 Early testing of the quick-look and interactive tools for DRAGONS
 Performance comparison between Gemini/IRAF and DRAGONS packages
- 2021–present **NSF’s NOIRLab**: Communications, Education & Engagement
 Supported the migration of the NOAO Science website to the new [NOIRLab Science website](#)
 Developed, revised, and curated content for the [NOIRLab Science website](#)
 Serve as a liaison between RSS and CEE
 Support science staff in adding/editing content on the science webpages
 Responding/routing science inquiries from usercomms@noirlab.edu and info@noirlab.edu
 Add/moderate content for scientific meetings in the [Science Events database](#)
- 2014–2015 **Gemini-North**: Operations
 Support Scientist for Phase II programs
 Backup support for instrument teams
 Interface between observatory and visitors (staff, scientists, and others)
 Interactions with astronomers, engineers, IT personnel, and facilities staff
 Community support (help-desk and troubleshooting)
 Write/edit/update internal and external webpages
 Weekly operations meetings
 Queue observer
 Data reductions

- 2014–2015 **Gemini-North:** GMOS Instrument Team
 Instrument performance monitoring pipeline
[Throughput characterization](#)
 Commissioning of AO capabilities
 Write/edit/update internal and external instrument webpages
 Data quality assessment
 Commissioning of Hamamatsu CCD at GMOS-S
- 2014–2015 **Gemini-North:** GRACES Instrument Team
 Commissioning of the instrument
 Developed early data-reduction pipeline
 Write/edit/update internal and external instrument webpages
 Developed exposure time calculator (GRACES ITC v0.1 Beta)
- 2008–2012 **SOAR Telescope:** remote observing station – University of São Paulo
 Responsible for operations and maintenance
 Develop data reduction tools
 Edit/write manuals and data analysis cookbooks
 User support and troubleshooting
 Configure, quote, and purchase new workstations and teleconference hardware
 Work with university staff and IT personel to ensure physical access to buildings and computers
 Support daytime calibrations / nighttime observations

Observing Experience

Period	Telescope	# of nights	instrument	mode
2019–present	CTIO/Blanco	16	COSMOS	remote
2011–present	ESO/NTT	12	EFOSC2	visitor
2008–present	SOAR	40+	Goodman OSIRIS	remote
2013–2018	KPNO/Mayall	20+	RCSPEC KOSMOS	visitor/remote
2014–2015	Gemini North	12	GMOS GRACES GNIRS NIRI NIFS	queue observer
2014–2015	Gemini South	2	GMOS	remote
2013	McDonald 2.1m	4	ES2 Spectrometer	visitor

Research Experience

Funding

Past (Total: USD 470,229)

- 2020–2022 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-I)
Testing r-process nucleosynthesis models with two r-process enhanced stars
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 35,000)
- 2019–2021 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-PI)
HD 222925: A unique opportunity to study the full range of nuclei produced by a single r-process event
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 60,732)
- 2018–2020 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-PI)
The Unexplored Domains of the s-Process
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 119,104)
- 2018 Liu Institute for Asia & Asian Studies (PI)
Stellar Archaeology as a Time Machine to the First Stars
University of Notre Dame (USD 600 - Travel support for conference)
- 2018 Liu Institute for Asia & Asian Studies (PI)
TDLI Workshop on The Exploding Universe
University of Notre Dame (USD 2,600 - Travel support for conference)
- 2015–2017 Hubble Space Telescope (Co-I)
The First Detections of Phosphorus, Sulphur, and Zinc in a Bona-Fide Second-Generation Star
Space Telescope Science Institute (USD 85,293)
- 2016–2017 Faculty Research Support Program Initiation Grant (PI)
Identification of CEMP Stars from S-PLUS Photometry using Artificial Neural Networks
University of Notre Dame (USD 10,000)
- 2013–2014 FAPESP (State of São Paulo Research Foundation) – Postdoctorate
(re)discovery and analysis of metal-poor stars in the Milky Way
National Optical Astronomy Observatory (USD 71,400)
- 2010–2013 FAPESP (State of São Paulo Research Foundation) – Postdoctorate
The Milky Way Halo revisited
Universidade de São Paulo (USD 85,500)

Fellowships

- 2007–2010 Doctorate – FAPESP (07/04356-3) – Universidade de São Paulo
Search for very metal-poor stars based on carbon over-abundance
- 2005–2007 Master's – FAPESP (05/01023-8) – Universidade de São Paulo
Abundance patterns among very metal-poor stars in the Galaxy: a statistical approach
- 2004–2005 Undergraduate research project – CNPq/PIBIC – Universidade de São Paulo
Descoberta e Análise de Objetos com Linhas em Emissão no Survey HK
- 2002–2004 Undergraduate research project – FAPESP (02/04704-8) – Universidade de São Paulo
Construção de câmara de alvo gasoso para produção de feixes radioativos

Visiting Faculty/Postdoc/Graduate Student

- 2018 Universidade de São Paulo
Instituto de Astronomia, Geofísica e Ciências Atmosféricas
Funding: USP/FAPESP/JINA-CEE
- 2018 Chungnam National University
Department of Astronomy & Space Science
Funding: CNU
- 2014 University of Notre Dame
Department of Physics
Funding: Gemini Observatory and JINA (Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics)
- 2014/2012 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Kavli Institute for Astrophysics and Space Research
Funding: Gemini Observatory, FAPESP (The State of São Paulo Research Foundation – Brazil)
- 2013/2012 National Optical Astronomy Observatory
Kitt Peak National Observatory
Funding: FAPESP (Brazil)
- 2013 New Mexico State University
Department of Astronomy
Funding: FAPESP (Brazil)
- 2010/2008 Universität Heidelberg
Zentrum für Astronomie
Funding: Universität Heidelberg (Germany), FAPESP, PROEX (Brazil)
- 2010/2009 Michigan State University
2007 Physics and Astronomy Department
Funding: JINA (USA), FAPESP, PROEX (Brazil)

Academic Experience

Student/Postdoc supervision

Postdoctoral level

2022–2023 Felipe de Almeida Fernandes ([Universidade de São Paulo](#) - Visiting Fellow at NSF's NOIRLab)

Graduate Level (co-advisor) - University of Notre Dame

2019–present Carlos Andrés Galarza Arevalo ([Observatório Nacional - Brazil](#))

2019–present Joseph Zepeda

2019–present Derek Shank

2015–2020 Sarah Dietz

2015–2020 Dmitrii Gudín

2015–2020 Devin Whitten

2015–2020 Kaitlin Rasmussen

2015–2017 Geoffrey Lentner

2010–2016 Rafael Santucci (M.Sc. and Ph.D. - Universidade de São Paulo)

Undergraduate Level (advisor) - University of Notre Dame

2020 Dante Komater (Physics Major)

2019–2020 Lucas Pinheiro (Engineering Major)

2019 Shenghua Liu (Physics Major)

2019 Winter Allen (Arkansas Tech University - REU)

2019 Yihao Zhou (Shanghai Jiao Tong University - REU)

2018–2020 Guilherme Limberg (Universidade de São Paulo)

2016–2018 Erik Peterson

2016–2018 David Kalamarides

2015–2018 Spencer Clark (Glynn Family Honors Program) - [Senior Thesis](#)

2016–2017 John Roach

2016–2017 Cristobal Gonzales

2016–2017 Michael Kurkowski

2017 Jazmine Jefferson (University of Kansas - REU)

2017 Derek Shank (Ohio Wesleyan University - DISC/REU) - [video report](#)

2017 Diego Fernandez (University of Oregon - REU)

2016 Travis Hodges (Austin Peay State University - DISC/REU)

2016 Miguel Correa (San Diego State University - REU)

2015 Siyu He (Xi'an Jiaotong University - REU)

2012–2014 William Alves (Universidade de São Paulo)

2008–2010 Rafael Santucci (Universidade de São Paulo)

Committee Service - University of Norte Dame

2019–2020 Undergraduate Research, Department of Physics

2016–2018 Graduate Recruitment, Department of Physics

2015–2018 Preliminary Exam Committee, Department of Physics

2015–2018 University Committee on Research & Sponsored Programs, Notre Dame Research

Thesis Defense Committee

2018–2022 Heitor Ernandes (Ph.D. - committee chair)
Universidade de São Paulo

2021 [Raphaela Fernandes de Melo](#) (M.Sc.)
Observatório Nacional

2019 [Henrique Reggiani](#) (Ph.D.)
Universidade de São Paulo

2016 [Rafael Miloni Santucci](#) (Ph.D.)
Universidade de São Paulo

2016 [Camilo Francisco Javier Muñoz Peña](#) (M.Sc.)
Universidade de São Paulo

Teaching

Lead Instructor (LI) / Co-Instructor (CI) / Guest Lecturer (GL)

Undergraduate

University of Notre Dame

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|------|------|--|
| 2020 | (LI) | Descriptive Astronomy (SU20-PHYS-10140)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - link to full report |
| | (LI) | Descriptive Astronomy (SP20-PHYS-10140)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - link to full report |
| | (LI) | General Physics B - E & M Laboratory (SP20-PHYS-11422)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - link to full report |
| | (GL) | Engineering Physics II Laboratory (SP20-PHYS-11320) |
| | (GL) | Engineering Physics I Laboratory (SP20-PHYS-11310) |
| 2019 | (LI) | Physics A - Mechanics Laboratory (FA19-PHYS-11411)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - link to full report |
| | (LI) | Descriptive Astronomy (SU19-PHYS-10140)
Course Instructor Feedback: 5.0/5.0 - link to full report |
| 2018 | (GL) | Descriptive Astronomy (FA18-PHYS-10140) |
| 2017 | (CI) | Descriptive Astronomy (FA17-PHYS-10140) |
| | (LI) | General Physics B - E & M Laboratory (SP17-PHYS-11422)
Course Instructor Feedback: 4.8/5.0 - link to full report |
| 2016 | (GL) | Descriptive Astronomy (FA16-PHYS-10140) |
| 2015 | (GL) | Modern Observational Techniques (FA15-PHYS-30481) |

Universidade Virtual do Estado de São Paulo

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| 2012 | (LI) | Sky and Stars: An introduction |
| | (LI) | Galaxies: An introduction |
| 2011 | (LI) | Sky and Stars: An introduction |
| | (LI) | Galaxies: An introduction |

Graduate

University of Notre Dame

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| 2017 | (CI) | Astrophysics: Stars (SP17-PHYS-80202) |
| 2016 | (CI) | Large-Scale Astronomical Surveys (SP16-PHYS-70210) |
| 2015 | (GL) | Astrophysics: Stars (SP15-PHYS-80202) |

Universidade de São Paulo

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| 2012 | (GL) | Observational Astronomy |
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Teaching Assistant - Universidade de São Paulo

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| 2009 | Introduction to Astronomy |
| | Fundamental Astronomy |
| 2008 | Introduction to Astronomy |
| 2007 | Fundamental Astronomy |

Other relevant information

Computing skills

Linux/Unix/MACOSX/Windows operating systems
Shell Scripting (sh, bash, tcsh, zsh)
L^AT_EX, OpenOffice, MS Office. Co-author of the L^AT_EXtemplate [IAGTESE](#)
Python (iPython/Jupyter Notebooks): scipy, numpy, pandas, scikitlearn, pyfits, astropy
R-project (terminal/RStudio): FITSio, tidyverse, cluster, sciviews
Databases: SQL (PostgreSQL/pgAdmin3), SDSS CasJobs, ADQL (J-PLUS/J-PAS/TAPVizieR)
Web: html, ccs, wordpress, apache, curl, wget, ssh, ftp, drupal, Google Analytics, Matomo
Graphics: Gnuplot, ggplot2, matplotlib, bokeh, tableau
Data reduction: IRAF/Pyraf packages, DRAGONS, ESO Reflex/Gasgano
Astronomy tools: WCSTools, CDSclient, STILTS, SkyCalc
Documentation: Sphinx, readthedocs
Version control and DevOps: Git, gitHub, GitLab

Online Resources

Webpage: <http://vmplacco.github.io/>
LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/vinicius-placco/>
GitHub: <https://github.com/vmplacco/>
stackoverflow: <https://stackoverflow.com/users/5964833/vinicius-placco>
pythonanywhere: <https://vplacco.pythonanywhere.com/>
Sample webpages/
side projects: <http://vmplacco.github.io/#resources>

Professional Affiliations/Service

Member of the American Astronomical Society
Member of the Brazilian Astronomical Society
Member of the Brazilian Physical Society
Member of the JINA Center for the Evolution of the Elements

Referee for the American Astronomical Society Journals
Referee for the AAAS Science Magazine
Referee for Astronomy & Astrophysics
Referee for Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society

* Invited / Contributed talks

2022

- * Observatório Nacional – Seminário da Coordenação de Astronomia e Astrofísica
Stellar Archaeology and Near-Field Cosmology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe

2021

- Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS 16th Collaboration Meeting
Mining the S-PLUS catalog to find chemically peculiar stars in the Galaxy
- * Instituto Nacional de Pesquisas Espaciais – Seminários da Divisão de Astrofísica (watch it on [Youtube](#))
Stellar Archaeology and Near-Field Cosmology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe
- * Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina – IX Encontro de Física e Astronomia da UFSC
Stellar Archaeology and Near-Field Cosmology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe
- * Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from Two Stars in the Milky Way
- Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS 15th Collaboration Meeting
Searching for low-metallicity stars in S-PLUS
- * NSF's National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory – Live from NOIRLab @ Hawai'i (watch it on [Youtube](#))
A chemically-peculiar star found from its colors

2020

- * NSF's National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory – Live from NOIRLab @ Hawai'i (watch it on [Youtube](#))
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from Two Stars in the Milky Way
- * NSF's National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory – Gemini Observatory Science Coffee
From $R=40$ to $R=40,000$: Mining narrow-band photometric catalogs in search of low-metallicity stars
- * Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from Two Stars in the Milky Way
- * Regional Center for Space Science and Technology Education for West Asia / Arab Union for Astronomy & Space Science
Our eyes in the skies: How telescopes help us place ourselves in the Universe
- * NSF's National Optical-Infrared Astronomy Research Laboratory
Near-Field Cosmology with Narrow-Band Photometry and Spectroscopy of Low-Metallicity Stars
- * Universidade de São Paulo – Astrophysics Colloquium
Near-Field Cosmology using Narrow-Band Photometry and Low-Metallicity Stars
- * Universidade de São Paulo – Astronomia ao Meio-dia (watch it on [Youtube](#) – in Portuguese)
Agulhas no palheiro: A evolução química e idade do Universo contadas por duas estrelas

2019

- * National Optical Astronomy Observatory
Stellar Archaeology: Understanding the Chemical Evolution of the Universe through Color Maps of the Night Sky
- * Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
The Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe from two stars in the Milky Way
- Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas – 17th J-PAS Collaboration Meeting
Identification of Low-Metallicity Stars from Narrow-Band Photometry
- * San Francisco State University – Physics & Astronomy Colloquium
Stellar Archaeology: Origin of the Chemical Elements in the Universe through a 59-Color Map of the Sky

2018

- * Kavli IPMU at The University of Tokyo – [Stellar Archaeology as a Time Machine to the First Stars](#)
[The Mass Distribution of the First Stars revealed by Abundance Pattern Matching of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars](#)
Kavli IPMU at The University of Tokyo – [Introduction to Stellar Archaeology](#)
[Radioactive Stellar Ages](#)
- * Texas A&M University Commerce – Physics & Astronomy Colloquium
[Stellar Archaeology: Understanding the Origin of the Chemical Elements through a 59-Color Map of the Night Sky](#)
- * Chungnam National University – Department of Astronomy & Space Science [Seminar](#)
[The Origin of the Chemical Elements in the Universe revealed by a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky](#)
- * Korea Astronomy and Space Science Institute [Colloquium](#)
[Constraints on Near-Field Cosmology through Abundance Pattern Matching of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars](#)
- * Universidade de São Paulo – [Astronomy Colloquium](#)
[The Southern Photometric Local Universe Survey \(S-PLUS\): An Overview](#)
Universidade de São Paulo – [S-PLUS Meeting](#)
[Short update on S-PLUS SHORTS](#)
University of Notre Dame – Astronomy 1-minute talks (23 presenters)
Organizer
- * University of Notre Dame – [Our Universe Revealed](#)
[A day in the life of an Astronomer](#)
Kavli Institute for Cosmological Physics – [Near-Field Cosmology with the Dark Energy Survey](#)
[The Age Structure of the Milky Way Halo revealed by DES](#)
- * Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – [Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program](#)
[Can we talk about the Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe by looking at only two stars?](#)
Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – J-PLUS 2nd Virtual Meeting
[J-PLUS Stellar Parameter Value Added Catalog](#)
- * Shanghai Jiao Tong University – Tsung-Dao Lee Institute [Workshop on The Exploding Universe](#)
[Probing the mass distribution of the first stars through abundance pattern matching of ultra metal-poor stars](#)
- * JINA-CEE Frontiers in Nuclear Astrophysics – [Main Conference](#)
[Observational constraints on the origin of the elements: from First stars to Neutron-Star mergers](#)
- * Manhattan College – Physics Department
[Understanding the Origin of the Elements in the Universe through a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky](#)
- * JINA-CEE Frontiers in Nuclear Astrophysics – [Junior Workshop](#)
[Speaking Skills](#)
- * Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – [16th J-PAS Collaboration Meeting - Pathfinder science](#)
[Constraints on First-Star Nucleosynthesis from J-PAS Photometry of Low-Metallicity Stars](#)
Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS Collaboration Meeting (online)
[Updates on S-PLUS Short Survey\(s\)](#)

2017

- Universidade de São Paulo – S-PLUS Collaboration Meeting (online)
[Updates on S-PLUS Short Survey\(s\)](#)
- * Michiana Astronomical Society – [MAS monthly meeting speaker](#)
[A Tale of Two Stars: Revealing the Age and Chemical Evolution of the Universe](#)
University of Notre Dame – Astro-Skills Lunch
[The do's and don'ts when plotting data](#)
Red de Infraestructuras de Astronomía – [Early Data Release and Scientific Exploitation of the J-PLUS Survey](#)
[Identification of \(Bright\) Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars with J-PLUS Photometry](#)
GMT Community Science Meeting – Chemical Evolution of the Universe
[A Monte Carlo approach to find the Progenitors of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars](#) (Rapid Poster Talk)

University of Notre Dame – [The Great American Eclipse at Notre Dame](#)
Co-organizer / Astronomy faculty representative – 3,500 attendees

- * University of Notre Dame – Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
[A needle in a haystack: What one star can tell us about the age and chemical evolution of the entire Universe](#)
- Centro de Estudios de Física del Cosmos de Aragón – J-PLUS 1st Virtual Meeting
[Identifying \(Carbon-Enhanced\) Metal-Poor Stars from J-PLUS Photometry](#)
- * Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics – Physics of Atomic Nuclei High School Program
[Stellar Archaeology: The Age and Chemistry of the Universe revealed by old Stars](#)
- * Universidade de São Paulo – Astrophysics Colloquium
[Searching for the Origin of the Elements Using a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky](#)

2016

- * University of Notre Dame – Astrophysics Seminar
[A Monte Carlo approach to find the Progenitors of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars](#)
- * University of Notre Dame – Department of Physics Colloquium
[Searching for the Origin of the Elements Using a 12-Color Map of the Night Sky](#)
- University of Notre Dame – Astronomy 1-minute talks (19 presenters)
Organizer
- Universidade de São Paulo – X-PLUS Collaboration Meeting
[Identifying Bright Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars from S-PLUS Photometry](#)
- * University of Notre Dame – Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
[Near-Field Cosmology with Metal-Poor Stars](#)
- * University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
[A day in the life of an Astronomer](#)
- University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
[Our eyes in the skies: How telescopes help us place ourselves in the Universe](#)
- 227th Meeting of the American Astronomical Society
[Identifying Bright Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars in the RAVE Catalog](#)

2015

- University of Notre Dame – Our Universe Revealed
[The stuff we are made of: how do we determine the chemical elements in stars and the Universe?](#)
- University of Notre Dame – Astronomy 1-minute talks (15 presenters)
Organizer
- * Joint Institute for Nuclear Astrophysics / University of Notre Dame – High School On Air Talk
[Stellar Archaeology: The Age and Chemistry of the Universe revealed by old Stars – YouTube video](#)
- * Michigan State University – JINA-CEE Nuclear Astrophysics Lunch Research Discussions
[Observing the First Stars through the Atmospheres of Ultra Metal-Poor Stars](#)
- Universidade de São Paulo – X-PLUS Collaboration Meeting
[Identifying Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor Stars from S-PLUS Photometry](#)
- University of Notre Dame – Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program
[Galactic Archaeology: The Chemical Evolution and Age of the Universe revealed by old Stars](#)

2014

- * University of Notre Dame – Astronomy Seminar
[Exploring the history of the Galactic halo with Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor stars](#)
- * Massachusetts Institute of Technology – Kavli Institute
[Exploring the history of the Galactic halo with Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor stars](#)

2013

National Optical Astronomy Observatory
(Carbon Enhanced) metal-poor stars and the chemical evolution of the Universe

- * Gemini Observatory – Northern Operations Center
Metal-poor stars as tracers of the chemical evolution of the Galaxy

2012

- * Universidade Cruzeiro do Sul - Astronomy Colloquium
Search for Carbon-Enhanced Metal-Poor stars in the Halo(es) of the Galaxy
 - * Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy Colloquium
Spectroscopy from $R=300$ to 30000: metal-poor stars and Galactic chemical evolution
 - * Universidade de São Paulo - Invitation to Physics: undergraduate weekly seminar
Galactic Archaeology: chemical evolution of the Universe revealed by metal-poor stars
- Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy at noon: undergraduate weekly seminar
Census of the Milky Way

2011

Universidade de São Paulo - Chemical Evolution Group Seminar
Rediscovering the Dual Halo of the Milky Way via Hierarchical Clustering

Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy at noon: undergraduate weekly seminar
Stellar Archaeology

Universidade de São Paulo - Astronomy Colloquium
Making good use of bad weather: finding extremely metal-poor stars in the clouds

- * ESO Headquarters - Santiago - Astronomy Colloquium
Searches for Metal-Poor Stars from the Hamburg/ESO Survey using the CH G-band

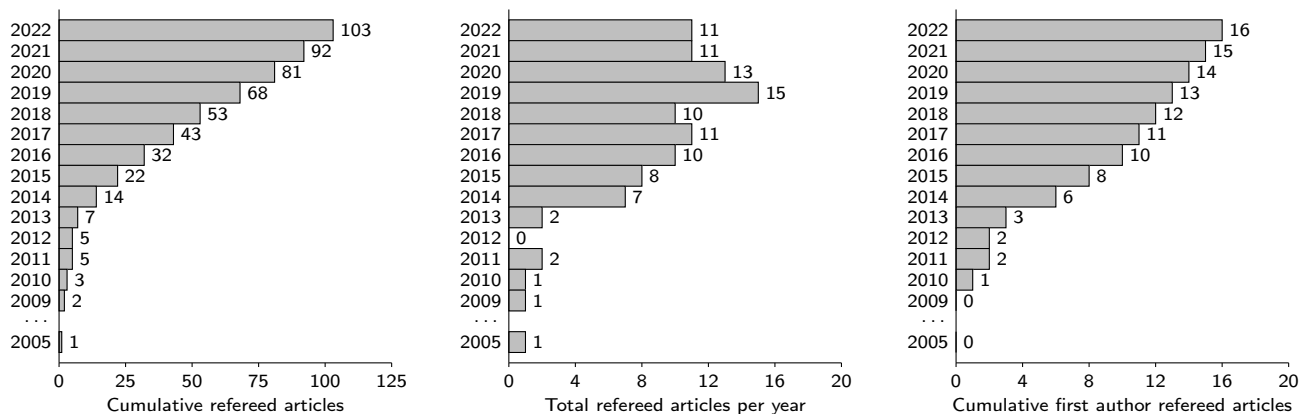
Quantitative Indicators

- ADS: **5899 citations** / **h-index = 34** / **i10-index = 76** (June 15, 2022 - [ADS link](#))
- Google Scholar: **6896 citations** / **h-index = 36** / **i10-index = 75** (June 15, 2022 - [Google Scholar link](#))
- ADS Publication List (complete - [ADS link](#)) / (refereed only - [ADS link](#))
- ORCID iD - [0000-0003-4479-1265](#) / ResearcherID - [C-6864-2015](#)

Publication list

Refereed articles

Total: 103 publications (incl. 16 first, 11 second, 12 third, and 13 fourth author articles)



103. [Placco, V. M.](#), Almeida-Fernandes, F., Arentsen, A., Lee, Y. S., Schoenell, W., Ribeiro, T., Kanaan, A.
Mining S-PLUS for Metal-Poor Stars in the Milky Way
2022, *The Astrophysical Journal Supplement Series*, submitted
102. Arentsen, A., [Placco, V. M.](#), Lee, Y. S., Aguado, D. S., Martin, N. F., Starkenburg, E., Yoon, J.
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2022, *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, submitted
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Telescope time allocations

Approved observing projects: 166

Total awarded: 6477.32 hours

Principal Investigator

Approved observing projects: 48

Total awarded: 1725.55 hours

48. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-406 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
47. 2022A - CTIO Blanco - 2022A-210002: 5.0 nights
46. 2021A - Gemini South - GS-2021A-Q-419 (Band 4): 40.0 hours
45. 2021A - CTIO Blanco - 2021A-0000: 5.0 nights
44. 2020A - CTIO Blanco - 2020A-0032: 5.0 nights
43. 2019B - CTIO Blanco - 2019B-0069: 5.0 nights
42. 2019A - Gemini South - GS-2019A-Q-408 (Band 4): 21.0 hours
41. 2019A - Gemini North - GN-2019A-Q-402 (Band 4): 27.0 hours
40. 2018B - Gemini North - GN-2018B-Q-403 (Band 4): 20.0 hours
39. 2018B - Gemini South - GS-2018B-Q-402 (Band 4): 20.0 hours
38. 2018A - Gemini South - GS-2018A-Q-402 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
37. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-84 (Band 4): 39.0 hours
36. 2017A - Gemini South - GS-2017A-FT-3: 5.5 hours
35. 2017A - KPNO Mayall - 2017A-0295: 7.0 nights
34. 2016B - Gemini North - GN-2016B-Q-85 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
33. 2016B - Gemini South - GS-2016B-Q-86 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
32. 2016A - Gemini South - GS-2016A-Q-107 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
31. 2015B - Gemini North - GN-2015B-Q-100 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
30. 2015B - Gemini South - GS-2015B-Q-104 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
29. 2015B - ESO/NTT - 096.D-0018(A): 5.0 nights
28. 2015A - Gemini North - GN-2015A-Q-401 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
27. 2015A - Gemini South - GS-2015A-Q-205 (Band 4): 50.0 hours
26. 2015A - ESO/NTT - 095.D-0202(A): 4.0 nights
25. 2015A - KPNO Mayall - 2015A-0071: 6.0 nights
24. 2015A - SOAR - 2015A-0071: 5.0 nights
23. 2014B - Gemini South - GS-2014B-Q-85 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
22. 2014B - Gemini North - GN-2014B-Q-102 (Band 4): 30.0 hours
21. 2014A - Gemini South - GS-2014A-Q-92 (Band 4): 33.3 hours
20. 2014A - Gemini North - GN-2014A-Q-101 (Band 3): 16.7 hours
19. 2014A - Gemini North - GN-2014A-Q-105 (Band 4): 33.3 hours
18. 2013B - Gemini South - GS-2013B-Q-89 (Band 4): 25.0 hours
17. 2013B - Gemini North - GN-2013B-Q-105 (Band 4): 25.0 hours
16. 2013B - SOAR - SO2013B-001: 30.0 hours

15. 2013A - SOAR - SO2013A-018: 34.0 hours
14. 2012B - Gemini South - GS-2012B-Q-65 (Band 3): 10.0 hours – queue
13. 2012B - Gemini South - GS-2012B-Q-84 (Band 4): 70.0 hours – queue
12. 2012B - Gemini North - GN-2012B-Q-284 (Band 4): 70.0 hours – queue
11. 2012B - ESO/NTT - 090.D-0275(A): 4 nights – classical
10. 2012B - SOAR - SO2012B-001: 24.0 hours – remote
9. 2012A - Gemini South - GS-2012A-Q-76 (Band 3): 6.0 hours – queue
8. 2012A - ESO/NTT - 089.D-0331(A): 4 nights – classical
7. 2012A - SOAR - SO2012A-003: 24.0 hours – remote
6. 2011B - ESO/NTT - 088.D-0344(A): 4 nights – classical
5. 2011B - SOAR - SO2011B-002: 24.0 hours – remote
4. 2011A - Gemini South - GS-2011A-Q-86 (Band 4): 4.0 hours – queue
3. 2011A - Gemini North - GN-2011A-Q-88 (Band 3): 1.3 hours – queue
2. 2011A - Gemini North - GN-2011A-Q-122 (Band 4): 6.7 hours – queue
1. 2011A - SOAR - SO2011A-010: 17.0 hours – remote

Co-Investigator

Approved observing projects: 118

Total awarded: 4751.77 hours

118. 2022A - SOAR - 2022A-001: 8 hours
117. 2022A - SOAR - 2022A-006: 40 hours
116. 2022A - Subaru - KR-2022A-008: 10.00 hours
115. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-128 (Band 1): 1.20 hours
114. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-132 (Band 1): 4.60 hours
113. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-234 (Band 2): 3.10 hours
112. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-233 (Band 2): 11.60 hours
111. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-238 (Band 2): 4.00 hours
110. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-322 (Band 3): 5.20 hours
109. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-323 (Band 3): 2.20 hours
108. 2022A - Gemini South - GS-2022A-Q-325 (Band 3): 9.40 hours
107. 2021B - Gemini North - GN-2021B-Q-111 (Band 1): 9.70 hours
106. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-127 (Band 1): 2.20 hours
105. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-232 (Band 2): 6.10 hours
104. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-130 (Band 1): 3.60 hours
103. 2021B - Gemini South - GS-2021B-Q-321 (Band 3): 16.60 hours
102. 2021A - Gemini North - GN-2021A-FT-209 (Band 1): 2.20 hours
101. 2021A - Gemini North - GN-2021A-FT-205 (Band 1): 3.00 hours
100. 2021A - Gemini North - GN-2021A-Q-111 (Band 1): 14.20 hours
99. 2021A - Gemini South - GS-2021A-Q-230 (Band 2): 10.00 hours
98. 2021A - SOAR - 2021A-007: 40 hours

97. 2020A - McDonald 2.7m - McD20-1-2.7-7: 7.0 nights
96. 2019B - Gemini North - GN-2019B-Q-403 (Band 4): 9.40 hours
95. 2019B - McDonald 2.7m - McD19-3-2.7-1: 7.0 nights
94. 2019B - SOAR - 2019B-0013: 26 hours
93. 2019A - Gemini North - GN-2019A-Q-309 (Band 3): 22.73 hours
92. 2019A - McDonald 2.7m - McD19-1-2.7-3: 17.0 nights
91. 2019A - McDonald 2.1m - McD19-1-2.7-1: 5.0 nights
90. 2018B - Gemini North - GN-2018B-Q-122 (Band 1): 10.0 hours
89. 2018B - Gemini North - GN-2018B-Q-316 (Band 3): 25.00 hours
88. 2018B - Gemini South - GS-2018B-Q-315 (Band 3): 47.27 hours
87. 2018B - SOAR - 2018B-0010: 26 hours
86. 2018A - Gemini North - GN-2018A-Q-403 (Band 4): 89.10 hours
85. 2018A - Gemini South - GS-2018A-Q-406 (Band 4): 7.90 hours
84. 2018A - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Carnegie Time: 2 nights
83. 2018A - LCO/duPont Telescope - Carnegie Time: 18 nights
82. 2018A - Apache Point Observatory - UW08: 5.0 nights
81. 2018A - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Chilean Time: 3 nights
80. 2018A - SOAR - 2018A-0021: 36 hours
79. 2018A - McDonald 2.7m - McD18-1-2.7-3: 7.0 nights
78. 2017B - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Michigan Time: 2.5 nights
77. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-18 (Band 1): 10.2 hours
76. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-FT-7: 6.28 hours
75. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-75 (Band 3): 41.82 hours
74. 2017B - Gemini North - GN-2017B-Q-79 (Band 4): 63.64 hours
73. 2017B - Gemini South - GS-2017B-Q-75 (Band 3): 20.91 hours
72. 2017B - Gemini South - GS-2017B-Q-84 (Band 4): 107.82 hours
71. 2017A - Southern African Large Telescope - 2017-1-MLT-012: 55.6 hours
70. 2017A - Gemini North - GN-2017A-Q-82 (Band 3): 202.0 hours
69. 2017A - Gemini South - GS-2017A-Q-86 (Band 3): 142.5 hours
68. 2017A - ESO/NTT - 099.D-0428: 5.0 nights
67. 2017A - LCO/Magellan Telescope - Carnegie Time: 3 nights
66. 2017A - LCO/duPont Telescope - Carnegie Time: 19 nights
65. 2017A - SOAR - 2017A-0016: 40 hours
64. 2016B - Gemini North - GN-2016B-Q-77 (Band 3): 6.4 hours
63. 2016B - Gemini South - GS-2016B-Q-81 (Band 3): 32.3 hours
62. 2016B - ESO/NTT - 098.D-0434: 4.0 nights
61. 2016B - Hubble Space Telescope - Cycle 24 - HST-GO-14765: 40 orbits
60. 2016B - LCO/duPont Telescope - Carnegie Time: 5 nights
59. 2016A - ESO/NTT - 097.D-0196: 7.0 nights
58. 2016A - Apache Point Observatory - UW07: 2.5 nights

57. 2016A - Gemini North - GN-2016A-Q-17 (Band 1): 9.8 hours
56. 2016A - Gemini North - GN-2016A-Q-75 (Band 3): 79.4 hours
55. 2016A - Gemini South - GS-2016A-Q-76 (Band 3): 74.0 hours
54. 2016A - SOAR - 2016A-0019: 4.0 nights
53. 2015B - Southern African Large Telescope - 2015-2-SCI-056: 117.8 hours
52. 2015B - Hubble Space Telescope - Cycle 23 - HST-GO-14231: 18 orbits
51. 2015B - Gemini North - GN-2015B-Q-86 (Band 3): 26.5 hours
50. 2015B - Gemini South - GS-2015B-Q-71 (Band 3): 42.9 hours
49. 2015B - SOAR - 2015B-0020: 5.0 nights
48. 2015A - ESO/VLT - 095.D-0504(A): 30.0 hours
47. 2015A - Gemini North - GN-2015A-Q-76 (Band 3): 45.8 hours
46. 2015A - Gemini South - GS-2015A-Q-77 (Band 3): 42.8 hours
45. 2015A - Gemini South - GS-2015A-Q-92 (Band 4): 26.0 hours
44. 2014B - ESO/VLT - DDT293.D-5036(A): 2.4 hours
43. 2014B - Gemini South - GS-2014B-Q-67 (Band 3): 55.0 hours
42. 2014B - Gemini North - GN-2014B-Q-85 (Band 3): 55.0 hours
41. 2014B - KPNO Mayall - 2014B-0231: 3.0 nights
40. 2014B - SOAR - 2014B-0231: 3.0 nights
39. 2014A - Gemini South - GS-2014A-Q-88 (Band 3): 66.7 hours
38. 2014A - KPNO Mayall - 2014A-0323: 8.0 nights
37. 2013B - KPNO Mayall - 2013B-0046: 6.5 nights
36. 2013B - Gemini South - GS-2013B-Q-75 (Band 3): 50.0 hours
35. 2013B - Gemini North - GN-2013B-Q-81 (Band 3): 50.0 hours
34. 2013B - SOAR - SO2013B-S102: 17.0 hours (long term)
33. 2013B - ESO/NTT - 092.D-0308(A): 6 nights
32. 2013B - McDonald 2.1m - McD13-3: 5 nights
31. 2013B - LNA/Brazil - 2013B-P012: 6 nights
30. 2013B - NOT (Nordic Optical Telescope) - 48-031: 3.5 nights
29. 2013A - Gemini North - GN-2013A-Q-113 (Band 4): 54.5 hours
28. 2013A - Gemini South - GS-2013A-Q-91 (Band 3): 54.6 hours
27. 2013A - Gemini South - GS-2013A-Q-95 (Band 4): 10.9 hours
26. 2013A - ESO/NTT - 091.D-0292(A): 6 nights
25. 2013A - LNA/Brazil - 2013A-P030: 4 nights
24. 2013A - SOAR - SO2013A-LP2: 17.0 hours (long term)
23. 2013A - NOT (Nordic Optical Telescope) - 47-003: 3.0 nights
22. 2012B - NOT (Nordic Optical Telescope) - 46-011: 2.5 nights
21. 2012B - ESO/VLT (X-Shooter) - 090.D-0321(A): 12 hours
20. 2012B - LCO/Magellan - MAG/12B/9: 2 nights
19. 2012B - AAO/AAT - AAT/12B/032: 6 nights
18. 2012B - SOAR - SO2012B-005: 8.0 hours (long term)

17. 2012A - Gemini South - GS-2012A-Q-81 (Band 4): 74.0 hours
16. 2012A - AAO/AAT - AAT/12A/011: 4 nights
15. 2012A - LCO/Magellan - MAG/12A/7: 2 nights
14. 2012A - SOAR - SO2012A-002: 16.0 hours
13. 2011B - Gemini South - GS-2011B-Q-91 (Band 4): 75.0 hours
12. 2011B - SOAR (SO2011B-008): 24.0 hours
11. 2011A - Gemini South - GS-2011A-Q-85 (Band 3): 63.4 hours
10. 2011A - CFHT - CF2011A-002: 13.9 hours
9. 2010B - CFHT - 10BB05A/10BB99B: 13.9 hours
8. 2010A - Gemini South - GS-2010A-Q-78 (Band 4): 25.0 hours
7. 2009B - SOAR - SO2009B-004: 17.0 hours
6. 2009A - SOAR - SO2009A-0249: 6 nights
5. 2009A - SOAR - SO2009A-014: 32.0 hours
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