

# Curriculum Vitae

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## • CONFERRAL OF ACADEMIC DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

- 22.03.2007 Doctor of Philosophy (Astrophysics): Monash University, Australia
- 2002 Bachelor of Science (First class Honours A, Physics): Adelaide University, Australia
- 2001 Bachelor of Science, (double major in Experimental Physics and Theoretical Physics)  
Adelaide University, Australia
- 1997 South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE), Tertiary Entrance Ranking 95.6% Siena College, Australia

## • CURRENT POSITION

- 2019- Staff Scientist (tenured), Department "Solar and Stellar Interiors", Max Planck Institute for Solar System Research, Germany
- 2012-2019 Project Scientist (non-tenured), Department "Solar and Stellar Interiors", Max Planck Institute for Solar System Research, Germany
- 2006-2012 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Department "Solar and Stellar Interiors", Max Planck Institute for Solar System Research, Germany

## • PREVIOUS POSITIONS

- 2003-2007 Postgraduate studies for Doctor of Philosophy (Astrophysics):  
Monash University, Australia
- 2002 Postgraduate studies for Honours degree, Adelaide University
- 1998-2001 Undergraduate studies for Bachelor of Science, Adelaide University

## • OTHER SCIENTIFIC ROLES

- 2016- Work Package Leader, European Space Agency's (ESA)  
Planetary Transits and Oscillations of Stars (PLATO) Data Centre
- 2012-2016 Co-PI project A18 "Asteroseismology and dynamos in solar-like stars"  
Collaborative Research Centre 963
- 2010- Project Planning, PLATO, Project Office (MPS)
- 2009-2016 Lead IT Specialist, German Data Centre for the Solar Dynamics Observatory  
(DLR project)
- 2006-2009 Data and code management, Local Helioseismology Network Activity,  
European Helio- and Asteroseismology Network (HELAS, FP6; MPS)

## • PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2015- International Astronomical Union member, Division E Sun and Heliosphere,  
Division G Stars and Stellar Physics

- **INVITED ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

My research has an impact on, and is broadly relevant to, the astrophysics research community demonstrated by the fact I have been invited to give many presentations at international conferences. This also illustrates my ability to communicate complex ideas clearly and effectively.

- 2018 Invited colloquia, “Solving the Solar Dynamo Problem”, Georgia State University, 4 March, Atlanta, USA
- 2017 Invited colloquia, “Solving the Solar Dynamo Problem”, University of Hawaii, 9 March, Hawaii, USA
- 2016 Invited colloquia, “Solving the Solar Dynamo Problem”, University of Birmingham, 28 April, Birmingham, UK
- 2015 “Advances in the Seismology of the Sun and Stars”, conference, 7-11 Dec, Mumbai, India.
- 2015 IAU, FM17 “Advances in Stellar Physics from Asteroseismology”, 3-15 August, Honolulu, USA.
- 2015 “Sunspot formation: theory, simulations and observations”, 9-13 March 2015, Stockholm, Sweden.
- 2013 NSO Workshop #27 “Fifty years of seismology of the Sun and Stars”, May 7-10, Tucson, USA.
- 2012 GONG 2012 / LWS / SDO5 / SOHO 27 “Eclipse on the Coral Sea: cycle 24 ascending”, 12-16 November, Palm Cove, Australia.
- 2012 Bcool, second workshop, “Cool magnetic stars”, 15-19 October, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2012 Opening Symposium CRC 963 “Astrophysical Flow Instabilities and Turbulence”, 9-10 February, Göttingen, Germany.
- 2011 LWS/SDO 3 “Solar Dynamics and Magnetism from the Interior to the Atmosphere”, Oct 31 – Nov 4, Stanford, USA.
- 2010 Fourth HELAS conference, “Seismological challenges for stellar structure”, 1-5 February, Lanzarote, Spain
- 2009 Third HELAS local helioseismology workshop “The Subsurface Structure of Sunspots”, May 12-15, Berlin, Germany.
- 2009 HELAS NA3 NA4 workshop, “The acoustic solar cycle”, 6-8 January, Birmingham University, U.K.
- 2008 International Space Science Institute workshop, “Origins and Dynamics of Solar Magnetism”, 21-25 January, Bern, Switzerland
- 2007 SOHO 19 / GONG2007 “Seismology of Magnetic Activity”, July 9-13, Monash University, Australia.

- **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- 2005 Visiting scholar, National Solar Observatory, USA (Dr. John Leibacher)
- 2003 Visiting scholar, High Altitude Observatory, USA (Dr. Phil Judge)
- 1999 Claire Corani Memorial Prize – Best female second year physics student – Adelaide University

- **INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 2012 Direktionsbeirat (Director’s council) (MPS)
- 2011- Education and public outreach officer for “Solar and Stellar Interiors” department

- 2009- Webmaster for department website (“Solar and Stellar Interiors”, MPS)  
2004-2005 Post-graduate representative (Mathematics department, Monash University)

• **COMMISSIONS OF TRUST**

- 2016 Proposal reviewer, NASA review panel, USA  
2015 Proposal reviewer, NASA review panel, USA  
2011 Proposal reviewer, NASA review panel, USA  
2007- Referee for peer-review journals Nature Communications, Solar Physics, Astronomy and Astrophysics, and Astrophysical Journal.

• **MAJOR COLLABORATIONS**

- 2018- Waves in the Lower Solar Atmosphere, international research collaboration  
2016- Member of TESS Asteroseismic Science Consortium, Working Group 2  
2013- Member of Spaceln consortium, Exploitation of Space Data for Innovative Helio- and Asteroseismology  
2012-2016 Co-PI, Collaborative Research Center 963 “Flow Instabilities and Turbulence”  
2011- Member of Kepler Asteroseismic Science Consortium working group 1: solar-like stars  
2009- Collaborating Scientist, Solar Dynamics Observatory Science Center (NASA project)  
2008- Member of the European Helio- and Asteroseismology Network (HELAS)

• **CAREER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

- 2012-2014 Mentee in the Dorothea Schlözer mentoring program (University of Göttingen)  
2013 Conflict management (1 day course)  
2013 Negotiation skills (2 day course)  
2012 Time management (2 day course)

• **EDUCATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH**

- 2019 “Sounds of the Stars” interactive display development; Detecting Planets display development; general coordination, Vierte Nacht des Wissens, Göttingen, Germany  
2017 “Sounds of the Stars” interactive display development and coordination Dritte Nacht des Wissens, Göttingen, Germany  
2015 “Sounds of the Stars” interactive display development and presentation, Zweite Nacht des Wissens, Göttingen, Germany  
2012 Public talk “The Sounds of the Stars”, Erste Nacht des Wissens, Göttingen, Germany

Contributions to all press releases by the “Interior of the Sun and Stars” department.

• **TEACHING**

- 2018- Supervisor of doctoral research and dissertation, “Dynamics of emerging solar active regions: Joy’s Law”, Christian Baumgartner (ongoing)  
2017- Supervisor of doctoral research and dissertation, “Flows around active regions”, Nils Göttschling (ongoing)  
2013-2016 Supervisor of doctoral research and dissertation, “Differential rotation in Sun-like stars from surface variability and asteroseismology”, Martin Bo Nielsen

(summa cum laude, Dr. Berliner - Dr. Ungewitter Prize for outstanding research)

- 2016 Supervisor of under-graduate project, "Flows around solar pores", Henrik Wolf
- 2012 Invited lecturer, ISWI & MAGDAS Summer School on Space Science, 17-26 September, Bandung Indonesia
- 2008 Guest lecturer, 'Helioseismology', International Max Planck Research School
- 2003-2007 Tutoring (teaching assistant) for undergraduate subjects at Monash University
  - 1st year level: Astronomy laboratory, physics laboratory and general mathematics
  - 2nd year level: Linear algebra, differential equations and astronomy laboratory
  - 3rd year level: Complex analysis

## • PUBLICATION LIST

- [53] A.C. Birch, H. Schunker, D.C. Braun, L. Gizon, "Average surface flows before the formation of solar active regions and their relationship to the supergranulation pattern", *Astron. Astrophys.*, 628, A37, 2019
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