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*Curriculum Vitae as of September 1, 2012*

## Current Position

Sept. 2009 – **ESO Fellow**, European Southern Observatory, Chile  
*VLT Support Astronomer/VIMOS Instrument Fellow*

## Education

2005 - 2009 **Ph.D. Astrophysics**, Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias, Spain.  
*Morphology and Star Formation of Galaxies in Nearby Galaxy Clusters*  
Advisors: J.A.L. Aguerri and C. Muñoz-Tuñón

2003 - 2005 **M.S. Astrophysics**, Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias, Spain.  
*The Luminosity Function of Galaxies in the Hercules Cluster (A2151)*  
Advisors: J. Iglesias-Páramo and C. Muñoz-Tuñón

1999 - 2003 **B.S. Astrophysics**, Universidad de La Laguna, Spain.

## Fellowships and Awards

- 2009 **ESO Fellowship**, European Southern Observatory
- 2004 **IAC Resident Astrophysicist Grant**, Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias
- 2003 **Undergraduate Research Fellowship**, Canarian Academy of Science
- 2002 **IAC Undergraduate Summer Scholarhip**, Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias

## Research Interests

### Galaxy Evolution Across Mass and Environment

- ★ Galaxy Clusters, Fossil Groups, Galaxy Groups
- ★ Structure and Multiwavelength Properties of Galaxy Populations
- ★ Dwarf Galaxies
- ★ Extragalactic Globular Cluster Systems
- ★ Astronomical Instrumentation (Multi-Object Spectroscopy)

## Student Supervision

Feb. 2011 – Stefan Lieder, ESO-Chile PhD student (w/ Mieske).  
*The Faint-End of the Galaxy Luminosity Function in Nearby Fossil Groups*

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## Research Projects Involvement

- ★ **The VIMOS Virgo Cluster Survey.**  
**The Baryonic Angular Momentum Content of Galaxy Halos**  
P.I. Puzia  
A VLT/VIMOS spectroscopic survey of 6000 globular clusters in a mass-limited sample of 27 Virgo galaxies. Co-supervise the observing and data reduction strategy.
- ★ **AVOCADO: A Virtual Observatory Census to Address Dwarfs Origins**  
P.I. Sánchez-Janssen  
A UV-to-NIR study of 6500 nearby dwarf galaxies. Lead a team of 12 international researchers and coordinate the development of new VO analysis tools.
- ★ **The FOossil Groups Origins (FOGO) International Time Project**  
P.I. Aguerri  
52 observing nights awarded during semesters 2008B-2010A at La Palma Observatory. Lead the analysis of luminosity functions and a survey of merger features in the central galaxies.
- ★ **The HAWK-I Cluster Survey**  
P.I. Lidman  
A VLT/HAWKI survey of 10 spectroscopically confirmed clusters at  $0.8 < z < 1.5$ . Lead the analysis of luminosity functions and the study of interacting galaxy pairs.
- ★ **First Science with GTC, Consolider 2010**  
P.I. Rodríguez-Espinosa  
Team Member of a €6,500,000 Project aimed at delivering the first scientific results from the Spanish 10 m GTC telescope.

## Observing Experience

- ★ **VLT/UT3 Support Astronomer** (2009/09 – now).  
250 nights of VLT observing experience in the  $0.35\text{-}24.5\,\mu\text{m}$  range:
  - **VIMOS**: optical wide-field imaging, multi-object and integral-field spectroscopy.
  - **ISAAC**: NIR imaging, polarimetry and spectroscopy.
  - **VISIR**: MIR imaging and spectroscopy.

- ★ **More than 30 observing nights as PI or Co-I**  
VLT, GMRT, WHT, AAT, TNG, INT, NOT, IAC80

- ★ **P.I. of 7 successful Observing Proposals**

- VLT 8.2 m FORS multi-object optical spectroscopy (30h)
- VLT 8.2 m VIMOS multi-object optical spectroscopy (3.5 nights)
- VLT 8.2 m VIMOS integral field optical spectroscopy (10h)
- WHT 4.2 m WYFFOS multi-object optical spectroscopy (2 nights)
- AAT 3.9 m 2dF/AAOmega multi-object optical spectroscopy (5 nights)
- TNG 3.5 m DOLORES optical imaging and multi-object spectroscopy (3 nights)
- GMRT 21 cm interferometric observations (10h)

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## Astronomical Instrumentation Projects

### ★ VLT/VIMOS Instrument Fellow

Member of the Instrument Operations Team during the 2010-2012 VIMOS Upgrade Project. Led the analysis of atmospheric differential refraction effects on Operations.

### ★ VLT/FORS Nod-and-Shuffle

Co-PI of a proposal to implement the Nod-Shuffle technique at the FORS spectrograph.

### ★ WHT/WEAVE Science Definition Team

Member of the Galaxy Evolution Science Team of the new wide-field, multi-object spectrograph proposed for the 4.2 m WHT at La Palma.

## Professional Service and Membership

Peer Reviewer *The Astrophysical Journal*

Chief Organiser *Deconstructing Galaxies: Structure and Morphology in the Era of Large Surveys*.  
Awarded €10,000 for international meeting organisation, to be held at ESO-Chile in Fall 2013.

Chief Organiser *1<sup>st</sup> AVOCADO Workshop*, CIAS Workshop, Observatoire de Paris (Jun. 2011).  
Awarded €1,500 for workshop organisation.

SOC & LOC *Galaxy Clusters in the Early Universe*, ESO Conference, Pucón, Chile (Nov. 2009).

LOC *The Star Formation Impact*, Estallidos 6th Workshop, Tenerife, Spain (Dec. 2007).

Full Member *Spanish Astronomical Society (SEA)*.

## Teaching Experience

Fall 2007 **Teaching Assistant** – Universidad de La Laguna (60 hours).  
*Long-slit Spectroscopy: Data Reduction and Analysis Techniques*

Fall 2008 **Seminar** – Masters Degree in Astrophysics of the Universidad de La Laguna.  
*Fossil Galaxy Groups: Unveiling the Properties of the Most Extreme Environments*

Fall 2007 **Seminar** – Masters Degree in Astrophysics of the Universidad de La Laguna.  
*Clusters of Galaxies: Laboratories in the Cosmos*

## Outreach and Communication

- ★ "NASA's Spitzer Finds Galaxy with Split Personality", NASA/Spitzer Press Release on our recent study of the Sombrero galaxy (Gadotti & Sánchez-Janssen 2012).
- ★ Member of the ESO-Chile Outreach Volunteer Team, aimed at the diffusion of astronomical knowledge in Chilean schools and to the general public.
- ★ Outreach interviews for several Chilean newspapers.

## Oral Contributions

### International Conferences

- Jul. 2012 *Galaxy multiplicity in low-mass haloes: the baryonic content and star formation properties of dwarf galaxy groups*  
Star Formation and Gas Reservoirs in Nearby Groups and Clusters, Schenectady, USA
- Jun. 2012 *AVOCADO and the Flavours of Dwarf Galaxies*  
Star Forming Dwarf Galaxies, Lowell Observatory Workshop, Flagstaff, USA
- Apr. 2011 *Satellites of Satellites: Globular Cluster Systems as Tracers of Environmental Effects on Virgo Early-Type Dwarfs*  
Dynamics of Low-Mass Stellar Systems, Santiago, Chile
- Dec. 2010 *AVOCADO: A Virtual Observatory Census to Address Dwarfs Origins*  
IAU Symposium 277: Tracing the Ancestry of Galaxies, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
- Jun. 2010 *The Minimum Mass of Thin Disc Galaxies*  
Dynamics and Evolution of Disc Galaxies, Moscow, Russia
- Nov. 2009 *Properties of Galaxy Disks in Nearby Galaxy Clusters*  
Galaxy Clusters in the Early Universe, Pucón, Chile
- Jul. 2008 *Disentangling Galaxy Evolution in Galaxy Clusters*  
VIII Scientific Meeting of the Spanish Astronomical Society (SEA), Santander, Spain

### Relevant Seminars and Colloquia

- Jul. 2012 *AVOCADO and the Flavours of Dwarf Galaxies*  
Columbia University Astrophysics Laboratory, New York, USA
- Nov. 2011 *Tidal Streams in the Hercules Cluster: The Dominant Role of Galaxy Pairs and Group Preprocessing in the Formation of Intracluster Light*  
ESO Fellows Meeting, Santiago, Chile.
- Nov. 2010 *Satellites of Satellites: the History of Early-Type Dwarfs as Told by their Globular Cluster Systems*  
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile
- Jun. 2010 *Thin Discs, Thick Dwarfs and the Effects of Stellar Feedback*  
Institut d'Astrophysique de Paris, Paris, France
- Sep. 2007 *Disentangling Galaxy Evolution in Nearby Galaxy Clusters*  
Anglo-Australian Observatory, Sydney, Australia
- Mar. 2007 *Properties of the Bright and Dwarf Galaxy Populations in Nearby Clusters*  
Estallidos 5th Workshop, Granada, Spain
- Jan. 2006 *Physical Properties of Nearby Galaxy Clusters in the SDSS*  
Estallidos 4th Workshop, Madrid, Spain
- Dec. 2004 *Are Non X-ray Emitting Clusters Real Clusters of Galaxies?*  
Estallidos 3rd Workshop, Tenerife, Spain
- Jan. 2004 *'The Luminosity Function of Galaxies in the Hercules Cluster*  
Estallidos 2nd Workshop, Granada, Spain

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- ★ Dr. J. Alfonso L. Aguerri  
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