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Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum

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Research interests

AGN-galaxy co-evolution / Obscured AGN / Very High Energy Galactic sources/ Multi-wavelength follow-up of Very High Energy Galactic and extragalactic sources/ Simulations for new X-ray missions / X-ray surveys / High-redshift cosmology / AGN luminosity function

Work

- February 2026 - Today* Researcher Tenure Track (RTT) at Università di Bologna
- February 2023 - January 2026:* Researcher (RTD-A) at Università di Bologna - Progetto CTA+. Referenti: Prof. Cristian Vignali; Dr Roberta Zanin
- June 2021- January 2023:* Researcher (TD) at INAF - Osservatorio di Astrofisica e Scienza dello Spazio di Bologna, Bologna (Italy).
- July 2019- Today:* Adjunct Professor at Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA).
- June 2019- May 2021:* Post-doctoral fellow at INAF - Osservatorio di Astrofisica e Scienza dello Spazio di Bologna, Bologna (Italy). Supervisor: Dr Roberto Gilli
- March 2016- June 2019:* Post-doctoral fellow at Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA). Supervisor: prof. Marco Ajello.

Education

- 2012-2015:* Graduate Student at the **Department of Physics and Astronomy, Università di Bologna** (Italy)
PhD Thesis title: *Black hole and galaxy growth over cosmic time: the Chandra COSMOS Legacy survey*. Advisors: Professor Cristian Vignali, Dr Francesca Civano, Dr Andrea Comastri.
- June-September 2015:* Visiting graduate student at **Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics** (Cambridge, MA, USA).
- November 2013- May 2015:* Visiting graduate student at **Yale Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics** (New Haven, CT, USA).
- January-June 2013:* Visiting graduate student at **Dartmouth College** (Hanover, NH, USA).
- 2010-2012:* **Master Degree in Astrophysics and Cosmology** at the Department of Physics and Astronomy, **Università di Bologna**.
Thesis: *Redshift evolution of metal abundance in clusters of galaxies*. Advisors: Professor Fabrizio Brighenti, Dr Alessandro Baldi, Dr Stefano Ettori.
- 2007-2010:* **Bachelor Degree in Astronomy** at the Department of Physics and Astronomy, **Università di Bologna**.
Thesis: *The solar activity and its role in terrestrial climate*. Advisors: Professor Francesco Rosario Ferraro, Dr Barbara Lanzoni.

Membership and involvement in international collaborations

February 2023

- Today

Member of the **Cherenkov Telescope Array Observatory** (CTAO) collaboration. *The CTAO is a next generation Very High Energy Observatory, that will cover with unprecedented sensitivity the energy range between 20 GeV and 300 TeV. The Observatory is currently being built in the Northern Hemisphere, in the Canary Islands, and in the Southern Hemisphere, in Chile. One of the telescopes (the Large Size Telescope, LST-1) already operational, and the first subarray of Large, Medium and Small Size telescopes that will be ready by 2027. CTAO will open a new window of discoveries in both Galactic and Extragalactic astrophysics, and will play a key role in the 2030s framework of multimessenger astrophysics.*

- Member of the **Extragalactic Working Group**. In 2025, I published a first-author paper (A new look at the extragalactic very high energy sky: Searching for TeV-emitting candidates among the X-ray-bright, non-Fermi-detected blazar population, Marchesi et al. 2025, A&A, 693, 142) where we showed how a non negligible sample of extreme blazars, X-ray detected but not Gamma-ray detected with Fermi-LAT, are likely to be detected with CTAO in the TeV regime. This will be a new population of extreme emitters, whose emission mechanisms I am currently studying using different blazar models; part of this effort will be published in Fall 2025 in the Master Thesis of Federica Sibani, a Master student in Astrophysics and Cosmology at Università di Bologna which I am supervising.
- **Chair of the Data Validation Technical Task Group** (TTG) for the CTAO Internal Science Data Challenge (SDC; Spring 2024). The Internal SDC presented to the members of the CTAO Consortium one year of simulated CTAO observations, giving the users the opportunity to test the data reduction and analysis models, and get a first understanding of CTAO potential. As Chair of the Data Validation TTG, I prepared scripts and notebooks to assess the correctness of the simulated data before the release to the community.
- **Chair of the Team coordinating the Technical Task Groups for the CTAO Open Data Challenge** (2024-2025). Building on the CTAO Internal SDC, the Open SDC (expected start: Fall 2026) will include 7 years of simulated CTAO data, and it will be open to the whole community. As Chair of the TTGs coordinating team, I work to facilitate the work of the eight TTGs, which are formed by scientists and members of the computing team.
- **Chair of the CTAO Summer School Italian Local Organizing Committee** (2024-2025). In two editions of the School, over 50 graduate students from across the world had the chance to learn about Very High Energy astrophysics, as well as to visit the LST telescope (the first of the telescopes forming the CTAO array) at La Palma. As Chair of the Italian LOC, I deal with different organization aspects, and I am the point of contact for students and professors before and during the School. I also give a lesson on how to write scientific proposals for guest observer programs.
- **Organizer** (together with Dr Eleonora Torresi) of the **biweekly meeting of the Bologna Very High Energy community**. The meetings give graduate students and young postdocs working in the VHE field the opportunity to present updates on their work, receiving feedback from their peers as well as from senior researchers.
- **Member of the Scientific Organizing Committee** of the two **meetings of the Very High Energy-Gamma ray (VHEGAM) Italian community**. The 2024 meeting was held in Bologna (<https://indico.ict.inaf.it/event/2657/overview>), the 2025 one in Bari (<https://agenda.infn.it/event/45940/page/9999-organizing-committees>).

2017 - **Founder (together with Professor Marco Ajello) of the Clemson-INAF Compton Thick AGN collaboration.**

Today

*The main goal of the Clemson-INAF Compton thick AGN project is to have a **complete census and characterization of the heavily obscured active galactic nuclei (AGN) in the local Universe** selected in the hard X-rays. To do so, we use observations from multiple X-ray facilities (NuSTAR, Chandra, XMM-Newton, Swift-XRT and -BAT, IXPE) and a range of models (MyTorus, borus02, UXClumpy, RXTorus) specifically developed to characterize the X-ray emission of heavily obscured AGN. A summary of the results, as well as publicly accessible database of the products of our work (spectra, models, catalogs) can be found at <https://science.clemson.edu/ctagn/>*

- *The group (<https://science.clemson.edu/ctagn/people/>) is made of researchers and graduate students based mostly at **Clemson University** (Clemson, SC, USA), or in **Bologna, Italy** (both at **INAF-OAS** and at **Università di Bologna**); additional collaborators work in different institutions in Italy and in the US.*
- **Five former graduate students** (Xiurui Zhao, Ross Silver, Dhrubojyoti Sengupta, Andrealuna Pizzetti, Isaiah Cox) obtained their **PhD** either at Clemson University or at Università di Bologna with **theses on the Clemson-INAF Compton thick AGN project**.
- Between 2017 and July 2026, we published **28 peer-reviewed papers**: the whole list is available at <https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/user/libraries/YeF2ciSxQqutwGo3RPVgUg>. I am the **first author of six of them**, and the second author of other ten. These articles have been **cited 551 times** (and in particular my first-author articles have been cited 224 times).
- Our group has regularly got time through Guest Observer programs from all the major X-ray telescopes (NuSTAR, Chandra, XMM-Newton, Swift-XRT, NICER). Between 2020 and 2026, we got **19 proposals approved** by the above mentioned facilities, as well as **3 NASA Archival Data Analysis Programs (ADAP) funded**.

2021- **Member of the J1030 collaboration.**

Today

The J1030 collaboration (<http://j1030-field.oas.inaf.it/>) is an international collaboration started at INAF-OAS Bologna by Dr Roberto Gilli and Dr Marco Mignoli. The J1030 field is centered around the $z=6.31$ QSO SDSS J1030+0524, which is powered by a billion solar mass black hole. In 2012, optical imaging campaigns aimed at searching large scale structures (LSSs) around $z\sim 6$ QSOs found this to be the most overdense field. This gave the start to a multi-year campaign aimed at covering the field with a wide range of facilities (LOFAR, JVLA, ALMA, Spitzer, HST, LBT, Chandra). Currently, the J1030 field is the deepest field in the radio band, and the fifth deepest field in the X-rays.

- **Leading author of the Chandra J1030 optical/IR counterparts catalog** (Marchesi et al. 2021, A&A, 656, 117). I worked on the X-ray/optical-IR counterpart association process, and used different tools (Hyperz, EaZy) to compute the photometric redshifts of all the ~ 250 X-ray sources. I am also the administrator of the webpage where all the products of the catalog are available to the public (http://j1030-field.oas.inaf.it/xray_redshift_J1030.html).
- **Leading author of the paper on the discovery of a LSS at $z\sim 2.8$ in the J1030 field** (Marchesi et al. 2023, A&A, 673, 97). I was the PI of a LBT-MODS optical spectroscopic campaign to follow-up Chandra J1030 AGN that lead to the discovery of a $z\sim 2.8$ overdensity in the J1030 field. We found that the X-ray AGN in the structure are hosted in galaxies that are significantly more massive than the non-AGN galaxies at the same redshift, which can explain why X-ray AGN are efficient tracers of LSSs.
- **Supervisor, together with Dr Roberto Gilli, of Matilde Signorini**, at the time a graduate student at Università di Firenze, now a PostDoc. We worked on the **Chandra J1030 X-ray spectral catalog**, analyzing the X-ray spectra of all the sources with the goal of measuring their Hydrogen column density. The results have been published in Signorini, Marchesi et al. (2023, A&A, 676, 49). We observe an increasing trend of obscuration with redshift, and compare our results with predictions of analytic models that ascribe the increasing trend in obscuration with z to the dense interstellar medium (ISM) of their hosts.

2013 - **Member of the COSMOS collaboration** (<https://cosmos.astro.caltech.edu/page/members>).
Today

The COSMOS collaboration includes over 100 astronomers from across the world. The COSMOS field is an equatorial, ~ 2.2 deg² field, that over the years have been observed with a variety of facilities across the electromagnetic spectrum (Chandra, XMM-Newton, HST, Subaru, JWST, Spitzer, Herschel, ALMA, JVLA...)

- **Reference person** (together with Dr Francesca Civano) **of the Chandra COSMOS Legacy Survey**. The Chandra COSMOS Legacy survey covered with a total of 4.6 Ms the 2.2 deg² COSMOS field. I was in charge of the source detection process that lead to the production of the X-ray catalog of over 4000 sources published in Civano et al. (2016, ApJ, 819, 62).
- **Leading author of the Chandra COSMOS optical/IR counterparts catalog** (Marchesi et al. 2016, ApJ, 817, 34). The paper presents the catalog of optical and near-infrared counterparts of the X-ray sources, together with their redshifts (spectroscopic and photometric). I developed the pipelines to associate the X-ray sources with the optical ones, combining the positional information with weights based on the optical and X-ray properties of the sources.
- **Leading author of the paper on the Chandra COSMOS $z > 3$ sample** (Marchesi et al. 2016, ApJ, 827, 150). The paper presents the properties of the high-redshift AGN in the Chandra COSMOS field, and compares the X-ray space density with those computed in the optical, showing how X-ray surveys sample a population of less luminous and/or more obscured AGN that are missed by optical surveys.
- **Leading author of the paper on the Chandra COSMOS X-ray spectral properties** (Marchesi et al. 830, 100). The paper reports the X-ray spectral properties of the ~ 2000 brightest AGN in the sample, providing in particular information on their Hydrogen column density (NH, i.e., how much are they obscured). I wrote the routines to automatize the spectral analysis of all the Chandra COSMOS sources, and performed a series of statistical tests to search for trends between different subsamples of AGN (for example, broad line versus narrow line AGN; Type 1 AGN from the spectral energy distribution (SED) fitting versus Type 2 AGN or sources with their SED dominated by the host galaxy...). For example, we found an increasing trend of NH with the host galaxy SFR, suggesting that part (and in some cases most) of the obscuration can take place at the host scale, rather than at the nuclear scale alone.
- **I was directly involved in many of the projects which made use of the Chandra COSMOS data and catalogs**. The Chandra COSMOS catalogs and data have in fact been extensively used by the COSMOS collaboration and by the astrophysical community in the last 10 years. For example, I contributed to the X-ray spectral analysis of a **population of newly discovered intermediate supermassive black holes** (IMBHs) detected in dwarf galaxies in the COSMOS Field up to $z \sim 2.4$ (Mezcua, Civano, Marchesi et al. 2018, MNRAS, 478, 2576). Accreting IMBHs are rare and elusive sources that are studied as proxies of the first black hole seeds: in this work, we determined that our results supported a direct collapse formation mechanism for the seed BHs in the early Universe. More recently, Chandra COSMOS data, combined with JWST Near-Infrared Spectrograph integral field unit observations, allowed us to **discover a candidate super-Eddington-accreting black hole ~ 1.5 Gyr after the Big Bang** (Suh et al. 2025, Nature Astronomy, 9, 271).

2023-
2026

Col of the Advanced X-ray Imaging Satellite (AXIS) probe team.

AXIS was a X-ray probe mission selected by NASA for the Phase A Study, and eventually not selected. AXIS would have combined Chandra-like angular resolution (but with a much more stable PSF across a wide field of view) with unprecedented collecting area in the 0.5-10 keV band. AXIS surveys will achieve fluxes 1-2 orders of magnitude fainter (on the same areas) than current X-ray surveys, allowing us to study whole new populations of X-ray sources: the extragalactic surveys will detect the first SMBH accreting at $z \sim 8$, while the Galactic Plane survey will detect hundred of thousands of sources, allowing us to characterize with unprecedented accuracy the origin of SNIa, while at the same time finding promising gravitational wave emitters in ultracompact binaries, while working in excellent synergy with facilities operating at other wavelengths (JWST, Roman Space Telescope, Euclid, LISA, CTAO...). Furthermore, AXIS would have been a community mission: with 70% of the observing time in the first five years of the telescope life dedicated to Guest Observer programs.

- I was the **only AXIS col from an Italian institution** (<https://axis.umd.edu/team>).
- I was **in charge of the end-to-end simulations of the AXIS extragalactic surveys**. Building on the expertise I developed in 2020, when I published as first author the first peer-reviewed paper on the AXIS mission (Marchesi et al. 2020, A&A, 642, 184), I have been invested of the role of simulating end-to-end surveys with AXIS using the SIXTE tool, testing different telescope layouts and different AGN populations (e.g., heavy vs light SMBH seeds). The final products of these simulations are images, spectra, source lists, and area vs flux curves; all these products were made available to the AXIS team, which used them for their specific scientific cases.
- **Key member of the Team working on the AXIS 1.1 Pillar:** *What seeds supermassive black holes?* (Chair: Dr Nico Cappelluti). Through simulations and the analysis of their outcome, I contributed to the definition of the scientific case on the formation and accretion of the first supermassive black holes in the early Universe. Specifically, I worked with the Chair of the Pillar Team to pick the best combination of area and exposure to maximize the chance of distinguishing between the predictions of different theoretical models.
- **Member of the AXIS Simulations Team** (Chair: Dr Andrew Ptak, NASA-GSFC). The team met on a biweekly basis and discusses developments in simulations tools, as well as on the most up-to-date specifics of the telescope and how to implement them in the tools.
- **Reference for the Bologna scientific community** (INAF-OAS, Università di Bologna, IRA-INAF): I contributed to several case studies of AXIS guest observer programs developed by the Bologna community.

2024 -
Today

Member of the MAGIC collaboration.

MAGIC is a system of two Cherenkov telescopes operating since 2004 (since 2009 in dual mode). MAGIC covers the 50 GeV - 30 TeV energy range, and in 20 years of observations has detected (often for the first time in this part of the electromagnetic spectrum) a wide range of Galactic and extragalactic extreme emitters.

- Leader (together with Professor Michele Doro of University of Padova) of the **MAGIC Legacy working group**. The goal of the WG is to make accessible to the whole community the high-level products (light curves, spectral energy distributions) presented in the MAGIC papers.

2020 -
Today

Member of the (New)Athena Scientific Working Group 2.1: Formation and growth of the earliest SMBH and 2.2: SWG 2.2 Understanding the build-up of SMBH and galaxies.

- I worked on the **development of new mock catalogs of AGN and non-active galaxies** (presented in Marchesi et al. 2020, A&A, 642, 184) that are now extensively used in *NewAthena* simulations.

January
2023 -
February
y 2024

Col of the Survey and Time-domain Astrophysical Research eXplorer (STAR-X) X-ray mission, finalist of the NASA MIDEX to select a new time-domain space telescope.

- I was **in charge of the end-to-end simulations of the STAR-X extragalactic surveys**. We tested different survey strategies, with the goal of maximizing the time-domain effectiveness of the mission.

2022 -
2024

Member of the High-Energy X-ray Probe (HEX-P) Black Hole Growth over Cosmic Time Pillar. HEX-P was one of the probes competing for the NASA 2023 Probe call.

- I was **in charge of the end-to-end simulations of the STAR-X extragalactic surveys**. and on simulations of heavily obscured AGN spectra, testing different HEX-P technical configurations.

Teaching

<i>2023-Today</i>	Course “ Storia e Didattica dell’Astronomia ”. 36 hours (6 CFU). Optional class offered by the Master Degree “Didattica e Divulgazione delle Scienze Naturali” at Università di Bologna, Italy.
<i>2023-Today</i>	Course “ Istituzioni di Fisica ”. 30 hours (3 CFU). Mandatory course in the Bachelor Degree “Compositi Polimerici” at Università di Bologna, Italy.
<i>2019-Today</i>	Teaching assistant in the “ Multiwavelength Astrophysics Laboratory ”, Module 1. 48 hours (2 CFU). Mandatory class in the Master Degree in Astrophysics at Università di Bologna, Italy. Reference: Prof. Cristian Vignali (cristian.vignali@unibo.it).
<i>Spring 2025</i>	Three lessons in the course “ High Energy Astrophysics ”, one on X-ray telescopes design, one on surveys with X-ray telescopes. 6 hours. Optional course in the Master Degree “Astrophysics and Cosmology”, Università di Bologna, Italy. Reference and professor of the course: Prof. Marcella Brusa (marcella.brusa3@unibo.it).
<i>October 2024</i>	Two lessons in the PhD Course “ Advanced topics in astrophysics II: High-energy astrophysics, AGN ” for Astrophysics PhD candidates at Università di Bologna, Bologna, Italy. 4 hours. Titles of the lessons: ““From observational phenomenology to physics: the internal structure of AGN as inferred from X-ray emission.”; “X-ray Surveys and demography”. Reference: Prof. Marcella Brusa (marcella.brusa3@unibo.it).
<i>September 2024</i>	Introductory lesson on “ How to read a scientific paper ” for new students attending the Master Degree in Astrophysics and Cosmology, Università di Bologna, Italy. 2 hours. Reference: Prof. Cristian Vignali (cristian.vignali@unibo.it).
<i>Spring 2018</i>	Lesson on Comets in Dr Ádámkóvics Undergrad course (ASTR-2200: Planetary Science), Clemson University, Clemson (SC). 2 hours.
<i>Spring 2018</i>	Three lessons on different astrophysical topics in Dr Ajello’s Undergrad course (ASTR-1020: Stellar Astronomy), Clemson University, Clemson (SC). 6 hours.
<i>Fall 2017</i>	Four lessons on different astrophysical topics in Dr Ajello’s Undergrad course (ASTR-1020: Stellar Astronomy), Clemson University, Clemson (SC). 8 hours.
<i>Spring 2016</i>	Lesson on Active Galactic Nuclei in Dr Ajello’s Undergrad course (ASTR-3030: Galaxies and Cosmology), Clemson University, Clemson (SC). 2 hours.

Academic duties and institutional service

<i>Spring 2024-Today</i>	Member of the “ Commissione AQ ” (Quality Ensuring Committee) of the Corso di Laurea (Bachelor Degree) in Compositi Polimerici, Università di Bologna, Italy. Reference: Prof. Andrea Zucchelli (a.zucchelli@unibo.it). The Commissione AQ evaluates annually the Course program, and proposes changes based on the feedback received by students, professors, and others.
<i>June-July 2026</i>	Member of the committee for the evaluation of the candidates for the admission to the PhD in Astrophysics , Cycle 42, Università di Bologna, Italy. Reference: Prof. Francesco Rosario Ferraro (francesco.ferraro3@unibo.it)
<i>July 2024-July 2026</i>	Member, in two occasions, of the committee for the final evaluation of Master Degree candidates in Didattica e Comunicazione delle Scienze Naturali, Università di Bologna, Italy
<i>March 2025</i>	Member of one of the committees for the final evaluation of PhD candidates in Astrophysics , Cycle 37, Università di Bologna, Italy. Reference: Prof. Daniele Dallacasa (daniele.dallacasa@unibo.it).
<i>June 2024-2025</i>	Chair of the Local Organizing Committee of the Italian part of the CTAO Summer School . Bertinoro, FC (Italy). Reference: Dr Roberta Zanin (roberta.zanin@cta-observatory.org)
<i>September 2023</i>	Member of the committee for the final evaluation of Bachelor Degree candidates in Astronomy, Università di Bologna, Italy. Reference: Prof. Alessio Mucciarelli (alessio.mucciarelli@unibo.it)
<i>September 2019</i>	Member of the Local Organizing Committee at the Bologna X-ray Astronomy 2019 Conference . Reference: prof. Marcella Brusa (marcella.brusa3@unibo.it)

Mentoring

- 2025-2026 Thesis Advisor of **Zaira Angela Di Gregorio**, Master Thesis in “Didattica e Comunicazione delle Scienze Naturali” at Università di Bologna, Italy. Title of the project: "Analisi e confronto di metodologie didattiche per l'insegnamento dell'astronomia nella Scuola Secondaria di Primo Grado". Graduated in July 2026.
- 2025 Thesis Advisor of **Lucrezia Aste**, Master Thesis in Physics at Università di Bologna, Italy. Title of the project: “La storia come maestra: un esperimento di didattica dell'astronomia nella scuola secondaria di secondo grado”. Graduated in October 2025.
- 2025 Thesis Advisor of **Federica Sibani**, Master Thesis in Astrophysics and Cosmology at Università di Bologna, Italy. Title of the project: “Characterizing the emission mechanisms of Extreme High Synchrotron Peak blazars: a CTAO pathfinder project”. Graduated in September 2025.
- 2023-2024 Thesis Advisor of **Giorgia Ferrante**, Master Thesis in “Didattica e Comunicazione delle Scienze Naturali” at Università di Bologna, Italy. Title of the project: "Raccontare, ascoltare, comprendere: fiaba e scienza attorno a un focolare”. Graduated in July 2024 with 110/110 *cum laude*.
- 2021-2024 Co-advisor of the PhD candidate **Dhrubojyoti Sengupta** (Advisor: prof Cristian Vignali. Mr Sengupta thesis project is focused on the characterisation of heavily obscured accreting supermassive black holes. Università di Bologna, Dipartimento di Fisica e Astronomia, Bologna (Italy).
- 2020-2024 Co-advisor, together with Dr Marco Ajello, of **Núria Torres-Albà**, PostDoctoral Fellow. Dr Torres-Albà main topic of research are variable obscured active galactic nuclei. Clemson University, Clemson (SC)
- 2018-2023 Co-advisor, together with Dr Marco Ajello, of the PhD candidate **Ross Silver**. Dr Silver obtained his PhD in 2023. Dr Silver thesis project is focused on the discovery and characterization of heavily obscured, X-ray selected active galactic nuclei. Clemson University, Clemson (SC).
- 2017-2022 Co-advisor, together with Dr Marco Ajello, of the PhD candidate **Jordan Eagle**. Dr Eagle obtained her PhD in 2023. Dr Eagle thesis project was focused on the discovery and characterization of very high-energy Galactic sources detected using the *Fermi*-LAT telescope. Clemson University, Clemson (SC)
- 2018-2022 Co-advisor, together with Dr Marco Ajello, of the PhD candidate **Meenakshi Rajagopal**. Dr Rajagopal obtained her PhD in 2022. Her thesis project was focused on the characterization of previously unclassified sources detected using the *Fermi*-LAT telescope. Clemson University, Clemson (SC)
- 2017-2021 Co-advisor, together with Dr Marco Ajello, of the PhD candidate **Xiurui Zhao**. Dr Zhao got his PhD in 2021. His thesis project was focused on the discovery and characterization of heavily obscured, X-ray selected active galactic nuclei. Clemson University, Clemson (SC).
- 2016-2017 Supervisor of **David Dickson** (undergraduate at Clemson University, SC)
Project title: Spatial resolved metallicity in intermediate redshift galaxy clusters
- 2016-2017 Supervisor of **Jonathan Kadan** and **Kellye Burns** (undergraduates at Clemson University, SC). Project title: Rare sources in the 100-month BAT catalog
- 2016-2017 Supervisor of **Luke Trambly** (undergraduate at Clemson University, SC)
Project title: X-ray spectral analysis of Swift-BAT selected low-luminosity AGN

Awarded observing time

Over **2 Ms** (which is, over 23 days) of observations granted by **NASA X-ray telescopes** through peer-reviewed Guest Observer programs: 1.17 Ms with *NuSTAR*; 610 ks with *XMM-Newton*; 405 ks with *Chandra*; 148 ks with *Swift-XRT*. Over **220 hours of observations** with **optical ground telescopes** through peer-reviewed Guest Observer programs by different institutions/facilities (ESO, Fermi, INAF, NOIRLab).

2025	<i>NuSTAR + XMM-Newton</i>	Dissecting the torus: a golden sample of heavily obscured AGN with multi-epoch <i>NuSTAR</i> and <i>XMM</i> observations (Proposal 11159, <i>NuSTAR</i> Cycle 11, 225 ks <i>NuSTAR</i> + 126 ks <i>XMM-Newton</i>)
2024	<i>Chandra+NuSTAR</i>	A joint <i>Chandra</i> and <i>NuSTAR</i> monitoring of a changing-look Compton thick AGN (<i>Chandra</i> Cycle 26, proposal 26700102, 90 ks <i>Chandra</i> + 75 ks <i>NuSTAR</i>)
2024	<i>Very Large Telescope (VLT)</i>	Tracing the structure of an assembling $z=2.8$ protocluster with FORS2 (ESO Cycle 113, proposal 113.26C5, 12 hours with FORS2 spectrograph)
2023	<i>Large Binocular Telescope (LBT)</i>	Tracing the structure of an assembling $z=2.8$ protocluster with MODS (Proposal IT-2023B-013, 12 hours with MODS spectrograph)
2023	<i>Chandra</i>	Searching for hidden accreting supermassive black holes in the first JWST-EIGER field (<i>Chandra</i> Cycle 25, Proposal 25700245, 200 ks)
2023	<i>New Technology Telescope</i>	Outside the halo: Tracking the Mpc-scale structure of a $z\sim 1.7$ protocluster with SoFI (ESO Cycle 111, 0.6 nights with SoFI)
2022	<i>NuSTAR</i>	2FHLJ1745.1-3035: A New Efficient Galactic Accelerator (Proposal 8046, Cycle 8, 100 ks)
2021	<i>Large Binocular Telescope (LBT)</i>	Spectroscopically confirming with MODS three candidate obscured $z>5$ AGN in the deep J1030 Field (Proposal 2021/2022_35, 8 hours)
2021	<i>NuSTAR + XMM-Newton</i>	A joint <i>NuSTAR</i> and <i>XMM-Newton</i> monitoring of a candidate changing-look Compton thick AGN (Proposal 7192, <i>NuSTAR</i> Cycle 7, 75+75 ks)
2020	<i>Chandra</i>	A spatially resolved X-ray analysis of an extreme candidate pulsar wind nebula (Proposal 22500360, Cycle 22, 25 ks)
2019	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	A <i>XMM-Newton</i> monitoring of a candidate changing-look Compton thick AGN (Proposal 086298, Cycle AO-19, 28 ks)
2019	<i>Chandra</i>	Compton thick AGN: the hunt continues (Proposal 21700085, Cycle 21, 50 ks)
2019	<i>NuSTAR + XMM-Newton</i>	The Compton thick AGN Legacy Project: a complete sample of <i>NuSTAR</i> -observed nearby Compton thick AGN (<i>NuSTAR</i> Large program 5197, Cycle 5, 500+220 ks)
2018	<i>Gemini-N, Gemini-S</i>	Towards a full 3D mapping of the >10 GeV extragalactic sky: a spectroscopic follow-up campaign of unidentified 3FHL sources (Fermi proposal 111128, Cycle 11, 5 nights)
2018	<i>Gemini-S</i>	Characterizing a shock-cloud interaction on the Western edge of the Vela SNR (col; Fermi proposal 111197, Cycle 11, 1 night)
2018	<i>NuSTAR + XMM-Newton</i>	Heavily obscured AGN: the physics behind the obscuration (<i>NuSTAR</i> Proposal 4253, Cycle 4, 90+60 ks)
2018	<i>Swift-XRT</i>	The Legacy of Swift-BAT: The Tale of AGN at Hard X-rays (Proposal 1417036, Cycle 14, 145 ks)
2017	<i>Chandra</i>	Compton thick AGN: the hunt continues (Proposal 19700430, Cycle 19, 40 ks)
2017	<i>NuSTAR + XMM-Newton</i>	Compton thick AGN: the physics behind the obscuration (Proposal 3258, <i>NuSTAR</i> Cycle 3, 100+100 ks)
2017	<i>KPNO-CTIO 4m-telescopes</i>	Full 3D Mapping And Identification Of The >10 GeV Extragalactic Sky (Fermi proposal 101287, Cycle 10, 15 nights)
2017	<i>Swift-XRT</i>	ToO observation of 2FHL J0705.9+0245 (ObsID 10047, 3 ks)
2016	<i>KPNO 4m-telescope</i>	Towards the first complete sample of >50 GeV blazars (NOAO 17A, 12 hours)
2016	<i>XMM-Newton + NuSTAR</i>	The Unique Case of PKS J1220+0203: a jetted AGN with a broad Iron Line (<i>XMM-Newton</i> AO16, 50+50 ks; co-I)

Awarded research funding

1.4 M\$ granted through NASA Guest Observer or Data Analysis programs. 125 k€ granted by the Istituto Nazionale di Astrofisica (INAF), Italy. Details on the approved NASA programs are available in the *Awarded observing time* section in the previous page.

2025	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 11159, 111 k\$.
2024	Chandra proposal 26700102, 16 k\$.
2023	NASA Astrophysics Data Analysis, proposal “Unveiling Obscured Accretion in the Local Universe”: 300 k\$.
2023	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 7192, XMM-Newton fair share: 20 k\$.
2022	Finanziamento di Astrofisica Fondamentale INAF. 20 k€.
2021	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 7192, 99 k\$.
2020	PRIN-INAF 2019, proposal “Piercing through the clouds: a multiwavelength study of obscured accretion in nearby supermassive black holes”. Funded as “Coordinatore speciale”. 34+70 k€.
2020	Chandra proposal 22500360, 22 k\$.
2019	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 5197, 116 k\$.
2019	Chandra proposal 21700085, 61 k\$.
2019	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 5197, XMM-Newton fair share: 36 k\$.
2018	NASA Astrophysics Data Analysis, proposal “Compton-Thick AGN: the Final Quest”: 250 k\$.
2018	<i>Fermi</i> proposal 111128: 60 k\$.
2018	<i>Fermi</i> proposal 111197: 60 k\$ (scientific PI).
2018	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 04253. 75k\$.
2017	Chandra proposal 19700430. 63 k\$.
2017	<i>Fermi</i> proposal 101287. 60 k\$.
2017	<i>NuSTAR</i> proposal 03258. 55 k\$.

Press releases and mentions in the news

2025	Università di Bologna Magazine: news on the selection of AXIS by NASA in the Probe competition Phase I: https://magazine.unibo.it/archivio/2025/01/20/axis-the-most-powerful-x-ray-space-telescope
2024	Quotidiano Nazionale (Italian newspaper): news on the SuperEddington supermassive black hole discovered in the Chandra COSMOS field using JWST data. https://www.quotidiano.net/esteri/buco-nero-lid-568-tsw6gpzx
2022	MediaINAF: news on the discovery of quiescent supermassive black holes in the COSMOS field. https://www.media.inaf.it/2022/05/31/un-nascondiglio-per-buchi-neri-supermassicci/
2021	MediaINAF: news on the discovery of gamma-ray emission in a population of ultrafast outflows. https://www.media.inaf.it/2021/11/10/raggi-gamma-ultra-fast-outflows/
2020	MediaINAF: news on the discovery of a relativistic jet forming from the merging of two galaxies. https://www.media.inaf.it/2020/04/07/spremuta-di-galassie-con-getto-relativistico/

Awards

2020 Premio congiunto SAlt-SIF “Giovanni Bignami” (https://www.sif.it/attivita/altri_premi/bando_bignami/vincitori).

Peer reviewing

2016-Today Referee for the Astrophysical Journal, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, and Astronomy and Astrophysics.

December 2024 Member of the Swift Guest Investigator Cycle 21 peer review panel.

December 2023 Reviewer of a Consolidator Grant Application for the Swiss National Science Foundation.

April 2023 Member of the Fermi Cycle 16 peer review panel.

January 2023 Reviewer of a SONATA-BIS12 grant proposal for the National Science Center, Poland.

January 2022 Member of the NICER Cycle 4 peer review panel.

June 2021 Member of the *Chandra* Cycle 23 peer review panel.

August 2019 Member of the NASA Astrophysics Data Analysis proposal evaluation panel.

March 2018 Member of the *NuSTAR* Cycle 4 peer review panel.

Public outreach

September 2024 Member of the team organizing the CTAO public outreach stand at the “Notte dei Ricercatori” event in Bologna (Italy).

November 2023 Member of the team organizing the CTAO public outreach stand at the “Futuro Remoto”
-2024; March 2026 Science Festival in Napoli (Italy) and at the CTA+ final event in Napoli (Italy).

November 2022- Today Public outreach events at the high school “Liceo Ulivi” in Parma (Italy). Presentation of different astrophysics topics (such as the solar activity and its connection to climate changes on Earth, or the formation and evolution of galaxies and supermassive black holes). These events have been the starting point for the students to take part at different Science competitions. Reference: prof. Niccolò Vernazza (n.vernazza@liceoulivi.it)

October 2018 Judge at the public outreach competition for graduate students “3MT - Three Minutes Talk”, Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA).

August 2018 Judge at the PhD Students talk competition at the Symposium for Research in Physics and Astronomy, Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA)

April 2018 Judge at the GRADS poster competition, Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA)

July 2016-2018 Judge at the 4th, 5th and 6th Annual Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium, Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA).

April 2016- June 2019 Host of shows at the Clemson Planetarium, Clemson, SC (USA), on a regular schedule.

April 2015 Co-organizer of the Yuri’s night, public astronomy-related event at Leitner Family Observatory and Planetarium, New Haven, CT (USA).

2014-2015 Judge at the annual New Haven Science Fair, New Haven, CT (USA).

Colloquia, seminars, and invited talks in conferences in the last five years

- 1 *November 2026* 2026 Astroparticle Symposium. Paris-Saclay (France). Invited talk on the CTAO Open Science Data Challenge.
- 2 *December 2025* Black Hole Weather Collaboration Workshop. Sexten (Italy). Invited talk.
- 3 *May 2025* Invited Seminar on VHE blazars at the Columbia University Department of Astronomy. New York (USA).
- 4 *July 2024* Galaxies and diffuse gas in large-scale overdense environments at high redshift Workshop. Sexten (Italy). Invited talk.
- 5 *July 2024* MAGIC Collaboration Meeting. Online. Invited talk on MAGIC Open Data project.
- 6 *May 2023* MAGIC Collaboration Meeting. Online. Invited talk on MAGIC Open Data project.
- 7 *February 2023* Workshop "IXPE: la nuova finestra osservativa sul cosmo ad alte energie". Rome (Italy). Invited talk.
- 8 *January 2023* Workshop "Getting Ready To Descend The Slippery Slope Of Multimessenger Cosmological Black Holes Data". Sexten (Italy). Invited talk.
- 9 *December 2022* National Observatory of Athens, Athens (Greece). Invited (virtual) colloquium.
- 10 *June 2022* Multiphase AGN Feeding & Feedback II: Linking The Micro To Macro Scales In Galaxies, Groups, And Clusters. Sexten (Italy). Invited talk.
- 11 *April 2022* Clemson University, Clemson, SC (USA). Invited colloquium.
- 12 *February 2022* Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, Cambridge, MA (USA). Invited high-energy (virtual) seminar. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eei6SFVQlfs>

Contributed talks and posters in conferences in the last five years

- 1 *June 2026* AGN XVI Conference. Brindisi (Italy). Contributed talk.
- 2 *May 2026* Peach and Palmetto Astrophysics Workshop. Clemson (SC, USA). Contributed talk.
- 3 *July 2025* Vasto Accretion Meeting 2025. Vasto (Italy). Contributed talk.
- 4 *March 2025* Celebrating 20 years of Swift Discoveries Conference. Firenze (Italy). Contributed talk.
- 5 *September 2024* AGN XV Conference. Padova (Italy). Contributed talk.
- 6 *April 2024* CTAO Symposium, Bologna, (Italy). Contributed poster and flash talk.
- 7 *December 2023* Workshop "Open Science @ INAF". Rome (Italy). Contributed talk.
- 8 *June 2023* Conference "The restless nature of AGN: 10 years later". Napoli (Italy). Contributed poster.
- 9 *November 2022* Exploring the Hot and Energetic Universe: the third scientific conference dedicated to the Athena X-ray Observatory. Barcelona (Spain). Contributed talk.
- 10 *July 2022* COSPAR 2022 44th Assembly. Athens (Greece). Contributed talk.
- 11 *June 2022* Ten years of High-Energy Universe in Focus: NuSTAR 2022 meeting. Cagliari (Italy). Contributed talk.
- 12 *January 2022* Quasars and Galaxies through Cosmic Time 2022 Virtual Conference. Contributed talk. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=es2_8bXDr58

Schools and workshops

<i>June 2014</i>	Yale Software Bootcamp, New Haven, CT (USA). Training and work hands-on with the Unix shell, git and Python.
<i>June 2014</i>	10th Summer School of Astrostatistics, State College, PA (USA). Training in statistical tools and their application to astrophysical topics. Theoretical lessons and hands-on exercises.
<i>April 2013</i>	9th Chandra/CIAO Workshop, Cambridge, MA (USA). Chandra data reduction and analysis (both imaging and spectroscopy).
<i>December 2013</i>	Virtual Observatory Workshop, Rome (Italy). Work hands-on on several tools for astronomical data analysis (TOPCAT, Aladin, VO).

Technical skills

X-rays

Expert in X-ray data reduction and analysis, for *Chandra* (with CIAO), *XMM-Newton* (with the Science Analysis System) and *NuSTAR* (HEASoft). Extended knowledge of XSpec and Sherpa. Expert in source detection with wavlet algorithms, and in creation of multi-wavelength catalogs of optical/IR counterparts using ML techniques. Expert in X-ray surveys simulations with SIXTE.

Optical/IR

Observational experience (both in situ and remote) with the multi-slit spectrograph MOSFIRE (Keck) and with the KOSMOS (COSMOS) spectrograph at Kitt Peak (Cerro Tololo). In particular, I have been involved in a multi-year campaign aimed at increasing the spectroscopic and classification completeness of the Third Fermi-LAT Catalog of High-Energy Sources (3FHL), which contains all the sources detected by Fermi-LAT in the 10 GeV-2 TeV band and will thus be an ideal catalog to select CTAO follow-up targets.

Keck MOSFIRE, DEIMOS and KOSMOS/COSMOS optical spectra analysis with IRAF. Expert in spectral energy distribution fitting tools for photometric redshift and galaxy properties computation (e.g., Hyperz, EazY).

Computing and coding skills

- Coding languages: Python (main language), Latex (expert), IDL (good), tcsh (basic), Awk (basic).
- Expert in using astronomical tools like Topcat and DS9.
- Extensive knowledge in data handling of large datasets.

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