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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Astronomy

Leiden Observatory, University of Leiden

With predoctoral research conducted at the University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands) and the Dunlap Institute for Astronomy & Astrophysics, University of Toronto (Canada)

Thesis title: Time Domain Imaging of Transient and Variable Radio Sources

M.Sc. in Physics

Case Western Reserve University (CWRU)

Thesis title: An Extended Study on the Effects of Incorrect Coordinates on Surface Detector Timing For the Pierre Auger Observatory

B.Sc. in Physics

Case Western Reserve University

Thesis title: On the Test, Analysis, and Feasibility of a Cherenkov Radiation Detector for the Auger North Observatory

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow of Astronomy

Research focusing on astronomical transients in X-ray and radio frequencies, primarily on Tidal Disruption Events (TDEs). Supervisor: Prof. Edo Berger

Graduate Research Assistant

Research towards a Ph.D. in astronomy with thesis topics covering LOFAR transient surveys, RFI mitigation in transient searches, SN 1987A observations with ATCA, and Type Ia SNe observations and analysis with VLA and JVLA data (Supervisors: Prof. Alexander Tielens (Leiden), Prof. Bryan Gaensler (Toronto))

Research Assistant-CWRU

Research towards a M.Sc. in Physics involving GPS timing calibration and testing for surface detectors in the Pierre Auger Observatory (Supervisor: Dr. Corbin Covault)

Laboratory Assistant- CWRU

Analyzed atmospheric data for the gamma ray detector STACEE, designed computer algorithms to analyze STACEE data in a preliminary Optical SETI survey, designed

Leiden, The Netherlands

conferred: May 2020

Cleveland, OH, USA

conferred: August 2011

Cleveland, OH, USA

conferred: January 2009

2019-present

2011-2019

2010-2011

2006-2009

and tested a Cherenkov radiation detector for the Pierre Auger Observatory (Supervisor: Dr. Corbin Covault)

REU Experience- SETI Institute

2008

• Conducted RFI analysis and compiled an error database for the Allen Telescope Array (ATA) (Supervisor: Dr. Jill Tarter)

PRESENTATIONS AND MEETINGS

Invited Talks:		
Colloquium, University of Texas- Arlington	virtual	
Tuning in to Cosmic Radio Explosions	3/2021	
Colloquium, University of Texas- Dallas	virtual	
Tuning in to Cosmic Radio Explosions	3/2021	
Astronomy Seminar, University of Pittsburgh	virtual	
Observing Slow Radio Transients, from Intermediate-Aged SNe to TDEs	9/2020	
Astronomy Seminar, University of Pittsburgh	virtual	
Observing Slow Radio Transients, from Intermediate-Aged SNe to TDEs	9/2020	
Seminar: Center for Astrophysics Harvard & Smithsonian Cambridge, MA, USA		
Ongoing Monitoring of the Tidal Disruption Event Swift J1644+57	2/2020	

Conference Presentations: (12 talks, 4 posters)

HEAD Seminar Series	virtual
Ongoing Monitoring of the Tidal Disruption Event Swift J164	4+57 7/2020
223 rd American Astronomical Society Meeting	Seattle, WA, USA
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	e 5/2019
Shocking Supernovae	Stockholm, Sweden
The Re-Acceleration of the Shockwave from SN 1987A	5/2018
IAU- Communicating Astronomy with the Public 201	8 Fukuoka, Japan
Reddit Astronomy: Outreach Using the Front Page of the Inte	ernet 3/2018
Aspen 2017 Winter Conference on Fast Radio Bursts	Aspen, CO, USA
Poster: RFI Flagging Implications for Short-Duration Transie	ents 2/2017
Netherlands Astronomy Conference 2016	Dalfsen, The Netherlands
Tuning in the Transient Sky with AARTFAAC	5/2016
LOFAR Science 2016	Zandfoort, The Netherlands
The first Transient Survey with AARTFAAC	5/2016

Science at Low Frequencies II	Albuquerque, NM, USA		
Tuning in the Low Frequency Transient Radio Sky with AAR	TFAAC 12/2015		
LOFAR Science 2015	Assen, The Netherlands		
2 nd LOFAR Users Meeting- Transients KSP Speaker	5/2015		
LOFAR Transients Key Science Project Meeting Jo	odrell Bank Observatory, UK		
Observations of Swift J1644+57 and Implications for Short I	Duration Transients 9/2014		
Transients Key Science Project Meeting A	msterdam, The Netherlands		
A Modified RFI Flagger for Transient Radio Signals	1/2014		
The Universe @ Ger's (wave)-length	Groningen, The Netherlands		
A Modified RFI Flagger for Transient Radio Signals	11/2013		
Explosive Transients: Lighthouses of the Universe Santorini, Greece			
LOFAR Observations of Tidal Disruption Candidate Swift J1644+57 9/2013			
Netherlands Astronomy Conference 2014	Lommel, Belgium		
Poster: A Modified RFI Flagging Strategy for Transients	5/2013		
LOFAR Science Workshop	Dalfsen, The Netherlands		
Poster- A Modified RFI Flagger for Transient Radio Signals	3/2013		
AAS Meeting #219	Austin, TX, USA		
Poster- The AARTFAAC Project: Searching for Transient Radio Signals with LOFAR 1/2012			
Department Seminars/Colloquia			
Seminar: Berkeley Radio Astronomy Laboratory	Berkeley, CA, USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernovae 11/2018			
NOAO FLASH Seminar	Tucson, AZ USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	ae 11/2018		
Seminar: NRAO- Socorro	Socorro, NM, USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	ae 11/2018		
Seminar: NASA- Goddard Space Flight Center	Greenbelt, MD, USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	ae 10/2018		
Seminar: University of Maryland	College Park, MD, USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	ae 10/2018		
Seminar: George Washington University	Washington, DC, USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	10/2018		
Seminar: Naval Research Laboratory	Washington, DC, USA		
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernova	ae 10/2018		

Seminar: NRAO- Charlottesville	Charlottesville, VA, USA
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernov	vae 10/2018
Seminar: Harvard- Center for Astrophysics	Cambridge, MA, USA
Radio Observations of Nearby Intermediate Aged Supernov	vae 10/2018
Seminar: Oxford University	Oxford, UK
The Life and Times of SN 1987A	1/2018
Seminar: West Virginia University	Morgantown, WV, USA
The Life and Times of SN 1987A	12/2017
Interstellar Medium Seminar: Leiden Observatory	Leiden, The Netherlands
Recent Radio Observations of SN 1987A	9/2017
G2000 seminar, University of Toronto	Toronto, ON, Canada
First Transient Survey with AARTFAAC	1/2017
Seminar: API	Amsterdam, The Netherlands
How to Be a Science Writer	9/2014
Seminar: API	Amsterdam, The Netherlands
A Modified RFI Flagger for Transient Radio Signals	9/2013

PROPOSALS

Principal Investigator, MeerKAT	2021
MKT-20119 proposal, "Measuring the True Occurance Rate of Jets in TDEs via Late Time MeerKAT Observations"	e-
Principal Investigator, VLA	2020
21A-349 proposal, "Follow-Up of Emission from a Very Young M-Dwarf Discovered VLASS"	d in
Principal Investigator, VLA	2020
20B-249 proposal, "Follow-Up of Potential Exoplanet Radio Emission from the 51 System	Eri
Principal Investigator, VLA	2018
• 19A-398 proposal, "VLA Observations for Intermediate Aged Type Ia SNe"	
Principal Investigator, LOFAR	2016
Cycle 5 proposal, "Imaging the Pulsars in Globular Cluster M13"	
Co-Investigator, ATCA 2017	-2018
• Semester 2018OCTS, 2017OCTS, 2017 APRS, "Supernova 1987A"	

SERVICE

- Social and Recreational Committee, Harvard CfA (2020-present)
- Admissions Committee, Dunlap Instrumentation Summer School (2018)
- Volunteer, Astrotours and Astronomy on Tap, University of Toronto (2017-2018)
- Assistant, Ph.D. Recruitment, Anton Pannekoek Institute (2013-2015)
- Astrobites Contributor and Editor (2013-2015)
- Astrobites hiring committee (2014-2015)
- Member, American Astronomical Society (AAS) (2011-present)

TEACHING AND ADVISING EXPERIENCE

Principal Supervisor, Research Experience for Undergraduates Program 2020

• Supervised Jafr Tayar-Shabazz (Florida International University) on a project on radio survey data which resulted in a VLA proposal

Co-Supervisor, Bachelor Student Project

• Assisted in two final year bachelor student projects to distinguish and categorize meteor scatter signals in LOFAR data

Teaching Assistant- University of Amsterdam

 Led recitations and provided observing assistance for the courses "3rd Year Practicum," "Astrofysica," "M.Sc. Practicum"

Teaching Assistant- Case Western Reserve University

• Laboratory assistant for "Introductory Physics I," "Advanced Laboratory Physics II"

OUTREACH

Selected Publications

- "Hot 'Blob' points to a neutron star in Supernova 1987A." Astronomy website, August 6, 2020
- "Astronomers Think they can Find the Sun's Lost Siblings." Astronomy, July 2020
- "Riding Along with a Stratospheric Telescope." *Scientific American* blog, March 2020
- "Cosmic Firecrackers: The Mystery of Fast Radio Bursts." *Astronomy* (cover article), February 2018.
- "The Standard Model of Physics at 50." *Scientific American* blog, 2018.
- "Didn't Scientists Already Know Where Cosmic Rays Come From?" Scientific American blog, September 2017.
- "When will it be 'Game Over' for the Universe?" *Discover*, March 2017.

2016

2009-2010

2010-2013

- "Stuff Physicists Don't Understand: Sonoluminescence" Scientific American blog, Oct 2016.
- "Untangling the Magnetic Universe." *Astronomy*, April 2016.
- "The Weirdest Star in the Universe." *Astronomy*, September 2015.
- "Anomaly from Above." *Discover*, June 2015.
- "The Telescope at the End of the World." *Astronomy*, February 2015.
- "The Secret Lives of Supermassive Stars." Astronomy, May 2014.
- "Tuning in to Radio Jupiters." *Sky & Telescope*, January 2014.
- "A New Eye on the Violent Universe." *Astronomy*, March 2013- cover article, nominated for the American Institute of Physics Science Communication Awards
- "Tales from the Dwingeloo Radio Observatory." *Sky & Telescope*, January 2013.

Public Lectures

- "The Life And Times of Supernovae." Brentwood Library, Toronto, July 2018.
- "Is Anybody Out There?" panel discussion, Astronomy & Space Exploration Society, University of Toronto, March 2018
- "Supernovae: Witnessing Cosmic Explosions Firsthand." Astronomy on Tap Toronto, November 2017.
- The Life and Times of SN 1987A." Astrotours, University of Toronto, May 2017
- "Capturing Cosmic Ray Monsters." Science Café Cleveland, 2010.

Other Media Appearances

- "Astronomy Year in Review," Television Interview, CP 24 Toronto, December 2017.
- "Is Star Wars allemaal fantasie, of leven er toch ergens Wookiees?" radio appearance, Amsterdam FM (December 2015)
- Various radio Appearances, "English Breakfast Radio," Wereld 99.4FM- Amsterdam (2014)
- Reddit "Ask Me Anything" (AMA) Events- November 2017, October 2015, September 2014
- Radio Appearance, "The Sound of Ideas," WCPN (NPR station) 90.3FM- Cleveland, OH (2010)
- Various amateur ("Ham") radio activities and promotions (licensed since 2002, callsign KB3HTS)

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Publications

First Author:

- 1. Radio Monitoring of the Tidal Disruption Event Swift J164449.3+573451. IV. Continued Fading and Non-Relativistic Expansion. **Y. Cendes** et al. 2021, ApJ, *in press*. [arxiv:2011.00074]
- 2. Thirty Years of Radio Observations of Type Ia SN 1972E and SN 1895B: Constraints on Circumstellar Shells. **Y. Cendes** et al. 2020, ApJ, 894, 39. [arxiv:2001.03558]

- 3. The Re-Acceleration of the Shockwave in the Radio Remnant of SN 1987A. **Y. Cendes** et al. 2018, ApJ, 867, 65. [arxiv: 1809.02364]
- 4. RFI flagging implications for short-duration transients. **Cendes**, **Y**. et al. 2018, Astronomy and Computing, 23, p. 103-114. [arxiv: 1804:04708]

Coauthor:

- Identifying transient and variable sources in radio images. Rowlinson, A. & 18 others including Y. Cendes. submitted to Astronomy and Computing. [1808.07781]
- New methods to constrain the radio transient rate: results from a survey of four fields with LOFAR.
 Carbone, D. & 25 authors including Cendes, Y. N. 2016, MNRAS, 459, Issue 3, p. 1361-3174 [arxiv: 1411:7928]
- Low-radio-frequency eclipses of the redback pulsar J2215+5135 observed in the image plane with LOFAR. Broderick, J. W. & 33 coauthors including Cendes, Y. 2016, MNRAS, 459, 3, p. 2681-2689 [arxiv: 1604:05722]
- LOFAR MSSS: Detection of a low-frequency radio transient in 400 hrs of monitoring of the North Celestial Pole. Stewart, A.J. & 102 coauthors including Y. Cendes. 2016, MNRAS, 456, 3, p. 2321-2343 [arxiv: 1512:00014]
- The LOFAR Multifrequency Snapshot Sky Survey (MSSS) I. Survey description and first results.
 G. H. Heald & 140 authors including **Y. Cendes**. 2015, A&A, 582, id.A123. [arxiv: 1509.01257]
- 10. The LOFAR Transients Pipeline. Swinbank, John D. & 27 authors including **Cendes**, **Yvette**. 2015, Astronomy and Computing, 11, p. 25-48 [arxiv: 1503.01526]

Other Publications

Proceedings:

11. Astronomy on Reddit: Outreach Using the Front Page of the Internet. **Cendes**, **Yvette N.** 2018, Proceedings of the International Conference CAP2018, 327.

Telegrams:

- 12. Supernova 2015Q in NGC 3888 = Psn J11473508+5558147, Central Bureau Electronic Telegrams, 4128, 1 (2015). Wiggins, P. & 49 authors including **Cendes**, Y.
- 13. ASASSN-15lu is a Type Ia Supernova, The Astronomer's Telegram, #7707 (2015) Leonard, D. C. &47 others including **Cendes**, Y.
- 14. Optical Spectroscopy of PSN J15044078+1237436, The Astronomer's Telegram, #7690 (2015)

Leonard, D. C. &47 others including Cendes, Y.

- 15. PSN J11473508+5558147 is a Type Ib Supernova Near Maximum Light, The Astronomer's Telegram, #7680 (2015) Leonard, D. C. &47 others including **Cendes**, **Y**.
- ASASSN-15lo is a Post-Maximum Normal Type Ia Supernova, The Astronomer's Telegram, #7675 Leonard, D. C. &47 others including Cendes, Y.

REFERENCES

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