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Curriculum vitae

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Area of expertise: Stellar Physics, Solar Physics, Stellar Systems, Stellar angular momentum evolution, Atomic Physics.

Relevant Employment and Educational History

Education

1989	Degree in Physics, University of Catania
1984	Doctor Of Philosophy (PhD), Queens University of Belfast

Employment

1990 – 1993	Post-Graduate Research Assistant, Armagh Observatory, UK
1994	Post-Doctoral Research Assistant, Armagh Observatory, UK
1995 – 1996	Research Fellow, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK
1997 – present	Researcher, University of Catania

Research Interests
Angular momentum evolution of low-mass stars and formation of planetary systems. Stellar magnetic activity. Modelling of stellar chromospheres. Structure of the solar outer atmosphere. Formation of helium lines in the Sun and solar-like stars. Mass accretion in young stars. Inelastic atomic scattering in tenuous plasmas. Supervisor of 12 graduate PhD students.

Publication Summary
50 published refereed papers with 744 citations, 43 conference proceedings.

Selected Research-Related Public Service Positions

- INAF Associated Researcher
- Member of the ADAS (Atomic Data and Analysis Structure) steering committee
- Member of the Data Processing and Analysis Consortium (DPAC) for the ESA Gaia space mission
- Manager of the Gaia-DPAC work packages *Special Variability Detection*, *Solar-like Variability* and *Extended Stellar Parametrizer – Cool Stars*
- Member of the steering committee for the Italian participation in the ESA Gaia space mission

- Co-Investigator in the Gaia-ESO Large Spectroscopic Survey; manager of the *Pre-Main Sequence Spectrum Analyses* working group
- Referee for the Journals: Astronomy & Astrophysics, Astrophysical Journal, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society

Summary of Grant income > 10 kEuro

1998	PRIN-MIUR (Participant)
2003	PRIM-MIUR (Participant)
2008	PRIN-INAF (Participant, 120kEuro)
2010	PRIN-INAF (Participant, 140kEuro)
2008	ASI contract *The Gaia mission: the Italian participation in the DPAC Consortium* (Co-I, Local coordinator, 1.6MEuro)
2010	Accordo attuativo ASI-INAF *Missione Gaia - Partecipazione Italiana al DPAC* (Co-I, Local coordinator, 3.7MEuro)
2013	INAF Premiale Gaia-ESO (Co-I, Local coordinator, 360 kEuro)

Teaching Activities

University Teaching

1997 – 2000	Laboratory for Astrophysics (assistant)
2000 – 2001	Stellar Physics (60h)
2001 – 2006	Astronomy (60h)
2003 – 2010	Cosmology (48h)
2006 – 2008	Stellar Physics (48h)
2010 – 2012	Elements of Planetology and Cosmology (48h)
2010 – present	Astrophysics (48h)

Postgraduate

1991 – 1992	Radiative Transfer in stellar atmospheres (Master of Science, Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, Queen's University Belfast)
1996 – 1997	Stellar Spectroscopy (PhD in Physics, University of Catania)
1999	Elemental abundances in stellar atmospheres (PhD in Physics, University of Catania)
2003 – 2008	The Origins of Modern Science

Public Outreach Activity

- Talks at schools and amateur groups on Astrophysics, Cosmology, and History of Science
- Talks during visits of students of secondary schools at the INAF-Catania Astrophysical Observatory on Astrophysics and Cosmology

Professional Affiliations

- Member of the International Astronomical Union (IAU)
- Member of the Royal Astronomical Society (1992 - 1995)

List of refereed publications

50. Gaia-ESO Survey: The analysis of high-resolution UVES spectra of FGK-type stars, Smiljanic, R., Korn, A. J., Bergemann, M., et al. 2014, ArXiv e-prints, arXiv:1409.0568 Astronomy and Astrophysics, in press

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46. The VLT/NaCo Large program to probe the occurrence of exoplanets and brown dwarfs in wide orbits: I- Sample definition and characterization, Desidera, S., Covino, E., Messina, S., et al. 2014, ArXiv e-prints, arXiv:1405.1559 Astronomy and Astrophysics, in press

45. The Gaia-ESO Survey: the first abundance determination of the pre-main-sequence cluster gamma Velorum, Spina, L., Randich, S., Palla, F., et al. 2014, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 567, A55

44. The Gaia-ESO Survey: the Galactic thick to thin disc transition, Recio-Blanco, A., de Laverny, P., Kordopatis, G., et al. 2014, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 567, A5

43. Gaia-ESO Survey: Empirical classification of VLT/Giraffe stellar spectra in the wavelength range 6440-6810 Å in the γ Velorum cluster, and calibration of spectral indices, Damiani, F., Prisinzano, L., Micela, G., et al. 2014, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 566, A50

42. The Gaia-ESO Survey: processing FLAMES-UVES spectra, Sacco, G. G., Morbidelli, L., Franciosini, E., et al. 2014, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 565, A113

41. The Gaia-ESO Survey: radial metallicity gradients and age-metallicity relation of stars in the Milky Way disk, Bergemann, M., Ruchti, G. R., Serenelli, A., et al. 2014, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 565, A89

40. The Gaia-ESO Survey: Kinematic structure in the Gamma Velorum cluster, Jeffries, R. D., Jackson, R. J., Cottaar, M., et al. 2014, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 563, A94

39. The Gaia astrophysical parameters inference system (Apsis). Pre-launch description, Bailer-Jones, C. A. L., Andrae, R., Arcay, B., et al. 2013, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 559, A74

38. Properties of multistranded, impulsively heated hydrodynamic loop models, Susino, R., Spadaro, D., Lanzafame, A. C., & Lanza, A. F. 2013, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 552, A17

37. Determination of rotation periods in solar-like stars with irregular sampling: the Gaia case, Distefano, E., Lanzafame, A. C., Lanza, A. F., et al. 2012, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 421, 2774

36. Stellar libraries for Gaia, Sordo, R., Vallenari, A., Tantalo, R., et al. 2011, Journal of Physics Conference Series, 328, 012006

35. Modelling the rotational evolution of solar-like stars: the rotational coupling time-scale, Spada, F., Lanzafame, A. C., Lanza, A. F., Messina, S., & Collier Cameron, A. 2011, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 416, 447

34. RACE-OC project: rotation and variability in the ϵ Chamaeleontis, Octans, and Argus stellar associations, Messina, S., Desidera, S., Lanzafame, A. C., Turatto, M., & Guinan, E. F. 2011, Astronomy and Astrophysics, 532, A10

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