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Curriculum Vitae

I was born on February 2nd, 1986, in Groningen. Six months later my parents moved to the south of the Netherlands, to a village in the neighbourhood of Eindhoven, where I spent my childhood. With my father being a physicist, I was introduced early on to funny consequences of physics and scientific experiments. I was addicted to books, and spent almost all my time on reading about a large variety of topics, including volcanoes, dinosaurs, animals, mountains, ancient history and of course: stars and planets. With all those interests, who could have known that I would end up studying astronomy? I went to the gymnasium called Christiaan Huygens College when I was 12, choosing the scientific track with mathematics, physics and chemistry, but also Latin and Greek, which kept my interest for the full six years. Analyzing and translating classical texts was the same for me as solving a mathematical or physics puzzle, and I graduated with the highest marks for both the scientific and the classical courses. My dreams for the future floated between becoming a (children's) book writer, a teacher and 'completely clueless'. The job perspectives convinced me to look into studying physics at university rather than classical languages. During one of the university days I heard about the possibility of studying astronomy on the side, and my childhood memories of the beautiful star images returned.

I decided to study physics and astronomy at Leiden University, starting Fall 2004. Unlike most of my fellow students, who disliked either the lab experiments at physics or the large uncertainties in astronomy, I continued being fascinated by both disciplines and was unable to make a choice between the two. In my second year I joined the observing trip to the Isaac Newton Telescope at La Palma for a week of learning how to operate a telescope, and I was gripped: being on top of a mountain with state of the art technology, looking at data that nobody else had seen before, was the most exhilarating feeling I had ever had. In my bachelor research project in the third year I got introduced to astrochemistry, doing laboratory infrared spectroscopy on interstellar ice mixtures in the Sackler Laboratory. In addition to my course work I became very active in the study society De Leidsche Flesch, as member of several committees, main editor of Eureka! magazine and board member. The lessons I have learnt during those years on social interaction, networking, organization and writing form an indispensable part of my development, and as a scientist I am still taking the advantages of those years.

For my master studies I chose the new master program Astronomy & Instrumentation, a collaboration between Leiden University and Delft University, as a way to continue working on topics in both astronomy and physics. I did a minor research project on molecular outflow observations with Ewine van Dishoeck, Lars Kristensen and Ruud Visser; a major research project on polarization effects in infrared interferometry with Walter Jaffe and Remko Stuik in the optical laboratory; and an observing project at the IRAM 30m telescope on complex organic molecules in young protostars with Karin Öberg and Lars Kristensen. Observational research became my passion, and when I got the opportunity to work as PhD student with Ewine van Dishoeck on an entirely new project on transitional disks with the recently commissioned ALMA telescope I took it without further doubt.

As PhD student I discovered the real world of astronomical research: the stress of ALMA and ESO proposal deadlines, the large numbers of papers to read, the telescope and instrument manuals, the enormous amounts of data, the frustrations of data analysis, but also the excitement about new discoveries, the joy of solving puzzles, the relief of finishing a paper

and the interaction with astronomers all over the world. I presented my work at conferences in Toledo, Washington, Grenoble, Hamilton, Puerto Varas, Hawaii, Victoria, Heidelberg, Santiago, Bonn, Cambridge, Kiel and Atlanta, and visited institutes of MPE, ESAC, ETH, ESO Munich and Santiago, Beijing University, Harvard CfA, Ann Arbor, IAC La Palma, Caltech, IfA Hawaii, PUC Chile and NRC Canada. I also went observing at some of the most beautiful locations in the world at CARMA, William Herschel Telescope and APEX. Back in Leiden I was teaching assistant of Bernhard Brandl's course on Observing techniques, main organizer of the Astronomy Olympiad for high school students, member of the social committee and I organized a Lorentz Center workshop on the link between theory and observations of transitional disks together with Paola Pinilla. I gave public talks in many places in the Netherlands on astrochemistry, planet formation and ALMA during these years. I also had the privilege of (co)supervising three master students (Sierk Terwisga, Roman Tatch and Bart Verhaar), and I feel very proud that Sierk will start as PhD student in Leiden at my departure, continuing on the topic of my research, the transitional disks. After my PhD defense I will start my next job as Beatrice Watson Parrent Fellow at the University of Hawaii in Honolulu.

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