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Education

In progress Ph.D. Planetary Science, University of Arizona (UA), Tucson, AZ
Minor: Astrobiology

2015 B.Sc. in Physics, National Tsing Hua University, Hsinchu, Taiwan

First-Author Publications and Presentations

2017 **ESO (Santiago) Thirty-Minute Talks**

- *“Cloud Atlas: Discovery of Dusty Clouds and High-amplitude Rotational Modulations In a Young, Red Brown Dwarf”*

2017 **ESO (Garching) Star & Planet Formation Seminar**

- *“Discovery of Dusty Clouds and High-amplitude Rotational Modulations In a Young, Red Brown Dwarf”*

2016 **Ben W.P. Lew et al., *The Astrophysical Journal Letters***

- *“Cloud Atlas: Discovery of Patchy Clouds and High-Amplitude Rotational Modulations in a Young, Extremely Red L-Type Brown Dwarf”*

Selected Research and Teaching Experience

2015- **Graduate Research Associate**, Advisor: Dr. Daniel Apai (UA)

- *Cloud Atlas: Vertical Cloud Structure and Gravity in Exoplanet and Brown Dwarf Atmospheres*, HST Large Treasury program

2017 spring **Graduate Teaching Associate**, Advisor: Dr. Christopher Hamilton (UA)

- *“Planet Earth: Evolution of the Habitable World”*

2014-2015 **Undergraduate research**, Advisor: Dr. Albert Kong (Taiwan NTHU)

- *Identify the optical counterpart of black hole binary MAXI J1659-152 (Taiwan National Science Council Undergraduate Research Project)*

- 2014 **Summer research**, Advisor: Dr. Rosanne Di Stefano (CfA)
– *Microlensing Events Modeling and Analysis*
- 2013 **Summer research**, Advisor: Dr. Naomi Hirano (Taiwan ASIAA)
– *Submillimeter imaging of the "first hydrostatic core" candidate*

Approved Proposal and Awards

- 2018 Galileo Circle Scholarship
- 2017 **P.I.**, 7 nights awarded for New Technology Telescope (ESO)
– *Red Dwarfs are slow: Is the Near-Infrared Color Anomaly in
Brown Dwarfs due to Rotationally Suppressed Vertical Mixing?*
- 2017 **P.I.**, 4 nights awarded for Bok Telescope (UA)
– *Red Dwarfs are slow: Is the Near-Infrared Color Anomaly in
Brown Dwarfs due to Rotationally Suppressed Vertical Mixing?*
- 2016-2017 Technology Research Initiative Fund (TRIF) Imaging Fellowship
- 2015 UST-GUAS Winter School Scholarship
- 2014 Ta-You Wu Scholarship