

# Curriculum Vitae for Trifon Trifonov

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- Education** 2014 - Ph.D., Astronomy, Ruprecht-Karls-Universität, Heidelberg, Germany  
2009 - M.A., Astronomy and Astrophysics, Sofia University, Sofia, Bulgaria  
2008 - B.A., Physics, Sofia University, Sofia, Bulgaria
- PhD Dissertation** Planetary dynamics and high precision optical and near infrared spectroscopy. Testing the planetary hypothesis around evolved K-giants.  
*supervisor: Andreas Quirrenbach*
- Previous academic** 2014–2016, Postdoctoral Research Associate at the Department of Earth Science at the University of Hong Kong  
*with Man Hoi Lee*
- Current academic positions** 2016–now, Postdoctoral Research Associate at Max Planck Institute for Astronomy (MPIA).  
*with Thomas Henning and Martin Kürster*
- Fellowships** 2010–2014, International Max Planck Research School for Astronomy (IMPRS-HD) fellowship.  
2014-2014, Heidelberg Graduate School of Fundamental Physics (HGSFP) fellowship.
- Research work** Search of extrasolar planets via precise Doppler spectroscopy around low-mass Main Sequence stars and evolved intermediate-mass G and K-giant stars.  
Dynamical analysis of multiple exoplanetary systems and S-type planet-binary systems.  
Observations, RV data reduction and analysis, Scientific software tools development.
- Successful Observ. Proposals** **ESO CRIRES, VLT, Chile**  
IDs: 088.D-0132, 089.D-0186, 090.D-0155 and 091.D-0365 (main Co-PI)
- ESO HARPS, La Sila, Chile**  
IDs: 097.C-0090, 0100.C-0414, 0101.C-0232, 0102.C-0338 (PI)
- MPG FEROS, La Sila, Chile**  
IDs: 099.A-9009, 0100.A-9006 (PI)
- CAHA CARMENES, Calar Alto, Spain**  
IDs: F17-3.5-019, F18-3.5-016 (PI)
- ESO SPHERE, VLT, Chile**  
IDs: 0101.C-0887 (main Co-PI)

<b>Conference poster contributions</b>	<p>2013 - IAU Symposium 299: Exploring the Formation and Evolution of Planetary Systems, Victoria, Canada</p> <p>2013 - Protostars and Planets VI, Heidelberg, Germany</p> <p>2015 - Extreme Solar Systems III, Hawaii, USA</p>
<b>Conference talk contributions</b>	<p>2015 - Triple Evolution &amp; Dynamics in Stellar and Planetary Systems, Haifa, Israel</p> <p>2016 - 5th CARMENES scientific meeting, Heidelberg, Germany</p> <p>2017 - Formation and Dynamical Evolution of Exoplanets, Aspen, Colorado, US</p> <p>2017 - Annual Meeting of the Astronomische Gesellschaft, Göttingen, Germany</p> <p>2017 - Exoplanets and Planet Formation, Shanghai, China</p> <p>2018 - Exoplanets II, Cambridge, UK</p> <p>2018 - Japanese-German meeting on Exoplanets and Planet Formation, Edesheim, Ger.</p> <p>2018 - 9th CARMENES scientific meeting, Barcelona, Spain</p>
<b>Invited science talks</b>	<p>2014 - Königstuhl Colloquium (KoCo), Heidelberg, Germany</p> <p>2014 - Dep. of Physics and Astronomy, Aarhus University, Denmark (Postdoc interview)</p> <p>2014 - Dep. of Astronomy, University of Szczecin, Poland (Postdoc interview)</p> <p>2014 - Dep. of Astrophysics, Tel Aviv University, Israel (Postdoc interview)</p> <p>2014 - DES seminar and the University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong</p> <p>2016 - National Academy of Science of Ukraine at MAO, Kiev, Ukraine</p> <p>2017 - Thüringer Landessternwarte, Tautenburg, Germany</p> <p>2018 - ESO, Vitacura, Santiago, Chile</p> <p>+ various department talks at LSW, HKU and MPIA</p>
<b>Invited public talks</b>	<p>2018 - “Exoplanet systems: Chaos and order around the stars“, The Department of Astronomy at the University of Sofia, Bulgaria</p>
<b>Organization of international conferences</b>	<p>2019 - Planetary Dynamics Conference, Heidelberg, Germany – SOC member &amp; main organizer (ongoing)</p>
<b>Teaching experience</b>	<p>2011–2013 Assistant of Observational Astronomy Course, Heidelberg University</p>
<b>Scientific referee</b>	<p>Astronomy &amp; Astrophysics (A&amp;A), AAS Journals (ApJ/AJ).</p>

## Relevant papers

- Mitchell, D. S., Reffert, S., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2013, A&A 555, 87): *Precise radial velocities of giant stars. V. A brown dwarf and a planet orbiting the K giant stars  $\tau$  Geminorum and 91 Aquarii*
- Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2014, A&A 568, 64): *Precise radial velocities of giant stars. VI. Discovery and stability analysis of the planetary system around the K giant star  $\eta$  Cet*
- Reffert, S., Bergmann, C., Quirrenbach, A., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2015, A&A 574, 116): *Precise radial velocities of giant stars. VII. Occurrence rate of giant extrasolar planets as a function of mass and metallicity*
- Kürster, M., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2015, A&A 577, 103): *Disentangling 2:1 resonant radial velocity orbits from eccentric ones and a case study for HD 27894*
- Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2015, A&A 582, 54): *Precise radial velocities of giant stars VIII. Testing for the presence of planets with CRILES Infrared Radial Velocities*
- Ortiz, M., Reffert, S., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2016, A&A, 595, 55): *Precise radial velocities of giant stars. IX. HD 59686 Ab: a massive circumstellar planet orbiting a giant star in a 13.6 au eccentric binary system*
- Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2017, A&A, 602L, 8): *Three planets around HD 27894: A close-in planet pair with a 2:1 period ratio and an eccentric Jovian planet at 5.4 AU*
- Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018a, A&A, 609, 117): *The CARMENES search for exoplanets around M dwarfs. First visual-channel radial-velocity measurements and orbital parameter updates of seven M-dwarf planetary systems*
- Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018b, AJ, 155, 174): *Dynamical Analysis of the Circumprimary Planet in the Eccentric Binary System HD 59686*
- Sarkis, P., Henning, Th., Kürster, M., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018, AJ, 155, 257): *The CARMENES Search for Exoplanets around M Dwarfs: A Low-mass Planet in the Temperate Zone of the Nearby K2-18*
- Kaminski, A., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018, A&A, 618, 115): *The CARMENES Search for Exoplanets around M Dwarfs: A Neptune-mass planet traversing the habitable zone around HD 180617*
- Wang, S., Jones, M., Shporer, A., Fulton, B. J., Paredes, L., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018, arXiv:1810.02341): *HD 202772A B: A Transiting Hot Jupiter Around A Bright, Mildly Evolved Star In A Visual Binary Discovered By Tess*
- Tal-Or, L., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018, arXiv:1810.02986): *Correcting HIRES radial velocities for small systematic errors*
- Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018, RNAAS, 2, 180): *New HARPS and FEROS Observations of GJ 1046*
- Luque, R., Nowak, G., Pallé, E., Kossakowski, D., **Trifonov, T.**, et al. (2018, arXiv:1810.07572): *The CARMENES search for exoplanets around M dwarfs: The warm super-Earths in twin orbits around the mid-type M dwarfs Ross 1020 (GJ 3779) and LP 819-052 (GJ 1265)*
- Ribas, I., Tuomi, M., Reiners, A., Butler, R. P., ... **Trifonov, T.**, ... et al. (2018, arXiv:1811.05955): *A super-Earth planet candidate orbiting at the snow-line of Barnard's star*