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Education

Kapteyn Astronomical Insitute, University of Groningen

Groningen, Netherlands

PH.D. ASTRONOMY

Oct 2021 - Sept 2025

- JWST spectroscopy of planet-forming disks
- Supervisors: Prof. Inga Kamp and Prof. Ewine van Dishoeck

Delft University of technology

Delft, Netherlands

M.SC. AEROSPACE ENGINEERING (CUM LAUDE, 8.84/10.00)

Aug 2018 - Jul 2020

- Profile: Space exploration
- Supervisors: Prof. Stéphanie Cazaux and Prof. Peter Woitke (St.Andrews)

Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering

Mysore, India

B.E. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING (DISTINCTION, 9.51/10.00)

Aug 2014 - May 2018

- Supervisors: Prof. Y. C. Arun and Prof. K. Chandrashekhara

Research

MIRI mid-INrared Disk Survey (MINDS)

Groningen, NL

OBSERVATION PROJECT, JWST GTO PROGRAM (PID: 1282)

Oct 2021 - Present

- Leading the systematic study of very low-mass star sample of the GTO program.
- Developed 0D, 1D and 2D modeling and fitting tools for analysing and interpreting JWST mid-infrared with ProDiMo and prodimopy.
- Experience in JWST MIRI data reduction for MRS mode of point sources.

Midinfrared molecular diagnostics of disks

Groningen, NL

PHD MODELING PROJECT, KAPTEYN ASTRONOMICAL INSTITUTE

Oct 2021 - Present

- Studying effects of transport processes and planet formation on midinfrared emission of protoplanetary disks with modeling tools such as ProDiMo and FLITs.
- Identifying molecular diagnostics from grid based parameter exploration of elemental abundances, disk gaps, and planet-disk mass ratios.

Ice opacities in planet-forming discs

St. Andrews, UK

MASTER'S THESIS, UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS

2019-20

- Advisors: Prof. Peter Woitke, Prof Stéphanie Cazaux
- Studied the effect of ice accretion on opacity of the dust in protoplanetary disk. Implemented computationally efficient and consistent position dependent opacity calculations in ProDiMo code.
- Studied the role of ices on disk structure and their synthetic spectra. Thereby investigated possible ice observation scenarios in disks. (publication|thesis)

Internal combustion engine design

Mysore, IN

BACHELOR'S PROJECT, SRI JAYACHAMARAJENDRA COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

2017-18

- Devised a new engine arrangement which has 48% increase in mechanical efficiency, 60% lighter, 32% less number of parts compared to current equivalent engines.
- Presented the project in PACE Global Annual Forum - 2017, Toluca, Mexico and won 2nd prize in Collaboration and Innovation Challenge.

Designing solid propellant rocket engines

Hyderabad, IN

INTERNSHIP, DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY (DRDL)

2017

- Worked on optimizing solid propellant rocket motors by modelling the burn surface, generating thrust profiles and selecting the best solution.
- Worked on static testing of solid grain rocket motor and analysing the thrust curves.

Accepted observation proposals

2023	JWST/MIRI Cycle-2 , Co-I, Probing carbon chemistry and dust in the planet-forming zones of brown dwarf disks (PID:3886)	42.4 hrs
2023	JWST/MIRI Cycle-2 , Co-I, A NIRSpec pilot program on planet-forming disks around very-low mass stars (PID:3962)	5.7 hrs
2024	ALMA Cycle-11 , Co-I, A deep dive into the carbon-rich disk around the very low-mass star 2MASS J16053215-1933159 (PID:2024.1.01296.S)	13.4 hrs
2024	ALMA Cycle-11 , Co-I, Connecting Inner and Outer Disks around Very Low Mass Objects (PID:2024.1.00902.S)	31.7 hrs
2024	ALMA Cycle-11 , Co-I, Water in PDS 70: how much vapour resides in a disk currently forming planets? (PID:2024.1.00714.S)	23.3 hrs
2024	ALMA Cycle-11 , Co-I, Linking disk structure to a unique CO ₂ -rich chemistry at very high angular resolution (PID:2024.1.00466.S)	8.9 hrs

Talks

- 2025, JWST observations of planet-forming disks: the hydrocarbon revolution, Dutch Astrochemistry Network mini-symposium 2025, Leiden
- 2025, Uncovering hidden water in carbon-rich terrestrial planet forming regions, Netherlands Astronomy Conference 2025, Bergen Dal
- 2024, Chemical characterization of ingredients for planet formation around young stars, NOVA@25 symposium, Den Haag
- 2024, Unravelling the terrestrial planet-forming ingredients with James Webb Space Telescope, Radboud University Colloquium, Nijmegen
- 2024, The exotic gas composition around TRAPPIST-1 progenitors unveiled by JWST, Origins seminar, University of Arizona, Tucson
- 2024, Probing the terrestrial planet-forming ingredients with JWST, EAS Annual meeting, Padova
- 2024, How common are carbon-rich inner disks around very low-mass stars?, MIRI EC meeting, Stockholm
- 2024, Probing the planet-forming ingredients around very low-mass stars with JWST, Kapteyn Friday Talk
- 2023, Unveiling the planet-forming regions around very low-mass stars with JWST, Dutch astronomy network (NOVA) Network-2 meeting, Leiden
- 2023, Findings from JWST spectra (short talk), Blaauw workshop: The (geo)chemistry of terrestrial planet formation and evolution
- 2022, Ices in planet-forming disks: self-consistent ice opacities in disk models, Kapteyn Interstellar Medium group meeting
- 2021, Optical properties of ices in protoplanetary disks, Dutch astronomy network (NOVA) Network-2 meeting, Leiden
- 2021, Optical properties of ices in planet forming disks, Kapteyn Wednesday Lunch Talk

Teaching Experience

- Fall 2021-22 **Introduction to Programming and Computational Methods (Astronomy)**, Teaching Assistant
- Summer
2022-25 **Planetary systems**, Teaching Assistant

Workshops

- Mar 2023 **Blaauw workshop**, The (geo)chemistry of terrestrial planet formation and evolution, Groningen, Netherlands
- Aug 2022 **JWST data reduction workshop**, NOVA, Leiden Observatory, Netherlands
- Jan 2022 **CHAMELEON School II**, Virtual

Press & Outreach

- Aug 2024 **NanoSpace Astrochemistry Training School**, Trainer and Local Organizing Committee *Groningen*
- Jun 2024 **NASA,ESA,NOVA,MPIA**, Webb Finds Plethora of Carbon Molecules Around Young Star
- Sept 2023 - Oct 2024 **Star and Planet Formation and Evolution (SPFE) group meetings (weekly)**, Organiser *Groningen*
- May 2023 **NOVA**, Astronomers spot benzene in planet-forming disk around star for first time
- Jul 2022 **JWST First Light**, Volunteer *Groningen*
- Jun 2019 **Asteroid day Delft 2019**, Volunteer *Delft*
- Apr 2018 **SJCE Astronomy and Space Technology Club**, Co-founded *Mysuru*

Total: 28 refereed publications _____ NASA ADS, Google Scholar

First author articles:

- A. M. Arabhavi**, I. Kamp, Th. Henning, E. F. van Dishoeck, et al., MINDS: The very low-mass star and brown dwarf sample. Detections and trends in the inner disk gas, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2025
- A. M. Arabhavi**, I. Kamp, E. F. van Dishoeck, Th. Henning, et al., MINDS: The Very Low-mass Star and Brown Dwarf Sample Hidden Water in Carbon-dominated Protoplanetary Disks, *The Astrophysical Journal Letters*, 2025
- A. M. Arabhavi**, I. Kamp, Th. Henning, E. F. van Dishoeck, et al., Abundant hydrocarbons in the disk around a very-low-mass star, *Science*, 2024
- A. M. Arabhavi**, P. Woitke, S. M. Cazaux, I. Kamp, et al., Ices in planet-forming disks: Self-consistent ice opacities in disk models, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2022

Co-authored articles (up to 5th author):

- G. Perotti, N. Kurtovic, T. Henning, G. Olofsson, **A. M. Arabhavi**, MINDS. Anatomy of a water-rich, inclined, brown dwarf disk: lack of abundant hydrocarbons, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2025
- T. Kaeufer, M. Min, P. Woitke, I. Kamp, **A. M. Arabhavi**, Bayesian Analysis of Molecular Emission and Dust Continuum of Protoplanetary Disks, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2024
- T. Henning, I. Kamp, M. Samland, **A. M. Arabhavi**, et al., MINDS: The JWST MIRI Mid-INfrared Disk Survey, *Publications of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific*, 2024
- P. Woitke, W.-F. Thi, **A. M. Arabhavi**, I. Kamp, et al., 2D disc modelling of the JWST line spectrum of EX Lupi, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2024
- I. Kamp, Th. Henning, **A. M. Arabhavi**, G. Bettoni, et al., The chemical inventory of the inner regions of planet-forming disks – the JWST/MINDS program, *Faraday Discussions*, 2023
- B. Tabone, G. Bettoni, E. F. van Dishoeck, **A. M. Arabhavi**, et al., A rich hydrocarbon chemistry and high C to O ratio in the inner disk around a very low-mass star, *Nature Astronomy*, 2023
- P. Woitke, **A. M. Arabhavi**, I. Kamp, and W.-F. Thi, Mixing and diffusion in protoplanetary disc chemistry, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2022
- P. Rivière-Marichalar, A. Fuente, R. Le Gal, **A. M. Arabhavi**, et al., H₂S observations in young stellar disks in Taurus, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2021