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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Comets	Dust (dynamics, composition), activity, outbursts.
Asteroids	Thermal properties.
Spectroscopy	Infrared.
Archiving	Planetary Data System Small-Bodies Node Science Staff.

## CURRENT POSITION

since 2022 *Principal Research Scientist*  
University of Maryland

## PRIOR POSITIONS

2014–2022	<i>Associate Research Scientist</i> University of Maryland
2012–2014	<i>Assistant Research Scientist</i> University of Maryland
2009–2012	<i>Post-Doctoral Researcher</i> University of Maryland
2006–2009	<i>Post-Doctoral Researcher</i> University of Central Florida
2002–2006	<i>Graduate Research Assistant</i> University of Minnesota
2003–2004	<i>Visiting Graduate Student Fellow</i> Spitzer Science Center, California Institute of Technology
2000–2002	<i>Graduate Teaching Assistant</i> University of Minnesota
2000	<i>Research Assistant</i> Brookhaven National Laboratory
1997–2000	<i>Research Assistant</i> Ames Laboratory, Iowa State University

## EDUCATION

- 2006 Ph.D. in Astrophysics, University of Minnesota
- 2000 B.S. in Physics, Iowa State University

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Spectroscopy, imaging, polarimetry.** Experienced with observing and analyzing cometary and asteroidal data from ground- and space-based observatories, including *James Webb Space Telescope*, Zwicky Transient Facility, *Gemini*, *Hubble Space Telescope*, *Deep Impact*, *Spitzer Space Telescope*, *Kepler*, *TESS*, and *SOFIA*.

**Astronomical and open-source software, databases (spatial indexing).** Co-founder of *sbpy* (cometary and asteroidal Python tools). User of and advocate for Python and GitHub with astronomical projects. See my code repositories at <https://github.com/mkelley?tab=repositories>.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2024 Spectroscopic identification of water emission from a main-belt comet (*Kelley et al. 2023*) highlighted in a review of papers published in 2023  
International Astronomical Union, Commission F4 (Asteroids, Comets & Transneptunian Objects)  
[https://www.iau.org/science/scientific\\_bodies/commissions/F4/info/news/](https://www.iau.org/science/scientific_bodies/commissions/F4/info/news/)
- 2023 *NASA Silver Group Achievement Award (Planetary Data System)*  
NASA Headquarters
- 2022 *Distinguished Research Scientist Prize*  
Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland
- 2017 *NASA Silver Achievement Medal (OSIRIS-REx Asteroid Astronomy Science Team)*  
NASA Headquarters
- 2015 *NASA Group Achievement Award (Comet Siding Spring Observing Team)*  
NASA Headquarters
- 2015 *NASA Group Achievement Award (Comet Modeling, Prediction, and Assessment Team)*  
NASA Headquarters
- 2014 *NASA Group Achievement Award (PDS4 Development Team)*  
NASA Headquarters
- 2014 *Two letters of recognition for service to NASA's Comet Siding Spring Observing Campaign*  
James Green (Director), Planetary Science Division, NASA
- 2014 *Minor planet (9530) Kelleymichael*  
International Astronomical Union
- 2013 *Letter of recognition for service to NASA's Comet ISON Observing Campaign*  
James Green (Director), Planetary Science Division, NASA
- 2013 *Early Career Research Scientist Prize for Excellence*  
Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland

- 2011 *NASA Group Achievement Award (EPOXI Science Team)*  
NASA Headquarters
- 2005 *Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship*  
The Graduate School, University of Minnesota
- 2003 *Visiting Graduate Student Fellowship*  
Spitzer Science Center, California Institute of Technology

## GRANTS

\* As principal investigator. \*\* As co-investigator.

- 2022–2025 \*\* *Deep Imaging with TESS: Studying Distant Comets, Dust Trails and Other Faint Phenomena* (\$TBD,000)  
NASA Solar System Workings
- 2022–2025 \*\*,\* *James Webb Space Telescope Data Analysis Grants* (\$166,000)  
Space Telescope Science Institute
- 2020–2023 \* *Insights into Cometary Nucleus Heterogeneity and Evolution via Orbital Trends* (\$485,000)  
NASA Solar System Workings
- 2020–2023 \* *Deciphering Cometary Outbursts* (\$418,000)  
NASA Solar System Observations
- 2020–2022 \*\* *A TESS Survey of Temporal Cometary Phenomena* (\$—,000)  
NASA TESS Guest Investigator Cycle 3
- 2020–2023 \*\* *A Survey of Comets Using TESS* (\$—,000)  
NASA Solar System Workings
- 2020–2022 \*\* *Observational Characterization of Recurrently Active Main-Belt Comet Candidates* (\$—,000)  
NASA Solar System Observations
- 2018–2022 \*\*,\* *A Python Package for Small-Body Planetary Astronomy* (\$599,000)  
NASA Planetary Data Archiving, Restoration, and Tools Program
- 2013–2021 \*\* *Hubble Space Telescope Data Analysis Grants* (\$147,000)  
Space Telescope Science Institute
- 2015–2021 \*\* *The Small Bodies Node of NASA's Planetary Data System* (\$22,475,000)  
NASA PDS Discipline Nodes
- 2017–2019 \*\* *Characterizing the properties of near-Sun objects: the least understood class of PHOs* (\$660,000)  
NASA Solar System Observations
- 2016–2019 \*\* *Comprehensive Analyses of Comet Siding Spring, Before, During and After Its Mars Encounter* (\$500,000)  
NASA Solar System Workings Program
- 2016–2019 \*\* *Emerging Comets from Protoplanetary Processes* (\$379,000)  
NASA Emerging Worlds Program
- 2007–2018 \*\*,\* *Spitzer Space Telescope Data Analysis Grants* (\$346,000)  
Caltech / NASA JPL

- 2015–2017 \*\* *The Physical Properties of Water Ice in Comets* (\$346,000)  
NASA Solar System Observations Program
- 2013–2015 \* *Crystalline Silicates in Comets and Dynamical Mixing of the Disk* (\$338,000)  
NASA Planetary Astronomy Program
- 2013–2015 \* *Icy Giants in Comet Comae* (\$192,000)  
NASA Planetary Mission Data Analysis Program
- 2012–2015 \*\* *Analysis of the Coma of Comet Hartley 2 and Its Interaction With the Nucleus* (\$575,000)  
NASA Planetary Mission Data Analysis Program
- 2012–2015 \*\* *Acquisition of an integrated telescope system for astrophysical surveys and transient discovery*  
(\$0,000)  
NSF Major Research Instrumentation
- 2013–2014 \*\* *The Dust Environment of Comet Siding Spring at Mars* (\$50,000)  
Caltech / NASA JPL
- 2009–2012 \*\* *Mining Comet Comae for Crystalline Silicates* (\$61,000)  
NASA Planetary Atmospheres Program
- 2009–2012 \* *Astromineralogy of Comets: Probing Early Solar Nebula Processes* (\$281,000)  
NASA Planetary Astronomy Program
- 2009–2010 \*\* *Assessing Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) Ejecta* (\$5,000)  
Universities Space Research Association

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Sorted by end date.

- 2015– Cometary Science Newsletter, Editor  
<http://www.cometarysciencenews.org/>
- 2004– Referee for several journals, including *Science*, *Planetary Science Journal*, *Icarus*, *Astronomical Journal*, *Astrophysical Journal*, *Astrophysical Journal Letters*, *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, *Astronomy and Astrophysics*, *Planetary & Space Science*, *Nature*
- 2010–2024 NASA research and analysis grant review panel member (x6)
- 2022 Referee for the *Comets III* book (Univ. of Arizona Press)
- 2019–2022 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Member  
Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland
- 2011–2022 NASA research and analysis grant external reviewer (x8)
- 2020–2021 Scientific Organizing Committee for *Comets III*, University of Arizona Press
- 2018 Scientific Organizing Committee for *Physics of Comets After the Rosetta Mission: Unresolved Problems*, Slovakia
- 2009–2023 NASA Planetary Data System review panel member (x9)
- 2016 National Science Foundation grant review panel
- 2015 *Spitzer Space Telescope* time allocation committee member

- 2012–2015 Seminar Organizer  
Planetary Astronomy Seminar (PALS), University of Maryland
- 2014 *James Web Space Telescope* Comet Science Working Sub-group
- 2014 Coordination Team Member  
NASA Coordinated Investigations of Comets (CIOC)  
<http://www.cometcampaign.org/>
- 2014 *Hubble Space Telescope* Director’s Discretionary Time reviewer.
- 2013 Panel Member for the Asteroid 2009 BD *Spitzer* Observation Readiness Review  
NASA JPL’s Asteroid Redirect Robotic Mission (ARRM)
- 2013 Coordination Team Member  
NASA Comet ISON Observing Campaign (CIOC) Coordination Team  
<http://www.isoncampaign.org/>
- 2007–2009 Time Allocation Committee Member  
NASA Infrared Telescope Facility (IRTF)
- 2008 Scientific and Local Organizing Committee Member  
39th AAS Division for Planetary Sciences Meeting, Orlando, FL

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND SCIENCE COLLABORATIONS

Sorted by end date.

- 2021– *astropy*/*astroquery* archive maintainer  
Module responsibilities: *jplhorizons* (JPL Horizons ephemeris generator), *jplsbdb* (JPL Small Body Database), and *mpc* (Minor Planet Center ephemeris generator and orbit database).
- 2020– Comet Interceptor: Science Team Associate (Ground-based Observer Team)  
ESA F-Class Mission  
Principal Investigator: Geraint Jones
- 2019– Comet Astrobiology Exploration Sample Return (CAESAR), Co-Investigator  
NASA New Frontiers 5 mission concept  
Principal Investigator: Alex Hayes
- 2017– LSST Solar System Science Collaboration Member  
Active Objects Working Group Lead: 2018–2021  
Co-chairs: Meg Schwamb, David Trilling
- 2017– Zwicky Transient Facility Solar System Working Group Member  
Co-Lead: 2020–2023
- 2017– JWST Team Solar System  
Lead: Heidi Hammel
- 2001– American Astronomical Society, Division for Planetary Sciences
- 1999– American Astronomical Society
- 2022–2023 International Space Science Institute: The Life Cycle of Comets Team  
Lead: Rosita Kokotanekova

- 2017–2019 Comet Astrobiology Exploration Sample Return (CAESAR), Co-Investigator  
NASA New Frontiers 4 mission concept  
Principal Investigator: Steve Squires
- 2017–2018 International Space Science Institute: Main Belt Comets Team  
Lead: Colin Snodgrass
- 2009–2013 NASA Deep Impact eXtended Investigation (DIXI) Mission Science Team  
Principal Investigator: Mike A’Hearn

## TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- 2024 Undergraduate Research Mentor for Debika Biswas  
University of Maryland
- 2019–2023 Graduate Thesis Committee for Carrie Holt  
University of Maryland
- 2023 Undergraduate Research Mentor for Cole Smith (accepted to UMD PhD program)  
University of Maryland
- 2021–2022 Undergraduate Research Mentor for Ky Huynh (awarded high honors, hired at Space Telescope  
Science Institute)  
University of Maryland
- 2014–2018 Graduate Thesis Committee for Margaret McAdam  
University of Maryland
- 2013 Undergraduate Research Mentor for Rebecca Willis  
University of Maryland
- 2011 Undergraduate Research Mentor for Ryal Galpion  
University of Maryland
- 2010–2015 Graduate Thesis Committee Member for Kelsey Hargrove  
University of Central Florida
- 2008 Undergraduate Research Mentor for Kelsey Hargrove  
University of Central Florida
- 2003 Teaching Assistant: *Methods of Astrophysics*  
University of Minnesota
- 2000–2002 Teaching Assistant (Head T.A. in 2001-2002): *Introduction to Astronomy*  
University of Minnesota

## PUBLIC OUTREACH

I have given many public talks and informal sky observing sessions for people of all ages, from elementary school kids to adults, Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts to state senators.

I was a coordinator for University of Minnesota’s Universe in the Park, a summer outreach program that gives the public access to the excitement of modern astrophysics through an informative talk and Q&A session, followed by sky observing.

Press releases and news items

- 2023 *NASA's Webb Finds Water, and a New Mystery, in Rare Main Belt Comet*
- 2019 *NASA's Web to Unlock the Mysteries of Comets and the Early Solar System*  
Space Telescope Science Institute news release on the *James Webb Space Telescope's* first cometary observations
- 2018 *University of Maryland to Have Key Role in Possible NASA Comet Mission*  
University of Maryland news release for on our participation in the Comet Astrobiology Exploration Sample Return (CAESAR) mission
- 2018 *Spinning Comet Slows Down During Close Approach to Earth*  
University of Maryland news release on *Swift* and Discovery Channel Telescope observations of comet 41P/Tuttle-Giacobini-Kresák
- 2013 *Hubble Brings Faraway Comet Into View*  
University of Maryland news release on *HST* observations of comet C/2012 S1 (ISON)
- 2013 *NASA's Swift Sizes Up Comet ISON*  
NASA Goddard news release on *Swift* satellite observations of Comet C/2012 S1 (ISON)
- 2011 *NASA's Swift and Hubble Probe Asteroid Collision Debris*  
NASA Goddard news release on observations of the outburst of asteroid (596) Scheila
- 2005 *Riding a Trail of Debris*  
Spitzer Science Center news release on *Spitzer Space Telescope* observations of comet 2P/Encke

#### Notable interviews

- 2023 *Peculiar comet confirms existence of water ice in the asteroid belt*  
Physics Today
- 2023 *A bright green comet is making a rare trip across the Earth's sky*  
National Public Radio: Morning Edition
- 2023 *What the Green Comet Tells Us About the Past—and the Future*  
The New Yorker

#### INVITED TALKS

- 2023 *JWST Reveals Water Ice in the Asteroid Belt*  
Department of Astronomy Colloquium  
University of Maryland, College Park
- 2023 *JWST Observations of Two Short-Period Comets*  
Active Small Bodies in the Solar System, Star'a Lesn'a, Slovakia
- 2023 *Distant Cometary Activity*  
Asteroids, Comets, Meteors 2023, Flagstaff AZ
- 2020 *sby Overview*  
LSST Solar System Science Collaboration Readiness Sprint 2020
- 2018 *Cometary Mass-loss and Surface Evolution*  
Colloquium  
Southwest Research Institute, Boulder

- 2018 *Season-Driven Surface Evolution in Comets*  
Physics of Comets After the Rosetta mission: Unresolved problems  
Stará Lesná, Slovakia
- 2017 *Cometary Orbital Trends in Activity*  
Solar System Exploration Science Seminar  
Goddard Spaceflight Center
- 2016 *Comet Dust and the Interstellar Medium Connection*  
Astronomy & Space Physics Seminar  
University of Delaware
- 2016 *Comet Dust and the Interstellar Medium Connection*  
Astrophysics Research Centre Seminar  
Queen's University Belfast
- 2015 *Thermal Properties and Models of Comet Dust*  
Thermal Models for Planetary Science (TherMOPS) II
- 2014 *Comet Dust and Astrophysical Connections*  
SOFIA Community Tele-Talk
- 2014 *Comet Dust and Comet ISON, Too.*  
Cosmic Dust VII, Osaka, Japan
- 2014 *Close Encounters with the Largest Particles in Comets*  
SOFIA Colloquium  
SOFIA Science Center, NASA Ames Research Center
- 2013 *What Do We Know About Comet ISON?*  
8th NASA Small Bodies Assessment Group Meeting
- 2012 *The Latest from the EPOXI Mission to Comet Hartley 2*  
Minnesota Institute for Astrophysics Colloquium  
University of Minnesota
- 2011 *The Latest from the EPOXI Mission to Comet Hartley 2*  
Astronomy Group Seminar  
Department of Terrestrial Magnetism, Carnegie Institution of Washington
- 2011 *Observations of Comet Dust and Gas Diversity*  
Planetary Science and Astrobiology Seminar  
NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
- 2011 *Using Asteroid Collisions to Search for Buried Ice*  
Workshop on Water in Asteroids and Meteorites  
Observatoire de Paris, France
- 2011 *Comet Dust Taxonomy*  
Workshop on Comet Taxonomy, Annapolis MD
- 2007 *The Size Distribution and Surface Properties of Comets*  
Department of Astronomy Colloquium  
University of Minnesota
- 2006 *NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope Probes the Properties of Comet Dust*



Department of Physics Colloquium  
University of Central Florida

## FIRST-AUTHORED PUBLICATIONS

Refereed and non-refereed.

21. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Henry H. Hsieh, Dennis Bodewits, Mohammad Saki, Geronimo L. Villanueva, et al. (2023). *Spectroscopic identification of water emission from a main-belt comet*. *Nature* 619.7971, 720–723.
20. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Rosita Kokotanekova, Carrie E. Holt, Silvia Protopapa, Dennis Bodewits, et al. (2022). *A Look at Outbursts of Comet C/2014 UN<sub>271</sub> (Bernardinelli-Bernstein) near 20 au*. *Astrophys. J., Lett.* 933.2, L44.
19. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, David E. Harker, Charles E. Woodward, and Diane H. Wooden (2021). *Spitzer Space Telescope Spectroscopy of Comets*, *urn:nasa:pds:spitzer:spitzer-spec-comet::1.0*. URL: <https://pdssbn.astro.umd.edu/holdings/pds4-spitzer:spitzer-spec-comet-v1.0/SUPPORT/dataset.shtml>.
18. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Tony L. Farnham, Jian-Yang Li, Dennis Bodewits, Colin Snodgrass, et al. (2021). *Six Outbursts of Comet 46P/Wirtanen*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 2.4, 131.
17. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Henry H. Hsieh, Colin Orion Chandler, Siegfried Eggel, Timothy R. Holt, et al. (2021). “Community Challenges in the Era of Petabyte-Scale Sky Surveys.” *Bull. Am. Astron. Soc.* Vol. 53, 495, 495.
16. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Dennis Bodewits, Quanzhi Ye, Tony L. Farnham, Eric C. Bellm, et al. (2019). *Comet 240P/NEAT Is Stirring*. *Astrophys. J., Lett.* 886.1, L16.
15. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Dennis Bodewits, Quanzhi Ye, Tomás Ahumada, John Cromer, et al. (2019). *Outbursts at Comets 46P/Wirtanen, 64P/Swift-Gehrels, and 78P/Gehrels 2 in 2018*. *Res. Not. AAS* 3.9, 126.
14. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Dennis Bodewits, Quanzhi Ye, Russ R. Laher, Frank J. Masci, et al. (2019). “ZChecker: Finding Cometary Outbursts with the Zwicky Transient Facility.” *ADASS XXVIII*. Ed. by P. J. Teuben, M. W. Pound, B. A. Thomas, and E. M. Warner. Vol. 523. ASP Conf. Ser. 471. URL: [http://www.aspbooks.org/a/volumes/article\\_details/?paper\\_id=39288](http://www.aspbooks.org/a/volumes/article_details/?paper_id=39288).
13. **Kelley, M. S. P.**, C. E. Woodward, R. D. Gehrz, W. T. Reach, and D. E. Harker (2017). *Mid-infrared spectra of comet nuclei*. *Icarus* 284, 344–358.
12. **Kelley, M. S. P.**, C. E. Woodward, D. Bodewits, T. L. Farnham, M. S. Gudipati, et al. (2016). *Cometary Science with the James Webb Space Telescope*. *Publ. Astron. Soc. Pac.* 128.1, 018009.
11. **Kelley, M. S. P.**, D. J. Lindler, D. Bodewits, M. F. A’Hearn, C. M. Lisse, et al. (2015). *Erratum to “A distribution of large particles in the coma of Comet 103P/Hartley 2” [Icarus 222 (2013) 634–652]*. *Icarus* 262, 187–189.
10. **Kelley, M. S. P.**, T. L. Farnham, D. Bodewits, P. Tricarico, and D. Farnocchia (2014). *A Study of Dust and Gas at Mars from Comet C/2013 A1 (Siding Spring)*. *Astrophys. J., Lett.* 792, L16.
9. **Kelley, M. S.**, Y. R. Fernández, J. Licandro, C. M. Lisse, W. T. Reach, et al. (2013). *The persistent activity of Jupiter-family comets at 3–7 AU*. *Icarus* 225, 475–494.
8. **Kelley, M. S.**, D. J. Lindler, D. Bodewits, M. F. A’Hearn, C. M. Lisse, et al. (2013). *A distribution of large particles in the coma of Comet 103P/Hartley 2*. *Icarus* 222, 634–652.
7. **Kelley, M. S.** and D. H. Wooden (2009). *The composition of dust in Jupiter-family comets inferred from infrared spectroscopy*. *Planet. Space Sci.* 57, 1133–1145.
6. **Kelley, M. S.**, D. H. Wooden, C. Tubiana, H. Boehnhardt, C. E. Woodward, et al. (2009). *Spitzer Observations of Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko at 5.5–4.3 AU from the Sun*. *Astron. J.* 137, 4633–4642.
5. **Kelley, M. S.**, W. T. Reach, and C. E. Woodward (2009). “A Search for Deep Impact’s Large Particle Ejecta.” *Deep Impact as a World Observatory Event: Synergies in Space, Time, and Wavelength*. Ed. by H. U. Käuffl & C. Sterken, 125.

4. **Kelley, M. S.**, W. T. Reach, and D. J. Lien (2008). *The dust trail of Comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko*. *Icarus* 193, 572–587.
3. **Kelley, M. S.**, C. E. Woodward, D. E. Harker, D. H. Wooden, R. D. Gehrz, et al. (2006). *A Spitzer Study of Comets 2P/Encke, 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko, and C/2001 HT50 (LINEAR-NEAT)*. *Astrophys. J.* 651, 1256–1271.
2. **Kelley, M. S.**, C. E. Woodward, and T. J. Jones (2005). “Polarimetry of Comets in the Near-IR.” *Astronomical Polarimetry: Current Status and Future Directions*. Ed. by A. Adamson, C. Aspin, C. Davis, & T. Fujiyoshi. Vol. 343. *Astronomical Society of the Pacific Conference Series*, 192. URL: <http://aspbooks.org/custom/publications/paper/343-0192.html>.
1. **Kelley, M. S.**, C. E. Woodward, T. J. Jones, W. T. Reach, and J. Johnson (2004). *Near-Infrared Polarimetry and Photometry of Recent Comets*. *Astron. J.* 127, 2398–2405.

## ALL REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

126. Hsieh, Henry H., John W. Noonan, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Dennis Bodewits, Jana Pittichova, et al. (n.d.). *The Volatile Composition and Activity Evolution of Main-Belt Comet 358P/PANSTARRS*. *Planet. Sci. J.* (). in press, arXiv:2411.07435.
125. Holt, Carrie E., Matthew M. Knight, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Tim Lister, Quanzhi Ye, et al. (2024). *Brightness Behavior of Distant Oort Cloud Comets*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 5.12, 273.
124. Dobson, Matthew M., Megan E. Schwamb, Alan Fitzsimmons, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Carrie E. Holt, et al. (2024). *Analyzing the Onset of Cometary Activity by the Jupiter-family Comet 2023 RN<sub>3</sub>*. *Astron. J.* 168.6, 286.
123. Ferellec, Lea, Cyrielle Opitom, Abbie Donaldson, Johan P. U. Fynbo, Rosita Kokotanekova, et al. (2024). *Coma composition and profiles of comet 12P/Pons-Brooks using long-slit spectroscopy*. *Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc.* 534.3, 1816–1826.
122. Faggi, Sara, Geronimo L. Villanueva, Adam McKay, Olga Harrington Pinto, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, et al. (2024). *Heterogeneous outgassing regions identified on active centaur 29P/Schwassmann-Wachmann 1*. *Nature Astronomy*.
121. Dobson, Matthew M., Megan E. Schwamb, Alan Fitzsimmons, Charles Schambeau, Aren Beck, et al. (2024). *The Discovery and Evolution of a Possible New Epoch of Cometary Activity by the Centaur (2060) Chiron*. *Astron. J.* 5.7, 165.
120. Cheng, Yu-Chi, Bryce T. Bolin, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, D. Bodewits, Quanzhi Ye, et al. (2024). *Postperihelion Cometary Activity on the Outer Main-belt Asteroid 2005 XR<sub>132</sub>*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 5.3, 78.
119. Jones, Geraint H., Colin Snodgrass, Cecilia Tubiana, Michael Küppers, Hideyo Kawakita, et al. (2024). *The Comet Interceptor Mission*. *Space Sci. Rev.* 220.1, 9.
118. Pinto, O. Harrington, **M. S. P. Kelley**, G. L. Villanueva, M. Womack, S. Faggi, et al. (2023). *First Detection of CO<sub>2</sub> Emission in a Centaur: JWST NIRSpec Observations of 39P/Oterma*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 4.11, 208.
117. Harker, David E., Diane H. Wooden, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, and Charles E. Woodward (2023). *Dust Properties of Comets Observed by Spitzer*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 4.12, 242.
116. Hui, Man-To, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Denise Hung, Tim Lister, Joseph Chatelain, et al. (2023). *Splitting of Long-period Comet C/2018 F4 (PANSTARRS)*. *Astron. J.* 166.2, 47.
115. **Kelley, Michael S. P.**, Henry H. Hsieh, Dennis Bodewits, Mohammad Saki, Geronimo L. Villanueva, et al. (2023). *Spectroscopic identification of water emission from a main-belt comet*. *Nature* 619.7971, 720–723.

114. Schwamb, Megan E., R. Lynne Jones, Peter Yoachim, Kathryn Volk, Rosemary C. Dorsey, et al. (2023). *Tuning the Legacy Survey of Space and Time (LSST) Observing Strategy for Solar System Science*. *Astrophys. J., Suppl. Ser.* 266.2, 22.
113. Ye, Quanzhi, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, James M. Bauer, Tony L. Farnham, Dennis Bodewits, et al. (2023). *Comet P/2021 HS (PANSTARRS) and the Challenge of Detecting Low-activity Comets*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 4.3, 47.
112. Hsieh, Henry H., Marco Micheli, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Matthew M. Knight, Nicholas A. Moskovitz, et al. (2023). *Observational Characterization of Main-belt Comet and Candidate Main-belt Comet Nuclei*. *Planet. Sci. J.* 4.3, 43.
111. Agarwal, Jessica, Yoonyoung Kim, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, and Raphael Marschall (2024). “Dust Emission and Dynamics.” *Comets III*. Ed. by K. J. Meech, D. Bockelée-Morvan, M. Combi, S. N. Raymond, and M. Zolensky. in press.
110. Kolokolova, Ludmilla, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Hiroshi Kimura, and Thiem Hoang (2024). “Interaction of Electromagnetic Radiation With Cometary Dust.” *Comets III*. Ed. by K. J. Meech, D. Bockelée-Morvan, M. Combi, S. N. Raymond, and M. Zolensky. in press.
109. Marschall, Raphael, Vladimir Zakharov, Cecilia Tubiana, **Michael S. P. Kelley**, Carlos Corral van Damme, et al. (2022). *Determining the dust environment of an unknown comet for a spacecraft flyby: The case of ESA’s Comet Interceptor mission*. *Astron. Astrophys.* 666, A151.
108. Battams, Karl, Angel J. Gutarra-Leon, Brendan M. Gallagher, Matthew M. Knight, Guillermo Stenborg, et al. (2022). *Continued PSP/WISPR Observations of a Phaethon-related Dust Trail*. *Astrophys. J.* 936.1, 81.
107. Astropy Collaboration, Adrian M. Price-Whelan, Pey Lian Lim, Nicholas Earl, Nathaniel Starkman, et al. (2022). *The Astropy Project: Sustaining and Growing a Community-oriented Open-source Project and the Latest Major Release (v5.0) of the Core Package*. *Astrophys. J.* 935.2, 167.
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- 2019 calviacat — Calibrate star photometry by comparison to a catalog.  
<https://github.com/mkelley/calviacat>

- 2019 catch — Comet and asteroid search tool for the Planetary Data System Small-Bodies Node  
<https://github.com/Small-Bodies-Node/catch>  
<https://catch.astro.umd.edu/>
- 2018 sbsearch — Comet and asteroid search library for astronomical surveys.  
<https://github.com/Small-Bodies-Node/sbsearch>
- 2017 zchecker — Find comets and asteroids in Zwicky Transient Facility data.  
<https://github.com/mkelley/zchecker>
- 2017 dct-redux — Discovery Channel Telescope LMI reduction scripts.  
<https://github.com/mkelley/mskpy>
- 2017 comadyn — Cometary dust dynamics  
<https://github.com/mkelley/comadyn>
- 2017 sbpy — An Astropy affiliated package for small-body planetary astronomy.  
<https://github.com/NASA-Planetary-Science/sbpy>
- 2016 elevation — Observation planning web app  
<https://github.com/mkelley/elevation>  
Online at <https://mkelley.github.io/elevation>
- 2015 pds4-python-examples  
<https://github.com/Small-Bodies-Node/pds4-python-examples>
- 2013 mskpy — Personal library of astronomical tools and code shortcuts  
<https://github.com/mkelley/mskpy>
- As a contributor:
- 2018 astroquery — Added ephemeris retrieval from the Minor Planet Center  
<https://github.com/astropy/astroquery>
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