

# Laboratory Astrophysics Division

## HIGHLIGHTS

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**The Laboratory Astrophysics Division (LAD) is pleased to announce its 2019 Prize Winners!**

LAD's highest honor, the **Laboratory Astrophysics Prize**, given to an individual who has made significant contributions to laboratory astrophysics over an extended period of time, goes to **Lucy Ziurys** (*University of Arizona*) for her contributions to rotational spectroscopy of transient molecules and radio astronomy.

The **LAD Prize Talk** is scheduled for Monday June 10 at 10:40 am at the opening of Session 114 of the Laboratory Astrophysics Division Annual Meeting: Bridging Laboratory & Astrophysics: Molecules and Spitzer I.

The **2019 Early Career Award**, given to an individual who has made significant contributions to laboratory astrophysics within 10 years of receiving a PhD, goes to **Brett McGuire** (*Nat. Radio Astron. Observatory*) for significant laboratory and observational advancements in our knowledge of the inventory and evolution of complex molecules in the interstellar medium.

The **LAD Early Career Award Talk** is scheduled Tuesday June 11 at 10:40 am at the opening of Session 213 of the Laboratory Astrophysics Division Annual Meeting: Bridging Laboratory & Astrophysics: Molecules and Spitzer II.

The recipient of the **Dissertation Prize**, given to an individual who has recently completed an outstanding theoretical or experimental doctoral dissertation in laboratory astrophysics goes to **Cameron Mackie** (*Leiden University and Lawrence Berkeley National Lab.*) for his thesis "The Anharmonic Infrared Spectra of Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons."

The **LAD Dissertation Prize Talk** is scheduled for Wednesday June 12 at 10:40 am at the opening of Session 309 of the Laboratory Astrophysics Division Annual Meeting: Bridging Laboratory & Astrophysics: Molecules and Spitzer III.

## The Laboratory Astrophysics Division (LAD) Plenary Talk

The Laboratory Astrophysics Division (LAD) is pleased to invite you to attend the **LAD Plenary Talk** Tuesday June 11 at 8:30 AM. Xander Tielens (*Leiden University*) will talk about the role of dust in the molecular universe.

## Join the Laboratory Astrophysics Division today!

You are invited to join LAD, the newest and fastest growing Division of the AAS!

LAD is an astronomy-based professional society dedicated to advancing our understanding of the universe through the promotion of fundamental theoretical and experimental research into the underlying processes that drive the cosmos.

Come and learn more about LAD at the **Laboratory Astrophysics Town Hall** Wednesday June 12 at 1:40 PM. Free refreshments will be offered!

Joining is easy; just visit [lad.aas.org/join\\_lad](http://lad.aas.org/join_lad) for details on how to join the Division.

**We look forward to welcoming you at LAD!**