Thomas Wright of Durham, born 1711

Thomas Wright’s Observatory
Wright’s “An Original Theory of the Universe”
Early Astronomy at Durham
observations showing differential rotation of the Sun
Durham University Observatory Est. 1839

1st Professor of Astronomy
Temple Chevallier
State-of-the-art modelling at Durham using our new Cosmology Machine
Durham has more than 100 astronomers, of all flavours, including support staff.

Durham Physics ranked “No.1 in Europe for Space Science” (citations) by Reuter’s survey 2009.

James Webb Space Telescope

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