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Olivier Daigle, named "Scientific Personality of the year 2010", by La Presse/Radio-Canada

Olivier Daigle, Ph.D. graduate in Physics at the Université de Montréal, was awarded the distinction "Personality of the year 2010" (Personnalité de l'année 2010) in the category Sciences Humaines, Sciences Pures et Technologies, during the 27th Soirée Excellence La Presse/Radio-Canada. This award follows the "Prix de La

Dévoüverte de l'année 2009" of the Magazine Québec Science, that Olivier shares with his thesis supervisor, Prof. Claude Carignan, for the development of the world's most-sensitive astronomical camera, a cutting-edge observational instrument that the NASA purchased.

More precisely, the team of researchers at the UdeM, in collaboration with the Laboratoire d'Astrophysique de Marseille (France), participated in the development of a digital imaging device, called CCD Controller (CCD=charge coupled device), that allows to greatly improve the quality of images obtained with astronomical cameras, and other instruments working in low-luminosity environments. The prototype, built by the research team at the physics department at UdeM, was installed on the telescope of the Observatoire du Mont-Mégantic.

The CRAQ congratulates Olivier Daigle for this award.

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