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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Physical Oceanography Utrecht University Master 2 Environmental Fluid Mechanics Université Grenoble Alpes Master 1 Applied Mechanics Université Grenoble Alpes B.Sc. Physics National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)

EXPERIENCE

Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research Utrecht

October 2020 - present

PhD researcher

Project: Nanoplastics: origin, structure and fate (https://nanoplastics.org.)

Supervisors: Prof. Erik van Sebille.

Laboratoire d'Océanographie Physique et Spatiale

February 2020 - September 2020

Master 2 research internship.

Project: Abyssal turbulence in the vicinity of Lucky Strike. Supervisors: Prof. Guillaume Roullet and Dr. Jonathan Gula.

Institut des Géosciences de l'Environnement

November 2018 - May 2019

Master 1 research internship.

Project: Measurement of turbulence in katabatic winds over a steep alpine slope.

Supervisor: Dr. Jean-Emmanuel Sicart.

Center for Atmospheric Sciences, UNAM

July 2017 - August 2018

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Ocean-Atmosphere Interaction group.

Project: Development of an operational forecast system for extreme events using numerical models to predict meteorological conditions, waves and storm tides.

Supervisor: Dr. Jorge Zavala Hidalgo.

Center for Atmospheric Sciences, UNAM

April 2017 - November 2017

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Laboratory of Geophysical Fluids.

Project: Numerical simulations of convection in a stratified fluid using the open source framework Dedalus.

Supervisor: Dr. Angel Ruiz-Angulo.

AWARDS

Make Our Planet Great Again Laureate

2018 - 2020

Master's Excellence Grant for Climate Science and Research.

Blue-Cloud Hackathon Winner Team

February 2022

€25,000 for developing the Sea-Clearly tool for tracking plastic pollution reaching aquaculture farms. seaclearly.io

PUBLICATIONS

• C.M.Pierard, D.Bassotto, F.Meirer, E.van Seville. Attribution of River-Sourced Floating Plastic in the South Atlantic Ocean Using Bayesian Inference. 2022, Frontiers in Marine Science. doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2022.925437

CONFERENCES

Annual Reunion of the Mexican Geophysical Union

November 2017

Study of the Planetary Boundary Layer over Mexico City during the inversion layers period.

Nederlands Aardwetenschappelijk Congres (NAC) - NWO

September 2022

Attribution of River-Sourced Floating Plastic in the South Atlantic Ocean Using Bayesian Inference.

MICRO 2022 - Plastic Pollution from Macro to Nano

November 2022

Backtracking nanoplastics found in the abyssal South Atlantic using Lagrangian simulations with fragmentation.

WORKSHOPS

Bad Honnef Physics School on Physics of the Ocean

July 2020*

Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft – Cancelled due to COVID-19.

Marine Master's Summer School

July 2019

Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ).

Summer School in Atmospheric Sciences

June 2017

UNAM - Juriguilla, Mexico.

JuliaCon 2016

June 2016

MIT - Cambridge, MA.

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant of Numerical Methods for Physicists and Astronomers (NS-256B).

Faculty of Physics, Utrecht University. (2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23.)

CERTIFICATIONS

- Causes of Climate Change University of Bergen. FutureLearn (2015).
- Nonlinear Dynamics: Mathematical and Computational Approaches Complexity Explorer (2016).
- 12.340x: Global Warming Science MITx, edX (2016).
- ChM003x: Sensing Planet Earth Chalmers University of Technology, edX (2016).
- Monitoring Climate from Space European Space Agency, FutureLearn (2016).
- IELTS (British Council). Score: 7/9 (2019).
- Full Cave Diver. Technical Diving International (2022).
- Sidemount Diver. Technical Diving International (2022).

SKILLS

Spanish (native). Languages

French (fluent).

English (fluent).

Dutch (beginner).

Programming

PYTHON, JULIA, GIT, LATEX. Languages