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Career resume

2021 to date	Assistant Professor of Applied Biometrics – Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences, Aarhus University.
2020 – 2021	Sessional lecturer III – <i>Data Science for Health Analytics and Decision Support</i> at Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University Regina.
2015 – 2021	Sessional lecturer III – <i>Biostatistics for Public Health</i> at Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University Regina.
2013 – 2021	Quantitative Environmental Scientist, Institute of Environmental Change and Society, University of Regina
2013 to date	Adjunct Professor of Biology, Department of Biology, University of Regina
2013 to date	Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, University of Regina
2001 – 2012	Post-doctoral Research Associate jointly with the Environmental Change Research Centre (University College London) and ENSIS Ltd.
1998 – 2002	Ph.D. research project – <i>Defining restoration targets for acidified upland lakes using diatom and cladoceran sub-fossil remains and the modern analogue technique.</i>

Education

1998 – 2002	Ph.D. Geography, University College London.
1995 – 1998	B.Sc. (Hons.) Environmental Geography, University College London.

Research Interests

I am an ecologist and statistician with a broad interest in understanding how communities and ecosystems change over time and space in response to disturbances and environmental change.

As an ecologist, I approach my research through a temporal ecology lens, combining contemporary and palaeoecological perspectives with computational and statistical approaches. Current research interests involve ecosystem responses to rapid

environmental change & regime shifts; estimating variance as a driver of and response to ecological change; hierarchical models to assess trends in biodiversity data; spatiotemporal models of lake-ice change; operationalising rank abundance diagrams to understand the dynamics of community responses to disturbance; compositional change in production animal microbiomes; and the emergence of novel ecosystems.

As a statistician, my primary areas of interest are in spatio-temporal modelling using generalized additive models (GAMs) and penalized splines; multivariate data analysis methods; joint models for longitudinal and survival data; copula models for investigating complex dependencies among variables.

The use of modern computational and statistical methods is an integral part of my research, particularly in the development and application of modern multivariate and time series techniques to environmental and ecological data sets. One output of my research interests is R-based software for working with GAMs, multivariate ordination, and permutation tests.

Publications

A full list of publications with links to pre-, post-, and re-prints is available at my website fromthebottomoftheheap.net/publications/. Citation details are available from [Google Scholar](#).

Journal Articles

Submitted / in review

Carter-Champion, A., **Simpson, G.L.**, Pearce, C., de Vernal, A., Seidenkrantz, M-S (in review) Climate Change and Marine Diversity in the Arctic: Holocene Insights from the Baffin Bay-Labrador Sea region. *Communications Earth & Environment*.

Miranda-Vélez, J.F., **Simpson, G.L.**, Hansen, E.M., & Munkholm, L.J. (revision submitted) In-season effects of winter cover crops and tillage on soil NO₃⁻ and N leaching – analysis with generalized additive models. *Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment*.

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Key Skills & Courses

Key Skills

Analytical	<p>Internationally recognised expert in data science, ecoinformatics, and statistical ecology, with two decades of post-doctoral experience in the analysis of high dimensional ecological, environmental, and biological data. Taught a range of courses in statistical ecology, data science and ecoinformatics at undergraduate to post-doctoral levels.</p> <p>Skilled in preparation and analysis of Cladocera and diatom sub-fossil remains, light microscopy, nitrogen and carbon isotope palaeolimnology, radiometric dating and sediment stratigraphy, experience in analysis of algal pigments and high-performance liquid chromatography, experience in analysis of water chemistry via ion chromatography. Experience in the analysis of greenhouse gases (CO₂, N₂O, CH₄) from lakes and ponds.</p>
Fieldwork	<p>Extensive background and experience sampling lakes, ponds, and rivers, especially in remote and upland locations. Completed numerous multi-week sampling trips in the UK, Greenland, Canada, and Norway, to collect aquatic, soil, and sediment samples. I am also a trained RYA powerboat operator.</p>
Computing	<p>Excellent computing skills particularly programming and development in the R statistical language, and systems administration of Windows and Linux workstations and servers. Strong word processing and data handling skills (R, Markdown, LaTeX, Quarto, MS Office, LibreOffice). Proficient in web site scripting (HTML, CSS, Shiny, PHP & Apache) and database server administration (MySQL, MariaDB). Good general programming skills (PHP, SQL, C).</p>

Training Courses Attended

2024	Aarhus University Pedagogical Programme. 150 hours of pedagogical training.
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2022-2023	Developmental course for research leader talents: Mission-oriented research & innovation (Aarhus University)
2018	University Teaching Certificate Program. (Fall semester, University of Regina)
2013	Laboratory Safety Training Certificate (10 September 2013)
2011	RYA Powerboat Level 2 (21-22 November 2011)
2005	<i>Bayesian Analysis, MCMC and WinBUGS</i> . MRC Biostatistics Unit, Cambridge
2004	<i>Statistics for Environmental Evaluation: Module 1</i> . NERC/ESPRC Environmental Mathematics and Statistics Workshops and Training Courses. Department of Statistics, University of Glasgow.
2004	<i>Statistics for Environmental Evaluation: Module 2</i> . NERC/ESPRC Environmental Mathematics and Statistics Workshops and Training Courses. Department of Statistics, University of Glasgow.
2001	Introduction to Plant Macrofossil Analysis. NERC-recognised short course. Environmental Change Research Centre, UCL Geography.
1999	<i>Numerical analysis of biological and environmental data</i> . NERC-recognised short course. Environmental Change Research Centre, UCL Geography.
1999	<i>Introduction to Diatom Analysis</i> . NERC-recognised short course. Environmental Change Research Centre, UCL Geography.

Research Projects & Funding

2024	International MARDI workshop: Arctic diatom ecology. iClimate (Co-Applicant, DKK 26,000 (US \$3,900))
2024 –	Open Palaeoecological Data - analysing the past building foresight. EU Cost Action. (Co-Applicant [Secondary Proposer])
2023 – 2024	Mavesår hos grise – et overset velfærdsproblem (Stomach ulcers in pigs – an overlooked welfare problem) (Co-applicant, DKK 784,350 (US \$97,000))
2023 – 2024	Forlænget laktation: Optimal strategi for laktationslængde på ko- og besætningsniveau (Extended lactation: Optimal strategy for lactation length at cow and herd level) – Mælkeafgiftsfonden (Co-applicant, DKK 1,630,000 (US \$225,000))
2022 – 2024	Aarhus University Research Foundation (Aarhus UniversitetsForskningsfond) Starting Grant (Applicant, DKK 1,600,000 (US \$221,000))
2020 – 2026	NSERC CREATE in ecology, evolution and environmental science: <i>The Living Data Project</i> . NSERC Collaborative Research and Training Experience (CREATE) Grant (Co-Applicant, \$1,650,00)
2019 – 2020	<i>Creating a unified approach to evaluate regime shift detection methods</i> . Canadian Institute of Ecology and Evolution Working Group (Co-Applicant \$12,400)
2018	<i>Development of a High-resolution Technique to Monitor Landfarm Hydrocarbon Biodegradative Activity</i> . NSERC Engage Grant (\$25,000)
2016 – 2019	<i>Evaluating the role of agricultural impoundments as sources of greenhouse gases in prairie ecosystems</i> . Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture (Applicant and Co-Investigator, \$250,000)

- 2014 – 2022 *Evaluating the prevalence of early warning signals in paleoecological time series of state change.* NSERC Discovery Grant (Applicant & Principal Investigator, \$250,000).
- 2013 – 2016 *Lakes and the Arctic Carbon Cycle.* NERC Standard Grant in Arctic Research Programme. (Research Co-Investigator, £1,108,165).
- 2012 – 2015 *LTLs: Analysis and simulation of the Long-Term / Large-Scale interactions of C, N, and P in UK land, freshwater and atmosphere.* NERC Standard Grant in Macronutrient Cycling thematic programme. (Research Co-Investigator, £1,161,417).
- 2011 – 2014 *A United Kingdom Lake Ecological Observatory Network.* NERC Standard Grant in Network of Sensors thematic programme. (Research associate and supervisor of tied Ph.D. Studentship, £1,448,743).
- 2010 – 2014 *REFRESH:* EU FP7 Research Project. (Research associate)
- 2010 – 2014 *BioFRESH:* EU FP7 Research Project (Research associate)
- 2010 – 2011 Standardised Bathymetric Data Generation and Statistical Analysis of Welsh Lakes. Consultancy project on behalf of CCW. (Co-Investigator)
- 2010 – 2013 *Long-range atmospheric Nitrogen deposition as a driver of ecological change in Arctic lakes.* NERC Standard Grant (Research Co-investigator, £749,503)
- 2010 – 2013 *The effect of Nitrogen deposition and climate change on freshwaters in the UK.* (Contract Extension and Variation). Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Freshwater Umbrella contract. (Co-investigator, £1,065,690)
- 2009 – 2010 *Water Temperature Archive – Phase II.* UK Environment Agency (Principal Investigator)
- 2008 – 2009 *Water Temperature Archive.* UK Environment Agency (Co-investigator)
- 2007 – 2010 *The effect of Nitrogen deposition and climate change on freshwaters in the UK.* Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Freshwater Umbrella contract. (Co-investigator)
- 2008 – 2009 *Macroinvertebrate Classification Diagnostic Tool – Phase III.* SNIFFER and SEPA (WFD60). (Lead-investigator)
- 2007 – 2008 *Macroinvertebrate Classification Diagnostic Tool – Phase II.* SNIFFER (WFD60). (Co-investigator)
- 2007 – 2010 *The effect of nitrogen deposition on freshwaters in the UK.* NERC Isotope Geoscience Facilities Steering Committee. (Co-investigator)
- 2005 – 2009 *Macroinvertebrate Classification Diagnostic Tool.* SNIFFER (WFD60). (Co-investigator)
- 2004 – 2007 *The effect of Nitrogen deposition and climate change on freshwaters in the UK.* Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Freshwater Umbrella contract. (Co-investigator)
- 2004 – 2006 *Palaeolimnology and shallow lake ecosystem restoration.* Royal Society Joint Project in association with Chinese Academy of Sciences and Nanjing Institute of Geography and Limnology.
- 2004 *Modellering av biologisk referansetilstand og fremtidig restaureringsmål for forsurete innsjøer.* NIVA, Norway.
- 2004 – 2009 *Euro-limpacs: Integrated project to evaluate impacts of global change on European freshwater ecosystems.* European Union under Framework VI.
- 2002 – 2004 *Palaeolimnological approaches to the Water Framework Directive: Identification of reference lakes and evaluation of palaeoecological approaches to define reference conditions for UK (England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland) ecotypes.* SNIFFER.

2002 – 2003	<i>Freshwater screening and assessment based on freshwater critical loads.</i> Environment Agency.
2001 – 2004	<i>Recovery of acidified waters in the UK.</i> DEFRA Freshwater Umbrella contract.
2001 – 2002	<i>Great Britain Lakes Inventory Project.</i> Environment Agency.
1998 – 2002	<i>Biological Targets for Recovery in Acidified Lakes</i> , PhD work funded by DETR under the CLAM project.
1998 – 2001	<i>Critical Loads of Acidity and Metals Program (CLAM)</i> , funded by the DETR.

Service Responsibilities & Teaching experience

Service Responsibilities

2023 to 2025	Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences representative to the Faculty of Technical Sciences' <i>Faculty Information Security Committee</i> (FISU).
2022 to 2025	Theme group leader – <i>Digital Transformation</i> , Department of Animal and Veterinary Science, Aarhus University.
2022 to 2025	Department of Animal and Veterinary Sciences representative to the Faculty of Technical Sciences' <i>Digital Infrastructure Committee</i> (DICOM).
2020 to date	Associate Editor for <i>Methods in Ecology and Evolution</i> .
2021 to 2022	Editor for <i>The R Journal</i> .
2019 to 2020	Associate Editor for <i>Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution – Models in Ecology and Evolution</i> , <i>Frontiers</i> .
2015 to 2020	Associate Editor for <i>Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution – Paleoecology</i> , <i>Frontiers</i> .
2013 to 2021	Editorial board member for <i>Scientific Data</i> , Springer Nature.
2017 to 2020	Evaluation Group Member, NSERC Evaluation Group 1503 (Ecology & Evolution). Evaluation panel member for NSERC's Discovery Grant programme.
2017 to 2019	Secretary, Paleoecology Section of the Ecological Society of America.
2016 to 2017	Chair, Paleoecology Section of the Ecological Society of America.
2015 to 2016	Vice Chair, Paleoecology Section of the Ecological Society of America.
2008 to 2012	Convenor of Department of Geography physical geography research seminar series.
2003 to 2012	Co-convenor of the ECRC short course ' <i>Numerical analysis of biological and environmental data</i> '.
2002 to 2012	Systems administration for ECRC/ENSIS web, database, file and print servers.

Teaching experience

May 2024	<i>Multivariate Data Analysis with R and vegan</i> – 1-week, applied statistics course, taught for Physalia Courses.
Apr 2024	<i>Generalised Additive Models in R; a data-driven approach to estimating regression models</i> – Second offering of this 1-week course applied statistics course for Physalia Courses.
Nov 2023	<i>Multivariate Data Analysis with R and vegan</i> – 1-week, applied statistics course, taught for Physalia Courses.

Nov 2023	<i>Generalised Additive Models in R; a data-driven approach to estimating regression models</i> – Second offering of this 1-week course applied statistics course for Physalia Courses.
Nov 2022	<i>Numerical ecology and time series analysis of marine proxy data</i> . Three-day workshop on the statistical treatment of sedimentary proxy data and data handling as a foundation for accurate and robust palaeo environment/climate reconstructions. For the ACME working group of PAGES.
Nov 2022	<i>Multivariate Data Analysis with R and vegan</i> – 1-week, applied statistics course, taught for Physalia Courses.
Nov 2022	<i>Data Manipulation & Statistical Analysis in Palaeoecology: Masterclass in R</i> . Contributed 1 day on Generalized Additive Models as part of this 4-day workshop run by the British Ecological Society's Palaeoecology Special Interest Group.
Oct 2022	<i>Generalised Additive Models in R; a data-driven approach to estimating regression models</i> – Second offering of this 1-week course applied statistics course for Physalia Courses.
Sep 2022	<i>Multivariate Analysis of Biological Data using R</i> – 2.5 ECTS PhD course at Aarhus University.
Feb 2022	<i>Generalised Additive Models in R; a data-driven approach to estimating regression models</i> – 1-week, applied statistics course, taught for Physalia Courses.
May 2021	<i>Data Manipulation & Statistical Analysis in Palaeoecology: Masterclass in R</i> . Contributed 1 day on Generalized Additive Models, Topic models, and network analysis as part of this 4-day workshop run by the British Ecological Society's Palaeoecology Special Interest Group.
2020 to 2020	<i>Data Science for Health Analytics and Decision Support</i> – I developed this online graduate-level course for the Masters of Health Administration programme, Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University Regina. I taught the course once before leaving U Regina.
2015 to 2020	<i>Biostatistics for Public Health</i> – graduate level course in biostatistics for participants on the Master of Health Administration, Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University Regina.
2013 to 2021	Two lectures/seminars on Open Science contributed to Biology 803, a methods course for Biology graduate degree candidates, University of Regina.
2015 to 2019	Co-convener of <i>Modelling Biological Data</i> , a full credit course for undergraduate students majoring or minoring in Biology and Biology graduate students.
Aug 2018	One full-day workshop on generalised additive models at the Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Washington, USA.
Aug 2017	One full-day workshop on generalised additive models and one half-day workshop on vegetation analysis using the vegan R package at the Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting in Portland, Washington, USA.
Feb 2017	8-day course in applied statistics for palaeoecologists and earth scientists at Department of Earth Science, University of Adelaide, Australia.
Aug 2016	One full-day workshop on generalised additive models and one half-day workshop on vegetation analysis using the vegan R package at the Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA.
Aug 2015	One half-day introduction to R workshop and two half-day workshops on vegetation analysis using the vegan R package at the Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland, US.
Aug 2014	Two half-day workshops on vegetation analysis using the vegan R package at the Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting in Sacramento, California, US.

May 2014	Two half-day workshops on introductions to R for ecologists and the vegan R package at Canadian Society of Ecology and Evolution Annual Meeting, Saskatoon, Canada.
Feb 2014	Half-day workshop “A brief introduction to R for biologists” at the 2013 Prairie Universities Biology Symposium, University of Regina.
May 2013	4-day course in applied statistics and R for School of Geography and Earth Science, McMaster University, Ontario, Canada.
Aug 2012	<i>Analysing palaeoenvironmental data using R</i> . 4-day residential R course taught jointly with Steve Juggins (Newcastle University), Cumbrae, Scotland.
Jun 2012	<i>Vegan Workshop</i> . Training course on the Vegan package for R for the Centres for Ecology and Hydrology, Wallingford, UK.
Jan – Feb 2012	<i>Time Series Analysis</i> . Two R-based research level training courses for the Centres for Ecology and Hydrology, Lancaster and Wallingford, UK.
Oct 2011	<i>Analogue methods and space-for-time substitution for statistical downscaling of climate models</i> . Lecture and computer class taught as part of a one-week PhD level course at the Technical University of Denmark (DTU).
Feb 2010	One week invited course on advanced regression and multivariate techniques at the Department of Ecology, Stockholm University, Sweden. Masters and Doctoral student level.
2010 to 2012	Lecture and computer classes on time series data analysis. M.Sc. Aquatic Sciences, Monitoring Core Module.
2009	Two, one-day workshops on time series analysis and multivariate methods. Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, Wallingford.
Sept 2008	One week invited course on advanced regression techniques at the Department of Biology, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Uppsala. Doctoral student level.
Sept 2007	One week invited course on advanced multivariate statistics at the Department of Environmental Assessment, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Uppsala. Doctoral student level.
Dec 2006	One week invited course on univariate and multivariate statistics at University of Joensuu, Finland. Doctoral and post-doctoral level.
2006 – 2009	Lecture and computer practical classes on analysing monitoring data. M.Sc. Freshwater and Coastal Sciences, Monitoring Core Module.
2005 to 2012	Convenor of course and lead lecturer on the ECRC short course 'Numerical analysis of biological and environmental data'. Masters, doctoral and post-doctoral level.
2004	One day invited course on multivariate data analysis using Canoco at University of Reading. Postgraduate and doctoral students, staff.
2002 to 2012	Lecture class and computer practical on introduction to multivariate analysis as part of GEOG2007 Ecological Patterns and Processes undergraduate course.

Peer review

Since October 2020 I have served on the editorial board of *Methods in Ecology and Evolution* as an Associate Editor.

I previously served as Editor for the *R Journal* (2021–2022), on the editorial board of Springer Nature's open data journal, *Scientific Data*, as an Associate Editor (2013–2022). In July 2020, I was recognised by the Chief Editor, Andrew Hufton, as one of the most active Editorial Board Members for *Scientific Data*.

Between 2015 and 2020 I served as an Associate Editor for *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution* for the Paleoeecology section. In 2019, I was invited to serve as an Associate Editor for the new *Models in Ecology and Evolution* section of *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution*, serving until 2022.

Between 2017 and 2020 I served as a panel member on Evaluation Group 1503 Ecology and Evolution for NSERC Discovery Grants. I typically evaluated 45-55 Discovery Grant applications in each of the three years I was on the panel.

Peer reviewer of an sDiv grant for the German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) (Germany, 2020)

Peer reviewer for the following journals; *Nature Ecology and Evolution*, *Nature Communications*, *Ecology Letters*, *Nature Geoscience*, *Limnology and Oceanography*, *Journal of Vegetation Science*, *Journal of Paleolimnology*, *Journal of Applied Ecology*, *Palaeogeography*, *Palaeoclimatology*, *Palaeoecology*, *Water Research*, *Palynology*, *European Journal of Phycology*, *Journal of Environmental Management*, *Journal of Biogeography*, *Aquatic Ecology*, *Ecological Modelling*, *Hydrobiologia*, *Journal of Hydrometeorology*, *Journal of the Royal Society of New Zealand*, *Methods in Ecology and Evolution*, *Palynology*, *Science of the Total Environment*, *The Holocene*, *Freshwater Biology*, *Ecosystems*, *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*, *Aquatic Sciences*, *Ecography*, *Ecological Indicators*, *Ecology*, *Ecosphere*, *Journal of Quaternary Science*, *Limnology & Oceanography Letters*, *Quaternary Science Reviews*, *Open Quaternary*, *Palaeogeography*, *Palaeoclimatology*, *Palaeoecology*, *Freshwater Science*, *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Statistics*, *Facets*, *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences*, *BioScience*, *Biologia*.

Peer review of book chapters and book proposals for CRC Press, SAGE, Springer, Cambridge University Press, and John Wiley and Sons.

Peer reviewer of NERC Small and Standard research grants (UK).

Presentations

Invited Talks

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| June 2025 | <i>(almost) Everything you thought you knew about statistics is wrong*</i> , Early Career Seminar series, Department of Molecular Biology and Genetics, June 10 th , 2025. |
| May 2025 | <i>It's wet in Aarhus, but is it getting wetter?</i> Pint of Science Denmark, May 19 th , 2025. |
| December 2024 | Seminar for Evolutionary Biology and Environmental Studies. Department of Evolutionary Biology and Environmental Studies, University of Zurich, Switzerland, December 17 th , 2024. |
| May 2024 | <i>Generalized Additive Models and gratia</i> – Ocean Tracking Network Virtual Study Hall, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada, May 23 rd , 2024 (online). |
| May 2024 | <i>Trends in ice cover of northern hemisphere lakes</i> – Water Talks, Department of Ecoscience, Aarhus University, May 2 nd , 2024. |
| October 2023 | Seminar in Advanced Research Methods, Department of Psychology, Princeton University, October 3 rd , 2023. |
| July 2023 | <i>Applying statistical thinking to palaeo data through generalized additive models</i> – Keynote presentation at XXI INQUA Congress 2023, Rome, 13-20 th July. |

- March 2023** Detecting change in palaeoecological time series, old and new – PaleoEcoGen seminar series, online, 24th March.
- March 2023** *Quantifying trends in ecological data using GAMs* – Department of Ecoscience, Aarhus University, March 8th.
- November 2022** *Detecting change in a dynamic world* – School of Earth, Environment and Ecosystem Sciences Seminar Series, The Open University, 1st November.
- March 2022** *Estimating trends in messy time series using generalized additive models* – Statistics & Biostatistic Seminar Series, Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science, University of Waterloo, 10th March.
- February 2022** *Quantifying trends in biodiversity with generalized additive models* – National Centre for Statistical Ecology seminar series, 9th February.
- January 2022** *Generalized Additive Models with R and mgcv* – Statistical Methods Seminar Series, Ecological Forecasting Initiative and Statistical Ecology Section of the Ecological Society of America, 3rd January.
- November 2021** *Estimating trends in messy time series – a penalized spline approach* – Econometrics and Business Statistics Seminar Series, Aarhus University, 17th November.
- October 2021** *Large Space Time Data: fitting spatio-temporal data using GAMs* – Arctic Hub (Aarhus University, University of Gothenburg, University of Edinburgh, University of Nottingham), 29th October.
- October 2021** *Going beyond the mean: using distributional models to estimate changing resilience* – Center for Macroecology, Evolution, and Climate, University of Copenhagen, 8th October.
- July 2020** *Estimating ecological resilience from poorly behaved time series* – Aquatic Virtual Summit: Incorporating Data Science and Open Science Techniques in Aquatic Research, 23-24 July, 2020.
- June 2020** *Learning when, where, and by how much, things change* – invited talk at New York Hack R, the New York Open Statistical Programming Meetup.
- June 2020** *Estimating ecological resilience from poorly behaved time series* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography and Society for Freshwater Science, Joint Summer Meeting 2020. (Conference Cancelled due to Covid-19.)
- July 2019** *The life of a statistical ecologist* – invited talk at the Canadian Mathematical Society Summer Meeting, Regina, Canada.
- November 2018** *Wiggly Things and Generic Resilience Indicators in Ecological Time series* – invited seminar at Institute for Arctic and Alpine Research (INSTAAR), University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, USA.
- September 2018** *Ecological resilience in messy time series* – invited seminar at Department of Biology, Memorial University, St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada.
- October 2017** *Spatiotemporal variation in surface waters due to global environmental change* – invited seminar at Department of Biology, York University, Toronto, Canada.
- February 2017** *Modelling trends, change points, and related features in palaeoenvironmental time series using generalised additive models* – invited seminar at Department of Earth Sciences, University Adelaide, Australia.
- August 2015** *Patterns of Ecological Response to Environmental Change as Observed in Palaeoecological data* – invited talk at Ecological Society of America's Annual Meeting, Baltimore, US.

- December 2011** Invited to talk at the Fall Meeting of the American Geophysical Union. 4th - 9th December 2011. *Evidence of Rapidly Warming Rivers in the UK from an Extensive Additive Modelling Study at the National Scale Using R*.
- November 2009** *Are remote fresh water ecosystems succumbing to the Nitrogen Cascade?* Presentation at 'Nitrogen Deposition, Critical Loads and Biodiversity' conference, Edinburgh, UK, 16th - 18th November 2009.
- November 2008** *Altered nitrogen biogeochemistry in oligotrophic lakes: a palaeolimnological perspective*. London Freshwater Group, November 2008.
- March 2007** *Identifying patterns of change in noisy water chemistry time series data*. Presentation at ICMS Workshop "Workshop on smoothing based and Gaussian-process-based methods for non-parametric regression in environmental problems", 26-29th March 2007.
- May 2005** *Does size really matter? Effect of training set size on model performance and species estimates*. Talk at seminar afternoon in honour of H.J.B. Birks.
- May 2004** *Freshwater ecosystems: past, present and future*. Presentation to the Environmental Statistics Study Group of the Royal Statistical Society.

Conference Presentations

(*) as presenting author

- 2024** (*) Rank abundance curves redux – International Statistical Ecology Conference, Swansea, UK, July 15-19, 2024
- 2023** (*) *Loss of lake ice cover in northern hemisphere lakes* – Circle U Climate Change & Water Seminar. Humboldt Universität, Berlin, Germany, June 6, 2023.
- 2022** (*) *Quantifying trends in biodiversity with generalized additive models* – Joint Ecological Society of America and Canadian Society of Ecology and Evolution Annual Meeting, Montreal, 14-19 August 2022.
- 2020** (*) *Estimating the time-varying correlation between time series using copula distributional models* – Virtual International Statistical Ecology Conference (viSEC) 2020
- 2020** *A big data approach to understanding change in lake ice occurrence and duration in the northern hemisphere over the last two centuries* – Aquatic Virtual Summit: Incorporating Data Science and Open Science Techniques in Aquatic Research, 23-24 July 2020.
- 2020** *Seasonal CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O emissions from farm ponds in the northern Great Plains* – CCFFR-SCL 2020, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 2019** (*) *Estimating continuous measures of ecological resilience from palaeoecological time series* – International Quaternary Association Congress 2019, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2019** (*) *Palaeolimnologists must rethink their approach to data analysis* – PALS 2019, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada.
- 2018** (*) *Species associations and long-term dynamics in phytoplankton communities* – Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting 2018, New Orleans, USA.
- 2018** (*) *Using topic models to describe disturbance & quantify responses to environmental change* – International Statistical Ecology Conference 2018, St Andrews, Scotland.
- 2018** (*) *Estimating rates and magnitudes of temporal change: Using generalized additive models with stratigraphic records* – International Paleolimnology Symposium 2018, Stockholm, Sweden.

- 2018 *Spatial variations in snowpack chemistry and isotopic composition of nitrate along a nitrogen deposition gradient in West Greenland* – European Geosciences Union General Assembly 2018, Vienna, Austria.
- 2018 *Agricultural Dugouts as Sources or Sinks for Greenhouse Gases: a Spatial Assessment in Southern Saskatchewan*. Society of Canadian Limnologists 2018 meeting, Edmonton, Canada.
- 2017 *Seasonal Variations in CO₂ Flux of Hard-Water Lakes in the Northern Great Plains* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Aquatic Sciences Meeting 2017.
- 2017 (*) *Using topic models to describe disturbance and quantify responses to environmental change in palaeoecological time series*. Ecological Society of America Annual meeting, Portland, USA.
- 2017 *Regulation of Lake Production and Phytoplankton Community Composition by Fluxes of Nitrogen – a Synthesis of 25 Years of Ecosystem Ecology* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Aquatic Sciences Meeting 2017.
- 2017 *Climatic and Urban Control of the Timing and Magnitude of Microcystin Peaks in Hardwater Eutrophic Lakes* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Aquatic Sciences Meeting 2017.
- 2017 *Quantifying the Relative Effects of Climate and Catchment Controls Upon Isotopic Mass Balances in Lakes of the North American Great Plains* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Aquatic Sciences Meeting 2017.
- 2016 (*) *Estimating Temporal Change in Mean and Variance of Community Composition via Location Scale Additive Models* at Ecological Society of America's Annual Meeting, Fort Lauderdale, US.
- 2016 (*) *Estimating Temporal Change in Mean and Variance of Community Composition via Location Scale Additive Models* at the International Statistical Ecology Conference, Seattle, US.
- 2016 *Differential Changes in Boreal Lake Phytoplankton Communities Resulting from Climate Change and Athabasca Oil Sands Emissions* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Summer Meeting 2016.
- 2016 *Evaluation of the Role of Nitrogen Fixation in Meeting the Nitrogen Demands of Phytoplankton Communities in Eutrophic Lakes* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Summer Meeting 2016.
- 2016 *Temporal variation in the relative importance of pH and lake metabolism on atmospheric CO₂ exchange in hardwater* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Summer Meeting 2016.
- 2016 *Quantification of hydrological variability in riverine lakes using stable isotopes of water* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Summer Meeting 2016.
- 2016 *The roles of nitrogen deposition and climate change on zooplankton assemblages in lake sediments downwind of the Athabasca Oil Sands region* – Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography Summer Meeting 2016.
- 2015 (*) *Patterns of Ecological Response to Rapid Environmental Change* – talk at Canadian Society for Ecology and Evolution Annual Meeting, Saskatoon, Canada.
- 2009 (*) Oral presentation at INI workshop on Nitrogen Deposition, Critical Loads and Biodiversity, Edinburgh, UK.
- 2009 (*) Oral presentation at the ASLO Winter meeting, Nice, France.
- 2007 (*) Oral presentation at 4th International Nitrogen Conference, Brazil.

- 2006** (*) Oral presentations at the Aquatic Sciences meeting of ASLO, Victoria, Canada and at the 10th International Paleolimnology Symposium, Duluth, USA.
- 2005** (*) Poster presentation at Acid Rain 2005, Prague, Czech Republic.
- 2003** (*) Oral presentations at the 9th International Paleolimnology Symposium, Helsinki, Finland, and at the Royal Geographical Society annual conference.