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Climate ~ Data Scientist

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PROFILE

I am an **interdisciplinary climate scientist** working in the **Cambridge Computational Paleoclimatology** group. I use statistical analysis, climate models, geochemistry and oceanography approaches to better understand the trajectory of the Earth system under different forcing conditions.

SKILLS

Technical: Python // R // MATLAB // Linux // QGIS // GitHub
Domain: Climate Dynamics // Geochemistry // Statistics // Geospatial Analysis

TECH STACK

Python

Data manipulation, statistical modelling, data visualisation, geospatial analysis;
Pandas, matplotlib, Geopandas, XArray, scikit-learn, statsmodels, XGBoost, HoloViews, pykrige, EOFs

R

Bayesian modelling and time-series analysis;
BayesianTools, dplR, coda, astrochron

[🔗 See my mini-portfolio here 🔗](#)

EXPERIENCE

- 08/23 – present **University of Cambridge – Department of Geography** **Research Associate**
- Postdoc in the [Cambridge Computational Climatology](#) research group.
 - Working with Dr Francesco Muschitiello, Arnell Fellow in Climate Repair at Downing College.
 - Studying decadal, centennial, and millennial climates dynamics.
- 03/22 – 07/23 **Rutgers University of New Jersey - Department of Marine and Coastal Sciences** **Research Associate**
- Postdoc in the Sikes Organic Geochemistry and Sediment Analysis laboratory.
 - Working with Professor Elisabeth L. Sikes.
 - Reconstructing ocean and carbon cycle dynamics in the geological past.
- 11/21 – 03/22 **University of Cardiff - School of Earth and Environmental Sciences** **Research Associate**
- Postdoc working with Professor Ian R. Hall.
 - Researching quantitative paleoclimate reconstructions in the Indian Ocean region.

EDUCATION

- 2022 **Doctor of Philosophy** **Cardiff University**
PhD in Earth Sciences
- Topics: climatology, paleoceanography, carbon chemistry
 - Thesis: *Surface and Deep Hydrography across the Mid-Pleistocene Transition; Multiproxy paleoceanographic reconstructions from the southwest Indian Ocean*
 - Advisors: I.R. Hall and S. Barker (*Cardiff*); S.R. Hemming (*Columbia University, NY*)
- 2016 **Integrated Master of Science** **University of Southampton**
MSci. in Oceanography
- 2013 **A-levels** **Matthew Arnold School, Oxford**
Chemistry, Geography, Biology

TRAINING / WORKSHOPS

- 2023-2024 **Machine Learning Residency**
University of Cambridge
1 year residency in Machine Learning for scientific research as part of the University of Cambridge Accelerate Programme

- 2023 **Data Science and Machine Learning for Research**
University of Cambridge ACCELERATE Programme & Cambridge Spark
- 2023 **Applied Machine Learning in Python**
University of Michigan *via Coursera*
- 2022 **Past Global Changes Interglacial Working Group meeting**
Columbia University, New York
- 2020 **Uncertainties in Data Analysis workshop**
Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research
- 2018 **cGenie Climate Modelling workshop**
University of Bristol

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Seminars

University of Cambridge // GEOMAR, Kiel University (Germany) // American Museum of Natural History (NY) // University of Delaware (DE) // University College London // National Oceanography Centre, Southampton

Lectures


Guest lecturer: University of Cambridge Holocene Climates MSc.
Public lecture series: New Jersey Public Library System
Public outreach: Cardiff University "GeoTalks"

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS


In Review

Nature
Meridional displacement of the Antarctic Circumpolar Current under warmer-than-present climates
[Starr, A., et al.](#)


2022

Science
Persistent influence of precession on northern ice sheet variability since the early Pleistocene
Barker, S., [Starr, A.](#) et al. 


2021

Nature
Antarctic icebergs reorganize ocean circulation during Pleistocene glacials
[Starr, A., et al.](#) 


2021

Nature
Indo-pacific Walker Circulation drove Pleistocene African Aridification
van der Lubbe, HJL., ..., [Starr, A., et al.](#) 

2021

Quaternary Science Reviews
Neodymium isotope evidence for coupled Southern Ocean circulation and Antarctic climate throughout the last 118,000 years
Williams, T.J., ..., [Starr, A., et al.](#) 

2021

Communications Earth and Environment
Strong glacial-interglacial variability in upper ocean hydrodynamics, biogeochemistry, and productivity in the southern Indian Ocean
Tangunan, D., ..., and [Starr, A.](#) 

LANGUAGES

English - native, **Welsh** - learner

INTERESTS

Trail Running · Cycle Touring · Chess · Birdwatching · Football