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Area of expertise:

Oceanography, paleoceanography and aquatic biogeochemistry with focus on the carbon cycle

Current position

From 04/2019
up to to now

Researcher in physical oceanography and marine biogeochemistry,

Research department - oceanography group, SMHI, Sweden.

Project: Validating, optimizing and improving the biochemistry in ocean models for climate projections at regional and global scales

Project Leader: prof. dr. Lars Arneborg

Education

From 04/2018
up to 03/2019

Postdoc in aquatic biogeochemistry modelling, Department of Environmental Science and Analytical Chemistry (ACES) and Bolin Centre for Climate Research, Stockholm University, Sweden.

Project: Potential hot-spots for release of greenhouse gases in Arctic catchment systems

Advisor: Associate prof. dr. Christian Beer

From 01/2015
up to 03/2018

Postdoc in marine biogeochemistry and paleoceanography as part of the Netherlands Earth Science System Center (NESSC), Department of Earth Sciences, Utrecht University, Netherlands.

Project: Nutrient cycling and ocean circulation during greenhouse periods

Advisor: prof. dr. Caroline Slomp

From 08/2016
to 02/2017

Maternity leave.

From 11/2009
to 02/2015

Ph.D in marine biogeochemistry and paleoceanography, Department of Earth Sciences, Utrecht University, Netherlands.

Thesis title: Biogeochemical response to widespread anoxia in the past ocean

Advisors: prof. dr. Caroline Slomp and prof. dr. Jack Middelburg

From 08/2007
to 06/2009

Master in physical oceanography, Geophysical Institute, University of Bergen, Norway.

Thesis title: Internal waves and mixing in Sognefjorden

Advisor: prof. dr. Ilker Fer

From 02/2000
to 06/2005

Bachelor in oceanology-geological oceanography, Faculty of Marine Sciences,
University of Baja California, Mexico.

Thesis title: Paleoecology of benthic foraminifera from the Pleistocene in The
Faro, Baja California, Mexic

Supervisor: prof. dr. Miguel A. Téllez Duarte

Dissertation with honors

Experience

General achievements:

- Vast experience in ocean and biogeochemical modeling, model development and model validation from global to regional scales (FOAM, MITgcm, HAMOCC2.1, box models)
- Experience in biogeochemical and hydrological modeling in Arctic lakes (VIC5)
- Detailed knowledge of the phosphorus, nitrogen, oxygen and carbon cycles in marine and fresh water systems
- Experience in managing large data sets and statistical tools (NetCDF, R, Matlab)
- Extensive experience in working abroad
- Experience in laboratory and field work (collection and preparation of water and sediment samples for diverse measurements)
- Effective in working independently and in collaboration
- Active in teaching at bachelor, master and PhD level as assistant and lecturer (Paleoceanography and Biogeochemistry)
- Lectured at R and L^AT_EX workshops
- Co-organized workshops for PhD students
- Involved as staff-support at symposiums and workshops

Selected specific achievements:

- 2018-2019** Biogeochemical module development for the Variable Infiltration Capacity (VIC) Macroscale Hydrological Model
- 10/2018** Invited Lecturer, Experimental Studies in Environmental Science, Stockholm University, Sweden.
- 2015–2018** Member of the NESSC work board, Department of Earth Sciences, Utrecht University, The Netherlands.
- 10/2017** Research supervisor of master thesis, Utrecht University, The Netherlands.
- 04/2016** Research visit, Centre Européen de Recherche et d'Enseignement de Géosciences de l'Environnement (CEREGE), France.

- 02/2016** Research visit, Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute (SMHI), Göteborg, Sweden.
- 02/2015** Invited lecturer on R computing language, University of Leiden, The Netherlands.
- 04/2015** Co-organizer and lecturer at the NESSC R-workshop, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands.
- 10/2012** Samplig at IODP Core Repository, University of Bremen, Germany.
- 02/2008** Oceanographic cruise, Geophysical Institute, University of Bergen, Norway.

Awards and selected presentations

- 2020** Poster presentation at Ocean Sciences Meeting, San Diego, U. S. A.: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, E. Almroth Rosell, L. Axell, C. Dieterich, M. Gröger, J. Hieronymus, I. Wählström, S. Fredriksson and L. Arneborg, *Near-term ocean dynamics and biogeochemical interactions in the North-Baltic Sea system: A model validation*
- 2019** Poster presentation at the European Geosciences Union, Vienna, Austria: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, T. Bayer, E. Gustafsson, A. Frampton and C. Beer, *Methane and carbon dioxide evasion from Arctic lakes*
- 2019** Attendance to *The Expansion of Low Oxygen Zones in the Global Ocean and Coastal Waters* symposium at The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2017** Oral presentation at the Goldschmidt, Paris, France **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, Alexander Phol, Niels A.G.M. van Helmond, A.L. Coe, A.S. Cohen, Y. Donnadiou and C.P. Slomp, *Ocean dynamics and biogeochemistry during the Toarcian Oceanic Anoxic Event*
- 2017** Poster presentation at the Hyperthermals: rapid and extreme global warming in our geological past **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, V. Palastanga, Christoph Heinze and C. P. Slomp, *Ocean deoxygenation and its impact on marine organic carbon burial*.
- 2016** **Invited speaker** at the marine sciences symposium, Utrecht, The Netherlands: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, N. A. G. M. van Helmond, I. Tsandev, J. B. M. Middelburg and C. P. Slomp, *The impact of ocean anoxia on marine nitrogen cycling*.
- 2014** **Best poster award** at the Darwin/NESSC meeting, Noordwijkerhout, the Netherlands: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, N. A. G. M. van Helmond, I. Tsandev, J. B. M. Middelburg and C. P. Slomp, *Reassessing the nitrogen isotope composition of sediments from the proto-North Atlantic during Oceanic Anoxic Event 2*.
- 2013** Poster Presentation at the American Geophysical Union (AGU), San Francisco, USA: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, I. Tsandev and C. P. Slomp, *Nitrogen dynamics during the Cenomanian-Turonian Oceanic Anoxic Event 2: A model study for the proto-North Atlantic*.
- 2012** **Invited speaker** at the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program Symposium, Utrecht, Netherlands: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, N. A. G. M. Van Helmond, R. P. M. Topper, H. Brinkhuis and C. P. Slomp, *Was the North Atlantic Ocean well-ventilated during Oceanic Anoxic Event 2 in the mid-Cretaceous?*
- 2011** Poster presentation and staff-support at the Climate and Ocean Dynamics of the Cretaceous Greenhouse World Symposium, Utrecht, Netherlands: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni** and C. P. Slomp, *Modeling Marine Phosphorus and Nitrogen cycles in the Cretaceous: What triggered ocean anoxia?*
- 2007** **CONACYT award**, scholarship for Mexican professionals who wish to undertake postgraduate studies abroad in a highly recognized institution.

2005 Best oral presentation award at the XIII Oceanographic Student Congress, University of Baja California (UABC), Ensenada, Mexico: **I. Ruvalcaba Baroni**, *Paleoecology of benthic foraminifera from the Pleistocene in El Faro, Baja California, Mexico.*

Additional selected courses

2015 Mathematical approaches to (palaeo-) climate sensitivity, Utrecht University, The Netherlands: A 2 days workshop on (palaeo-) climate sensitivity focusing on new mathematical approaches as part of the NESSC.

2011 Darwin summer school on Biogeosciences, Utrecht University and NIOZ, The Netherlands: A 2 week course that focused on global carbon perturbations in the past, present and future. Our group obtained the best oral presentation award.

2010 Urbino summer school in paleoclimatology, Urbino University, Italy: A 3 week course that focused on Past Global Change Reconstruction and Modeling Techniques.

Computer skills

- Basic Microsoft Windows, OpenOffice, Adobe Illustrator
- Intermediate L^AT_EX, Linux
- Advance Matlab, R, Python (basics), Ferret, C, Fortran 77, Fortran 95, read/write NetCDF, Climate Data Operator (CDO) software, GitHUB (collaboration platform to review code, manage projects and build software), super computer applications, parallel programming with MPI and OpenMP

Key Interests

Carbon turnovers, Climate change, Nutrient cycles, Ocean and lake dynamics, Arctic changes, Extreme climate events

Languages

- Mother-tongue Spanish and French
- Intermediate English *Professional working proficiency*
- Basic Dutch *Basic understanding and conversation*
- Basic Norwegian *Basic words and phrases*
- Learning Swedish *Basics*

Hobbies

Family, Cooking, Photography, Diving, Playing violin, Reading, Hiking, Listening to music and more ...