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Gwen S. Antell

Education

DPhil, *University of Oxford*, UK.

2017-Present

Departments of Earth Sciences and Zoology

B.S. Science, *Yale University*, USA, *magna cum laude*. Ecology & Evolutionary Biology and Geology & Geophysics

2012-2016

PhD thesis

Title: Macroecological consequences of biotic competition and abiotic resource limitation in marine invertebrate communities

Supervisors: Erin E. Saupe (Earth Sciences) & Tim Coulson (Zoology)

Research interests::

- o Species' geographic distribution and niche dynamics
- o Invertebrate palaeontology and palaeo-ecology
- o Biodiversity across spatial, temporal, and taxonomic scales

Employment

Graduate instructor, *Earth Sciences*, Oxford. **2017–Present** Labs, tutorials, and field courses about evolution and past environments.

Geoscientists-in-the-Parks Intern, US National Park **2016–2017** Service, Geologic Resources Division, Florissant, Colorado.

Collections Assistant, *Yale Peabody Museum of Natural* **2013–2016** *History*, New Haven, Connecticut.

Leadership

- Working group on racial equality, diversity, and inclusion in Department of Earth Sciences, University of Oxford, Co-chair 2019-2020
- St John's College, Middle Common Room Committee (graduate student body), President 2018-2019, Diversity officer 2017–2018
- Women's Leadership Forum discussion leader, St John's College, February–March 2018
- Representative for Earth Sciences postgraduates, Divisional Joint Consultative Committee, 2018–2019
- Representative for postgraduate women, Workplace and Equality Committee, Dept. of Earth Sciences, U. of Oxford, 2017–2019
- o Yale Ecology and Evo. Bio. Group, 2013–2016, President 2015–2016
- o Connecticut Entomological Society, 2013–2016, Secretary 2015–2016

Peer-reviewed publications

- [1] Antell, Gwen S, Isabel S Fenton, Paul J Valdes, and Erin E Saupe. "Thermal niches of planktonic foraminifera are static throughout glacial-interglacial climate change". In: (Submitted).
- [2] Simon AF Darroch, Michelle Casey, Antell, Gwen S, Amy Sweeney, and Erin E Saupe. "High preservation potential of paleogeographic range size distributions in deep time". In: American Naturalist (2020).
- [3] **Antell, Gwen S**, Wolfgang Kiessling, Martin Aberhan, and Erin E Saupe. "Marine biodiversity and geographic distributions are independent on large scales". In: *Current Biology* 30.1 (2020), pp. 115–121.
- [4] **Antell, Gwen S**. "Digitization reveals and remediates challenges to research on dispersed museum collections from Florissant fossil beds, Colorado". In: *Museums at the Forefront of the History and Philosophy of Geology: History Made, History in the Making. Geological Society of America Special Volume* 535 (2018), pp. 301–309.
- [5] Antell, Gwen S and Jeyaraney Kathirithamby. "The First Twisted-wing Parasitoids (Insecta: Strepsiptera) from the Early Eocene Green River Formation of Colorado". In: *Bulletin of the Peabody Museum of Natural History* 57.2 (2016), pp. 165–174.

Talks

- [1] Gwen S Antell, Wolfgang Kiessling, Martin Aberhan, and Erin E Saupe. "No patterns of ecological release in brachiopod and bivalve distributions over the Phanerozoic". In: *North American Paleontological Convention*, **1st place student talk**. 2019.
- [2] Gwen S Antell. "Game of Biomes: The contest for world domination after biotic catastrophe".
 In: Oxford Geology Group, Paleontology Symposium, invited student speaker. 2019.
- [3] Gwen S Antell, Wolfgang Kiessling, Martin Aberhan, and Erin E Saupe. "Geographic distributions of benthic invertebrate species are diversity-dependent across the Phanerozoic". In: *Crossing the Palaeontological-Ecological Gap, commended student talk*. 2018.
- [4] Gwen S Antell, Wolfgang Kiessling, Martin Aberhan, and Erin E Saupe. "Geographic distributions of benthic invertebrate species are diversity-dependent across the Phanerozoic". In: *International Palaeontological Congress*. 2018.
- [5] Gwen S Antell. "Exoskeletons in the closet: new fossil insect species from the drawers of the Yale Peabody Museum". In: Yale Peabody Museum 150th Anniversary Symposium, one of 10 invited alumni speakers. 2016.
- [6] Gwen S Antell and Herbert W Meyer. "Fossils from the frontier: Decades of museum influence on the paleontology of the Florissant fossil beds, Colorado". In: Geological Society of America Annual Meeting. 2016.
- [7] Gwen S Antell and Katherine J Mertes. "Niche partitioning in East African Hornbills along behavioral, dietary, movement, and habitat axes". In: *Ecological Society of America*. 2016.
- [8] Gwen S Antell. "An old twist on a new problem: Inferring the paleodistribution of the parasite Caenocholax (Strepsiptera: Myrmecolacidae) from a new fossil discovery". In: *Geological Society of America*. 2015.
- [9] Gwen S Antell. "Stone flies and rock crawlers: Fossil insects from the Eocene". In: *Connecticut Entomological Society, 1st place student speed talk*. 2015.

Awards				
Scholarships	Clarendon Fund Scholarship		2017–Present	
	St John's College Alumni Scholarship		2017–Present	
	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (declined)		2017	
	Jerry (1953) and Jackie Inskeep Scholarship Fund 2013-20		2013-2016	
	Summer Environmental Fellowship, Yale U.		2014	
	US National Merit Scholarship		2012	
Grants	Burdett-Coutts Grant, Earth Sci	ences, U. of Oxford (£1,650	2019	
	Postgraduate Special Grant, St John's College (£1,250) 2018			
	Travel Grant, Palaeontological Association (£300) 2018			
	E. Myer Grant, Harvard Museum of Comparative Zoology (\$1,100) 2016			
	Pierson College Richter Fellowship Yale Science Center Int'l Fellowship (\$3,870; \$4,300)		2015	
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	Yale Freshmen Summer STEM F	Research Fellowship (\$4,300)	2013	
Awards	Earth Sciences award for equality, diversity, & inclusion work 2020			
	1st place student talk, N. Am. Palaeo. Convention 2019			
	D. E. Chantler Award for "strength of character," Yale U.		2016	
	W. R. Belknap Prize for excellence in a biology thesis, Yale U.		J. 2016	
	1st place student speed talk, Connecticut Entomological Society			
Skills				
Software	o R	o Git		
	o LaTeX	o Bash		
	o Photoshop	o ArcGIS		
	o Illustrator	Microsoft Office		
Statistics				
	o Generalised, mixed-effects, & phylogenetic regression			
	o Bayesian inference, including RevBayes			
	 Non-parametric and bootstrapping methods 			
Field techniques	o GPS navigation	o Cartography		
	o Quadrats & transects	Photogrammetry	O Photogrammetry	
	o Live-dead analysis o Stratigraphic measurement			
	o Bird banding o Plant, insect, & fossil collection			

Field work

Postgraduate instructor: Earth Sciences undergraduate field course. Isle of Arran, UK. 1 week, 2019, 2020 (cancelled due to COVID-19)

Postgraduate instructor: Earth Sciences undergraduate field course. Dorset, UK. 1 week, 2018, 2019

Stratigraphic paleobiology: Paleo. Society postgraduate field course. Bitterroot Mountains, MT, USA. 2 weeks, 2017

Global tectonics: Yale U. course. Sicily, Italy. 2 weeks, 2016

Wildlife research: Lale'enok Resource Centre, Kenya. 2 months, 2015

Sedimentary geology: Yale U. course. Barbados. 2 weeks, 2015 **Wildlife research**: Mpala Research Centre, Kenya. 3 months, 2014

Training and workshops

Wilderness First Responder: 80-hour medical certificate in emergency response, maintained valid June 2017–present

University teaching: University of Oxford, 20 Feb 2019

Science communication for children: Oxford University Museum of Natural History, 25 Feb 2019

STEM Ambassador training: University of Oxford, 23 Jan 2019

RevBayes Bayesian phylogenetic inference: University of Bristol, 1–3 May 2018

Mixed-effects models and smart modelling techniques in R: University of Oxford, 17–20 Apr 2018

Access and outreach

- o Report author, "Recommendations for improving racial equality, diversity, and inclusion in the Department of Earth Sciences, University of Oxford," February 2020. Available at https://www.earth.ox.ac.uk/2020/06.
- "Science Short" invited outreach presentation, Oxford University Museum of Natural History, 4 January 2020
- o Super Science Saturday activity leader, Oxford University Museum of Natural History, 9 March 2019. 3600 attendees
- o UNIQ summer school instructor, Oxford Earth Sciences; 2018, 2019
- o International Association of Geoscience Diversity, member 2018–Present
- o Oxford Disability Law and Policy Conference, February 2018
- o Oxford ApplyED (Equality and Diversity) conference, November 2017

References

Erin Saupe - PhD Supervisor

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