

# DANIEL J. VARON

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## EDUCATION

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### Harvard University

2015–pres

PhD in Environmental Science and Engineering, expected May 2020

Secondary field in Computational Science and Engineering

*Professor Daniel Jacob*

MSc in Applied Mathematics

### McGill University

2009–2014

BSc in Physics, First Class Honours

*Professor Shaun Lovejoy, Professor Tracy Webb*

BA in English Literature, First Class Honours

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### GHGSat, Inc.

2016–pres

Research Scientist

## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2020     **Varon, D. J.**, D. J. Jacob, J. McKeever, and D. Jervis: Quantifying time-averaged methane emissions from individual coal mine vents with GHGSat-D satellite observations. *Environmental Science and Technology*, submitted.
- 2020     Zhang, Y., R. Gautam, S. Pandey, M. Omara, J. D. Maasakkers, P. Sadavarte, D. Lyon, H. Nesser, M. P. Sulprizio, **D. J. Varon**, R. Zhang, D. Houweling, D. Zavala-Araiza, R. A. Alvarez, A. Lorente, S. P. Hamburg, I. Aben, & D. J. Jacob: Quantifying methane emissions from the largest oil producing basin in the U.S. from space. *Science Advances*, in review.
- 2019     **Varon, D. J.**, J. McKeever, D. Jervis, J. D. Maasakkers, S. Pandey, S. Houweling, I. Aben, T. Scarpelli, and D. J. Jacob: Satellite discovery of anomalously large methane point sources from oil/gas production. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, doi:10.1029/2019GL083798, 2019.
- 2019     Cusworth, D. H., D. J. Jacob, **D. J. Varon**, C. Chan Miller, X. Liu, K. Chance, A. K. Thorpe, R. M. Duren, C. E. Miller, D. R. Thompson, C. Frankenberg, L. Guanter, and C. A. Randles: Potential of next-generation imaging spectrometers to detect and quantify methane point sources from space. *Atmos. Meas. Tech.*, doi:10.5194/amt2019-202, 2019.
- 2018     **Varon, D. J.**, D. J. Jacob, J. McKeever, D. Jervis, B. O. A. Durak, Y. Xia, Y. Huang: Quantifying methane point sources from fine-scale satellite observations of atmospheric methane plumes. *Atmos. Meas. Tech.*, doi:10.5194/amt-11-5673-2018, 2018.
- 2013     Lovejoy, S., D. Schertzer, **D. J. Varon**: Do GCMs predict the climate... or macro-weather? *Earth System Dynamics* 4, 439–454. doi:10.5194/esd-4-439-2013, 2013.

## INVITED TALKS

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- 2019      Satellite discovery of anomalously large methane point sources from oil/gas production. ([U14C-10](#)) American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 9-13 December.
- 2019      Quantifying methane point sources with fine-scale satellite observations. SRON Netherlands Institute for Space Research, Utrecht, Netherlands, 24 May.
- 2019      Quantifying methane point sources with fine-scale satellite observations. University of Michigan Department of Climate and Space Sciences and Engineering, Kort Group meeting, Ann Arbor MI, 5 April.
- 2019      Quantifying methane point sources with fine-scale satellite observations. NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Greenhouse Gas Measurements Workshop, Pasadena CA, 22 February.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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### Oral presentations

- 2019      Quantifying methane emissions from individual point sources with the GHGSat-D satellite instrument. ([A53F-03](#)) American Geophysical Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA, 9-13 December.
- 2019      Quantifying methane emissions from individual coal mine vents with GHGSat-D satellite observations. 15th International Workshop on Greenhouse Gas Measurements from Space, Sapporo, JP, 3-5 June.
- 2019      Quantifying methane emissions from individual coal mine vents with GHGSat-D satellite observations. Industrial Methane Measurements Conference, Rotterdam, NL, 22-23 May.
- 2018      Quantifying methane point sources from fine-scale (GHGSat) satellite observations of atmospheric methane plumes. 14th International Workshop on Greenhouse Gas Measurements from Space, Toronto, ON, 8-10 May.
- 2017      Quantifying methane point sources from fine-scale (GHGSat) satellite observations of atmospheric methane plumes. ([A32D-07](#)) American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, New Orleans, LA, 11-15 December.

### Selected poster presentations

- 2018      Quantifying methane emissions from individual coal mine vents with GHGSat-D satellite observations. ([A43R-3443](#)) American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Washington, DC, 10-14 December.

## HONOURS & AWARDS

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- 2019      Member of the [Sigma Xi Honor Society](#)
- 2018      AGU Outstanding Student Presentation Award
- 2017      Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching
- 2015      Stonington Graduate Fellowship of Environmental Science and Engineering
- 2014      McGill University Dean's Honour List

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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2017      Harvard EPS133 *Atmospheric Chemistry*  
Overall teaching score of 4.7/5.0 based on student reviews  
Awarded Harvard Certificate of Distinction in Teaching

## PROFESSIONAL AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

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**Reviewer**      Atmospheric Measurement Techniques, Environmental Science and Technology

**Member**      American Geophysical Union, European Geophysical Union

**Organizer**      Building an inclusive community in EPS/ESE: Addressing gender-based discrimination and harassment. Department-wide event, February 2018

## SELECTED PRESS

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[The Economist](#)      Using satellites to spot industry's methane leaks

[New York Times](#)      A methane leak, seen from space, proves to be far larger than thought

[Forbes](#)      Detection of methane leak from space could herald a revolution

[Bloomberg](#)      Satellite studying volcanoes finds giant oilfield methane plume