

Postdoctoral Fellow – Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Physical Oceanography Department

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Education

- 2019 – 2023 📖 Ph.D., Computational Sciences, **University of Massachusetts Dartmouth**
- 2015 – 2017 📖 M.Sc., Physical Oceanography, **University of São Paulo, Brazil**
- 2011 – 2014 📖 B.Sc., Interdisciplinary Oceanography, **Federal University of Ceará, Brazil**

Professional Experience

- 2023 – 📖 **Postdoctoral Investigator**, Department of Physical Oceanography,
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI).
Funding: Institutional (*Fellowship* by Vision Funds)
- 2020 – 2023 📖 **Graduate Research Assistant**, College of Engineering,
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (UMassD).
Funding: ONR and NSF
- 2019 – 2019 📖 **Physical Oceanographer**, Oceanographic Institute,
University of São Paulo (USP).
Responsibilities: Scientific and technical support in physical oceanography data analysis,
mentorship leading to publication of scientific articles.
📖 **Data Scientist in Artificial Intelligence,**
InsilicAll.
Responsibilities: Data processing for neural networks, interactive visualization of ma-
chine learning model results.
- 2017 – 2019 📖 **Data Scientist in Artificial Intelligence and Backend Developer,**
Alttox - Alternative Toxicology.
Responsibilities: Developed first Brazilian online platform for *in-silico* toxicological tests,
machine learning model development, co-authorship in cancer research paper.

Selected Academic Honors

- 2023 📖 **Postdoctoral Fellowship**, *Vision Funds*, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.
- 2022 📖 **Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Fellowship**, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.
- 2019 📖 **First-Year Doctoral Fellowship**, University of Massachusetts.
- 2015 📖 **Master's Research Fellowship**, São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP).

Additional Training

- 2023 📖 **Certified Programming Instructor**, The Carpentries.
Mode: Virtual (20 hours).
Skills: Teaching in programming and data science, engagement in active pedagogical practices.

Additional Training (continued)

- **Life Skills for Young Scientists**, Planetary Science Institute.
Instructor: Dr. Jonathan Lilly, Mode: Virtual (12 months, In Progress).
Skills: Communication, conflict management, teamwork, resilience, and well-being in academia.
- 2022 ■ **Data-driven GFD, Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Fellowship**, WHOI.
Instructors: Profs. Laure Zanna and Peter Schmid
Mode: In-person (400 hours).
Skills: Advanced methods in spatio-temporal analysis and decomposition, AI in fluid dynamics and development of a scientific project.
- **Openscapes Champions Cohort**, NASA.
Mode: Virtual (2 months).
Skills: Cloud computing in Earth science research, open science principles.
- 2021 ■ **OceanHackWeek, Data Science + Oceanography**, Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences and University of Washington.
Mode: In-person - Boothbay, ME, USA (40 hours).
Skills: Multidimensional data analysis, version control, AI in oceanography.
- 2018 ■ **Nanodegree in Machine Learning Engineering**, Udacity.
Mode: Virtual (6 months).
Focus: Linear regression, decision trees, SVM, neural networks, reinforcement learning.
- 2016 ■ **Lagrangian Perspective of Ocean Circulation**, Federal University of Santa Catarina.
Instructor: Prof. Albert Kirwan
Mode: In-person - Florianópolis, Brazil (20 hours).
- 2013 ■ **Integrated Teaching with Digital Technologies**, UFC Virtual - Federal University of Ceará.
Mode: In-person - Fortaleza, CE (64 hours).

Educational Activities

Short Courses

- 2024 (expected, 40h) ■ **Geophysical Flows Workshop**, IIT Madras.
- 2023 (2h) ■ **Summer School on Marine Heatwave**, ICTP / CLIVAR.
Title: Version control and cloud computing in Physical Oceanography
- 2021 (10h) ■ **Unravelling Oceanography with Python**, Federal University of Ceará.
- 2016 (8h) ■ **Python for Physical Oceanography**, University of São Paulo.

Teaching Assistant

- 2014 (190h) ■ **Ocean Dynamics II**, Federal University of Ceará.
- **Oceanographic Data Analysis**, Federal University of Ceará.

Advising

- 2023 – ■ **Rebeca Crisóstomo Melo**, Undergraduate in Oceanography, Federal University of Ceará. Project: Parnaíba River plume study (*Main advisor*).
- 2021 – 2023 ■ **Caio Erick Braga Costa**, Masters in Tropical Marine Sciences, Federal University of Ceará. Project: Surface gravity waves and numerical reanalyses validation (*Co-advisor*).

Educational Activities (continued)

Mentoring

- 2023 ■ **Rafael Couto Martins**, Undergraduate in Physical Oceanography, University of São Paulo (USP). Project: Modeling the Brazil Current recirculation.
Main advisor: Amit Tandon.
- 2020 – 2023 ■ **Alan Andonian**, Undergraduate/Masters, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (UMassD). Projects: Taylor columns and vortex shedding simulations.
Main advisor: Amit Tandon.
- 2019 – 2022 ■ **Igor Uchôa Farias**, Masters in Physical Oceanography, University of São Paulo. Project: Altimetry-based characterization of Brazil Current mesoscale eddies.
Main advisor: Ilson Silveira.
- 2019 – 2021 ■ **Caique Dias Luko**, Undergraduate in Oceanography, University of São Paulo (USP). Project: Revisiting the Atlantic South Equatorial Current.
Main advisor: Ilson Silveira.
- 2019 ■ **Ágata Piffer Braga**, Masters in Physical Oceanography, University of São Paulo. Project: Description and Dynamics of the Santos Bifurcation.
Main advisor: Ilson Silveira.

Academic Outreach

- 2012 – 2014 ■ **Tutorial Education Program (PET)**, Federal University of Ceará. Institutional Scholarship. Activities: Educational projects, thematic weeks, outreach and training focused on reducing dropout rates from vulnerable students.
- 2012 – 2013 ■ **Exchange Student Support Program (PAI)**, Federal University of Ceará. Volunteer. Activities: Assisting international students, focused support for low-income students.

Ad Hoc Reviewer for Scientific Journals

- *Journal of Open Source Software*
- *Journal of Physical Oceanography*
- *Frontiers in Marine Science*
- *Ocean and Coastal Research*
- *Geophysical Research Letters*
- *Remote Sensing*
- *Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology*
- *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*

Research

Grants as Single Beneficiary

- 2023-2024 ■ **Vision Funds Postdoctoral Fellowship**, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI). Funds: US\$ 202 thousand.
- 2019-2020 ■ **First-year Doctoral Fellowship**, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth (UMassD). Duration: August 2019 to July 2020.
Funds: US\$ 30 thousand.

Research (continued)



- 2015-2017  **Master's Research Fellowship**, University of São Paulo (USP).
Title: Dynamics of the multiple retroreflections and recirculations of the North Brazil Undercurrent.
Funding Agency: São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP)
Duration: April 2015 to February 2017.

Participation in Research Projects

- 2023  **Sub-Mesoscale Ocean Dynamics Experiment (S-MODE).**
Role: Collaborator, Funding Agency: NASA, PI: Tom Farrar (WHOI).
- 2023  **Surface Water Ocean Topography (SWOT) Science Team.**
Role: Collaborator, Funding Agency: NASA, PI: Tom Farrar (WHOI).
- 2022  **Ecological Connectivity and Material Dispersion on the Continental Shelf of Ceará.**
Role: Collaborator, Funding Agency: FUNCAP (Brazil), PI: Carlos Eduardo Peres Teixeira (UFC), Status: Under evaluation.
- 2021  **Understanding the Ocean-Atmosphere Coupling in the Northern Indian Ocean.**
Role: Research Assistant, Funding Agency: ONR, PI: Amit Tandon, Duration: August 2020 to August 2023.
- 2020  **The Role of Sub-mesoscale Eddies and Fronts in Near-inertial Waves Generation.**
Role: Research Assistant, Funding Agency: ONR, PI: Prof. Amit Tandon, Duration: August 2020 to August 2023.
- 2020  **Sub-mesoscale and Mesoscale Interactions Study (SubMIST).**
Role: Research Assistant, Funding Agency: ONR, Program: Marine Underwater Science and Technology (MUST), PI: Amit Tandon, Duration: August 2020 to August 2023.
- 2019  **Network for Studies of the Brazil Current on the Southeast-South Continental Margin (REMARSUL).**
Role: Physical Oceanographer, Funding Agency: CAPES, PI: Ilson Silveira, Duration: February 2019 to July 2019.
- 2017  **Hydrodynamic Characterization of the Sergipe and Alagoas Basin (MARSEAL).**
Role: Physical Oceanographer, Funding Agency: Partnership between USP and Petrobras, PI: Ilson Silveira, Duration: 2015 - 2017.
- 2019  **Virtual InSilicoTox: Real-time in silico toxicological screening platform.**
Funding Agency: São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP), Duration: December 2017 to January 2019.


Publications

Journal Articles



- 1 C. Carvalho, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, L. P. Santos, *et al.*, "Surfing the currents: The longest distance traveled by a released West Indian manatee (*Trichechus manatus*) and the implications for conservation," *Animal Conservation*, 2023, Under review., ISSN: 0006-3207.
- 2 C. B. Rocha and I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, "Compact mesoscale eddies in the South Brazil Bight," *Remote Sensing*, vol. 14, no. 22, p. 5781, 2022.  DOI: 10.3390/rs14225781.
- 3 I. C. Silveira, F. Pereira, G. R. Flierl, *et al.*, "The Brazil Current quasi-stationary unstable meanders at 22°S–23°S," *Progress in Oceanography*, p. 102925, 2022, ISSN: 0079-6611.  DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pocean.2022.102925>.

- 4 I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, A. Tandon, J. Buckley, D. Sengupta, E. Shroyer, and S. P. de Szoeke, "Atmospheric cold pools in the Bay of Bengal," *Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences*, 2022.  DOI: 10.1175/JAS-D-22-0041.1.
- 5 I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, A. Tandon, F. Pereira, C. Z. Lazaneo, and A. Mahadevan, "Mixed layer eddies supply nutrients to enhance the spring phytoplankton bloom," *Frontiers in Marine Science*, vol. 9, 2022, ISSN: 2296-7745.  DOI: 10.3389/fmars.2022.825027.
- 6 I. Uchoa, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, and I. C. Silveira, "The Brazil Current mesoscale eddies: Altimetry-based characterization and tracking," *Deep Sea Research Part I: Oceanographic Research Papers*, p. 103 947, 2022, ISSN: 0967-0637.  DOI: 10.1016/j.dsr.2022.103947.
- 7 C. Luko, I. Silveira, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, J. Araujo, and A. Tandon, "Revisiting the Atlantic South Equatorial Current," *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, e2021JC017387, 2021.  DOI: 10.1029/2021JC017387.
- 8 D. C. Napolitano, C. B. Rocha, I. C. da Silveira, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, and G. R. Flierl, "Can the Intermediate Western Boundary Current recirculation trigger the Vitória Eddy formation?" *Ocean Dynamics*, vol. 71, no. 3, pp. 281–292, 2021.  DOI: 10.1007/s10236-020-01437-6.
- 9 P. S. Polito, O. T. Sato, D. C. Napolitano, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, H. Almeida, and F. R. Lapolli, "Insights on the non-linear solution of Munk's ocean circulation theory from a rotating tank experiment," *Ocean and Coastal Research*, vol. 69, 2021.  DOI: 10.1590/2675-2824069.20-011psp.
- 10 E. Shroyer, A. Tandon, D. Sengupta, *et al.*, "Bay of Bengal intraseasonal oscillations and the 2018 monsoon onset," *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*, pp. 1–44, 2021.  DOI: 10.1175/BAMS-D-20-0113.1.
- 11 I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, I. C. A. Silveira, A. Tandon, G. R. Flierl, C. H. Ribeiro, and R. P. Martins, "The Barreirinhas Eddies: Stable energetic anticyclones in the near-equatorial South Atlantic," *Frontiers in Marine Science*, vol. 8, p. 28, 2021.  DOI: 10.3389/fmars.2021.617011.
- 12 J. R. Santin, G. F. da Silva, M. V. Pastor, *et al.*, "Biological and toxicological evaluation of n-(4methyl-phenyl)-4-methylphthalimide on bone cancer in mice," *Anti-Cancer Agents in Medicinal Chemistry (Formerly Current Medicinal Chemistry-Anti-Cancer Agents)*, vol. 19, no. 5, pp. 667–676, 2019.  DOI: 10.2174/1871520619666190207130732.
- 13 I. Silveira, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, D. Napolitano, H. M. R. Almeida, P. Baldasso, and W. Watanabe, "As correntes oceânicas na Bacia Sergipe-Alagoas," *Revista Marseal: Edição Águas Profundas SE/AL*, vol. 2, pp. 36–39, 2018, Ciências da Terra e Meio Ambiente, Geologia e Geomorfologia., ISSN: 2596-0547.  URL: <https://www.livraria.ufs.br/produto/revista-marseal-edicao-aguas-profundas-seal-volume-2/>.

Proceedings

- 1 I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, "Stochasticity of turbulence closures," in *Proceedings Volumes of the GFD WHOI*, In press., Woods Hole, MA: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, 2022.  URL: <https://gfd.whoi.edu/gfd-publications/gfd-proceedings-volumes/>.


Contributions to Open-Source Software

- 1 T. Biló and I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, *vector_fields*, Python functions developed for handling vector fields.  URL: https://github.com/iuryt/vector_fields.
- 2 K. Drushka, D. Balwada, D. LaScala-Gruenewald, I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, and C. Cai, *ohw21-proj-model-subsampling*, OceanHackWeek21 project to subsample high-resolution model outputs for seagliders, ships, or other in situ platforms.  URL: <https://github.com/oceanhackweek/ohw21-proj-model-subsampling>.

- 3 A. Ramadhan, G. L. Wagner, N. C. Constantinou, *et al.*, *CliMa/Oceananigans.jl: Vo.88.o*, version vo.88.o, Numerical model in Julia for oceanic fluid dynamics on CPUs and GPUs. Contributed to the source code on different pull requests. [DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.4019271](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4019271).
- 4 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *Bioceananigans.jl*, Modules for estimating depth of mixing layer, phytoplankton shading, and calculating light-limited growth. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/Bioceananigans.jl](https://github.com/iuryt/Bioceananigans.jl).
- 5 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *env_coringa*, Specialized Python environment for Earth sciences, focusing on analysis of oceanographic data. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/env_coringa](https://github.com/iuryt/env_coringa).
- 6 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *gaussian_bump*, MITgcm simulation of rotating flow over a Gaussian bump. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/gaussian_bump](https://github.com/iuryt/gaussian_bump).
- 7 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *NorthAtlanticBloom*, Code for simulations and data analysis related to the paper “Mixed layer eddies supply nutrients to enhance the spring phytoplankton bloom”. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/NorthAtlanticBloom](https://github.com/iuryt/NorthAtlanticBloom).
- 8 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *ocean_gyre_tank*, MITgcm simulation for General Ocean Circulation in a rotating tank, based on the paper “Insights of the non-linear solution of Munk’s ocean circulation theory from a rotating tank experiment”. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/ocean_gyre_tank](https://github.com/iuryt/ocean_gyre_tank).
- 9 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *Panthalassan*, Template tutorials for teaching Data Science in Oceanography using Python, GitHub, and Google Colab. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/Panthalassan](https://github.com/iuryt/Panthalassan).
- 10 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *tico_peixeboi*, Contains data analysis and codes related to the paper “Surfing the currents: The longest distance traveled by a released West Indian manatee (*Trichechus manatus*) and the implications for conservation”. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/tico_peixeboi](https://github.com/iuryt/tico_peixeboi).
- 11 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa** and K. Burns, *stochastic_closures*, WHOI GFD summer school project repository exploring the stochasticity of turbulent closures. [URL: https://github.com/iuryt/stochastic_closures](https://github.com/iuryt/stochastic_closures).
- 12 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, V. McDonald, and A. Wineteer, *2023-SMODE-Open-Data-Workshop*, Tutorial on access, processing, and combined multi-dimensional analysis of different datasets from the S-MODE project. [URL: https://github.com/podaac/2023-SMODE-Open-Data-Workshop](https://github.com/podaac/2023-SMODE-Open-Data-Workshop).
- 13 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, D. C. Napolitano, F. Vilela-Silva, L. Almeida, and O. Wang, *OceanLab*, Python script package for Oceanography with tools for optimal interpolation, estimation of vertical pressure modes, and empirical orthogonal functions. [URL: https://github.com/OceanLabPy/OceanLab](https://github.com/OceanLabPy/OceanLab).
- 14 Various Contributors, *matplotlib*, Comprehensive library for creating visualizations in Python. Contributed to the documentation with an example for 3D plotting. [URL: https://github.com/matplotlib/matplotlib](https://github.com/matplotlib/matplotlib).
- 15 Various Contributors, *OceanBioME.jl*, Modeling environment for coupled interactions between ocean physics and biogeochemistry. Contributed with a pull request and overall as a reviewer. [URL: https://github.com/OceanBioME/OceanBioME.jl](https://github.com/OceanBioME/OceanBioME.jl).

Gray Literature

- 1 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *Swirls and gusts: Computational insights into ocean vortices and atmospheric cold pools*, Portuguese, Ph.D. Thesis (Computational Science and Engineering), North Dartmouth, United States, 2023.
- 2 I. T. **Simoës-Sousa**, *Recurrent anticyclone formation and shedding within the barreirinhas bight (ne-brazil)*, Master’s Dissertation in Oceanografia Física, doi:10.11606/D.21.2018.tde-27032018-151700, São Paulo, Brazil, 2017. [URL: https://www.teses.usp.br/teses/disponiveis/21/21135/tde-27032018-151700/](https://www.teses.usp.br/teses/disponiveis/21/21135/tde-27032018-151700/) (visited on 12/29/2023).

- 3 I. T. **Simoes-Sousa**, *Sistema subcorrente norte do brasil através da aplicação do método dinâmico referenciado*, Portuguese, Bachelor's Thesis (Oceanography), 48 f., Fortaleza, Brazil, 2014.  URL: <https://repositorio.ufc.br/handle/riufc/33651> (visited on 12/29/2023).