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*Ocean biogeochemist with a favour for carbon, observations & data science | father of two*

## About

I'm a biogeochemist studying the ocean carbon cycle through measurements of CO<sub>2</sub> in seawater. Since 2020, I'm working as a PostDoc with Nicolas Gruber at ETH Zurich. We use global ship-based observations to reconstruct the accumulation of CO<sub>2</sub> in the global ocean, and how this drives acidification in the ocean interior. This work profits from the experience gained during my PhD, specifically the development of pH analytics, the analysis of autonomous pCO<sub>2</sub> measurements from a voluntary observing ship and several months spent at sea. As a coordinator of RECCAP2 - the second cycle of the REgional Carbon Cycle Assessment and Processes project - I'm working with an international board of around 100 scientists covering a broad view on the ocean carbon sink through models and surface flux estimates.

## Key publications

Müller, J. D. et al.: Decadal Trends in the Oceanic Storage of Anthropogenic Carbon From 1994 to 2014, AGU Advances, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023AV000875>, 2023.

Gruber, N. et al.: Trends and variability in the ocean carbon sink, Nature Reviews Earth & Environment, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s43017-022-00381-x>, 2023.

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Müller, J. D. and Rehder, G.: Metrology of pH Measurements in Brackish Waters—Part 2: Experimental Characterization of Purified meta-Cresol Purple for Spectrophotometric pH<sub>T</sub> Measurements, Frontiers in Marine Science, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2018.00177>, 2018.

## Postdoctoral employment

### Postdoctoral researcher

ETH ZÜRICH

• Environmental Physics | Prof. Dr. Nicolas Gruber

*Zurich, Switzerland*

*07/2020 - present*

### Postdoctoral researcher

LEIBNIZ-INSTITUTE FOR BALTIC SEA RESEARCH WARNEMÜNDE (IOW)

• Trace gas biogeochemistry | Prof. Dr. Gregor Rehder

*Warnemünde, Germany*

*07/2018 - 06/2020*

### Visiting scientist

MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE FOR METEOROLOGY (MPI-M)

• Observations, Analysis and Synthesis | Dr. Peter Landschützer

*Hamburg, Germany*

*07/2019 - 06/2020*

## Education

### PhD Chemical Oceanography

LEIBNIZ-INSTITUTE FOR BALTIC SEA RESEARCH WARNEMÜNDE (IOW)

• Ocean Acidification in the Baltic Sea: Involved Processes, Metrology of pH in Brackish Waters, and Calcification under Fluctuating Conditions  
• Grade: With honors (Summa cum laude)

*Warnemünde, Germany*

*07/2014 - 06/2018*

## MSc Biological Oceanography

GEOMAR HELMHOLTZ CENTRE FOR OCEAN RESEARCH KIEL

- Grade: 1.2 (ECTS grade, A Excellent)

Kiel, Germany

09 / 2010 – 08 / 2012

## BSc Chemistry

PHILLIPS-UNIVERSITY MARBURG

- Grade: 1.7 (ECTS grade B “Very good”)

Marburg, Germany

09 / 2008 – 08 / 2009

# Experiences

## Scientific Employee

GEOMAR HELMHOLTZ CENTRE FOR OCEAN RESEARCH KIEL

- Benthic Ecology | Prof. Dr. M. Wahl
- Marine Biogeochemistry | Prof. Dr. U. Riebesell

Kiel, Germany

10 / 2013 – 03 / 2014

## Research Assistant

GEOMAR HELMHOLTZ CENTRE FOR OCEAN RESEARCH KIEL

- Evolutionary Ecology of Marine Fishes | Prof. Dr. T. Reusch

Kiel, Germany

05 – 08 / 2010

## Certified Scientific Diver & Divemaster

200+ LOGGED DIVES, DIVE MISSION LEADER, NITROX-DIVER

- Off-shore mesocosm experiment, Gran Canaria, Spain (2 months)
- Huinay Scientific Field Station, Patagonia, Chile (3 months)
- Divemaster at Al Dive dive centre, Loubiere, Dominica (3 months)

Global

2011 - present

## Research cruises

10 EXPEDITIONS, 6 MONTHS AT SEA

- RVs Elisabeth Mann Borgese, Aranda, Alkor & Litorina
- VOS Finnmaid
- SVs HRIMFARE & Littorina

Baltic Sea

2011 - 2020

## Sailor

BOAT DRIVER, SAFETY AND RADIO CERTIFICATES

- Member of the Academic Sailing Association in Kiel (ASViK e.V.)
- Several sailing campaigns including two ocean crossings
- Owner of SV Tina V (2019 - 2022)

Global

2010 - present

# Net academic age and career breaks

## Net academic age (work time since PhD in full-time equivalent)

4 years and 11 months

## Total career breaks applicable to biological age (full-time equivalent)

4 years and 2 months

## Breaks since PhD

8 months

PARENTAL LEAVE (2 MONTHS, 100% WORKLOAD REDUCTION)

07 / 2019 - 08 / 2019

CHILD CARE (2 MONTHS, 25% WORKLOAD REDUCTION)

09 / 2019 - 10 / 2019

PARENTAL LEAVE (2 MONTHS, 100% WORKLOAD REDUCTION)

01 / 2020 - 02 / 2020

PARENTAL LEAVE (3 MONTHS, 33% WORKLOAD REDUCTION)

07 / 2022 - 09 / 2022

CHILD CARE (4 MONTHS, 40% WORKLOAD REDUCTION)

03 / 2023 - 06 / 2023

CHILD CARE (4 MONTHS, 10% WORKLOAD REDUCTION)

09 / 2023 - 12 / 2023

## Breaks before PhD

3 years and 4 months

CIVIL SERVICE ABROAD (ARCHE, DIJON, FRANCE)

07 / 2005 - 06 / 2006

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION (GROWTOGETHER E.V., MONGOLIA)

08 / 2007 - 09 / 2007

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION (GROWTOGETHER E.V., GHANA)

03 / 2008 - 04 / 2008

BIOLOGICAL STUDIES AS ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR MSc IN BIOLOGICAL OCEANOGRAPHY

09 / 2009 - 08 / 2010

LEAD OF OFFSHORE SAILING TRAINING CAMPAIGN (ASV IN KIEL E.V., ATLANTIC OCEAN)

09 / 2012 - 08 / 2013

## PEER REVIEWED

DeVries, T. et al.: Magnitude, Trends, and Variability of the Global Ocean Carbon Sink From 1985 to 2018, *Global Biogeochemical Cycles*, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023GB007780>, 2023.

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Kappel, E. et al.: Introduction to Frontiers in Ocean Observing, *Oceanography*, <https://doi.org/10.5670/oceanog.2023.s1.1>, 2023.

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Rodgers, K. B. et al.: Seasonal Variability of the Surface Ocean Carbon Cycle: A Synthesis, *Global Biogeochemical Cycles*, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023GB007798>, 2023.

Yasunaka, S. et al.: An Assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> Uptake in the Arctic Ocean From 1985 to 2018, *Global Biogeochemical Cycles*, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023GB007806>, 2023.

Dai, M. et al.: Carbon Fluxes in the Coastal Ocean: Synthesis, Boundary Processes, and Future Trends, *Annual Review of Earth and Planetary Sciences*, <https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-earth-032320-090746>, 2022.

Lauvset, S. K. et al.: GLODAPv2.2022: The latest version of the global interior ocean biogeochemical data product, *Earth System Science Data*, <https://doi.org/10.5194/essd-14-5543-2022>, 2022.

Poulter, B. et al.: Inventorying Earth's Land and Ocean Greenhouse Gases, *Eos*, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2022eo179084>, 2022.

Honkanen, M. et al.: The diurnal cycle of pCO<sub>2</sub> in the coastal region of the Baltic Sea, *Ocean Science*, <https://doi.org/10.5194/os-17-1657-2021>, 2021.

Jacobs, E. et al.: Upwelling-induced trace gas dynamics in the Baltic Sea inferred from 8 years of autonomous measurements on a ship of opportunity, *Biogeosciences*, <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-18-2679-2021>, 2021.

Müller, J. D. et al.: Cyanobacteria net community production in the Baltic Sea as inferred from profiling pCO<sub>2</sub> measurements, *Biogeosciences*, <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-18-4889-2021>, 2021.

Sanders, T. et al.: Decoupling salinity and carbonate chemistry: Low calcium ion concentration rather than salinity limits calcification in Baltic Sea mussels, *Biogeosciences*, <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-18-2573-2021>, 2021.

Wanninkhof, R. et al.: A Surface Ocean CO<sub>2</sub> Reference Network, SOCONET and Associated Marine Boundary Layer CO<sub>2</sub> Measurements, *Frontiers in Marine Science*, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2019.00400>, 2019.

Müller, J. D. and Rehder, G.: Metrology of pH Measurements in Brackish Waters—Part 2: Experimental Characterization of Purified meta-Cresol Purple for Spectrophotometric pH<sub>T</sub> Measurements, *Frontiers in Marine Science*, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2018.00177>, 2018.

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Müller, J. D. et al.: Spectrophotometric pH measurements in the presence of dissolved organic matter and hydrogen sulfide: Perturbations of spec pH measurements, *Limnology and Oceanography: Methods*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/lom3.10227>, 2018b.

Staudinger, C. et al.: A versatile optode system for oxygen, carbon dioxide, and pH measurements in seawater with integrated battery and logger: A versatile optode system for O<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, and pH, *Limnology and Oceanography: Methods*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/lom3.10260>, 2018.

Wahl, M. et al.: Macroalgae may mitigate ocean acidification effects on mussel calcification by increasing pH and its fluctuations: Biogenic fluctuations mitigate OA effects, *Limnology and Oceanography*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/lno.10608>, 2018.

Fritzsche, E. et al.: Highly sensitive poisoning-resistant optical carbon dioxide sensors for environmental monitoring, *Analytical Methods*, <https://doi.org/10.1039/C6AY02949C>, 2017.

Saderne, V. et al.: Intense pCO<sub>2</sub> and [O<sub>2</sub>] Oscillations in a Mussel-Seagrass Habitat: Implications for Calcification., *Biogeosciences Discussions*, <https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-2017-351>, 2017.

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Wahl, M. et al.: A mesocosm concept for the simulation of near-natural shallow underwater climates: The Kiel Outdoor Benthocosms (KOB): Mesocosms with natural fluctuations and delta treatments, *Limnology and Oceanography: Methods*, <https://doi.org/10.1002/lom3.10055>, 2015.

## IN REVIEW

Perez, F. F. et al.: An assessment of CO<sub>2</sub> storage and sea-air fluxes for the Atlantic Ocean and Mediterranean Sea between 1985 and 2018, in review, *Global Biogeochemical Cycles*, 2023.

Resplandy, L. et al.: A Synthesis of Global Coastal Ocean Greenhouse Gas Fluxes, in review, *Global Biogeochemical Cycles*, <https://doi.org/10.22541/essoar.168182303.39621839/v1>, 2023.

Terhaar, J. et al.: Assessment of Global Ocean Biogeochemistry Models for Ocean Carbon Sink Estimates in RECCAP2 and Recommendations for Future Studies, *Preprints*, <https://doi.org/10.22541/essoar.168394734.41886821/v1>, 2023.

## BOOKS

Schneider, B. and Müller, J. D.: *Biogeochemical Transformations in the Baltic Sea*, Springer International Publishing, Cham, <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-61699-5>, 2018.

## THESIS

Müller, J. D.: *Ocean acidification in the Baltic Sea : Involved processes, metrology of pH in brackish waters, and calcification under fluctuating conditions*, Dissertation, Universität Rostock, [https://doi.org/10.18453/rosdok\\_id00002303](https://doi.org/10.18453/rosdok_id00002303), 2018.

## DATASETS

Müller, J. D.: RECCAP2-ocean data collection, <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7990823>, 2023.

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

# Teaching experience

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## Global Biogeochemical Cycles and Climate (with Nicolas Gruber & Meike Vogt)

*ETH Zurich*

### TUTORIALS:

*SS 2022 & SS 2023*

- Seawater chemistry
- Circulation of the ocean and atmosphere
- Ocean carbon cycle
- Terrestrial carbon cycle

## Analytical and Environmental Chemistry I (with Gregor Rehder)

*University of Rostock*

### LECTURES:

*SS 2019*

- Dissolved Gases
- Water

## Analytical Chemistry IV: Environmental Chemistry (with Gregor Rehder)

*University of Rostock*

### LECTURES:

*WS 2018/19*

- Dissolved Gases
- Current topic: Baltic Sea Biogeochemistry

# Funding

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## SPECTROPHABS

SPECTROPHOTOMETRIC PH-MEASUREMENTS FOR MONITORING OF MARINE ACIDIFICATION IN THE BALTIC SEA

- co-applicant

## Early-Career Grant

FINANCIAL AND OUTREACH SUPPORT FOR BLOOMSAIL EXPEDITION

## Academic Scholarships

MULTIPLE FUNDINGS GRANTED INDEPENDENTLY

- PhD scholarship (ideational)
- Full student scholarship
- Field work grant, Patagonia, Chile
- Advanced English course, Bath, England
- Summer academy, San Giovanni, Italy

BSH

2019-2022

National Geographic Society

2018

German Academic Scholarship  
Foundation

2010 - 2018

# Honors and Awards

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## Briese Award

OUTSTANDING PHD THESIS IN MARINE RESEARCH

Shipping company Briese

2019

## Dissertation award

OUTSTANDING PHD THESIS IN WATER CHEMISTRY, SPONSORED BY WALTER-KÖLLE FOUNDATION

German Water Chemical Society

2019

## Dissertation award

OUTSTANDING PHD THESIS IN BALTIC SEA SCIENCE

Baltic Sea Research Foundation

2019

## Best poster award

FOR PRESENTATION BY NEWCOMERS

Baltic Sea Science Congress

2017

## Book-price

FOR EXTRAORDINARY ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE ABITUR

Bertha-von-Suttner Gymnasium

2005