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Ph.D. Atmospheric Sciences Georgia Institute of Technology, 1995.

M. S. Aeronomy University of Michigan, 1989

B. Sc. Physics, Astronomy SUNY at Stony Brook, 1984

Honors and Synergistic Activities

2012 -present FOSTERRS Interagency Oil Spill Response Task Force Member

2010 JSOST Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Conference Panel Member

2010 -2011 US Govt., Deepsea Plume Modeling Team Member

2010 Panel Member Blue Ocean Film Festival

2010 US Govt., Mass Balance Calculator Team Member

2010 Deep Spill 2 Study Team Leader

2010 US Govt., Technical Flow Rate Team Member

2010 BBC "How the Earth Changed History, Episode. Human Planet." Interview.

2008 History Channel Show "Catastrophe. Episode: Planet of Fire." Interview.

2007 History Channel Show "Methane Explosion." Interview.

2006, 2007 Yuan Lin Science Program, bubbleology presentation and lab experiment.

2006-2008 Marine Science Advisory Committee

2006 CNN Interview on hydrate destabilization and catastrophic seepage

2005 SB Museum of Natural History Geophysics Festival - bubbleology and seeps table.

2004 Participant in Discovery Channel Episode "Diving to Bermuda " on Bermuda Triangle and Marine Seeps

2003 Summer Session Lecture/Mentor

2003 Gulf of Mexico, Hydrates Research Consortium Member.

2002 Participation in Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History Bubble Festival.

2001-2004 Strathmore's Who's Who.

2001 Consulting Science Editor to Odyssey Science Magazine, Bubbleology issue - July.

1997 - 2000 Mentoring a doctoral student in researching bubble microphysics at the National University of Ireland, Galway.

2000 - present Development and maintenance of the www.bubbleology.com web site describing aspects of bubble research and hydrodynamics. The site has generated downloads and inquiries from all over the world including developing countries.

Employment

2014 – Present CEO Bubbleology Research International

2014 – 2014 Research Associate 1, Marine Sciences Institute and Institute of Crustal Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA

2017-2014 Associate Researcher 3, Marine Sciences Institute and Institute of Crustal Studies, University of California,

Santa Barbara, CA.

2008 – 2017 Associate Researcher 2, Marine Sciences Institute and Institute of Coastal Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA.

2006 - 2008 Associate Researcher 1, Marine Sciences Institute and Institute of Coastal Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA.

2005 - 2006 Assistant Researcher 4, Marine Sciences Institute and Institute of Coastal Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA.

2003 - 2005 Assistant Researcher 3, Marine Sciences Institute, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA.

2001 - 2003 Assistant Researcher I, Marine Sciences Institute and Chemical Engineering Department, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA.

Sept 1999 - 2001 Post-Doctoral Researcher, Chemical Engineering Department, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA.

Jun 1998-Aug 1999 Visiting Scientist, TNO Physics and Electronics Laboratory, The Hague, The Netherlands.

Jan 1996-Jun 1998 Post-Doctoral Researcher, Martin Ryan Institute of Marine Science, National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland.

1993 – Dec 1995 NORCUS Graduate Research Assistant, Georgia Institute of Technology, School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Atlanta, Georgia.

1992 - 1993 NORCUS Graduate Research Assistant, Battelle Marine Sciences Laboratory, Physical Oceanography, Sequim, Washington.

1990 - 1992 Graduate Research Assistant, Georgia Institute of Technology, School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Atlanta, Georgia.

1985 - 1989 Graduate Research Assistant, University of Michigan, Atmospheric Oceanic and Space Sciences Department, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

1984 - 1984 Research Technician, State University of New York at Stony Brook, Low Temperature Physics Laboratory, Stony Brook, New York.

Active Research Areas

Arctic methane emissions processes. Methane and oil slick remote sensing. Atmospheric air pollution and methane measurements. Bubble chemico-hydrodynamics. Breaking wave bubble plumes. Bubble formation. Bubble observations (sonar, video) of marine hydrocarbon seep bubble plumes. Hydrocarbon seep gas and oil geochemistry. Field studies of oil slick evolution. Numerical modeling of bubble processes. Numerical modeling of oil slick evolution. Oil droplet and oily bubble hydrodynamics. Turbulence visualization and digital particle imaging velocimetry (DPIV). Slick microbial processes. Bubble music.

Major Cruise/Campaign Participation

COMEX Airborne Campaign 6-9/2014. Multi-aircraft NASA/ESA campaign to measure methane from S. California sources Lead PI.

RV Pelican. 10/2010. Hydrate observatory sonar deployment. MC118, Gulf of Mexico. Participant scientist.

North Sea 22/4b Expedition, 8/2010, Chief Scientist

Expedition Methane America!! 10/2010. Lead PI/Chief Scientist, Transcontinental surface methane measurements.

NASA ER2, Aerospace Twin Otter 5/2010. Airborne response to the Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill, lead PI/Chief mission coordinating scientist

RV Cormorant and SeBASS Twin Otter, 4/2010. Hyperspectral methane plume characterization. Lead scientist, Coal Oil Pt CA.

RV Cormorant, 10/2009. In situ mass spectrometer and gas chromatograph characterization of dissolved hydrocarbon plumes from natural seepage. Coal Oil Pt, CA.

RV Kvichak, 9/2009. Bubble and bubble plume and biological characterization of marine seepage, Grays Harbor, WA.

RV Brooks McCall, 7/2009. Bubble measurements at hydrate seepage and plume characterization, Gulf of Mexico.

R/V Jan Mayen, 5/2009. Bubble calanus fisheries technology. Norway

R/V Zephyr, Coal Oil Pt, CA, 3/2008 - Seep methane in the water and atmosphere using sonar (USGS), field gas chromatograph measurements, and coordination with NASA overflight in-situ methane sampling - Chief Scientist.

R/V Garibaldi, Summerland, CA 10/2005. Follow-up, quantification of oil emissions from natural seeps and abandoned oil wells - chief scientist.

R/V Velero - Delta Submersible, Coal Oil Point, CA 9/2005. Submarine cruise to study marine hydrocarbon seeps - Co-chief scientist.

R/V Shearwater, Coal Oil Pt, CA, 3/2005 - Seep methane in the water column and atmosphere using sonar, in-situ FID measurements, and remote sensing techniques - Chief Scientist.

Garibaldi, Summerland, CA, 11/2003 - Quantification of oil emissions from natural seeps and abandoned oil wells.

Point Sur, Pt Conception, CA, 3/2002 - Location of marine hydrocarbon seeps.

Seward/Johnson RV Link, Gulf of Mexico, 7/2001 - Seep bubble visualization, tracking bubble plume.

RV/Edwin Link Gulf of Mexico, 8/2000 - Seep bubble visualization from submersible.

Spirit of Santa Barbara - Santa Barbara Channel - 11/2001 - Geochemical and bubble visualization of a diver accessible hydrocarbon seep - Chief Scientist.

Peer-Reviewed Publications Public version: manuscripts in progress or still unpublished are omitted. DOI links are included for published work.

Leifer, I., et al., 2025. Air pollution from the Los Angeles and Long Beach Ports: Part 2. Methane emissions. Atmospheric Environment. doi:10.1016/j.atmosenv.2025.121636.

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129. Leifer, I., 2023. Decadal cyclical geological atmospheric emissions for a major marine seep field, offshore Coal Oil Point, Southern California. Scientific Reports, 13, 3035. doi:10.1038/s41598-023-28067-4.

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127. Leifer, I., C. Melton, W.J. Daniel, J.D. Kim, C. Marston, (2022). An inverse planned oil release validation method for estimating oil slick thickness from thermal contrast remote sensing with in-scene calibration, MethodsX, 10.1016/j.mex/2022.101756

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125. Leifer, I., C. Melton, K.N. Buckland, D.M. Tratt, 2022. Airborne trace gas remote sensing and surface mobile in situ: A novel tool for the study of structural geological controls from a producing oil field, SPE Production and Operations, 37(4), 654-663. doi: 10.2118/209799-PA.
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123. Leifer, I., C. Melton, W. Daniel, J. Deok-Kim, C. Marston (2022), Method for estimating oil slick thickness from thermal contrast remote sensing with in scene calibration, MethodsX, 9, 101756. doi:10.1016/j.mex.2022.101756
122. Leifer I., Oil at Sea: How much is too much? (2022) Science, 376(6599), 1266-1267. doi:10.1126/science.abp8666
121. Leifer, I., C. Melton, W.J. Daniel, D.M. Tratt, P.D. Johnson, K.N. Buckland J. Deok-Kim, C. Marston (2022) Measuring floating thick oil from a seep in the Coal Oil Point natural marine hydrocarbon seep field by quantitative thermal oil slick remote sensing. Remote Sensing, 14, 2813. doi:10.3390/rs14122813
120. Baumberger, T., I. Leifer, M. Scherwarth, S. Joye, 2022. Editorial: Recent advances in natural methane seep and gas hydrate systems. Frontiers in Earth Science, 10, 868609. doi:10.3389/feart.2022.868609.
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103. Zhang, M., I. Leifer, C. Hu 2017. Challenges in methane column retrievals from AVIRIS NG imagery over spectrally cluttered surfaces: A sensitivity analysis. *Transactions of Geoscience and Remote Sensing*, 9(8), 835, doi:10.3390/rs9080835.
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Distantionnogo Zondirovaniya Zemli iz Kosmosa), 13(2) 173-183.

96 Yurganov, L., I. Leifer, C. Lund-Myrhe, 2016. Seasonal and interannual variability of atmospheric methane over Arctic Ocean from satellite data. Current Problems in Remote Sensing of Earth from Space (Sovremennye Problemy Distantionnogo Zondirovaniya Zemli iz Kosmosa), 13(2) 107-119.

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Research Experience

Experience was gained in developing and deploying a video based system for observing bubble plumes with Dr. Peter Bowyer as a postdoctoral researcher at the National University of Ireland, Galway. Responsibilities included circuit and

physical design, purchasing, developing computer algorithms, managing technical staff, and trouble shooting. Experience in image processing and analysis of bubble plumes was also gained. During this time period, further modeling experience was gained as a result of additional model development in collaboration with Dr. William E. Asher.

Experience was gained in theoretical and computational modeling of bubble mediated air-sea gas transfer gained under research conducted by Dr. William E. Asher for U. S. Department of Energy, Office of Health and Environmental Research. Laboratory experience was gained in measuring air-sea gas transfer including gas chromatography. The primary focus was the development a computer model for predicting the bubble component of air-sea gas transfer. The model has been validated by comparison of theoretical predictions with experimental measurements. Model development continued at Georgia Institute of Technology under the guidance of Dr. Bob Roper and Dr. William E. Asher.

Experience was gained in molecular ion spectroscopy working under Dr. Fred Eisle, while a graduate student at Georgia Institute of Technology, prior to beginning work with Dr. William E. Asher. Research responsibilities primarily involved measurements and technical support.

At the University of Michigan, plasma physics in the upper atmosphere and magnetosphere was studied, while a graduate student. The study of plasma physics was continued at Georgia Institute of Technology through the completion of a minor in fusion physics.

Experience was gained in cryogenics under Dr. Chaz Archie in the Low Temperature Physics Laboratory, while an undergraduate senior at the State University of New York, Stony Brook.

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