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Education

10/2021 PhD (Geophysics), California Institute of Technology, Pasadena CA
06/2019 MSc (Geophysics), California Institute of Technology, Pasadena CA
12/2014 PhB (Physics), Australian National University, Canberra ACT
1st class honours with the University Medal

Professional Positions

03/2022–Present Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellow, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
03/2022–Present Junior Research Fellow, Wolfson College, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
01/2021–02/2022 Visiting Researcher, Australian National University, Canberra ACT, Australia
06/2015–10/2021 Graduate Student Researcher, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena CA, USA
01/2012–01/2013 Intern Researcher, Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organization, Lucas Heights NSW, Australia

Currently Active Projects

TerraPINN: Toward fully physics based probabilistic seismic hazard assessment using physics informed neural networks
with: Tarje Nissen-Meyer (Oxford Earth Sciences)

Soil seismology and bioacoustic signatures
with: Tarje Nissen-Meyer (Oxford Earth Sciences), Simon Jeffery (Harper-Adams Soil Ecology)

Extracting macroseismic observables from historical manuscripts using natural language processing
with: Federico Nanni, Kasra Hosseini and Mariona Ardanuy (Alan Turing Institute), Maria Tsekhmistrenko (University College London)

Semi-supervised learning via the eikonal equation
with: Ollie Dunbar (Caltech Climate Dynamics), Andrew Stuart (Caltech Applied Mathematics)

Publications

- In review *Bayesian eikonal tomography using Gaussian processes*,
J.B. Muir
- 08/2023 *False positives are common in single-station template matching*,
J. B. Muir, B. Fernando & Elizabeth Barrett, *Seismica* (2023) 2(2), <https://doi.org/10.26443/seismica.v2i2.385>
- 07/2023 *A deep Gaussian process model for seismicity background rates*,
J. B. Muir & Z. E. Ross, *GJI*, (2023) 234 (1): 427–438, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggad074>
- 09/2022 *Long-wavelength topography and multi-scale velocity heterogeneity at the core-mantle boundary*,
J.B. Muir et al., *GRL*, (2022) e2022GL099943, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2022GL099943>
- 04/2022 *Wavefield-based evaluation of DAS instrument response and array designs*,
J.B. Muir & Z. Zhan, *GJI*, (2022) 229 (1): 21–34, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggab439>
- 02/2022 *Parsimonious velocity inversion applied to the Los Angeles Basin, CA*,
J.B. Muir et al., *JGR: Solid Earth*, (2022) 127 (2): e2021JB023103, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021JB023103>
- 01/2022 *Sub-kilometer correlation between near-surface structure and ground motion measured with distributed acoustic sensing*,
Y. Yang et al., *GRL*, (2022) 49 (1): e2021GL096503, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021GL096503>
- 01/2022 *HypoSVI - Hypocentral earthquake location analysis using machine learning based Stein variational gradient descent*,
J. Smith et al., *GJI*, (2022) 228 (1): 698–710, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggab309>
- 10/2021 *Seismic wavefield reconstruction using a preconditioned wavelet-curvelet compressive sensing approach*,
J.B. Muir & Z. Zhan, *GJI*, (2021) 227 (1): 303–315, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggab222>
- 12/2020 *Probabilistic lowermost mantle P-Wave tomography from hierarchical Hamiltonian Monte Carlo and model parametrisation cross-validation*,
J.B. Muir & H. Tkalčić, *GJI*, (2020) 223 (3): 1630–1643, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggaa397>
- 02/2020 *Geometric and level set tomography using ensemble Kalman inversion*
J.B. Muir & V.C. Tsai, *GJI* (2020) 220 (2): 967–980, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggz472>
- 01/2020 *Did Oldham discover the core after all? Handling imprecise historical data with hierarchical Bayesian model selection methods*,
J.B. Muir & V.C. Tsai, *SRL* (2020) 91 (3): 1377–1383, <https://doi.org/10.1785/0220190266>
- 09/2017 *Rayleigh wave H/V via noise cross-correlation in Southern California*,
J.B. Muir & V.C. Tsai, *BSSA* (2017) 107 (5): 2021–2027, <https://doi.org/10.1785/0120170051>

- 12/2015 *Strong, multi-scale heterogeneity in Earth's lowermost mantle*,
H. Tkalčić et al. Sci. Rep. (2016) 5: 18416, <https://doi.org/10.1038/srep18416>
- 11/2015 *Spherical harmonic analysis in the geosciences via Bayesian inference*,
J.B. Muir & H. Tkalčić, GJI (2015) 203 (2): 1164–1171, <https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggv361>
- 07/2012 *A single-probe-beam double-heterodyne polarimeter-interferometer for plasma Faraday rotation measurements*,
J. Howard et al. JINST (2012) 7 P07009, <https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/7/07/p07009>

Funding Awarded

- 10/2022–09/2023 University Researcher Representative Fellowship
2,000.00 GBP
- 03/2022–10/2022 Alan Turing Institute Postdoctoral Enrichment Award
2,000.00 GBP
- 03/2022–03/2024 *TerraPINN: Toward fully physics based probabilistic seismic hazard assessment using physics informed neural networks*
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Individual Fellowship
Co-I Tarje Nissen-Meyer
224,933.76 EUR
- 08/2020–07/2023 *Improving the Interpretability of Tomographic Images Using Geologically Motivated Parametrizations*
National Science Foundation Award 2011079
PI Victor C. Tsai, JBM wrote scientific justification of proposal
255,859.00 USD
- 02/2020–03/2021 *Combining High-Resolution Local Models with the SCEC CVMS*
Southern California Earthquake Center Award 20024
PI Robert W. Clayton, JBM wrote scientific justification of proposal
23,460.00 USD
- 06/2015–06/2018 Origin Energy Foundation / General Sir John Monash Scholarship
180,000.00 AUD

Honours and Awards

- 02/2021 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship
- 02/2015 General Sir John Monash Scholarship
- 12/2014 ANU University Medal in Physics
- 12/2014 Director of Science Education Commendation (ANU)
- 12/2014 Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists ACT Branch Student Award
- 01/2014 ANU Dunbar Scholarship for Physics Honours
- 12/2013 Australian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society ACT Branch Student Award
- 12/2011,13 Dean's Science Commendation (ANU)

12/2010,11,13 ANU National Merit Scholarship

Invited Talks

- 05/2023 Searching for geological interfaces with seismology from the LA basin to Shropshire peat bogs,
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
- 10/2022 Solving seismic problems with prior knowledge,
Dublin Institute for Advanced Studies
- 06/2022 Solving seismic problems forwards and backwards by compressing the model,
University College London
- 03/2022 Better seismic models of the Los Angeles Basin using geologically informed tomography,
Weeks Lecture, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 03/2022 Curvelet based wavefield reconstruction - theory and applications from regional tomography to DAS / nodal integration,
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 12/2021 Seismic Wavefield Reconstruction using a Preconditioned Wavelet-Curvelet Compressive Sensing Approach,
American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting
- 12/2021 Wavefield Reconstruction-based evaluation of DAS instrument response and array design,
American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting
- 09/2021 Preconditioned Compressive Sensing for Wavefield Reconstruction,
Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists
- 12/2020 Level-set imaging of the Los Angeles Basin using the Community Seismic Network,
ETH Zürich
- 09/2020 Parsimoniously introducing high-resolution local updates into the SCEC CVMs using a level-set approach,
Southern California Earthquake Center workshop on “Multi-scale seismic velocity models—Imaging and validation studies”
- 06/2020 Imaging the Los Angeles Basin using the July 5 2019 Mw 7.1 Ridgecrest Earthquake,
Oxford University
- 01/2019 Geometric and Level Set Tomography using Ensemble Kalman Inversion,
Australian National University
- 11/2017 Rayleigh Wave H/V via Noise Cross-Correlation in Southern California,
Los Alamos National Laboratory

Conference Presentations

- 10/2022 A deep Gaussian Process Model for Seismicity Background Rates
StatSei12 Poster

- 05/2022 Curvelet based wavefield reconstruction - theory and applications to DAS / nodal integration,
SPIN-ITN workshop talk
- 09/2021 Parsimonious velocity inversion applied to the Los Angeles Basin, CA,
SCEC annual meeting poster
- 07/2021 Bayesian Joint Inversion Implies a Complex Multiscale Lowermost Mantle Overlaying Simple Core-Mantle Boundary Topography,
Goldschmidt Poster
- 03/2021 Level-set Imaging of the Los Angeles Basin using the Hierarchical Ensemble Kalman Sampling
SSA virtual tomography meeting talk
- 12/2020 Level-set imaging of the Los Angeles Basin using the Community Seismic Network,
AGU fall meeting talk
- 09/2020 A Level-Set Approach to Parsimoniously Updating the SCEC CVMs,
SCEC annual meeting poster
- 12/2019 Wavefield Reconstruction and Surface Wave Tomography from LassoCV,
AGU fall meeting talk
- 09/2019 Visualising the Ridgcrest Earthquakes using Wavefield Reconstruction,
SCEC annual meeting poster
- 12/2018 Taming the tomographic null space using geometric and level set parameterizations of the Earth,
AGU fall meeting talk
- 09/2018 Geometric and Level Set Tomography for Interface Detection in the Near Surface,
SCEC annual meeting poster
- 12/2017 Wavefield Reconstruction using Compressive Sensing and Distributed Acoustic Sensing,
AGU fall meeting poster
- 12/2016 Rayleigh Wave H/V via Noise Cross-Correlation in Southern California,
AGU fall meeting talk
- 12/2015 Joint Bayesian Tomography of the Core-Mantle Boundary Topography and Lowermost Mantle Velocity,
AGU fall meeting talk
- 12/2014 Spherical Harmonic Analysis via Bayesian Inference,
AGU fall meeting poster
- 09/2013 Bayesian inference applied to the differential rotation of Earth's inner core,
Australian Conference of Undergraduate Research poster
- 09/2012 A single-probe-beam double-heterodyne polarimeter-interferometer for plasma Faraday rotation measurements,
Australian Conference of Undergraduate Research poster

General Audience Publications

- 06/2021 *Interview,*
The Scholars Podcast
<https://player.whooshkaa.com/episode?id=842498>
- 05/2019 *Listening to the Heartbeat of our Planet,*
Caltech Letters
<https://caltechletters.org/science/historical-seismology>

Teaching Assistantships

- 10–12/2022 Oxford Year 3 *Vector Calculus*
- 04–06/2020 Caltech Ge264 *Machine Learning in Geophysics*
- 04–06/2019 Caltech Ge111B *Field Geophysics B*
- 01–03/2018 Caltech Ge162 *Seismology*
- 01–03/2017 Caltech Ge111A *Field Geophysics A*

Internships & Intensives

- 05/2022 SPIN-ITN Workshop and Short Course
- 07/2019 Dr. Lucy Jones Center for Science and Society Science Activation Workshop
- 06/2018 Gene Golub SIAM Summer School: Inverse Problems
- 11/2014–01/2015 Student Internship in Geophysics
Australian National University
- 11/2013–01/2014 Student Fellowship in Astrophysics
Australian Astronomical Observatory (AAO)
- 01/2012–01/2013 Year in Industry Internship in Condensed Matter Physics
Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO)
- 11/2011–01/2012 Summer Internship in Optics
Australian National University
- 07/2011 Winter School in Astronomy
Australian National University

Service Activities & Roles

- Journal Editing Seismica (Standards & Copy, *ad hoc* Handling)
- Journal Reviews Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Geophysical Research: Solid Earth, Geophysical Journal International, Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America, Pure and Applied Geophysics, Physical Review Research, Seismica
- 10/2022–Present Oxford Research and Innovation Committee Postdoctoral Representative
- 10/2022–Present Oxford Research Staff Consultation Group
- 10/2022–Present Oxford Mathematical, Physical & Life Sciences Research Staff Forum Co-Chair

12/2020 AGU General Seismology Session Co-Convener
08/2018–Present General Sir John Monash Foundation Reviewer
07/2016–07/2019 Caltech Graduate Student Council
Steering Committee 07/2017–07/2019
Treasurer 07/2018–07/2019
Academics Chair 07/2017–07/2018
07/2015–12/2020 Caltech Graduate Honor Council
02–09/2014 Australasian Conference for Undergraduate Research (ACUR) — Planning Committee

Professional Memberships & Roles

12/2016–Present Seismological Society of America
08/2014–Present American Geophysical Union
08/2014–Present Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists

References

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