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RESEARCH INTERESTS

predictability and dynamics of high impact weather, tropical meteorology, tropical cyclones, numerical weather prediction, ensemble forecasting, air-sea interaction

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Scientist I, Mesoscale and Microscale Meteorology Laboratory *2018–present*
National Center for Atmospheric Research

Postdoctoral Fellow, Advanced Study Program *2016–2017*
National Center for Atmospheric Research

Postdoctoral Associate *2015*
Department of Ocean Sciences, University of Miami

Research Assistant *2007–2014*
Division of Meteorology and Physical Oceanography, University of Miami

EDUCATION

Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science
University of Miami, Miami, Florida

Ph.D. in Meteorology & Physical Oceanography *2014*
Advisor: Shuyi S. Chen, Ph.D.

M.S. in Meteorology & Physical Oceanography *2009*
Advisor: Shuyi S. Chen, Ph.D.

Exchange Student at the University of Miami *2006–2007*

University of Leipzig, Leipzig, Germany
Vordiplom (intermediate exam) in Physics & Meteorology *2005*

AWARDS AND HONORS

Outstanding Publication Award, NCAR *2020*

Paper of the Year Award, Mesoscale and Microscale Meteorology Laboratory *2020*

Early Career Scientist Best Poster Award, 5th WGNE Workshop
on Systematic Errors in Weather and Climate Models *2017*

NCAR Strategic Capability Computing Support (3,000,000 Yellowstone core-hours) *2016*
Project Title: A Global High-Resolution Predictability Experiment with MPAS

NCAR Advanced Study Program Postdoctoral Fellowship *2015*

NOAA Climate and Global Change Postdoctoral Fellowship *2015 (declined)*

Best Student Seminar in Meteorology and Physical Oceanography, Rosenstiel School
of Marine and Atmospheric Science *2014*

- Outstanding Poster Presentation*, 94th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting, 26th Conference on Weather Analysis / 22nd Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, 2014
- Koczy Fellowship*, Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, Support for an outstanding graduate student in his/her final year. 2013
- Best Student Paper in Meteorology and Physical Oceanography*, Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, 2011

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- Judt, F., D. Klocke, R. Rios-Berrios, B. Vanniere, F. Ziemer, L. Auger, J. Biercamp, C. Bretherton, X. Chen, P. Düben, C. Hohenegger, M. Khairoutdinov, C. Kodama, L. Kornblüeh, S.-J. Lin, M. Nakano, P. Neumann, W. Putman, N. Röber, M. Roberts, M. Satoh, R. Shibuya, B. Stevens, P. L. Vidale, N. Wedi, and L. Zhou, 2021: Tropical Cyclones in Global Storm-Resolving Simulations. *J. Meteor. Soc. Japan*, **99**, doi:10.2151/jmsj.2021-029
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- E. A. D'Asaro, A. Y. Shcherbina, J. M. Klymak, J. Molemaker, G. Novelli, C. M. Guigand, A. C. Haza, B. K. Haus, E. H. Ryan, G. A. Jacobs, H. S. Huntley, N. J. M. Laxague, S. S. Chen, F. Judt, J. C. McWilliams, R. Barkan, A. D. Kirwan, Jr., A. C. Poje, and T. M. Ozgokmen, 2018: Ocean Convergence and the Dispersion of Flotsam. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, **115(6)**, 1162–1167, doi:10.1073/pnas.1718453115
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Jacobs, G. A., B. Bartels, D. Bogucki, F. J. Beron-Vera, S. S. Chen, E. F. Coelho, M. Curcic, A. Griffa, M. Gough, B. K. Haus, A.C. Haza, R. W. Helber, P. J. Hogan, H. Huntley, M. Iskandarani, **F. Judt**, A. D. Kirwan Jr., N. Laxague, A. Valle-Levinson, B. Lipphardt, A. Mariano, H. E. Ngodock, G. Novelli, M. J. Olascoaga, T. M. Ozgokmen, P. G. Thoppil, A. C. Poje, A. J. H. M. Reniers, C. D. Rowley, E. H. Ryan, S. R. Smith, P. L. Spence, and M. Wei, 2014: Data Assimilation Considerations for Improved Ocean Predictability during the Gulf of Mexico Grand Lagrangian Deployment (GLAD), *Ocean Model.*, **83**, 98–117. doi: 10.1016/j.ocemod.2014.09.003

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SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS

Judt, F., and Rosimar Rios-Berrios: Resolved Convection Improves the Representation of Equatorial Waves and Tropical Rainfall Variability in a Global Nonhydrostatic Model. Submitted to *Geophys. Res. Lett.* in March 2021.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

Stuart, N., G. Hartfield, D. M. Schulz, Katie Wilson, G. West, R. Hoffman, G. Lackmann, H. Brooks, P. Roebber, T. Bals-Elholtz, H. Obermeier, **F. Judt**, P. Market, D. Nietfeld, B. Telfeyan, D. DePodwin, J. Fries, E. Abrams, J. Shields: The Evolving Role of Humans in Weather Prediction and Communication. To be submitted to *Bull. Amer. Meteor. Soc.*

NON-REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- Judt, F.**, 2017: How strong can a hurricane get? *Physics Today*, doi:10.1063/PT.6.1.20170908a. <http://physicstoday.scitation.org/doi/10.1063/PT.6.1.20170908a/full/>
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- Judt, F.**, 2009: Convectively Generated Potential Vorticity in Rainbands and Secondary Eyewall Formation in Hurricanes (2009). *Open Access Theses*. Paper 214. http://scholarlyrepository.miami.edu/oa_theses/214
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- Judt, F.**, and S. S. Chen, 2007: Vortex Rossby Waves in Hurricanes Katrina and Rita (2005). *Eos Trans. AGU*, 88(52), Fall Meet. Suppl., Abstract A21C-0646.

TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

- 2021: Atmospheric Predictability Investigated With a Global Storm-Resolving Model. *OCP Seminar at Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory*, 12 March 2021, Boulder, CO (remote).
- 2020: Global Storm-Resolving Modeling. *NCAR Water Systems Retreat*, 1 February 2020, Boulder, CO.
- 2020: Atmospheric Predictability of the Tropics, Middle Latitudes, and Polar Regions Explored Through Global Storm-Resolving Simulations. *AMS Annual Meeting*, 4 January 2020, Boston, MA.
- 2019: Atmospheric Predictability Explored Through Global Storm-Resolving Simulations. *WWGNE-PDEF Workshop*, 3 September 2020, Boulder, CO.
- 2019: Insights into Atmospheric Predictability with Global Storm-Resolving Simulations. *IUGG 2019*, 11 July 2019, Montreal, Canada.
- 2019: Global Cloud-Resolving Models. *Workshop on Future Physics in Global Models*, 14 June 2019, Boulder, CO.
- 2018: Tropical Cyclones in Global Convection-Permitting MPAS Simulations. *2nd GEWEX Convection-Permitting Climate Modeling Workshop*, 5 September 2018, Boulder, CO.
- 2018: Insights into Atmospheric Predictability Through Global Cloud-Resolving Model Simulations. *Seminar at Monash University*, 23 February 2018, Melbourne, Australia.
- 2017: Using Stochastic Ensembles to Quantify the Predictability of Hurricane Intensity. *2nd Boulder Stochastics Meeting*, 22 August 2017, Boulder, CO.
- 2017: To what extent can we predict the weather? *Seminar at the University of Oklahoma*, 4 May 2017, Norman, OK.
- 2017: For how long can we predict the weather? *MMM Seminar*, 19 April 2017, Boulder, CO.

2016: Predictability of Tropical Cyclone Intensity.

MMM Seminar, 24 March 2016, Boulder, CO.

2015: Using Stochastic Ensembles to Better Understand Hurricane Predictability.

Hurricane Ensemble Workshop, 17 November 2015, Miami, FL.

2015: Predictability of Tropical Cyclone Intensity.

Seminar at the National Hurricane Center, 19 February 2015, Miami, FL.

2014: Rapid Intensification in Tropical Cyclones - Physical Mechanisms from High-Resolution Models and Ensembles.

Prediction of Tropical Cyclone Rapid Intensity Change (RIC) Workshop, 18–20 November 2014, Miami, FL.

Conference Presentations (within the last three years)

2019: Cyclone Prediction Across Scales With Global Storm-Resolving Models. *9th Cyclone Workshop*, Seon, Germany. [talk]

2019: The Model for Prediction Across Scales (MPAS). *2nd DYAMOND Workshop and Hackathon*, Mainz, Germany. [talk]

2019: Error Growth in a Global Storm-Resolving Model. *Boulder Stochastics Meeting*, Boulder, CO. [talk]

2019: Advancing the Science and Prediction of Weather with Global Storm-Resolving Models. *NCAR Day of Science and Discovery*, Boulder, CO. [talk]

2019: Tropical Cyclones in Global Storm-Resolving Simulations. *ICMCS-XIII*, Okinawa, Japan. [talk]

2019: Tropical Cyclones and Tropical Waves in Global Storm-Resolving Simulations . *Understanding Clouds and Precipitation 2019*, Berlin, Germany. [talk]

2018: Tropical Cyclones in Convection-Permitting MPAS Simulations. *2018 Joint WRF/MPAS Users' Workshop*, Boulder, CO. [talk]

2018: Insights into Atmospheric Predictability Through Global Convection-Permitting Model Simulations. *25th Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction*, Denver, CO. [talk]

2018: The Extreme Intensification and Predictability of 2015's Hurricane Patricia. *33rd Conference on Hurricanes and Tropical Meteorology*, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. [talk]

2018: What is the ultimate limit of weather prediction? — Insights into atmospheric predictability through global cloud-resolving simulations. *Understanding and Modelling Atmospheric Processes*, Lorne, Australia. [poster]

For how long can we predict the weather? *1st Colorado Science Day at the State Capitol*, Denver, CO. [poster]

2017: Effect of Model Error on the Predictability of Hurricane Intensity. *5th WGNE Workshop on Systematic Errors in Weather and Climate Models*, Montreal, Canada. [poster]

2017: For how long can we predict the weather? — Insights into atmospheric predictability from global convection-allowing simulations. *5th WGNE Workshop on Systematic Errors in Weather and Climate Models*, Montreal, Canada. [poster]

2017: A global high-resolution predictability experiment using MPAS. *18th Annual WRF Users' Workshop*, Boulder, CO. [talk]

2017: For how long can we predict the weather? *EGU General Assembly 2017*, Vienna, Austria. [talk]

and S. S. Chen, 2017: Concentric Eyewalls in RAINEX and TC Modeling. *2017 AMS Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA. [talk]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

National Center for Atmospheric Research

Scientist I

2018–current

- Conducting basic research to improve the prediction of high-impact weather.
- Using next-generation global weather models, including the Model for Prediction Across Scales (MPAS) to investigate the predictability of hurricanes and other severe weather phenomena on time scales from days to weeks.
- Developing new techniques to analyze data from high-resolution model simulations. Collaborating within NCAR and the scientific community to further understanding of atmospheric predictability, dynamics of extreme weather phenomena, numerical weather prediction and tropical meteorology research.

National Center for Atmospheric Research

ASP Postdoctoral Fellow

2016–2017

- Analyzed error growth in convection-allowing global model simulations to investigate atmospheric predictability from convective to planetary scales.

University of Miami

Postdoctoral Associate

2015–2015

- Examined the predictability and dynamics of tropical cyclone rapid intensification with stochastic numerical model ensembles.
- Evaluated output from a coupled ocean-wave-atmosphere model with buoy observations to better understand atmosphere-ocean interactions in the Gulf of Mexico.

University of Miami

Research Assistant

2008–2014

- Ph.D.-Thesis research: Quantified the predictability of tropical cyclone intensity with high-resolution numerical model ensembles.
- Investigated interactions between deep convection and the environment during initiation of the Madden-Julian Oscillation (MJO) using field experiment observations.
- M.S.-Thesis research: Examined numerical model output and aircraft observations to highlight the role of convectively generated potential vorticity in the secondary eyewall formation in Hurricane Rita of 2005.

University of Miami

International Research Scholar

2007

- Analyzed numerical model output and aircraft observations to study vortex Rossby waves and their impact on the intensity changes of Hurricanes Rita and Katrina of 2005.

TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE

National Center for Atmospheric Research

Research Mentor

2016, 2017, 2018

- Designed a research project for and mentored an undergraduate student through the *Significant Opportunities in Atmospheric Research and Science (SOARS)* program.

University of Miami

Teaching Assistant

2009

- Prepared lectures and graded homework/exams for MSC 243 *Introduction to Weather Forecasting* (undergraduate level).
Instructor: Sharanya Majumdar, Ph.D.

FIELD WORK EXPERIENCE

Grand Lagrangian Deployment (GLAD), Surfzone Coastal Oil Pathways Experiment (SCOPE), Lagrangian Submesoscale Experiment (LASER)

Miami, FL

2012, 2013, 2016

- Provided daily weather/ocean current/wave forecasts to assist with ship/aircraft operations and drifter deployments in the Gulf of Mexico.

Dynamics of the Madden-Julian Oscillation (DYNAMO)

Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory

2011

- Processed dropsondes in realtime onboard NOAA's WP-3D research aircraft (6 flights, 200 dropsondes, 52:30 h total flight hours).
- Briefed PI team/aircraft crew with daily weather reports to optimize flight plans.

Weather In-Situ Deployment Optimization Method (WISDOM)

Florida Keys

2008-2010

- Prepared and launched super-pressure balloons that observe data-sparse regions to improve hurricane track forecasts.

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Editor, Journal of the Meteorological Society of Japan	2019–2020
Organizer, Thompson Lecture Series, Advanced Study Program, NCAR	2017
Convener and Session Chair, 2016 AGU Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA	2016
Organizer, Research Review Seminars Series, Advanced Study Program, NCAR	2016
President, Greater Miami Chapter of the AMS	2009–2015
Student Seminar Committee (Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science)	2012–2014

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Participated in the 1st Colorado Science Day at the State Capitol in Denver, CO	2018
Participated in the <i>Canes on Canes</i> outreach program, a lecture series that presents hurricane information and preparedness techniques in an approachable way	2012–2015
Provided weather forecasts for the University of Miami's Special Project and Events Office	2012–2015
Led map discussions at NOAA's Hurricane Research Division in support of various field programs	2009–2015
Reviewed American Meteorological Society/Industry Minority Scholarship applications	2009–2015
Guided campus tours for prospective students on behalf of the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science Advancement Office	2010–2011

Judged high school students' research projects at the 2010 Miami-Dade County Science Fair 2010
Participated in an Outreach Video Campaign for the University of Miami 2009
[available online at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygWJCK2Ww4A>]
Speaker at the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science 2008
Hurricane Preparedness Colloquium in Anticipation of Hurricane Ike

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & ACTIVITIES

American Meteorological Society (AMS), Member 2007–present
Greater Miami Chapter of the AMS, Member 2007–2015
American Geophysical Union (AGU), Member 2007–present
Deutsche Meteorologische Gesellschaft (DMG), Member 2005–present
Reviewer for: *Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences*, *Monthly Weather Review*, *Journal of Geophysical Research*, *Geophysical Research Letters*, *Journal of Climate*, *Journal of Ocean Engineering and Science*

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Languages: English, French, Spanish, and German (native)
Computer Languages: MATLAB, NCL, Python, Fortran, shell scripting
Operating Systems: Macintosh, Windows, Linux and UNIX