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BACKGROUND

Nationality: United States of America.

OVERVIEW

I am a Physical Oceanographer, with a PhD (2000) from Utrecht University. I also studied Geophysics at the same university. I was a postdoc at the Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research (IMAU) in Utrecht, and at Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO) in La Jolla. I have been working at Los Alamos National Laboratory since 2006. I am currently PI of the HiLAT project (High-Latitude Application and Testing of Earth System Models), a Science Focus Area funded by DOE's RGCM program.

PUBLICATION STATISTICS

38 publications in peer reviewed literature; H-factor: 15 (ResearcherID; 6/26/2018)

POSITIONS HELD

- 2016-present** Scientist 4, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM.
2006-2016 Scientist 3, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM.
2009-present Research Scientist, the New Mexico Consortium, Los Alamos, NM.
2003-2005 Postdoc, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, CA.
1999-2002 Postdoc, Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research Utrecht (IMAU) Utrecht, the Netherlands.

EDUCATION

- 2000** Ph.D., Utrecht University, Utrecht, the Netherlands (Physical Oceanography).
1995 M.Sc., Utrecht University, Utrecht, the Netherlands (Geophysics; *cum laude*).
1994 M.Sc., Utrecht University, Utrecht, the Netherlands (Physical Oceanography; *cum laude*).
1990 B.Sc., Utrecht University, Utrecht, the Netherlands (Geophysics; with honors).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Variability and stability of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation
- Agulhas Leakage and global impacts
- Topographically trapped barotropic variability
- Pacific Decadal Variability
- Dynamics of the Southern Ocean circulation
- Sediment transport and circulation in the Argentine Basin

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREE JOURNALS

- Cheng, W., **W. Weijer**, W. M. Kim, G. Danabasoglu, S. G. Yeager, P. R. Gent, D. Zhang, J. C. H. Chiang, and J. Zhang, 2018: Can the salt-advection feedback be detected in internal variability of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation? *Journal of Climate*, in press.
- Drake, H. F., A. K. Morrison, S. M. Griffies, J. L. Sarmiento, **W. Weijer**, and A. R. Gray, 2018: Lagrangian Timescales of Southern Ocean Upwelling in a Hierarchy of Model Resolutions. *Geophysical Research Letters*, **45**(2), 891-898.
- Tamsitt, V., H. F. Drake, A. K. Morrison, L. D. Talley, C. O. Dufour, A. R. Gray, S. M. Griffies, M. R. Mazloff, J. L. Sarmiento, J. Wang and **W. Weijer**, 2017: Spiraling pathways of global deep waters to the surface of the Southern Ocean. *Nature Communications* **8**, 172, doi:10.1038/s41467-017-00197-0.
- Weijer**, W., M. Veneziani, A. Stössel, M. W. Hecht, N. Jeffery, A. Jonko, T. Hodos, and H. Wang, 2017: Local atmospheric response to an open-ocean polynya in a high-resolution climate model. *Journal of Climate*, **30**, 1629-1641.
- Biastoch, A., J. Durgadoo, A. K. Morrison, E. van Sebille, **W. Weijer**, and Stephen M. Griffies, 2015: Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation covaries with Agulhas Leakage. *Nature Communications*, **6**, 10082, doi:10.1038/ncomms10082.
- Weijer**, W., M. E. Maltrud, W. B. Homoky, K. L. Polzin, and L. R. M. Maas, 2015: Eddy-driven sediment transport in the Argentine Basin: is the height of the Zapiola Rise hydrodynamically controlled? *Journal of Geophysical Research Oceans*, **120**, doi: 10.1002/2014JC010573.
- Downes, S. M., **W. Weijer**, N. Jeffery, M. Mazloff, and J. Russell, 2015: Southern Ocean dynamics and biogeochemistry in a changing climate: Introduction and overview. *Deep-Sea Research II*, **114**, 1-2. doi: 10.1016/j.dsr2.2015.02.013.
- Weijer**, W., 2015: Modal variability in the Southeast Pacific Basin: Energetics of the 2009 event. *Deep-Sea Research II*, **114**, 3-11, doi: 10.1016/j.dsr2.2012.10.002.
- van Sebille, E., P. Scussolini, J. Durgadoo, F. Peeters, A. Biastoch, **W. Weijer**, C. Turney, C. Paris, and R. Zahn, 2015: Ocean currents generate large footprints in marine palaeoclimate proxies. *Nature Communications*, **6**, 6521, doi:10.1038/ncomms7521.
- Weijer**, W., and E. van Sebille, 2014: Impact of Agulhas Leakage on the Atlantic overturning circulation in the CCSM4. *Journal of Climate*, **27**, 101-110.
- den Toom, M., H. A. Dijkstra, **W. Weijer**, M. W. Hecht, M. E. Maltrud, and E. van Sebille, 2014: Sensitivity of a strongly eddying global ocean to North Atlantic freshwater

- perturbations. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **44**, 464-481.
- Weijer, W.**, V. V. Zharkov, D. Nof, H. A. Dijkstra, W. P. M. de Ruijter, A. Terwisscha van Scheltinga, and F. Wubs, 2013: Agulhas ring formation as a barotropic instability of the retroflection. *Geophysical Research Letters*, **40**, 5435-5438, doi:10.1002/2013GL057751.
- Weijer, W.**, E. Muñoz, N. Schneider, and F. Primeau, 2013: Pacific Decadal Variability: Paced by Rossby Basin Modes? *Journal of Climate*, **26**, 1445-1456.
- Weijer, W.**, M. E. Maltrud, M. W. Hecht, H. A. Dijkstra, and M. Kliphus, 2012: Response of the Atlantic Ocean circulation to Greenland ice sheet melting in a strongly-eddying ocean model. *Geophysical Research Letters*, **39**, L09606, doi:10.1029/2012GL051611.
- Weijer, W.**, B. M. Sloyan, M. E. Maltrud, N. Jeffery, M. W. Hecht, C. A. Hartin, E. van Sebille, I. Wainer, and L. Landrum, 2012: The Southern Ocean and its Climate in CCSM4. *Journal of Climate*, **25**, 2652-2675.
- Muñoz, E., **W. Weijer**, S. Grodsky, S. C. Bates, and I. Wainer, 2012: Mean and variability of the tropical Atlantic Ocean in the CCSM4. *Journal of Climate*, **25**, 4860-4882.
- Muñoz, E., B. Kirtman, and **W. Weijer**, 2011: Varied representation of the Atlantic meridional overturning across multidecadal ocean reanalyses. *Deep Sea Research*, **58**, 1848-1857.
- Zharkov, V., D. Nof and **W. Weijer**, 2012: Retroflection from a double slanted coastline – a model for the Agulhas leakage variability. *Ocean Science*, **6**, 997-1011.
- Weijer, W.**, 2012: An almost-free barotropic mode in the Australian-Antarctic Basin. *Geophysical Research Letters*, **37**, L10602, doi: 10.1029/2010GL042657.
- Weijer, W.**, S. T. Gille and F. Vivier, 2009: Modal decay in the Australia-Antarctic Basin. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **39**, 2893-2909.
- Evans, K. J., D. W. I. Rouson, A. Salinger, M. A. Taylor, **W. Weijer** and J. B. White, 2009: A scalable and adaptable solution framework within components of the Community Climate System Model. *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, **5545**, 332-341.
- Weijer, W.**: 2008: Normal Modes of the Mascarene Basin. *Deep-Sea Research I*, **55**, 128-136.
- Weijer, W.**, S. T. Gille, F. Vivier and H. A. Dijkstra, 2007: Multiple oscillatory modes of the Argentine Basin. Part I: Statistical analysis. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **37**, 2855-2868.
- Weijer, W.**, S. T. Gille, F. Vivier and H. A. Dijkstra, 2007: Multiple oscillatory modes of the Argentine Basin. Part II: The spectral origin of basin modes. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **37**, 2869-2881.
- Weijer, W.**, and S. T. Gille, 2005: Energetics of wind-driven barotropic variability in the Southern Ocean. *Journal of Marine Research*, **63**, 1101-1125.
- Weijer, W.**, and S. T. Gille, 2005: Adjustment of the Southern Ocean to wind forcing on synoptic time scales. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **35**, 2076-2089.
- Weijer, W.**, 2005: High-frequency wind forcing of a channel model of the ACC: Normal mode excitation. *Ocean Modelling*, **9**, 31-50.
- Dijkstra, H. A., and **W. Weijer**, 2005: Stability of the global ocean circulation: basic bifurcation diagrams. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **35**, 933-948.
- Dijkstra, H. A., L. A. te Raa and **W. Weijer**, 2004: A systematic approach to determine thresholds of the ocean's thermohaline circulation. *Tellus*, **56A**, 362-370.
- Dijkstra, H. A., and **W. Weijer**, 2003: Stability of the global ocean circulation: the connection of equilibria in a hierarchy of models. *Journal of Marine Research*, **61**, 725-743.

- Weijer, W.**, H. A. Dijkstra, H. Oksuzoglu, F. W. Wubs and A. C. de Niet, 2003: A fully-implicit model of the global ocean circulation. *Journal of Computational Physics*, **192**, 452-470.
- Dijkstra, H. A., **W. Weijer** and J. D. Neelin, 2003: Imperfections of the three-dimensional thermohaline circulation: Hysteresis and unique-state regimes. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **33**, 2796-2814.
- Weijer, W.**, and H. A. Dijkstra, 2003: Multiple oscillatory modes of the global ocean circulation. *Journal Physical Oceanography*, **33**, 2197-2213.
- Weijer, W.**, W. P. M. de Ruijter, A. Sterl and S. S. Drijfhout, 2002: Response of the Atlantic overturning circulation to South Atlantic sources of buoyancy. *Global and Planetary Change*, **34**, 293-311.
- Weijer, W.**, and H. A. Dijkstra, 2001: A bifurcation study of the three-dimensional thermohaline ocean circulation: the double-hemispheric case. *Journal of Marine Research*, **59**, 599-631.
- Weijer, W.**, W. P. M. de Ruijter and H. A. Dijkstra, 2001: Stability of the Atlantic overturning circulation: Competition between Bering Strait freshwater flux and Agulhas heat and salt sources. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **31**, 2385-2402.
- Weijer, W.**, W. P. M. de Ruijter, H. A. Dijkstra and P. J. van Leeuwen, 1999: Impact of interbasin exchange on the Atlantic overturning circulation. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, **29**, 2266-2284.
- De Ruijter, W. P. M., A. Biastoch, S. S. Drijfhout, J. R. E. Lutjeharms, R. P. Matano, T. Pichevin, P. J. van Leeuwen and **W. Weijer**, 1999: Indian-Atlantic inter-ocean exchange: Dynamics, estimation and impact. *Journal of Geophysical Research*, **104**, 20885-20910.

PAPERS SUBMITTED

Kurtakoti, P. K., M. Veneziani, A. Stössel, and **W. Weijer**: Preconditioning and Formation of Maud Rise Polynyas in a High-Resolution Earth System Model. *Journal of Climate*.

PUBLICATIONS IN PREPARATION

- Weijer, W.**, and N. Schneider: Stochastic Resonance Paces 17-year mode of North Pacific Climate Variability in CCSM3. *Climate Dynamics*.
- Hecht, M. W., **W. Weijer**, G. Vallis, and C. Dawson: Partitioning of Southern Ocean heat transport between transient and standing eddies: Insight from an idealized multi-resolution study. *Ocean Modelling*.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Weijer, W.**, W. Maslowski, and P. R. Rasch, 2017: High Latitude Earth System Processes and Feedbacks; A White Paper for DOE's Regional and Global Climate Modeling (RGCM) program.
- Danabasoglu, G., M. F. de Jong, A. Karspeck, M. Lankhorst, M. Patterson, R. Perez, A. Schmittner, **W. Weijer**, S. Yeager, and R. Zhang, 2016: 2016 US AMOC Science Team Report on Progress and Priorities. A US CLIVAR Report, Report 2016-4, 178 pp.,

doi:10.5072/FK2125WB5P.

- Weijer, W.**, 2013: Modal variability in the Bellingshausen Basin. Contribution to the science highlights of the Associate Directorate for Theory, Simulation and Computation.
- Kinstle, C. M., and **W. Weijer**, 2012: An investigation of Bjerknes Compensation in the Southern Ocean in the CCSM4. SULI final report.
- Weijer, W.**, M. E. Maltrud, M. W. Hecht, H. A. Dijkstra, M. A. Klippehuis, 2012: The Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation and its sensitivity to enhanced runoff from the Greenland Ice Sheet. Contribution to the science highlights of the Associate Directorate for Theory, Simulation and Computation.
- Weijer, W.**, E. Muñoz, N. Schneider, and F. Primeau, 2011: Low-frequency variability of the climate system: A modal approach. Contribution to the highlights of the Associate Directorate for Theory, Simulation and Computation.
- Weijer, W.**, 2009: Modal variability of the Southern Ocean. Contribution to the science highlights of the Associate Directorate for Theory, Simulation and Computation.
- Evans, K. J., R. B. Lowrie, **W. Weijer**, C. L. Fryer and T. Evans, 2006: A New Generation of Algorithms for Coupled Physics Problems. White paper for the Modeling Complex Systems Grand Challenge.
- The Climate, Ocean and Sea Ice Modeling (COSIM) Team, 2006: Abrupt Climate Change. White paper for the Modeling Complex Systems Grand Challenge.
- The Climate, Ocean and Sea Ice Modeling (COSIM) Team, 2006: Predicting the Societal Impacts of Regional Climate Change: A Grand Challenge in Modeling Complex Systems.
- Weijer, W.**, 2000: Impact of interocean exchange on the Atlantic overturning circulation. Ph. D. thesis.
- Weijer, W.**, 1995: Impact of depth-dependent viscosity on multi-phase mantle circulation. M. Sc. thesis (Geophysics).
- Weijer, W.**, 1994: A phase-tracking model for the interaction between the overturning circulation and ice sheets. M. Sc. thesis (Physical Oceanography).

INVITED LECTURES

- 2015** University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom.
University of Reading, Reading, United Kingdom.
Met Office, Exeter, United Kingdom.
- 2014** University of California at Irvine, Irvine, CA.
- 2013** Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.
University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX.
University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa.
Ocean Gateways Past and Present conference, Jerusalem, Israel.
University of Nevada, Reno, NV.
- 2010** New Mexico Academy of Sciences, Albuquerque, NM.
CSIRO, Hobart, Australia.
- 2009** International Pacific Research Center, Honolulu, HI.

- University of California at Irvine, Irvine, CA.
 Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research, Utrecht, the Netherlands.
 Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research, Den Burg, the Netherlands.
- 2005** Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory, Liverpool, U.K.
 Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research, Utrecht, the Netherlands.
 Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM.
- 2004** National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO.
 Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA.
 Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Palisades, NY.
- 2002** AGU Fall Meeting.
- 2001** University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland.

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- Weijer, W.**, 2017: Fast spin-up of passive tracers in a mildly-turbulent ocean (Center for Earth and Space Sciences; \$60K).
- Jones, P. W., P. R. Rasch, and **W. Weijer**, 2015: High-Latitude Application and Testing of Global and Regional Climate Models (DOE's RGCM program; \$2.5M).
- Sarmiento, J. L., A. Morrison, A. Gray, **W. Weijer**, and S. Griffies, 2014. Three-dimensional Structure of the Southern Ocean Overturning Circulation (DOE RGCM; \$624,213).
- Weijer, W.**, N. Jeffery, S. Price, and M. Maltrud, 2012: Multidecadal variability in an eddy-resolving ocean model (proposal for Institutional Computing, awarded 1.1M cpu hours).
- Weijer, W.**, N. Jeffery, S. Price, and M. Maltrud, 2011: Multidecadal variability in an eddy-resolving ocean model (proposal for Institutional Computing, awarded 1.1M cpu hours).
- Weijer, W.**, and F. Primeau, 2009: The role of basin modes in pacing Pacific Decadal Variability (NSF-OCE, awarded \$588,573).
- Weijer, W.**, 2008: Los Alamos National Laboratory award for excellence in student mentoring.
- Weijer, W.**, and M. Hecht, 2008: Instability of the oceanic meridional overturning circulation in stand-alone ocean models: problem solved in high resolution? (proposal for Institutional Computing, awarded 1.11M cpu hours).
- Dijkstra, H. A., and **W. Weijer**, 2008: Stability of the Atlantic meridional overturning circulation (Dutch Computing Challenge Project, awarded 0.75M cpu hours).
- Nof, D., and **W. Weijer**, 2007: The role of Agulhas Rings in climate instability (IGPP, awarded \$149,873).
- W. Weijer**, S. T. Gille and H. A. Dijkstra, 2004: Adjustment of the ACC to variability of Southern Ocean winds: A modal point of view (NSF-OCE, awarded \$193,998).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2012** Teacher of Descriptive Physical Oceanography for New Mexico Tech students and LANL postdocs and staff.

- 2011** Organizer of and lecturer at the CESM tutorial at Los Alamos National Laboratory (<http://oceans11.lanl.gov/twiki/bin/view/Cosim/TutorialCESM>).
- 2010** Lecturer on the role of the oceans in the climate system for the New Mexico Academy of Sciences.
- 2008** Co-organizer of, and participant in a panel discussion on climate change for a Café Scientifique, an initiative to bring science to high school students of northern New Mexico.
- 2006** Lecturer at the Los Alamos Summer School.
- 1996-1998** TA in Dynamical Oceanography, Tensorial Calculus, Advanced Classical Mechanics.

STUDENT MENTORING

- 2018** Zachary Kaufman (Summer student, UC Santa Cruz)
- 2018** Hannah Steiner (Summer student, US Naval Academy)
- 2016** Zoë Orandle (Summer student, University of San Diego,)
- 2015** Travis Hodos (Summer student, US Air Force Academy)
- 2012** Keith McElroy (Graduate Research Assistant, New Mexico Tech)
Caroline Kinstle (SULI summer student, University of Michigan)
- 2009** Jonas Thies (Visiting graduate student, Groningen University)
Erik Bernsen (Visiting graduate student, Utrecht University)
- 2006-2007** Giuseppe Colantuono (Florida State University)

POSTDOCTORAL ADVISEES

- 2018-present** Tarun Verma
- 2017-present** Jiaxu Zhang
- 2016-2017** Joseph Schoonover
- 2010-2011** Ernesto Muñoz (New Mexico Consortium)
- 2008-2010** Volodymyr Zharkov (Florida State University)

SELECTION OF SERVICE ACTIVITIES

- 2017-present** Organizer of: RGCM High Latitude Earth System Processes and Feedbacks webinar series.
- 2017** Chair of US AMOC Science Team meeting in Santa Fe, May 2017.
- 2016-2017** Organizer of: US AMOC Science Team Task Team 3 webinar series.
- 2016** Organizer of: Computational Oceanography - New Knowledge, Capabilities and Challenges. Topical session at the AGU Ocean Sciences Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
Co-organizer of: Advancing Science of the Arctic System through Integration and

- Coordination of Observations and Modeling. Topical session at the AGU Fall Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015-2017** Executive Committee member of the US AMOC Science Team. Vice chair (2015-2016) and chair (2016-2017) of Task Team 3.
- 2014** Co-editor of special issue (April 2015) of Deep Sea Research II, “Southern Ocean Dynamics and Biogeochemistry”.
- 2012-present** U.S. AMOC Science Team member.
- 2012** Panelist for NSF-OCE.
Organizer of: The Southern Ocean and its Role in the Climate System. Topical session at the AGU Ocean Sciences Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT.
- 2011-2013** Leader of the working group on Arctic/Antarctic Climate Change for the Energy Climate Initiative of the Energy Security Center at Los Alamos National Laboratory.
- 2011** Leader of the Climate Study Group, an effort to facilitate discussions among different climate science disciplines at Los Alamos National Laboratory.
- 2010** Organizer of: Advances in Computational Oceanography. Topical session at the AGU Ocean Sciences Meeting, Portland, OR.
Organizer of: Dynamics and Impact of the Meridional Overturning Circulation. Topical session at the AGU Ocean Sciences Meeting, Portland, OR.
- 2009** Participant in “AGU Climate Science Q&A for Copenhagen”.
- 2008** Organizer of: Nonlinear dynamics of the ocean circulation. Topical session at the EGU General Assembly, Vienna, Austria.
Organizer of: Implicit and Adjoint Techniques and Their Application to Ocean General Circulation and Biogeochemical Problems. Topical session at the AGU Ocean Sciences Meeting, Orlando, FL.
- 2007** Organizer of the POP implicit time stepping project workshop, Orlando, FL.
Organizer of: Advanced Numerical Methods and Their Applications in Ocean Modeling. Mini-symposium at SIAM conference on Mathematical & Computational Issues in the Geosciences, Santa Fe, NM.
- 2006** Organizer of: The Southern Ocean and Its Margins: Sediment Archives and Dynamics of Environmental Change and Variability. Topical session at the AGU Ocean Sciences Meeting.
- 2005** Reviewer of tenure request for South Africa's National Research Foundation (NRF).
- 2004-2005** Reviewer for NASA national student competitions (SCOPE)
- 2003-2004** Organizer of the seminar series of the Physical Oceanography Research Department at Scripps (32 seminars in 3 academic quarters).
- 1999-present** Reviewer for the following scientific journals: Communications in Computational Physics, Dynamics of Atmospheres and Oceans, Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Computational Physics, Journal of Climate, Journal of Fluid Mechanics, Journal of Geophysical Research, Journal of Marine Research, Journal of Physical Oceanography, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, Monthly Weather Review, Nature, Nature Geoscience, Nonlinear Processes in Geophysics, Ocean Dynamics, Ocean Science, Paleoceanography, Reviews of Geophysics,

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1999-present Reviewer of proposals for NSF, NOAA, NERC, NWO.

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

1992 11-day oceanographic cruise to the Bay of Biscay. Expedition leader: Leo Maas.