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Curriculum Vitae

Associate Professor, Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences
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EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of California, Riverside: Riverside, CA, September 2010–December 2013

Program: Paleobiology, Geological Sciences

Dissertation Topic: Exceptional Preservation and Substrate Evolution in Early Paleozoic Marine Shelfal Environments

Advisor: Dr. Mary Droser

Funding: NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (2010-2013)

M.S., University of California, Riverside: Riverside, CA, September 2008–June 2010

Program: Paleobiology, Geological Sciences

Master's Thesis Topic: New Morphological Diversity or Preservational Variability? Resolving the Taphonomic Context of Ediacaran Assemblage-Scale Heterogeneity

Advisor: Dr. Mary Droser

B.A., *magna cum laude*, with distinction, Amherst College: Amherst, MA, September 2004–May 2008

Majors: Geology (concentration in Paleontology) and English

Honors Thesis Topic: Taphonomy and Classification of Late Cambrian Medusae of Central Wisconsin and Northeastern New York: Problems of Preservation

Advisor: Dr. James Hagadorn

Geology Field Camp: Indiana University Geologic Field Station (IUGFS), Cardwell, MT, June–August 2007

APPOINTMENTS

- **Associate Professor with Tenure:** Yale University (Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences), 2026–
- **Assistant Professor (AP2):** Yale University (Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences), 2023–2026
- **Assistant Professor (AP1):** Yale University (Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences), 2019–2023
- **Assistant Curator:** Yale Peabody Museum (Division of Invertebrate Paleontology), 2021–
- **NSF EAR Postdoctoral Fellow:** Yale University (Department of Geology and Geophysics), 2016–2017
- **Postdoctoral Associate:** Yale University (Department of Geology and Geophysics), 2014–2015, 2018–2019

TEACHING AND MENTORING

Teaching (Yale University except where indicated otherwise)

- **Instructor:** “Mass Extinctions” (EPS 0300; Fall 2026, Fall 2025); “Earth-Surface Processes” (EPS 232; Spring 2026, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2021, Spring 2020); “Topics in Geobiology” (EPS 721; Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020, Fall 2019); “Essentials of Earth and Planetary Sciences” (EPS 6200; Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023); “Seminar in Earth System Science” (EPS 755-756; Fall 2020–Fall 2021); “Colloquium in Earth and Planetary Sciences” (EPS 790; Fall 2021); “History of Life” (G&G 125; Spring 2015)
- **Seminar Instructor:** “Carbon Cycling and Bioturbation” (Fall 2023; weekly graduate seminar with YIBS Visiting Bass Scholar Thomas Bianchi)
- **Reading Group Leader:** Silica Reading Group (Spring 2022, Spring 2021)
- **Guest Lecturer and Laboratory Instructor:** “History of Life” (Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017)
- **Guest Lecturer:** “Extraordinary Glimpses of Past Life” (EPS/G&G 355: Fall 2020, Fall 2018, Fall 2015); “Climate Change” (EPS 101: Fall 2020); “Invertebrates” (G&G 313: Fall 2019, Fall 2016); “Earth,

Resources, Energy and the Environment” (G&G 010: Fall 2019); “Earth-Surface Processes” (G&G 232: Spring 2018); “Productivity” (G&G 625: Fall 2014)

- **Guest Lecturer, other institutions:** Tufts University (Principles of Paleontology, Fall 2024), Stanford University (Fundamentals of Geobiology, Fall 2023), Smith College (Advanced Geobiology, Spring 2021), Amherst College (Paleontology, Spring 2017)
- **Field Trip Guest Instructor, Spain:** “Earth-Surface Processes” (Spring 2018)
- **Field Trip Guest Instructor, Barbados:** “Paleoenvironments” (Spring 2015)
- **Field Trip Co-Leader, Death Valley, CA:** “Paleoenvironments” (Spring 2014)
- **University Teaching Certificate** (University of California, Riverside), Winter-Spring 2012 (awarded June 2012): University-sponsored instructional and professional development program.
- **Teaching Assistant** (University of California, Riverside): “Headlines in the History of Life” (Spring 2010, Spring 2009), “Earth’s Climate through Time” (Winter 2010), “The Earth’s Crust and Interior” (Introductory Geology; Fall 2009), “Earthquake Country” (Winter 2009).
- **Teaching Assistant** (Amherst College): “Principles of Geology” (Introductory Geology; Fall 2006, Fall 2005, Spring 2005).

Mentoring

- **Yale Postdoctoral Researcher Supervisor:** Thomas Boag (YIBS Donnelley Postdoctoral Fellow, 2020–2022), Jiuyuan Wang (Yale Postdoctoral Associate, Agouron Geobiology Postdoctoral Fellow, 2021–2023), Sophie Westacott (Yale Seessel Postdoctoral Fellow, 2022–2023), Maya LaGrange Rao (YIBS Donnelley Postdoctoral Fellow, 2023–present), Olmo Miguez Salas (Visiting Yale Postdoctoral Associate, 2024), Rachel Surprenant (Yale Seessel Postdoctoral Fellow, 2025), Michael Fuhr (Yale Center for Natural Carbon Capture Postdoctoral Fellow, 2025–2027), Ruoyuan Qiu (YIBS Hutchinson Postdoctoral Fellow, 2026–2028)
- **Yale Ph.D. Supervisor:** Silvina Slagter (Ph.D. 2024), Kate Pippenger (NSF Graduate Research Fellow, 2021–), Sydney Riemer (2022–), Ashley Rivas (2022–), Lauren Gregory (NSF Graduate Research Fellow, 2024–)
- **Yale Secondary Ph.D. Project Supervisor:** Sophie Westacott (Ph.D. 2022; Cambrian bioturbation), Tom Reershemius (Ph.D. 2024; Cambrian fossilization), Brian Beaty (Ph.D. 2025; Permian-Triassic bioturbation and biogeochemical cycling), James Pierce (Ph.D. 2021–; Mesozoic bioturbation), Maoli Vizcaino (Ph.D. 2021–; bioturbation and oxygen stress), Samuel Shipman (Ph.D. 2021–; Cambrian carbonate factory), Nico Theunissen (Ph.D. 2023–; modern bioturbation and biogeochemical cycling)
- **Yale Ph.D. Committee Member:** Jack Shaw (Ph.D. 2022), Sophie Westacott (Ph.D. 2022), Roxanne Armfield (2019–2023), Tom Reershemius (Ph.D. 2024), Brian Beaty (Ph.D. 2025), Alexander Ruebenstahl (Ph.D. 2026), Jingjun Liu (Ph.D. 2026), James Pierce (2021–), Samuel Shipman (2021–), Isabella Chiaravallotti (2021–), Maoli Vizcaino (2021–), Stacey Gerasimov (M.S. 2024), Ayesha Ahmed (2022–), Chloe Kent (2022–), Nico Theunissen (2023–), Olivia Gadson (2023–), Gareema Dhiman (2023–), Ben Rivera (2025–), Isadora Falkson (2025–)
- **External Ph.D. Committee Member:** Sofia Rauzi (University of Waikato, Ph.D. 2021–), Emily Ellefson (Stanford University, Ph.D. 2021–)
- **External Ph.D. Examiner:** Patricia Gonzalez (University of Alberta, Ph.D. 2022), Giovanni Pasinetti (Memorial University, Ph.D. 2024)
- **Yale Postgraduate Fellow Supervisor:** Rhiannon Nolan (2019–2021), Nico Theunissen (2022–2023)
- **Yale Undergraduate Honors Thesis Supervisor:** Jaeger Johnson (Yale College ’21; Chemistry), Maxwell Cota (Yale College ’26; EPS)
- **Yale Undergraduate Senior Essay Supervisor:** Andrea Chow (Yale College ’25; EPS)
- **Yale Undergraduate Capstone Project Supervisor:** Victoria Vilton (Yale College ’26; Environmental Engineering)
- **Yale Undergraduate Thesis and Essay Reader (EPS):** Trina White (Yale College ’20), Patrick Perry (Yale College ’21), Gavrielle Welbel (Yale College ’23), Lolyn Tejeda Lemus (Yale College ’24), Daniel Havlat (Yale College ’25)

- **Yale Undergraduate Student Research Supervisor:** Nadine Cubeisy (2021–2022), Victoria Smithson (2022–2023), Dana Polomski (2023–2024), Andrea Chow (2024–2025), Maxwell Cota (2024–2025), Clara Gulick (2026)
- **Yale Summer Research Fellowship** on Devonian bioturbation and the stratigraphic record of *Rusophycus* (2016): Yasmeen Erritouni (Dartmouth College, A.B. '17)
- **Yale EPS 355 term research project** modeling fossil phosphatization (2015): Tess Maggio (Yale College '16)
- **Yale EPS 355 term research project** on experimental silicification of *Metasequoia*, *Nematostella* and cyanobacterial mats (2015): Adrien Gao (Yale College '17)
- **UCR undergraduate research supervisor and fieldwork mentor** (2011-2013): Cyntia Andres (UC Riverside, B.S. '13), Evelyn Conrado (UC Riverside, B.S. '13), James Minor (UC Riverside, B.S. '13), Mouna Nonu (UC Riverside B.S. '13), Alexandra Ruiz (UC Riverside, B.S. '13)
- **Yale first-year college advisor:** Bella Rosado (Yale College '22), Nicholas Famularo (Yale College '22), Liam Curtis (Yale College '23), Kwaku Acquah (Yale College '23), Libby Snowden (Yale College '24), Pathid Liamtrakoolpanich (Yale College '24), Jessica Le (Yale College '25), Sophie Dauerman (Yale College '25), Tate Evans (Yale College '26), Kidus Abebe (Yale College '26), Anna Keating (Yale College '27), Kathleen Cain (Yale College '27), Arina Seo (Yale College '29), Eli Bouganin (Yale College '29)
- **Yale second-year college advisor:** Bella Rosado (Yale College '22), Liam Curtis (Yale College '23), Kwaku Acquah (Yale College '23), Libby Snowden (Yale College '24), Pathid Liamtrakoolpanich (Yale College '24)

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

Yale University

- National Academy of Sciences (NAS) Kavli Fellow (2025)
- Arthur Greer Memorial Prize (2024)
- Sloan Research Fellowship (2023–2025)
- Geological Society of America Geobiology and Geomicrobiology Division Pre-Tenure Award (2022)
- Geological Society of America Donath Medal (2021)
- National Science Foundation (NSF) Earth Sciences Postdoctoral Fellowship (2016-2017)

University of California, Riverside

- National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Student Research Fellowship (2010-2013)
- “Best Student Talk,” 2012 California Paleontology Conference (2012)
- Dr. Janet M. Boyce Memorial Endowed Fund for Women Majoring in the Sciences (2012-2013)
- Dr. Janet Boyce Memorial Scholarship (2009-2010)
- Chancellor’s Distinguished Fellowship (2008-2009)

Amherst College

- John Mason Clarke Fellowship for the study of Geology and Paleontology (2008-2011)
- Walter F. Pond Prize in Geology (2008) (awarded annually to the senior who prepares the most-distinguished geology thesis)
- Phi Beta Kappa (2008)
- Sigma Xi Student Membership (2008)
- Belt-Brophy Prize in Geology (2007) (awarded annually to the junior determined to have shown the greatest promise for success as a geologist)
- Dean of Faculty Summer Research Fellowship (2007)
- Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) Summer Research Fellowship (2005)

FUNDED GRANTS

2026–2028: **Yale Institute for Biospheric Studies Hutchinson Program**, “Marine Coastal Ecosystems in a Warming World” (PI)

2024–2028: **NSF Frontier Research in Earth Sciences**, “Collaborative research: Testing the impact of land plants on the Earth system” (Co-PI and Institutional PI)

2024–2025: **Yale Seessel Endowed Postdoctoral Fellowship**, “Constraining the abundance, diversity, and ecological impacts of autotrophs and heterotrophs in Earth’s first complex animal ecosystems” (PI)

2023–2027: **Sloan Research Fellowship**, “The evolution of the marine carbonate factory and the rise of biomineralizing animals” (PI)

2023–2026: **NASA Exobiology Program**, “A multiple proxy approach to constrain Paleozoic marine oxygenation during early metazoan extinction and radiation events” (Co-I and Institutional PI)

2022–2026: **American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund Doctoral New Investigators Program**, “Sedimentary and Marine Biogeochemical Controls on Sandstone Authigenesis” (PI)

2022–2023: **Yale Seessel Endowed Postdoctoral Fellowship**, “Tracking the rise of the biological silica cycle” (PI)

2021–2022: **Yale Natural Lands** grant, “Seafloor communities in a warming world: the impact of thermal stress on bioturbation-biogeochemical feedbacks” (PI)

2021–2024: **Marsden Fund**, “Exploring the limits of climate regulation: Could a decline in marine biological silica uptake exacerbate global climate change?” (Associate Investigator)

2019–2022: **NASA Exobiology Program**, “Did the small inherit the Earth? Analysis of mm-scale Ediacara body and trace fossils (South Australia) with implications for the early evolution of animals” (Co-I and Institutional PI)

2014–2018: **NASA Exobiology Program**, “Catching the ‘second wave’ of the Ediacara Biota: Assessing the role of environment, ecology and diagenesis” (co-author and grant personnel)

2014: **National Geographic Society** (co-author and grant personnel), **American Philosophical Society** Lewis and Clark Fund for Exploration and Field Research in Astrobiology

2013: **Desert Legacy Fund** (The Community Foundation) Student Research Grant, **Paleontological Society** (PS) Student Research Grant, **Society for Sedimentary Geology** (SEPM) Student Research Grant, **Evolving Earth Foundation** Research Grant, **American Museum of Natural History** (AMNH) Roosevelt Memorial Fund, **Sigma Xi** Student Grant-in-Aid of Research

2012: **Society for Sedimentary Geology** (SEPM) Student Research Grant, **Ed Picou Fellowship Grant** for Graduate Studies in Earth Science (GCSSEPM), **American Association of Petroleum Geologists** (AAPG) David Worthington Grant, **InfoQuest Foundation** Student Field Research Grant

2011: **Society for Sedimentary Geology** (SEPM) Student Research Grant, **Geological Society of America** (GSA) Student Research Grant, **American Association of Petroleum Geologists** (AAPG) John E. Kilkenny Memorial Grant

2009: **Society for Sedimentary Geology** (SEPM) Student Research Grant, **Geological Society of America** (GSA) Student Research Grant

2007: **Amherst College Dean of Faculty** Doelling Undergraduate Research Grant

YALE UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL (EPS) COMMITTEE SERVICE

- Yale Peabody Ginsberg and Hawkinson Committee (Spring 2026)
- Earth-System Modeling Faculty Search Committee, EPS (Fall 2024–Spring 2025)
- Earth-System Modeling Faculty Search Committee, EPS (Fall 2023–Spring 2024)
- YIBS Bass Scholar Selection Committee (Spring 2024)
- Yale Peabody Museum Simpson Prize Selection Committee (Spring 2024)
- Yale Peabody Museum Associate Director of Marketing and Communications Search Committee (Fall 2023)
- Climate Science Faculty Search Committee, EPS (Fall 2022–Spring 2023)
- Yale Associates in Teaching Program Selection Committee (Spring 2023)
- Curriculum Committee, EPS (Fall 2022)
- Yale Peabody Museum Yamanaka Prize Selection Committee (Spring 2022)
- YIBS Donnelley Postdoctoral Fellowship Selection Committee (Fall 2021)
- Colloquium Committee, EPS (Fall 2019–Fall 2021, Fall 2025–Spring 2026)
- PhD Qualifying Examination Committee, EPS (Spring–Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Spring 2023)
- Graduate Admissions Committee, EPS (Fall 2020–Spring 2021, Spring 2024, Spring 2026)
- Flint Committee, EPS (Fall 2019–Spring 2020, Spring–Fall 2023)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- **Journal Reviewer:** *Alcheringa; American Journal of Science; Biogeosciences; Chemical Geology; Current Biology; Estuaries and Coasts; Geobiology; Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta; Geology; Global and Planetary Change; Gondwana Research; GSA Bulletin; GSA Today; Ichnos; Journal of the Geological Society; Journal of Sedimentary Research; Lethaia; Nature Communications; Nature Ecology and Evolution; Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology; Palaeontology; Palaios; Paleobiology; PNAS; Precambrian Research; Science; Science Advances; Scientific Data; Scientific Reports; Sedimentary Geology; Terra Nova.*
- **Grant Proposal Panel and Ad Hoc Reviewer:** ACS, NASA, NSF, NSERC, NERC, American Philosophical Society, Palaeontological Association, Marsden Fund, European Science Foundation.
- **Subject Editor:** *Geobiology* (2022–).
- **Associate Editor:** *Geobiology* (2016–2022); *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology* (2018–); *American Journal of Science* (2022–2025).
- **Guest Associate Editor:** *PNAS*
- **Guest Editor, *Ediacaran Environments and Ecosystems***, Special Issue in *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology* (v. 434, 2015).
- **Event Day Convener and Instructor, Yale Pathways to Science** (2025, 2024).
- **Yale Franke Program in Science and the Humanities** post-screening panel on the film *Underland* (2025)
- **Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM) Moore Medal Committee** (2022–2024).
- **Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM) Officer Nominating Committee** (2022).
- **Yale Campus Representative for Geological Society of America** (2019–).
- **Scientific Consultant, Peabody Museum Exhibit Design** (2020–).
- **Co-organizer, 2024 Northeast Geobiology Symposium** (2023–2024).
- **American Geophysical Union Outstanding Student Presentation Award Judge** (2022).
- **Geological Society of America, Division of Geobiology and Geomicrobiology Student Presentation Award Judge** (2016, 2021).
- **Geological Society of America, Division of Geochronology Student Presentation Award Judge** (2019)
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, GSA Connects 2025** (Session T155: Evolution of Life in the Cambrian Seas: Biotic, Biogeochemical, and Sedimentological Contexts) (2025).
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, GSA Connects 2023** (Session T67: The Early Paleozoic: Radiations, Extinctions, and Environment) (2023).
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, GSA Connects 2020** (Session T76: Exceptional Fossilization in Time and Space) (2020).
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, Goldschmidt 2019** (Session 7a: Co-evolution of Earth's Continents, Atmosphere, Oceans and Biosphere From the Neoproterozoic Through the Paleozoic) (2019).
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, 2019 North American Paleontological Convention** (Symposium 1: Behavioral Innovations and Environmental Feedbacks: Insights From the Trace Fossil Record and Other Archives) (2019).
- **Conference Field Trip Leader, 2019 North American Paleontological Convention** (Ediacaran-Cambrian Transition of the Southwestern USA) (2019).
- **Co-organizer, 2019 Second Geobiology Society Conference** (2019).
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, 2018 5th International Palaeontological Congress** (Session S9: Coevolution of Life and Environments: Integrating the Palaeoecological, Sedimentological and Geochemical Records).
- **Symposium Chair, 2018 5th International Palaeontological Congress** (Session S12: Early Animal Life).
- **Symposium Convener and Chair, 2017 Annual Meeting of the Geological Society of America** (Session T66: Exceptionally Preserved Proterozoic–Early Paleozoic Fossils).
- **Volunteer, Peabody Museum 'Dinosaur Days' ('Meet the Scientist')**, 2015.
- **Guest Lecturer for Institute of Learning in Retirement**, 2014 (Peabody Museum Extension Course 101, Session 3, "Fossils: How they form, why they matter and the changing face of the seafloor").

- **Symposium Convener and Chair, 2014 North American Paleontological Convention** (Symposium S01: Ediacaran Environments and Ecosystems).
- **Session Chair, 2012 California Paleontology Conference** (Session No. 3; University of California, Riverside).
- **Organizer, 2012 California Paleontology Conference** (University of California, Riverside): California-wide paleontological conference, with an emphasis upon student research and development.
- **Session Chair, 2011 Annual Meeting of the Geological Society of America** (Session No. 120, Paleontology II: Paleobotany and Behavior).
- **Treasurer, Earth Sciences Graduate Student Association (ESGSA)** (Department of Earth Sciences, University of California, Riverside), 2011–2013.
- **Organizer and volunteer, 2011 Climate Change Fair** (University of California, Riverside): Educational outreach event to Riverside community on the science, teaching and communication of climate change.
- **Participant, Geology Education Outreach Program (GEOP), 2008–2013** (Department of Earth Sciences, University of California, Riverside): Educational, hands-on geology presentations in Riverside Unified School District (RUSD) K-12 schools.

SCIENTIFIC CONSULTANT/INTERVIEWEE FOR POPULAR MEDIA

New York Times, Nature News, Science News, The Atlantic, New Scientist, Knowable Magazine, Yale News, Yale Daily News, USA Today

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Science Writing Internship, Office of Strategic Communications** (University of California, Riverside, CA; Winter–Spring 2010).
- **GSA GeoCorps Field Paleontologist, Bryce Canyon National Park** (Bryce Canyon National Park, UT; Tropic, UT; May–August 2008): Inventory of known fossil-bearing sites in Bryce Canyon National Park and paleontological prospecting for, collection and processing of vertebrate, invertebrate and plant macrofossil and microfossil material.
- **Dean of Faculty Summer Research Fellow, Amherst College Geology Department** (Amherst College, Amherst, MA; Fieldwork: Wisconsin; May–August 2007): Lab and field paleontological work conducting preliminary research for honors thesis on late Cambrian fossilized medusae.
- **Howard Hughes Medical Institute Summer Research Fellow, Amherst College Geology Department** (Amherst College, Amherst, MA; Fieldwork: Wisconsin, New York, Quebec, Ontario; June–August 2005): Lab and field paleontological work researching late Cambrian shoreline environments and the taphonomy and morphology of trace fossils, especially *Climactichnites wilsoni*.

FIELD AREAS

2009–present: Death Valley region and Great Basin, western USA (Proterozoic–Lower Paleozoic)

2009–present: South and central Australia (Ediacaran)

2010–present: Bahamas (Modern)

2012–present: Newfoundland, Canada (Lower Paleozoic)

2012–present: Appalachian Basin (Lower–Middle Paleozoic)

2015–2018: Georgia, USA (Modern)

2016–present: Connecticut and Long Island Sound, USA (Modern)

2023–present: Arctic Canada (Lower Paleozoic)

2022: Eastern Alaska (Lower–Middle Paleozoic)

2018, 2022: Svalbard (Permian–Triassic)

2016: South China (Neoproterozoic–Lower Paleozoic)

2016: Rocky Mountain region, USA (Lower Paleozoic)

2016: Zimbabwe and Botswana (Archean–Paleoproterozoic)

2015: Barbados (Cenozoic and Modern)

2011: Central Spain (Lower Paleozoic)

2008, 2013: Central Utah, USA (Mesozoic)

2007: Southwestern Montana, USA (Proterozoic–Quaternary)
 2005, 2007–2008: Midwestern and Northeastern USA and Canada (Lower Paleozoic)
 2012–2014: National Park Service Scientific Research and Collecting Permit (Study #DEVA-00344): Exceptional preservation and the evolution of seafloor colonization in early Paleozoic marine shelfal environments (Death Valley National Park)
 2014–2016: National Park Service Scientific Research and Collecting Permit (Study #DEVA-00393): The evolution of seafloor colonization and exceptional preservation in early Paleozoic marine shelfal environments (Death Valley National Park)
 2016–2019: National Park Service Scientific Research and Collecting Permit (Study #DEVA-00393): The evolution of seafloor colonization and exceptional preservation in early Paleozoic marine shelfal environments (Death Valley National Park)
 2019–2022: National Park Service Scientific Research and Collecting Permit (Study #DEVA-00393): The evolution of seafloor colonization and exceptional preservation in early Paleozoic shallow marine environments (Death Valley National Park)
 2023–2026: Bureau of Land Management Nevada Paleontological Resources Use Permit (N-101855)
 2023–2024: Bureau of Land Management Utah Paleontological Resources Use Permit (UT23-002)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Geological Society of America (GSA)
- Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM)
- American Geophysical Union (AGU)
- Geochemical Society (GS)
- The Geobiology Society
- The Paleontological Society (PS)
- The Palaeontological Association (PalAss)
- Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society
- American Chemical Society (ACS)
- National Association of Geoscience Teachers (NAGT)
- Association for Women Geoscientists (AWG)

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

§*Papers for which L.G. Tarhan is corresponding or co-corresponding author*

**Mentored or supervised student*

***Mentored or supervised postdoctoral researcher*

In Review or Revision:

*Miguez Salas, O. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, In revision, Temperature and oxygen variations have contrasting effects on common marine bioturbators.

*Rivas, A.Y., Pruss, S.B., Gill, B.C. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, In revision, Regional facies and paleoenvironmental patterns in bioturbation in upper Cambrian–Middle Ordovician strata of the Western USA.

Wang, J., Wang, Y., Jacobson, A.D., Wan, C., Lu, W., Liu, Q., Thomas, E., Planavsky, N.J. and **Tarhan, L.G., In review, Sr isotope fractionation in benthic foraminifers reflects seawater carbonate saturation.

*Shipman, S., Wang, J., *Gregory, L., Lu, Chaojin, Li, F. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, In review, Persistence of elevated carbonate saturation state into the Cambrian: Insights from stable Sr isotopes.

Surprenant, R.L. and **Tarhan, L.G., In review, Experimental decay of the macroalgal genera *Portieria* and *Ulva*.

Wang, Y., **Tarhan, L.**, Hao, F., Zhao, M., Wignall, P., Loydell, D., Henahan, M., Frings, P., Mills, B. and Poulton, S., In review, Bioturbation modulated phosphorus cycling during Silurian intervals of redox instability.

Alcott, L.J., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Planavsky, N.J., In revision, A new approach to gauging uncertainty associated with sampling resolution in the geological record.

Published, In Press or Accepted:

85. Helms, L.A., Gill, B.C., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., Accepted, Skeletal fossil diversity and abundance across the Great Ordovician Biodiversification Event (GOBE), Pogonip Group, Arrow Canyon Range, Nevada: *Palaaios*.

84. *Pippenger, K.H. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2026, Bioturbation intensity regulated organic carbon and reduced sulfur preservation in middle Paleozoic sediments: *Geology*, doi.org/10.1130/G54609.1.

83. Pruss, S.B., Gill, B.C., Zhang, J.Z., Tosca, N.J. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2026, Fossil preservation by iron-bearing minerals in the Carrara Formation provides taphonomic constraints on early–middle Cambrian marine biogeochemistry: *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology*, v. 699, article 114048, doi.org/10.1016/j.palaeo.2026.114048.

82. §**Tarhan, L.G.** and Planavsky, N.J., 2026, The evolution of Earth’s marine carbonate factory: *Palaeogeography, Palaeoclimatology, Palaeoecology*, v. 691, article 113746, doi.org/10.1016/j.palaeo.2026.113746 (Diamond Anniversary Issue).

81. Zuchuat, V., Janocha, J., Brooks, H.L., Buchwald, S.Z., *Beaty, B., **Tarhan, L.G.**, Gilmullina, A., Jones, M.T., Frank, A.B., Lahajnar, N., Augland, L.E., Felten, B.S. and Foster, W.J., Accepted, New insights on the depositional environment and dynamics of the lowermost Triassic in Svalbard: linking the Sørkapp-Hornsund High to western and central Spitsbergen: *Sedimentologica*, v. 4, doi.org/10.57035/journals/sdk.2026.e41.2413.

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INVITED SEMINARS

2025: Virginia Tech (Department of Geosciences); Central Connecticut State University (Department of Earth and Space Sciences).

2024: University of Florida (Department of Geological Sciences); Nereis Park Seminar Series

2023: Stanford University (Department of Geological Sciences); University of Illinois, Chicago (Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences).

2022: University of California Museum of Paleontology and University of California, Berkeley (Department of Integrative Biology); University of California, Riverside (Virtual Seminar in Precambrian Geology); Harvard

University (Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences); University of Connecticut (Department of Earth Sciences); Texas A&M University (Department of Oceanography); American Museum of Natural History (Comparative Biology Seminar); University of Massachusetts, Amherst (Geosciences Department); Northwestern University (Sloss Seminar).

2021: Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory; Universität Hamburg (Mass Extinctions and Climate Change Webinar Series); Colby College (Geology Department); University of California, Santa Barbara (Earth Sciences Department).

2020: Yale University (Yale Institute for Biospheric Studies).

2019: Princeton University (Department of Geosciences); Yale University (Department of Geology and Geophysics).

2018: University of British Columbia (Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences); University of Texas at Austin (Department of Geological Sciences).

2017: Amherst College (Five College Geology Seminar Series); Pomona College (Geology Department); University of California, Riverside (Alternative Earths Astrobiology Seminar Series).

2016: Northwest University (Department of Geology; Xi'an, China); Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences (Beijing, China); Colorado College (Geology Department).

2015: Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory (Biology and Paleoenvironment Seminar Series).

2013: Dartmouth College (Department of Earth Sciences).

2012: Dartmouth College (Department of Earth Sciences).

CONFERENCE AND SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS

**Mentored or supervised student*

***Mentored or supervised postdoctoral associate/fellow*

Tarhan, L.G., 2026, The evolution of the marine silicon cycle and the exceptional fossilization of Earth's earliest animal communities: Geological Society of America Thompson Field Forum: University of Namibia, Keetmanshoop, Namibia (Talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2026, Trace fossils and other 'traces' of past life: From the Ediacara Biota to the rise of seafloor burrowers: MBL History of Biology Seminar: Reconstructing Extinct Organisms and the History of Life (Invited talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2026, The role of bioturbators as ecosystem engineers across the largest biodiversity crisis in Earth's history: Yale Biodiversity Day (Invited talk).

Tarhan, L.G., *Pippenger, K.H., Cribb, A.T., Zill, M., Phelps, W., Droser, M.L., Bottjer, D.J. and Clapham, M.E., 2025, Tracking bioturbation through time: the evolution of the marine sedimentary mixed and transition layers: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 256-10, v. 57 (Talk).

*Pippenger, K.H. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, Reconstructing the middle Paleozoic sedimentary mixed layer: a combined stratigraphic and ichnological approach: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 256-9, v. 57 (Talk given by K. Pippenger).

*Rivas, A.Y., Pruss, S.B., Gill, B.C. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, Drivers of low and variable bioturbation through the Cambrian–Ordovician transition in the Arrow Canyon Range, NV, and the Ibex area, UT: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 99-9, v. 57 (Talk given by A. Rivas).

Hermosillo, N.G., Gill, B.C., Hagen, A., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., 2025, Carbon and sulfur isotope records of Cambrian end-Sunwaptan extinction from Lawson Cove, Utah point to an expansion in marine anoxia: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 99-13, v. 57 (Talk given by N. Hermosillo).

Stephens, B., Gill, B.C., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., 2025, Great Ordovician Biodiversification Event in the Ibex region, western Utah: examination of skeletal abundance and diversity in carbonates: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 185-10 (Poster presented by B. Stephens).

Helms, L., Gill, B.C., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., 2025, Fossil diversity and abundance across the Great Ordovician Biodiversification Event, Pogonip Group, Arrow Canyon Range, Nevada: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 219-3, v. 57 (Poster presented by L. Helms).

*Ellefson, E., Melchin, M.J., Dewing, K., Paige, A., Haeri Ardakani, O., *Riemer, S., Gill, B.C., Gouwy, S., Leslie, A., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Sperling, E.A., 2025, New high-resolution chemo- and bio- stratigraphic records through the Ordovician–Devonian Cape Phillips and Bathurst Island formations (Bathurst Island, Nunavut, Canada): Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 68-1, v. 57 (Poster presented by E. Ellefson).

Tarhan, L.G., 2025, The evolution of the marine silica cycle and the exceptional fossilization of Earth's earliest animal communities: Geobiology Conference (Invited talk).

LaGrange Rao, M.T., Gingras, M.K., *Pippenger, K.H., Harris, B.S. and **Tarhan, L.G., 2025, Impacts of Pleistocene climate change on bioturbation at Willapa Bay, Washington: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by M. LaGrange Rao).

*Beaty, B., Foster, W.J., Zuchuat, V., Moller, S.R., Buchwald, S.Z., Brooks, H., *Rauzi, S., Isson, T., Planke, S., Rodríguez-Tovar, F.J., Senger, K., Planavsky, N. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, Bioturbation shapes high-latitude marine biogeochemical cycling following the end-Permian mass extinction: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by B. Beaty).

*Riemer, S., Moller, S., *Ellefson, E., Dewing, K., Melchin, M., Planavsky, N., Sperling, E., Blake, R. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, New insights into early vascular land plants as geobiological agents of phosphorus weathering: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by S. Riemer).

*Rivas, A.Y., Pruss, S.B., Gill, B.C. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, Bioturbation intensities and correlates in Cambrian–Ordovician strata of the Great Basin, USA: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by A. Rivas).

*Pippenger, K., *Chow, A., *Polomski, D. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, Bioturbation intensity as a control on organic carbon and reactive sulfur preservation in middle Paleozoic sediments: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by K. Pippenger).

McGuire, T.E., Gill, B.C., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., 2025, Fossil abundance and diversity in the Middle Ordovician Table Point Formation, western Newfoundland: Insights into the Great Ordovician Biodiversification Event from eastern Laurentia: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by T. McGuire).

Winters, G., Sperling, E., *Ellefson, E., **Tarhan, L.G.**, Melchin, M., Dewing, K. and Love, G., 2025, Impact of continental greening on the Paleozoic marine biosphere from a lipid biomarker perspective: Geobiology Conference (Flash talk given by G. Winters).

*Pippenger, K., *Polomski, D., *Chow, A. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, Bioturbation intensity as a control on organic carbon preservation in middle Paleozoic sediments: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Talk given by K. Pippenger).

LaGrange Rao, M.T., Gingras, M.K., *Pippenger, K.H., Harris, B.S. and **Tarhan, L.G., 2025, Effects of Pleistocene and Holocene environmental change on coastal bioturbation at Willapa Bay, Washington: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Talk given by M. LaGrange Rao).

*Riemer, S., Moller, S.R., *Ellefson, E., Dewing, K., Melchin, M., Planavsky, N.J., Blake, R.E., Sperling, E. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, New insights into early vascular land plants as geobiological agents of phosphorus weathering: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Poster presented by S. Riemer).

*Rivas, A., Myrow, P.M., Smith, E.F., Nelson, L.L., Briggs, D.E.G. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2025, The role of clay authigenesis in the fossilization of *Gaojiashania*, an enigmatic tubular fossil from the Ediacaran Dunfee Member, Deep Spring Formation, Nevada: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Poster presented by A. Rivas).

Tarhan, L.G., 2025, How did the rise of complex life shape the evolution of the marine carbonate factory? Thirty-fifth Annual Kavli Frontiers of Science Symposium (Invited poster).

Tarhan, L.G., 2024, Bioturbation and blue carbon ecosystems: marine carbon cycling in a warming world. Blue Carbon Ecosystems Workshop. Yale Forest Forum, ELTI and YCNCC-sponsored workshop (Talk).

Jones, M.T., Barta, J., Danise, S., Foster, W., Grundvåg, S.-A., Kulhanek, D.K., Lorenz, H., Planke, S., Senger, K., Sliwinska, K.K., Smyrak-Sikora, A., **Tarhan, L.G.**, Vickers, M.L., Xu, W., Zuchuat, V. and the SVALCLIME extended science team, 2024, Deep-time Arctic climate archives: High-resolution coring of Svalbard's Permian to Paleogene sedimentary record (ICDP application SVALCLIME-P2P): 10th International Conference on Arctic Margins (Talk given by A. Smyrak-Sikora).

Helms, L., Gill, B.C., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., 2024, Fossil abundance and diversity across the Great Ordovician Biodiversification Event, Pogonip Group, Arrow Canyon Range, Nevada: American Geophysical Union: PP33B-0551 (Poster presented by L. Helms).

Stephens, B., Gill, B.C., **Tarhan, L.G.** and Pruss, S.B., 2024, Skeletal abundance and diversity through the Great Ordovician Biodiversification Event preserved in carbonates of the Ibex region, western Utah: American Geophysical Union: PP33B-0561 (Poster presented by B. Stephens).

Tarhan, L.G., 2024, Bioturbators—agents or recipients of warming-induced biogeochemical change? Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 64-1, v. 56 (Invited keynote talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2024, How biogeochemically impactful was *Skolithos* piperock? New insights from Cambrian field data and geochemical modeling: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 239-8, v. 56 (Invited keynote talk).

*Pippenger, K., *Polomski, D. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, Assessing the relationship between bioturbation intensity and organic carbon preservation in middle Paleozoic sediments: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 2-1, v. 56 (Talk given by K. Pippenger).

*Beaty, B., Foster, W., Zuchuat, V., Moller, S.R., Buchwald, S.Z., Brooks, H., *Rauzi, S., Isson, T., Planke, S., Rodríguez-Tovar, F.J., Planavsky, N.J. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, Bioturbation shapes marine nutrient cycling following the Permian-Triassic Mass Extinction: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 15-1, v. 56 (Talk given by B. Beaty).

*Rivas, A. Pruss, S.B., Gill, B. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, Interrogating paleoenvironmental and evolutionary patterns in bioturbation in upper Cambrian and Lower Ordovician strata of the Great Basin, USA: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 239-9, v. 56 (Talk given by A. Rivas).

*Riemer, S., Moller, S.R., *Ellefson, E., Dewing, K., Melchin, M., Blake, R.E., Planavsky, N.J., Sperling, E. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, New insights into early vascular land plants as geobiological agents of phosphorus weathering: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 2-9, v. 56 (Talk given by S. Riemer).

Winters, G., Sperling, E.A., *Ellefson, E., **Tarhan, L.G.**, Melchin, M., Dewing, K. and Love, G., 2024, Assessing early land plant impacts on the evolving Paleozoic marine biosphere: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 112-5, v. 56 (Poster presented by G. Winters).

Wei, G., Zhao, M., Zhang, F., Li, C., Sperling, E.A., Gaines, R., Planavsky, N.J. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, Continental weathering, clay formation and marine oxygenation across the Precambrian – Cambrian transition: Goldschmidt, Session 7bO2 (Talk given by G. Wei).

Tarhan, L.G., 2024, The role of marine silica cycling in driving the exceptional fossilization of Earth's earliest animal communities: North American Paleontological Convention, Papers on Paleontology No. 39, p. 413 (Invited keynote talk).

*Pippenger, K. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, A combined stratigraphic and ichnological approach to reconstructing the evolution of the sedimentary mixed layer in the Devonian of the Appalachian Basin: North American Paleontological Convention, Papers on Paleontology No. 39, p. 346–347 (Talk given by K. Pippenger).

Tarhan, L.G., 2024, The role of marine silica cycling in shaping the fossilization of Earth's earliest animal communities: Astrobiology Science Conference, Paper No. 508-04 (Talk).

*Slagter, S., Konhauser, K.O., Briggs, D.E.G. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, Authigenic mineralization in experimental Ediacara-style preservation: Astrobiology Science Conference, Paper 327-226 (Poster presented by S. Slagter).

*Beaty, B., Foster, W.J., Zuchuat, V., Buchwald, S., Brooks, H.L., Rauzi, S., Isson, T., Planke, S., Rodríguez-Tovar, F., Planavsky, N.J. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2024, Bioturbation shapes marine nutrient cycling following the Permian-Triassic mass extinction: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Talk given by B. Beaty).

Tarhan, L.G., **Fakhraee, M., Planavsky, N.J. and Reinhard, C.T., 2023, No evidence for marine dissolved organic carbon driving changes in Ediacaran ecology and diversity: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 148-4, v. 55 (Talk).

Pruss, S., Gill, B.C. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2023, Life on the edge in the Cambrian: Lessons from taphonomy, redox and extinction: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 125-9, v. 55 (Talk given by S. Pruss).

Wang, J., Kalderon-Asael, B., Oehlert, A.M., Reid, R.P., Vitek, B., Planavsky, N.J. and **Tarhan, L.G., 2023, Early diagenetic evaluation of stable strontium isotopes in shallow carbonate sediments: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 129-4, v. 55 (Talk given by J. Wang).

*Riemer, S., **Fakhraee, M. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2023, Exploring pathways of soft-tissue preservation using geochemical modeling: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 134-8, v. 55 (Talk given by S. Riemer).

*Rivas, A., Myrow, P., Smith, E.F., Nelson, L.L., Briggs, D.E.G. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2023, Morphology and fossilization of *Gaojiashania* from the upper Ediacaran Dunfee Member, Deep Spring Formation, Nevada, USA: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 148-12, v. 55 (Talk given by A. Rivas).

*Pippenger, K., Cribb, A., Clapham, M.E., Droser, M.L., Bottjer, D. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2023, Phanerozoic trends in the depth of marine bioturbation: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 196-7, v. 55 (Talk given by K. Pippenger).

*Ellefson, E., Sperling, E., **Tarhan, L.G.**, Leslie, A., Olson, H., Roney, Z. and Manson, M., 2023, The impact of land plants on Earth systems: Bottom water geochemistry of Silurian–Devonian open margin systems: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 254-4, v. 55 (Talk given by E. Ellefson).

*Slagter, S., Hao, W., Planavsky, N.J., Konhauser, K.O. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2023, The role of substrate and seawater geochemistry in shaping the fossilization of Earth's earliest animal communities: Goldschmidt 2023, Session 8aP1 (Poster presented by S. Slagter).

Tarhan, L.G., **Fakhraee, M., Planavsky, N.J. and Reinhard, C.T., 2022, No major changes through geologic time in Earth's marine dissolved organic carbon reservoir: American Geophysical Union: PP52B-01 (Invited talk).

Wang, J., **Tarhan, L.G., Jacobson, A.D., Oehlert, A.M. and Planavsky, N.J., 2022, The evolution of the marine carbonate factory: American Geophysical Union: PP15A-01 (Talk given by J. Wang).

Tarhan, L.G., 2022, Life and death in the Ediacaran: Evolutionary, environmental and preservational dynamics: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 140-12, v. 54 (Invited Pardee talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2022, Paleoenvironmental and evolutionary patterns in Cambrian–Ordovician bioturbation: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 87-08, v. 54 (Invited GBGM Awardee talk).

Boag, T. and **Tarhan, L.G., 2022, Early formation and taphonomic importance of authigenic clays associated with Ediacaran fossil preservation: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 130-4, v. 54 (Poster presented by T. Boag).

*Pippenger, K. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2022, Characterizing bioturbation intensity and sedimentary mixed layer development in the Devonian of the Appalachian Basin: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs, Paper No. 228-5, v. 54 (Talk given by K. Pippenger).

*Slagter, S., Hao, W., Planavsky, N.J., Konhauser, K. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2022, Experimental taphonomic insights into Ediacara-style fossilization: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 130-3, v. 54 (Poster presented by S. Slagter).

Wang, J., **Tarhan, L.G., Jacobson, A.D., Oehlert, A.M. and Planavsky, N.J., 2022, The evolution of the marine carbonate factory: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 259-14, v. 54 (Talk given by J. Wang).

*Ellefson, E., Sperling, E., Leslie, A., **Tarhan, L.**, Olson, H. and Manson, M., 2022, Tracking the impact of land plants on Earth systems on the northwestern Laurentian margin: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 273-30, v. 54 (Poster presented by E. Ellefson).

*Slagter, S., Hao, W., Planavsky, N.J., Konhauser, K. and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2022, Moldic preservation of microbial mats and animal tissues in silica-rich solutions: implications for the preservation of the Ediacara Biota: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Talk given by S. Slagter).

Wang, J., **Tarhan, L.G., Planavsky, N.J. and Jacobson, A.D., 2022, The evolution of the marine carbonate factory: Northeast Geobiology Symposium (Poster presented by J. Wang).

Tarhan, L.G., 2021, Young Scientist Award (Donath Medal): Tracking and modeling the development of the sedimentary mixed layer: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 141-8, v. 53 (Invited Medalist talk).

*Slagter, S., Hao, W., Planavsky, N.J., Konhauser, K., and **Tarhan, L.G.**, 2021, Microbial-mediated fossilization in sandstones: an experimental approach: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 76-7, v. 53 (Talk given by S. Slagter).

Tarhan, L.G., 2020, The Ediacara seafloor: environmental, ecological and preservational dynamics: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 226-1, v. 52 (Invited talk and panelist).

Tarhan, L.G., 2020, Early Paleozoic bioturbation and feedbacks on phosphorus cycling: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 245-6, v. 52 (Invited talk).

Droser, M., **Tarhan, L.**, Evans, S., Gehling, J. and Surprenant, R., 2020, Recognizing the textures of life: implications of diverse and ubiquitous Ediacaran organic surfaces for the detection of microbial structures on other planets: American Geophysical Union: abstract P024-0006 (Poster given by M. Droser).

*Slagter, S., **Tarhan, L.G.**, Hao, W., Planavsky, N.J. and Konhauser, K., 2020, Experimental silica precipitation onto organic tissues: implications for the preservation of the Ediacara Biota: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 136-3, v. 52 (Talk given by S. Slagter).

Tarhan, L.G., Myrow, P.M., Smith, E.F., Nelson, L.L. and Sadler, P.M., 2019, Infaunal augurs of the Cambrian Explosion: an Ediacaran trace fossil assemblage from Mount Dunfee (Nevada, USA): International Meeting on the Ediacaran System and the Ediacaran-Cambrian Transition (Talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2019, Reconstructing the preservation, paleoenvironments and paleoecology of Earth's earliest complex communities: Selwyn Symposium—Coevolution of Life and Precambrian Environments (Invited talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2019, Early Phanerozoic shallow marine substrate evolution: the sole mark record: Geological Society of America Abstracts with Programs: Paper No. 293-12, v. 51 (Talk).

Tarhan, L.G., 2019, The rise of bioturbation: tracking and modelling the development of the sedimentary mixed layer: Royal Society Meeting—The Origin and Rise of Complex Life: Integrating Models, Geochemical and Palaeontological Data (Invited talk).

Tarhan, L.G., **Zhao, M. and Planavsky, N., 2019, The biogeochemical impact of early Paleozoic bioturbation: Goldschmidt 2019, Session 7A (Talk).

Wei, G., Planavsky, N., **Tarhan, L.**, Li, D., Chen, X. and Ling, H., 2019, Demise of dolomite-aragonite sea in the early Cambrian coincided with stabilization of oceanic oxygenation: Goldschmidt 2019, Session 7A (Talk given by G. Wei).

Tarhan, L.G., 2019, The evolution of bioturbation: timing and geobiological consequences: 2019 North American Paleontological Convention (Invited talk).

Tarhan, L.G., Zhao, M. and Planavsky, N., 2019, The biogeochemical impact of early Paleozoic bioturbation: 2nd Geobiology Society Conference (Poster).

Tarhan, L.G., 2019, A long fuse for the Cambrian Explosion: a 'Cambrian-style' trace fossil assemblage from the Ediacaran of Nevada: Women of Geology and Geophysics Symposium (Talk).

Tarhan, L.G., Zhao, M. and Planavsky, N., 2019, Early Paleozoic bioturbation and its influence on the global marine phosphorus cycle: Northeastern Geobiology Symposium (Poster).

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