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## Abstract

Understanding the evolution and timing of changes in ice sheet geometry and extent in Iceland during the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) and subsequent deglaciation continues to stimulate much active research. Though many previous studies have advanced our knowledge of Icelandic ice sheet history preserved in marine and terrestrial settings (e.g., Andrews et al., 2000; Norðdahl et al., 2008), the timing of ice margin retreat remains largely unknown in several key regions. Recently published  $^{36}\text{Cl}$  surface exposure ages of bedrock surfaces and moraines in the West Fjords (Brynjólfsson et al., 2015) contribute important progress in establishing more precise age control of ice recession in northwest Iceland. In another recent study, the spatial pattern and style of deglaciation in northern Iceland have been revealed through geomorphic mapping and GIS analyses of glacial landforms (Principato et al., 2016). Additional insight comes from updated numerical modeling reconstructions, which now provide a series of glaciologically plausible Icelandic ice sheet configurations from the LGM through the last deglaciation (Patton et al., 2017). However, the optimization of ice sheet model simulations relies on critical comparisons with the available empirical record of glacial-geologic evidence and chronological control, which remains relatively limited and sparsely distributed throughout Iceland. Our investigation is motivated by the need for more accurate constraints on the deglacial history in northern Iceland, where dated terrestrial records of ice margin retreat are particularly scarce. (*excerpt*)

## Keywords

ice sheet geometry, Iceland, Last Glacial Maximum, Húnaflói Bay, Cosmogenic GL Dating, Geomorphic Mapping

## Disciplines

Climate | Environmental Sciences | Environmental Studies

## Comments

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# **PROGRAM AND ABSTRACTS**

## **47<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL ARCTIC WORKSHOP**

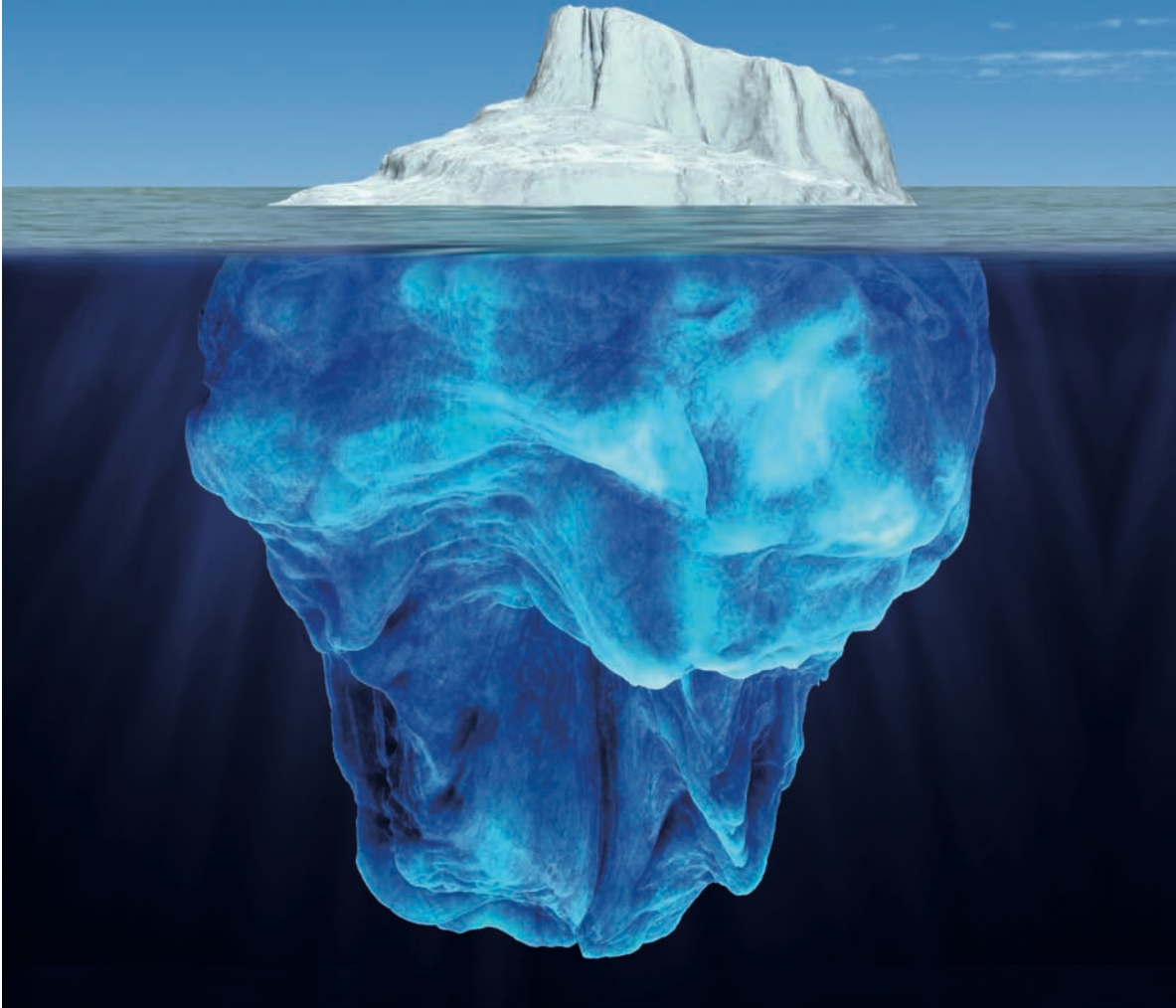
**March 23-25, 2017  
Buffalo, New York**

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## Introduction

### Overview and history

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### 2017 Theme

“Polar Climate and Sea Level: Past, Present & Future”

### Website

<https://geohazards.buffalo.edu/aw2017>

### Check-In / Registration

Please check in or register on (1) Wednesday evening at the Icebreaker/Reception between 5:00 – 7:00 pm in the Davis Hall Atrium (UB North Campus), or (2) Thursday morning between 8:00 – 8:45 am in the Davis Hall Atrium. At registration those who have ordered a print version will also receive their printed high-resolution volume.

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Davis Hall is located between Putnam Way and White Road on the UB North Campus. Davis Hall is directly north of Jarvis Hall and east of Ketter Hall. To view an interactive map of North Campus, please visit this webpage: <https://www.buffalo.edu/home/visiting-ub/CampusMaps/maps.html>

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Please load your presentation onto our computer during Check-In/Registration on Thursday or Friday mornings between 8:00 – 8:55 am. Time during breaks is limited.



# Arctic Workshop 2017 Program Summary

## Wednesday March 22

5:00-7:00	<b>Evening Reception, Check-in &amp; Registration</b>	Davis Hall Atrium
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## Thursday March 23

8:00-8:45	<b>Check-in &amp; Registration</b> Load presentations onto computer, put up posters	Davis Hall Atrium
8:45-9:00	Welcome & Introduction	Davis Hall 101
9:00	<b>Baffin Bay/Greenland Paleoclimate 1 talks</b>	Davis Hall 101
10:30	30 minute coffee break	Davis Hall Atrium
11:00	<b>Baffin Bay/Greenland Paleoclimate 2 talks</b>	Davis Hall 101
12:00	Lunch buffet provided	Davis Hall Atrium
1:00	<b>Poster Session 1</b>	Davis Hall Atrium
2:30	Posters and coffee	Davis Hall Atrium
3:00	<b>Arctic Paleoclimate talks</b>	Davis Hall 101
4:00	<b>Invited talk: Isla Castañeda</b>	Davis Hall 101
5:00	Happy Hour	Davis Hall Atrium
5:30	<b>Keynote Talk by Eric Steig</b>	Davis Hall 101
6:30	Banquet Dinner	Davis Hall Atrium

## Friday March 24

8:55-9:00	Welcome & Introduction	Davis Hall 101
9:00	<b>Glacier Dynamics 1 talks</b>	Davis Hall 101
10:30	30 minute coffee break	Davis Hall Atrium
11:00	<b>Glacier Dynamics 2 talks</b>	Davis Hall 101
12:00	Lunch buffet provided	Davis Hall Atrium
1:00	<b>Poster Session 2</b>	Davis Hall Atrium
2:30	Posters and coffee	Davis Hall Atrium
3:00	<b>Alaska Paleoclimate talks</b>	Davis Hall 101
4:00	<b>Invited talk: Gifford Miller</b>	Davis Hall 101
5:00	Happy Hour	Davis Hall Atrium

## Saturday March 25

9:00-2:00	Niagara Falls field trip followed by Big Ditch Brewery	Depart from Spot Coffee, Williamsville
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# Program Details

## PM - Wednesday March 22

5:00-7:00 **Evening Reception, Check-in & Registration** Davis Hall Atrium  
Snacks and drinks will be served, including beer and wine.

## AM - Thursday March 23

8:00-8:45 **Check-in & Registration** Davis Hall Atrium  
Load presentations onto computer, put up posters

8:45-9:00 **Welcome & Introduction** Davis Hall 101  
Jason Briner, Chair of Organizing Committee

## 1. Baffin Bay/Greenland Paleoclimate 1 - Talks

*Chair: Gifford Miller*

9:00 **HOLOCENE CLIMATE AND OCEAN CONDITIONS IN THE EASTERN CANADIAN ARCTIC AND GREENLAND: LAND-SEA LINKAGES**  
**Anne de Vernal**, Estelle Allan, Bianca Fr chet te, Claude Hillaire-Marcel

9:15 **THE EARLY HOLOCENE GLACIATION IN BAFFIN BAY PROJECT: INITIAL RESULTS**  
**Nicol s Young**, Gifford Miller, Jason Briner, Joerg Schaefer, Sarah Crump, Alia Lesnek, Simon Pendleton

9:30 **ICE, LAKES & CLIMATE: EXPLORING THE COMPLEXITIES OF PROGLACIAL-THRESHOLD LAKE SEDIMENTARY RECORDS FROM WESTERN GREENLAND**  
**Heidi Roop**, Jason Briner, Nicol s Young

9:45 **LATE-WISCONSINAN MAXIMUM EXTENT AND DECAY OF THE LAURENTIDE ICE SHEET ON THE NORTHEASTERN BAFFIN ISLAND CONTINENTAL SHELF**  
**Etienne Brouard** and Patrick Lajeunesse

10:00 **ICE CORE MEASUREMENTS OF 14CH4 SHOW NO EVIDENCE OF METHANE RELEASE FROM METHANE HYDRATES OR OLD PERMAFROST CARBON DURING A LARGE WARMING EVENT 11,600 YEARS AGO**  
**Vasilii Petrenko**, Andrew Smith, Hinrich Schaefer, Katja Riedel, Edward Brook, Daniel Baggenstos, Christina Harth, Quan Hua, Christo Buizert, Adrian Schilt, Xavier Fain, Logan Mitchell, Thomas Bauska, Anais Orsi, Ray F. Weiss, Jeffrey P. Severinghaus

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10:15 **THE PROVENANCE OF GLACIAL MARINE SEDIMENTS IN BAFFIN BAY AND APPLICATION TO LATE QUATERNARY CHANGES IN ICE SHEET ACTIVITY**  
John Andrews

10:30 **COFFEE BREAK** (Davis Hall Atrium)

## **2. Baffin Bay/Greenland Paleoclimate 2 - Talks**

*Chair: Anne Jennings*

11:00 **TOWARDS MULTI-DECADAL TO MULTI-MILLENNIAL ICE CORE RECORDS FROM COASTAL WEST GREENLAND ICE CAPS**  
Sarah Das, Matthew Osman, Luke Trusel, Joseph McConnell, Ben Smith, Matthew Evans, Karen Frey, Monica Arienzo, Nathan Chellman

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11:15 **DETAILED SEDIMENTOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS CHALLENGE OUR UNDERSTANDING OF DEPOSITION IN ARCTIC GLACIATED FJORDS**  
Lena Håkansson and Maria Jensen

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11:30 **SALTMARSH RECORD OF POST LITTLE ICE AGE MASS BALANCE CHANGES IN SOUTHEAST GREENLAND**  
Sarah Woodroffe, Natasha Barlow, Leanne Wake, Kristian Kjeldsen, Anders Bjork, Kurt Kjaer, Antony Long

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11:45 **A 400-YR WINTER TEMPERATURE RECONSTRUCTION FROM THE HIGH ARCTIC USING VARVED LAKE SEDIMENTS**  
Benjamin Amann, Scott Lamoureux, Maxime Boreux

12:00 **LUNCH BUFFET PROVIDED** (Davis Hall Atrium)



**PM - Thursday March 23**

**3. Poster Session 1 - 1:00-3:00 pm (Davis Hall Atrium)**

*Chair: Carolyn Roberts*

- 1 **EVALUATING AND TESTING CLIMATE MODEL SIMULATIONS OF GREENLAND ICE SHEET SNOW AND FIRN DENSITIES**  
**P. Alexander**, L. Koenig, M. Tedesco, P. Kuipers Munneke, X. Fettweis, S. Ligtenberg, B. Noël, M. van den Broeke, C. Miège

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- 2 **MODERN FORAMINIFERAL ASSEMBLAGES IN THE PETERMANN FJORD, NW GREENLAND**  
**Anne Jennings**, Alan Mix, Maureen Walczak, Brendan Reilly, Joe Stoner, Maziet Cheseby

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- 3 **A HIGH-RESOLUTION HOLOCENE MARINE SEDIMENTOLOGICAL RECORD FROM POND INLET, NUNAVUT - IS THERE A PALEOSEISMICITY SIGNAL?**  
**Laura-Ann Broom**, Calvin Campbell, John Gosse

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- 4 **RADIOACTIVE AND STABLE PALEOATMOSPHERIC METHANE ISOTOPES ACROSS THE OLDEST DRYAS-BØLLING TRANSITION FROM TAYLOR GLACIER, ANTARCTICA**  
**Michael Dyonisius**, Vasilii Petrenko, Andrew Smith, Ben Hmiel, Quan Hua, Bin Yang, James Menking, Sarah Shackleton

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- 5 **HOLOCENE AND LAST INTERGLACIAL CLIMATE OF THE FAROE ISLANDS FROM SEDIMENTARY LEAF WAX HYDROGEN ISOTOPES**  
**Lorelei Curtin**, William D'Andrea, Gregory de Wet, Raymond Bradley

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- 6 **A 40-YEAR RECORD OF NORTHERN HEMISPHERE ATMOSPHERIC CARBON MONOXIDE CONCENTRATION AND ISOTOPE RATIOS FROM THE FIRN AT GREENLAND SUMMIT**  
**Philip Place**, Vasilii Petrenko, Isaac Vimont, Christo Buizert, Patricia Lang, Christina Harth, Ben Hmiel, James White

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- 7 **RECENT HYDROLOGICAL RESPONSE OF A GLACIERIZED WATERSHED TO HIGH ARCTIC WARMING, LINNÉVATNET, SVALBARD**  
**Michael Retelle**, Noel Potter, Steve Roof, Al Werner

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- 8 **HYDROCLIMATE RESPONSE TO ABRUPT TEMPERATURE CHANGES DURING THE DEGLACIAL INTERVAL IN NORWAY AND RUSSIA**  
**Owen Cowling**, Elizabeth Thomas, John-Inge Svendsen, Kristian Vasskog

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- 9 **PALEOENVIRONMENTAL RECONSTRUCTION FROM THE SEDIMENT RECORD OF THE VARVED PROGLACIAL LINNÉVATNET, SVALBARD, NORWEGIAN HIGH ARCTIC**  
**Gwenyth Williams** and Michael Retelle

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- 10 **NEW CONSTRAINTS ON THE TIMING AND PATTERN OF DEGLACIATION IN THE HÚNAFLÓI BAY REGION OF NORTHWEST ICELAND USING COSMOGENIC <sup>36</sup>CL DATING AND GEOMORPHIC MAPPING**  
Amanda Houts, **Joseph Licciardi**, Sarah Principato, Susan Zimmerman, Robert Finkel

- 11 **PROVENANCE, STRATIGRAPHY, AND CHRONOLOGY OF HOLOCENE TEPHRA ARCHIVED IN LAKE SEDIMENT FROM VESTFIRÐIR (NW), ICELAND**  
**David Harning**, Thorvaldur Thórdarson, Kate Zalzal, Áslaug Geirsdóttir, Gifford Miller
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- 12 **LATE SEASON HIGH-SEDIMENTATION EVENTS AND ANNUAL SEGMENT FLUX IN SEDIMENT FLUX IN A SEDIMENT TRAP RECORD FROM LINNÉVATNET, SVALBARD**  
**Noel Potter** and Michael Retelle
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- 13 **UNDERSTANDING THE PRODUCTION AND RETENTION OF IN SITU COSMOGENIC <sup>14</sup>C IN POLAR FIRN**  
**Ben Hmiel**, Vasilii Petrenko, Michael Dyonisius, Andrew Smith, J. Schmitt, Christo Buizert, Philip Place, Christina Harth, R. Beaudette, Quan Hua, Bin Yang, Isaac Vimont, M. Kalk, R.F Weiss, J.P. Severinghaus, Ed Brook, James White
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- 14 **LATE WISCONSINAN GLACIAL DYNAMICS IN BROUGHTON TROUGH AND MERCHANT'S BAY, CENTRAL-EASTERN BAFFIN ISLAND**  
**Pierre-Olivier Couette**, Patrick Lajeunesse, Etienne Brouard
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- 15 **RECONSTRUCTING THE QUEBEC-LABRADOR SECTOR OF THE LAURENTIDE ICE SHEET FROM NEW SURFICIAL GEOLOGY MAPS, TILL PROVENANCE, AND DETRITAL <sup>10</sup>BE DATA**  
**Jessey M. Rice**, Martin A. Ross, Roger C. Paulen
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- 16 **PROGLACIAL LAKE SEDIMENT RECORDS OF HOLOCENE MOUNTAIN GLACIER CHANGE ON THE NUUSSUAQ PENINSULA, WEST GREENLAND: INITIAL RESULTS**  
**Avriel Schweinsberg**, Jason Briner, Joseph Licciardi, Ole Bennike
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- 17 **GLACIAL HISTORY AND GEOMORPHOLOGY OF TRYGGHAMNA, WESTERN SPITSBERGEN**  
**Nína Aradóttir**, Ólafur Ingólfsson, Anders Schomacker, Lena Håkansson, Riko Noormets
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- 18 **CONSTRAINTS ON WESTERN GREENLAND ICE SHEET EXTENT DURING THE MIDDLE HOLOCENE FROM PROGLACIAL THRESHOLD LAKES**  
**Alia Lesnek**, Jason Briner, Heidi Roop, Allison Cluett, Elizabeth Thomas, Nicolás Young
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- 19 **LAKE WATER ISOTOPIC VARIABILITY IN WESTERN GREENLAND: IMPLICATIONS FOR PALEOHYDROLOGICAL STUDIES**  
**Allison Cluett** and Elizabeth Thomas
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- 20 **NEW COSMOGENIC RADIONUCLIDE DATA CONSTRAIN THE FREQUENCY OF DISAPPEARANCE OF THE GREENLAND AND LAURENTIDE ICE SHEETS THROUGH THE FULL QUATERNARY**  
**Gifford Miller**, Simon Pendleton, Joerg Schaefer, Nicolas Young, Jason Briner, Adrien Gilbert, Gwenn Flowers

## 4. Arctic Paleoclimate - Talks

*Chair: Elizabeth Thomas*

- 3:00 **SOIL DEPOSITS RECORD HOLOCENE CLIMATE AND LANDSCAPE DISTURBANCE IN THE HIGHLANDS OF ICELAND**  
**Darren Larsen**, Dervla Meegan Kumar, Áslaug Geirsdóttir, Gifford Miller
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- 3:15 **PLIO-PLEISTOCENE CIRCULATION AND SEA ICE HISTORY IN THE WESTERN ARCTIC OCEAN, BASED ON A NORTHWIND RIDGE SEDIMENT RECORD**  
**Geoffrey Dipre**, Leonid Polyak, Joe Ortiz, Emma Oti, Anton Kuznetsov
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- 3:30 **DEGLACIAL – HOLOCENE PALEOCEANOGRAPHY OF HERALD CANYON, CHUKCHI SEA**  
**Christof Pearce**, Matt O'Regan, Jayne Rattray, David Hutchinson, Igor Semiletov, Martin Jakobsson
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- 3:45 **INVESTIGATING GLACIAL- INTERGLACIAL ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES DURING THE MID- TO LATE- PLEISTOCENE: A BIOGEOCHEMICAL RECORD FROM LAKE EL'GYGYTGYN, RUSSIA**  
**Helen Habicht**, Isla Castañeda, Julie Brigham-Grette
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- 4:00 **THE BIG THAW: TRANSDISCIPLINARY EXPLORATIONS OF PROFOUND TRANSFORMATION THROUGHOUT THE ARCTIC DUE TO CLIMATE CHANGE**  
**Connolly, Kim Diana**

## 5. Invited Talk: Isla Castañeda

*Chair: Elizabeth Thomas*

- 4:15 **MID- TO LATE-PLEISTOCENE TEMPERATURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL VARIABILITY AT LAKE EL'GYGYTGYN, FAR EAST RUSSIA**  
**Isla Castañeda**, Helen Habicht, Molly Patterson, Gregory de Wet, Benjamin Keisling, Rob DeConto, Julie Brigham-Grette

5:00-5:30 **HAPPY HOUR** (Davis Hall Atrium)

## **5:30 Keynote Talk**

“Paleoclimate data assimilation: the next frontier in getting the best science from ice core, sediment, and other high-resolution proxy data”

*by*

***Eric Steig***

*Earth and Space Sciences  
University of Washington*

**Followed by the Workshop Banquet  
Dinner (provided)**

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8:55-9:00 **Announcements** Davis Hall 101  
Jason Briner, Chair of Organizing Committee

## 6. Glacier Dynamics 1 - Talks

*Chair: Beata Csatho*

9:00 **RAPID THINNING AND ACCELERATION AT THE COLD-BASED VAVILOV ICE CAP, SEVERNAYA ZEMLYA, RUSSIA**

Michael Willis, **Matthew Pritchard**, Whyjay Zheng, William Durkin IV, Joan Ramage, Julian Dowdeswell, Toby Benham, Robin Bassford

9:15 **MONITORING LAND-ICE ELEVATION CHANGES IN FRANZ JOSEF LAND USING REMOTE SENSING**

**Whyjay Zheng**, Matthew Pritchard, Michael Willis

9:30 **A SEISMIC PERSPECTIVE ON THE EVOLUTION OF THE NW GREENLAND ICE SHEET**

**Paul Knutz**, Ulrik Gregersen, Karen Dybkjær, Emma Sheldon, John Hopper

9:45 **EVIDENCE FOR THE DRAINAGE OF A SUPRAGLACIAL LAKE AS THE SOURCE OF SEISMIC WAVES RECORDED AT REGIONAL DISTANCE**  
**Erik Orantes**, Patricia Kenyon, Patrick Alexander, Marco Tedesco

10:00 **THE CONTRIBUTION OF TOPOGRAPHIC SHADOWING BY ICE ON THE ALBEDO VARIABILITY**

**Sasha Leidman**, Asa Rennermalm, Johnny Ryan, Dimitri Acosta

10:15 **HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY AS A PROXY FOR DRAINAGE SYSTEM CONNECTIVITY IN A SUBGLACIAL HYDROLOGY MODEL**

**Jacob Downs**, Jesse Johnson, Joel Harper, Toby Meierbachtol

10:30 **COFFEE BREAK** (Davis Hall Atrium)

## 7. Glacier Dynamics 2 (+ hazards) - Talks

*Chair: Jesse Johnson*

11:00 **LOCAL PROCESSES AND REGIONAL PATTERNS - INTERPRETING A MULTI-DECADAL ALTIMETRY RECORD OF GREENLAND ICE SHEET CHANGES**

**Bea Csatho**, Toni Schenk

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11:15 **DETAILED SURFACE ELEVATION RECONSTRUCTION OF HELHEIM GLACIER (1981-2016)**

**Carolyn Roberts**, Beata Csatho, Toni Schenk

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11:30 **COUPLED CHANGES IN THE CRYOSPHERE AND SOLID EARTH MEASURED BY SPACE GEODESY**

**William Durkin IV** and Matthew Pritchard

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11:45 **GEOLOGICAL HAZARD ASSESSMENT IN WESTERN BAFFIN BAY- APPROACHES AND PRELIMINARY RESULTS**

**Calvin Campbell**, Kimberley Jenner, Kevin MacKillop, David Piper, Meaghan MacQuarrie, Laura Broom

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12:00 **LUNCH BUFFET PROVIDED** (Davis Hall Atrium)

**8. Poster Session 2 - 1:00-3:00 pm (Davis Hall Atrium)**

*Chair: Avy Schweinsberg*

- 1 **ON THE CONTRIBUTION OF BAFFIN BAY ICE COVER AND SEA SURFACE TEMPERATURES TO GREENLAND'S WEST COAST WARMING**  
**Thomas Ballinger**, Edward Hanna, Richard Hall, Jeffery Miller, Mads Ribergaard, Jacob Høyer

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- 2 **FINAL DEGLACIATION AND MARINE INCURSION: A VIEW FROM WESTERN HUDSON BAY**  
**Samuel Kelley**, M.S. Gauthier, M. Ross, T.J. Hodder

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- 3 **EARLY HOLOCENE GLACIER CHRONOLOGIES FROM BAFFIN ISLAND, ARCTIC CANADA**  
**Sarah Crump**, Gifford Miller, Nicolás Young, Jason Briner, Simon Pendleton

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- 4 **A MID-LATE HOLOCENE MULTI-PROXY PALEOENVIRONMENTAL RECONSTRUCTION OF NORTHERN FINNMARK USING A SEDIMENT CORE FROM THE ISLAND OF INGØY, NORWAY**  
**Claire Markonic**, Michael Retelle, Alan Wanamaker

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- 5 **TESTING THE ICE COVER HISTORY OF PRESERVED LANDSCAPES ON BAFFIN ISLAND USING 14C**  
**Simon Pendleton**, Gifford Miller, Nathaniel Lifton, Robert Anderson

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- 6 **DETERMINING AND INTERPRETING DETAILED ICE SURFACE ELEVATION CHANGES OF THE GLACIERS IN UPERNAVIK ISSTRØM, NORTHWEST GREENLAND, 1981-2014**  
**Lindsay Wendler**, Beata Csatho, Toni Schenk

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- 7 **CHANGES IN LAKE ICE PHENOLOGY AT LINNÉVATNET, A FRESH WATER LAKE IN THE HIGH ARCTIC OF SVALBARD**  
**Lea Maria Frederiksen**

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- 8 **IMPLICATIONS FOR INTERPRETING LEAF WAX PALEOCLIMATE PROXIES IN ECOSYSTEMS WITH STRONG SEASONAL CYCLES USING OBSERVED SEASONAL TRENDS OF ENVIRONMENTAL WATER AND SEDIMENTARY LEAF WAX HYDROGEN ISOTOPES IN CENTRAL NEW YORK**  
**Megan Corcoran**, Elizabeth Thomas, David Boutt

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- 9 **A HIGH-RESOLUTION APPROACH TO EVALUATE THE OCCURRENCE OF VARVED SEDIMENTS IN LAKE WALKER, QUÉBEC NORTH SHORE, USING IMAGE ANALYSIS AND X-RAY MICROFLUORESCENCE**  
**Obinna Nzekwe**, Pierre Francus, Guillaume St-Onge, Patrick Lajeunesse, David Fortin, Antoine Gagnon-Poiré, Edouard Philippe

- 10 **SURFACE STATUS ACROSS SCALES - EVALUATING TEMPORAL AND SPATIAL PATTERNS IN FREEZE/THAW CYCLES**  
**Helena Bergstedt** and Annett Bartsch
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- 11 **DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTENSIVE HYDROLOGICAL MONITORING PROGRAM TO EVALUATE VULNERABILITY OF MACKENZIE DELTA REGION LAKES TO CLIMATE CHANGE**  
**Evan Wilcox**, Philip Marsh, Branden Walker, Philip Mann
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- 12 **CLIMATE VARIATIONS OF THE COAST OF LABRADOR, 1750-1950 : A DISCURSIVE APPROACH**  
**Marie-Michèle Ouellet-Bernier**, Anne de Vernal, Daniel Chartier
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- 13 **CENTENNIAL SCALE VARIATIONS OF SEA-SURFACE IN THE DISKO BUGT, WEST GREENLAND**  
**Estelle Allan**, Anne de Vernal, Mads Faurshou Knudsen, Matthias Moros, Sofia Ribeiro, Marie-Michèle Ouellet-Bernier, Henry Maryse
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- 14 **MARINE EVIDENCE FOR COLLAPSES OF THE ARCTIC SECTOR OF THE LAURENTIDE ICE SHEET IN THE WESTERN ARCTIC OCEAN DURING THE LAST GLACIAL CYCLE**  
**Kenta Suzuki**, Masanobu Yamamoto, Tomohisa Irino, Seung-II Nam, Leonid Polyak, Takayuki Omori, Toshiro Yamanaka
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- 15 **GEOGRAPHIC VARIATION OF CIRQUES ON ICELAND: FACTORS INFLUENCING CIRQUE MORPHOLOGY**  
**Heather Ipsen**, Sarah Principato, Rachael Grube, Jessica Lee
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- 16 **MODELING THE EVOLUTION OF SUPRAGLACIAL RIVER NETWORKS OVER SOUTHWEST GREENLAND**  
**Rohi Muthyala** and Asa Rennermalm
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- 17 **ONE THOUSAND YEARS OF NORTH ATLANTIC SEA-SURFACE VARIABILITY PORTRAYED IN AN ARRAY OF PAN-ARCTIC ICE CORE METHANESULFONIC ACID (MSA) RECORDS**  
**Matthew Osman**, Sarah Das, Luke Trusel, Joseph McConnell, Matthew Evans
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- 18 **RECONSTRUCTING THE GLACIAL HISTORY OF MIDTRE LOVÉN BREEN, SVALBARD**  
**Erik Holmlund** and Lena Håkansson

2:30 TREATS AND POSTERS



## 9. Alaska Paleoclimate - Talks

*Chair: Jason Briner*

- 3:00 **PALEOGENETIC SURVEY OF BROWN AND BLACK BEAR DIVERSITY IN PLEISTOCENE SOUTHEAST ALASKA**  
**Charlotte Lindqvist**, Tianying Lan, Sandra Talbot, Joseph Cook, Timothy Heaton
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- 3:15 **THE LAST DEGLACIATION OF THE REVELATION MOUNTAINS, ALASKA: DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN GLOBAL AND REGIONAL CLIMATIC CONTROLS**  
**Joseph Tulenko**, Jason Briner, Nicolás Young
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- 3:30 **A TEST OF INTRINSIC CLIMATE VARIABILITY AS THE CAUSE OF LATE HOLOCENE VALLEY GLACIER FLUCTUATIONS**  
**David Barclay**, Brian Luckman, and Gregory Wiles
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- 3:45 **RECONSTRUCTING SOUTHEAST ALASKA'S RELATIVE SEA LEVEL HISTORY FROM RAISED SHELL-BEARING STRATA AND NARROWING THE TIMING OF THE RETREAT OF THE CORDILLERAN ICE SHEET FROM THE ARCHIPELAGO TO NEAR 13.700 CAL. BP**  
**James Baichtal**, Risa Carlson, Jane Smith, Dennis Landwehr

## 10. Invited Talk: Gifford Miller

*Chair: Jason Briner*

- 4:00 **AN ARCTIC PERSPECTIVE ON CONTEMPORARY WARMING**  
**Gifford Miller**

5:00 **HAPPY HOUR** Workshop photo & John Andrews toast

**STUDENT PARTY – DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED.  
EVERYBODY ELSE – DINNER ON YOUR OWN!**

**END OF WORKSHOP**

**OPTIONAL FIELD TRIP TO NIAGARA FALLS DEPARTS 9 AM,  
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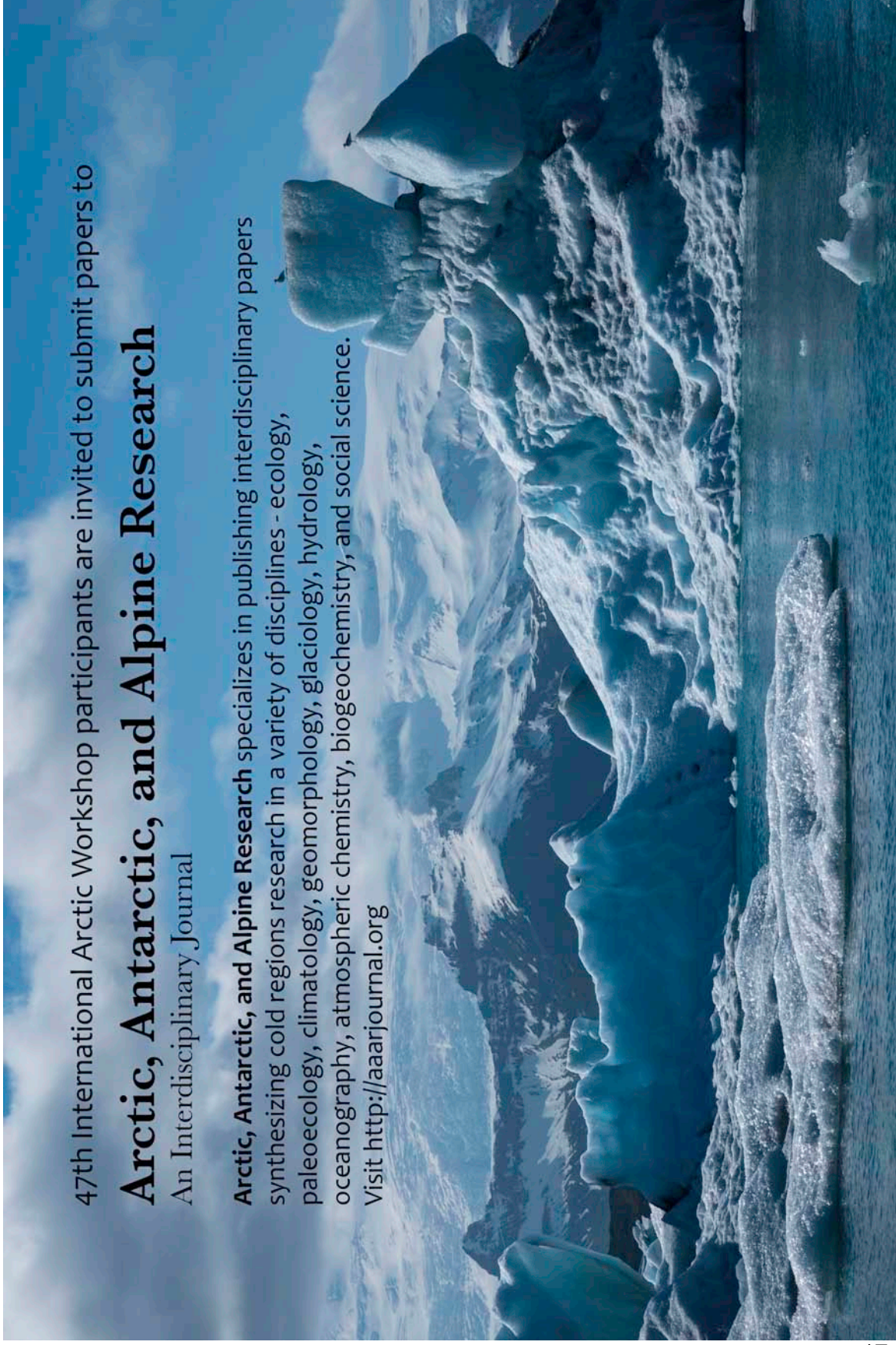


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# NEW CONSTRAINTS ON THE TIMING AND PATTERN OF DEGLACIATION IN THE HÚNAFLÓI BAY REGION OF NORTHWEST ICELAND USING COSMOGENIC $^{36}\text{Cl}$ DATING AND GEOMORPHIC MAPPING

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Understanding the evolution and timing of changes in ice sheet geometry and extent in Iceland during the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) and subsequent deglaciation continues to stimulate much active research. Though many previous studies have advanced our knowledge of Icelandic ice sheet history preserved in marine and terrestrial settings (e.g., Andrews et al., 2000; Norðdahl et al., 2008), the timing of ice margin retreat remains largely unknown in several key regions. Recently published  $^{36}\text{Cl}$  surface exposure ages of bedrock surfaces and moraines in the West Fjords (Brynjólfsson et al., 2015) contribute important progress in establishing more precise age control of ice recession in northwest Iceland. In another recent study, the spatial pattern and style of deglaciation in northern Iceland have been revealed through geomorphic mapping and GIS analyses of glacial landforms (Principato et al., 2016). Additional insight comes from updated numerical modeling reconstructions, which now provide a series of glaciologically plausible Icelandic ice sheet configurations from the LGM through the last deglaciation (Patton et al., 2017). However, the optimization of ice sheet model simulations relies on critical comparisons with the available empirical record of glacial-geologic evidence and chronological control, which remains relatively limited and sparsely distributed throughout Iceland. Our investigation is motivated by the need for more accurate constraints on the deglacial history in northern Iceland, where dated terrestrial records of ice margin retreat are particularly scarce.

Here we present a suite of  $^{36}\text{Cl}$  exposure ages on glacially scoured bedrock and erratics as well as striation measurements from the Húnaflói Bay region that elucidate the chronology and pattern of ice sheet margin retreat in northern Iceland during the last deglaciation. Results indicate that the ice margin retreated to positions inside the present-day coastline near Húnaflói Bay between 10.2-8.5 ka. Dated ice margin positions reported here are combined with ice sheet surface profiles derived from previously dated tuyas in the northern volcanic zone (Licciardi et al., 2007), and reveal a broad and consistent pattern of ice surface thinning and margin retreat across northern Iceland from ~11-10 ka. The orientations of ice flow indicators measured in this study align with streamlined landforms in three valleys south of Húnaflói Bay, supporting the presence of paleo-ice stream activity in northern Iceland which may have provided a facilitating mechanism for ice to reach the shelf-slope break

(Principato et al., 2016). The timing of ice margin retreat in northern Iceland is concurrent with documented periods of rapid glacier recession in both Greenland (Young et al., 2013) and Norway (Briner et al., 2014; Stroeven et al., 2016), suggesting a common driver of deglaciation in the circum-North Atlantic region that may have involved perturbations in ocean circulation and attendant changes in temperature. The improved terrestrial chronology of glacial thinning, retreat, and ice stream activity in this region will inform future glaciological modeling studies in Iceland (e.g., Patton et al., 2017).

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