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Summary Dani Jones is an Associate Research Scientist (Research Faculty) at the University of Michigan, working as part of the Cooperative Institute for Great Lakes Research (CIGLR). Jones has a background in physical oceanography, specializing in adjoint ocean modeling and unsupervised classification.

Currently, Jones is establishing the Great Lakes Artificial Intelligence Laboratory at CIGLR. This new initiative builds on a foundation of data science research and domain expertise, focusing on water level forecasting and observing network design.

The Great Lakes AI Lab aims to leverage the research community's robust observing assets, extensive datasets, modeling capacity, interdisciplinary expertise, and numerous regional partnerships to enhance our understanding and management of this invaluable natural resource. By utilizing advanced AI techniques, the lab ultimately seeks to improve decision-making processes for the management of the Great Lakes.

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Project title: The Cooperative Institute for Great Lakes Research (CIGLR): A Non-Competitive Renewal Proposal
Status of Support: Current
Proposal/Award Number: NA22OAR4320150-T1-01
Source of Support: NOAA
Primary Place of Performance: University of Michigan
Proposal/Active Project Start Date: 07/2022
Proposal/Active Project End Date: 06/2027
Total Anticipated Proposal/Project Amount: \$53,000,000
Overall Objectives: To accelerate NOAA's mission in the Great Lakes through primary research, fostering engagement with resource managers, career training, and public literacy initiatives.

Project title: Development of Next Generation Prediction System for Great Lakes (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Supplemental)
Status of Support: Pending
Source of Support: NOAA
Primary Place of Performance: University of Michigan
Proposal/Active Project Start Date: 07/2025
Proposal/Active Project End Date: 06/2027
Total Anticipated Proposal/Project Amount: \$370,700
Person Months per budget period Devoted to the Proposal/Active
Project: 2025: 0.01, 2026: 0.01, 2027: 0.01
Overall Objectives: To enhance water level forecasting for the Great Lakes by refining prediction models, improving stakeholder engagement, and advancing operational integration, ultimately supporting risk assessments for coastal inundation and water management decisions.

Project title: Ocean-ice state estimates: new tools for understanding and monitoring key sea level regulators
Funder: UKRI Future Leaders Fellowship
Resource to my group: 7.0 FTE (PI and 3-year postdoc)
Principal Investigator: Dani Jones
Current status: Funded, concluded
Short name: SO-WISE
Role: Principal Investigator

Project title: The Gulf Stream control of the North Atlantic carbon sink
Funder: Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) and National Science
Foundation (NSF) joint proposal
Resource to my group: 3.0 FTE (1.0 FTE/yr for 3 years)
Principal Investigator: Ric Williams (U. Liverpool)

Current status: Funded, active **Short name:** C-STREAMS **Role:** Co-investigator

Project title: Southern Ocean-Ice Shelf Interactions
Funding scheme: European Space Agency (ESA)
Principal investigator: Anna Hogg (U. Leeds)
Current status: Funded, active
Short name: SO-ICE
Role: Co-investigator

Project title: Climate change in the Arctic-North Atlantic Region and Impacts on the UK
Funder: Natural Environment Research Council (NERC)
Resource to my group: 4.0 FTE (0.8 FTE/yr for 5 years)
Principal Investigator: Len Shaffrey (U. Reading)
Current status: Funded, active
Short name: CANARI
Role: Co-investigator

Project title: Drivers and Effects of Fluctuations in sea Ice in the ANTarctic
Funding scheme: Natural Environment Research Council (NERC)
Resource to my group: 1.0 FTE (1.0 FTE/yr for 1 year)
Principal investigator: Jeremy Wilkinson (BAS)
Current status: Funded, active
Short name: DEFIANT
Role: Co-investigator

Project title: Environmental models: bridging the spatial scales, from surface sensors to satellite sensors
Funding scheme: Alan Turing Institute
Resource to my group: 2.0 FTE (1.0 FTE/yr for 2 years)
Principal investigator: Scott Hosking (BAS and Alan Turing Institute)
Current status: Funded, active
Short name: EnvSensors
Role: Co-investigator (BAS PI)

Project title: Drivers of Oceanic Change in the Amundsen Sea
Funding scheme: NERC Large Grant
Resource to my group: 5.0 FTE (1.0 FTE/yr for 5 years)
Principal investigator: Adrian Jenkins (U. Northumbria))
Current status: Funded, active
Short name: DeCAdeS
Role: Co-investigator

Project title: MITgcm optimized for use on ARCHER2 HPC **Funding body:** University of Edinburgh, EPCC (eCSE) **Role:** Co-investigator

	Current status: Complete
	Project title: NERC Research Experience Placement (REP) [multiple projects] Project duration: Six different 10-week summer projects
	 Project title: Providing the ARCHER community with adjoint modelling tools for high-performance oceanographic and cryospheric computation Funding body: University of Edinburgh, EPCC (eCSE03-09) Result: optimized MITgcm build options for the UK ARCHER HPC platform Role: Author and PI Current status: Complete
Postdoc and researcher supervision	Supervisor(2023 -) Lindsay Fitzpatrick, Environmental Data Specialist, CIGLR Data-driven water level forecasting
experience	Supervisor (2022 - 2023) Ute Hausmann, Postdoctoral Researcher, BAS The dynamics and sensitivity of the Weddell Gyre
	Supervisor (2021 - 2023) Tom Andersson, Data Scientist, BAS Environmental sensors and artificial intelligence
	Supervisor (2021 - 2022) Rachael Sanders, Postdoctoral Researcher, BAS Using state estimates to study North Atlantic interannual variability
	Supervisor (2020 - 2023) Emma Boland, Physical Oceanographer, BAS Using adjoint models to study Southern Ocean heat content
Student supervision experience - current	Supervisor (i.e. advisor) (2021 -) Simon Thomas, PhD student, University of Cambridge Using machine learning to quantify storm surge risk
Student supervision experience - previous	Co-supervisor (2018 - 2024) Rachel Furner, PhD student, University of Cambridge Using machine learning to derive data-driven ocean models
	Co-supervisor (2018 - 2023) Ciara Pimm, PhD student, University of Liverpool Adjoint modelling applications in the Southern Ocean
	Co-supervisor (2018 - 2022) Andrew Twelves, PhD student, University of Edinburgh The effect of iron in glacial meltwater on coastal biogeochemical cycles (Student

has successfully defended their PhD thesis)

Supervisor (2019 - 2021)

Fouzia Fahrin, MS student, Georgia Southern University Unsupervised classification of ozone profiles in UKESM1 (Student now a PhD student at Iowa State University)

Supervisor (Oct 2018 - June 2019) Petr Dolezal, MS student, University of Cambridge *Climate clusters: applying machine learning to climate data* (Student now a PhD student at University of Cambridge)

Supervisor (Oct 2018 - June 2019) Edward Derby, MS student, University of Cambridge Can we treat oceanic eddy fluxes as (macro)turbulence? (Student now a PhD student at University of Oxford)

Supervisor (Oct 2017 - June 2018) Shahel Khan, MS student, University of Cambridge What can machine learning tell us about the Southern Ocean? (Student now works in finance)

Supervisor (Summer 2018) Lille Borresen, NERC REP Student Using machine learning to reveal hidden structures in the Southern Ocean (Student now an MPhys graduate from Cardiff University)

Supervisor (Summer 2018) Matthew Koster, NERC REP Student Uncovering a hidden oceanic pathway using particle tracking experiments (Student now works as a software engineer)

Supervisor (Summer 2017) Ben Schreiber, NERC REP Student What controls the location of two remote, open ocean top predator habitats? (Work ultimately became part of a paper)

Supervisor (Summer 2017) Harry Holt, NERC REP Student What can machine learning tell us about Southern Ocean heat content? (Student went into space science)

Supervisor (2015-2016)Mark Hammond, MS student, U. CambridgeControls on stratification, vertical mixing, and polynya formation(Dr. Hammond is now a research fellow at University of Oxford)

Supervisor (Summer 2015)

	Mark Hammond, NERC REP Student The impact of ice sheet melting and iceberg calving on freshwater in the SO (Produced a paper and a data product that was used in B-SOSE)
Teaching experience	 Guest lecturer (2020 - 2022) Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Risk, University of Cambridge Delivered graduate-level guest lectures on ocean circulation, unsupervised classification, and ocean data
	 Supervisor for tutorials (2014 - 2016) University of Cambridge, UK One-on-one or one-on-two meetings with undergraduate maths students, specifically for computational projects (CATAM) and statistical physics Marking problem sets, providing detailed feedback
	 Guest lecturer (2011 - 2013) Georgia Institute of Technology Delivered lectures on oceanography for upper-level undergraduates
	 Master's thesis committee (2013) Wei-Ching Hsu, Georgia Institute of Technology The variability and seasonal cycle of Southern Ocean carbon flux Thesis available here: http://hdl.handle.net/1853/49079
	• Helped review master's thesis work, provided constructive feedback
	 Honors project committee (2013) Loretta Lutackas, Department of Biology, Colorado State University Assisted with design of laboratory experiment (carbonate chemistry) Examiner for final evaluation
	 Instructor of Mathematics and Science (2011 - 2013) Atlanta Metropolitan State College Taught undergraduate courses in algebra, trigonometry, and calculus
	• Taught practical laboratory courses in physics, chemistry, and biology
	Held one-on-one or small group meetings with studentsCourse sizes ranged from 5 to roughly 40
	 Teaching Assistant (2010 - 2011) Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University Assisted with year-long graduate course in atmospheric dynamics

- Gave guest lectures on specific topics (e.g. phase speed, group velocity)
- Marked homework problem sets, provided detailed feedback

Instructor of Physics (2007 - 2009)

Department of Physics, Georgia Southern University

- Designed and taught course in environmental physics (i.e. connections between energy, environment, and climate)
- Taught lecture courses and practical laboratory/observatory sessions in solar system astronomy, stellar and galactic astronomy, and physics
- Implemented research-backed active teaching methods (e.g. "studio physics")

Service

Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS)

- Co-chair, Observing System Design Working Group (Jan 2022)
- New role consistent with future research direction

Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Risk, Centre for Doctoral Training, University of Cambridge

- Member, equity, diversity, and inclusion committee (Feb 2022)
- New role consistent with EDI objectives

North Atlantic climate system project (ACSIS), NERC

- BAS ACSIS lead, responsible for managing budget, monitoring progress towards relevant work package objectives
- BAS representative on ACSIS management board (2018 2021)

British Antarctic Survey

- Web Editor, Polar Oceans (2015 2023)
- Library Representative, Polar Oceans (2014 2023)
- Coordinator, Polar Oceans Seminar Series (2013 2015)
- Coordinator, Director's Choice Seminar Series (2014 2015)

Cambridge Centre for Climate Science

- Network Coordinator, organised climate-related events to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration between departments and institutes across Cambridge (2015-2016)
- served as point of contact for the climate science community in Cambridge

Techniques, advances, and challenges in ocean modelling [adjoint] (TACOMA)

- Founder, TACOMA interest group
- Organiser, international workshop at U. Oxford (2018)
- Organiser, international workshop at U. Cambridge (2014)
 - Outcome: plan for further development of open-source adjoint tool (some success with "divided adjoint" approach, work ongoing)
 - Outcome: plan for collaborative proposal (funded, complete)

Darwin College, University of Cambridge

• Volunteer, Darwin College Lecture Series (2014 - 2019)

Georgia Institute of Technology

- Organizer, Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Seminar Series (2011 2013)
- Judge, Graduate Research Symposium (2011 2013)
- Staff, The Tower Undergraduate Research Journal

Colorado State University

- Member, Graduate Student Council (2009 2011)
- *Member*, College of Engineering Tech Fee Committee (2009 2011)
- Volunteer, Little Shop of Physics (2009 2011)

Georgia Southern University

- Chair, Faculty Community on Learner-centered Teaching (2007 2009)
- Member, Physics Department Colloquium Committee (2007 2009)
- Presenter, Planetarium Public Evening (2005 and 2008)
- Presenter, High school physics outreach (2007 2009)
- Volunteer, Astronomy and Space Day (2007 2009)
- Volunteer, Physics Open House (2007 2009)

University of Kentucky (2005 - 2007)

- Member, Graduate Student Council
- Instructor, Strategies for Taking the Physics Subject Test

Referee for **research papers** submitted to: • Earth and Space Science service • Geophysical Research Letters (at least 6) • Geoscientific Model Development

- Journal of Physical Oceanography (at least 3)
- Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans (at least 9)
- Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems (JAMES)
- Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society A
- Journal of Marine Systems
- EGU Ocean Science
- Science Advances
- Journal of Climate

(I've lost count of the actual numbers of reviews submitted)

Reviewer for **funding proposals** submitted to:

- National Science Foundation (NSF)
- The Royal Society University Research Fellowship
- German Research Foundation (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft)

Selected peer-review

Outreach	 Producer and Host, the Climate Scientists podcast - https://anchor.fm/climate-scientists Active science twitter account - https://twitter.com/DanJonesOcean Contributor/Reviewer, Climate Feedback https://climatefeedback.org/ Presenter, Polar Pride Day and LGBTQ+ in STEM Day Organizer and Host, Cambridge Science Festival (annual climate-relevant events, 2015-2021) Speaker, CamTalks local speaker series, Cambourne, UK Science rep, community engagement event, Avonmouth, UK Guest Speaker, Bourn CofE Primary Academy, Cambridge University Pri- mary School, Monkfield Park Primary School Guest Speaker, Cheltenham Science Festival 2016 ("The Ocean Debate") Guest, The Naked Scientist Podcast, 2016 (Available: https://goo.gl/XLXwpr) Guest Speaker, "How does climate modelling work?" Meetup Group Organiser, Understanding the Paris climate summit (16/11/15)
Selected conference participation	 Co-convener, AGU interpretable machine learning session (2022, 2023) Co-convener, EGU Southern Ocean session (2021, 2022) Co-convener, AGU Ocean Sciences adjoint modelling session (2022) Regular presenter at AGU Fall Meeting, AGU Ocean Sciences, and EGU
Fieldwork experience	 Oceanographic research cruise and labwork Served on research cruise JR15006 on the <i>RRS James Clark Ross</i> to the Weddell Sea, South Georgia Island, and Signy Island Carried out CTD casts, bottled samples for oxygen isotope and salinity analysis, managed data and processing for the vehicle-mounted ADCP, operated the salinometer Used hand-operated ice corer to extract sea ice cores, collected surface ocean samples during small boat excursions
Datasets generated	Jones D.C. and Hammond M. (2016). Southern Ocean Freshwater Flux Field. British Oceanographic Data Centre - Natural Environment Research Council, UK. doi:10/bngj.
Honors	 Laws Prize, British Antarctic Survey (2021) Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Award, British Antarctic Survey (2020) Best Student Presentation Award, CSU Research Symposium (2010) Atmospheric Science Alumni Scholarship, CSU (2009 - 2010) Dan R. Reedy Quality Fellowship Award, U, Kentucky (2005 - 2007) Karl E. Peace Undergraduate Award, Georgia Southern U. (2001)

Education	PhD, Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University (2013)
	MS, Mathematics, Georgia Southern University (2009)
Positions	MS, Physics, University of Kentucky (2007)
	BS, Physics , Georgia Southern University (2005)
	Associate Research Scientist (2023 -), Cooperative Institute for Great Lakes Research (CIGLR), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
	Physical Oceanographer (2013 - 2023), British Antarctic Survey, NERC, UKRI, Cambridge, UK
	Instructor of Mathematics and Science (2011 - 2013), Atlanta Metropolitan State College, Atlanta, GA
Other Affiliations	Research Scientist (2011 - 2013), School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA
	Instructor of Physics (2007 - 2009), Department of Physics, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA
	Honorary Researcher (2024 -), British Antarctic Survey, NERC, UKRI, Cambridge, UK
	Affiliate Faculty (2020 -), Department of Mathematical Sciences, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, GA
	Senior Member (2017 -), Darwin College, University of Cambridge
	Research Associate (2013 - 2017), Darwin College, University of Cambridge