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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Degree	Institution Conferring	Field	Year
B.S.	Eastern Washington University	Biology	1987
M.S.	Oregon State University	BioChem/Statistics	1989
Ph.D.	Oregon State University	Oceanography	1993

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Research Scientist, ASci Corp. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	1989-93
Assistant Scientist, Hatfield Marine Science Center	1993-94
Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Brookhaven National Laboratory	1994-97
Adjunct Professor, Southampton College, Long Island University	1996
Assistant Scientist, Brookhaven National Laboratory	1997-98
Assistant Professor, Institute of Marine & Coastal Sciences, Rutgers University	1998-99
Scientist, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center	1999-2004
Full Professor, Dept. Botany & Plant Pathology, Oregon State University	2005-

AWARDS

NASA/GSFC Performance Award (2001)

NASA/GSFC Performance Award (2002)

NASA/GSFC, Code 970, Outstanding Publication Award (2002)

NRC Senior Resident Research Assistant, Dr. O. Prasil (2002-03)

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS

Physiological-ecology of marine algae, biogeochemical cycles, remote sensing of the biosphere, novel optical approaches to understanding algal ecology/physiology, biochemistry & biophysics of photosynthesis, physiological responses of plants to environmental stresses, regional & global ecological modeling, climate change, and carbon cycling.

PUBLICATIONS

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F. Bruyant, M. Babin, B. Genty, O. Prasil, M.J. Behrenfeld, H. Claustre, A. Bricaud, J. Holtzendorff, M. Koblizek, L. Garczarek & F. Partensky. 2005. Diel variations in the photosynthetic parameters of Prochlorococcus strain PCC 9511: combined effects of light

and cell cycle. *Limnol. Oceanogr.* 50(3): 850-863

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M.J. Behrenfeld & J.W Chapman. 1990. Our disappearing ozone shield. *Current* 10(3):13-17.

ADVISORS

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Dr. John T. Hardy, Western Washington University, M.S. Advisor

CURRENT COLLABORATIONS

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TECHNICAL REVIEWER FOR

National Science Foundation, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, *Science*, *Nature*, *Global Biogeochemical Cycles*, *Journal of Geophysical Research*, *Limnology and Oceanography*, *Journal of Phycology*, *Deep Sea Research*, *Journal of Plankton Ecology*, *Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology*, *Aquatic Microbial Ecology*, *Estuarine Coastal and Shelf Science*, *Plant Physiology*, *Marine Ecology Progress Series*.

Invited Lectures

Xth International Photosynthesis Congress, Montpellier, France (1995)

International Phycological Congress, Lieden, The Netherlands (1997)

Flinders University, Australia (1997)

Rutgers University (1999)

University of Massachusetts (1999)

University of Connecticut (1999)

Princeton (2000)

University of New Hampshire (2001)
Institute of Microbiology, Trebon, Czech Republic (2001)
Photosynthesis in the Sea Conference, Bangor, Wales (2002)
Presidential Science Advisor, Dr. Marburger (2002)
Assistant Director NSF's Geosciences Division, Dr. Leinen (2003)
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