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## EDUCATION

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<b>University of California, Berkeley</b> <i>Ph.D., Earth and Planetary Science</i>	Berkeley, CA May 2022
<b>Peking University</b> <i>B.S., Environmental Science &amp; B.S., Mathematics and Applied Mathematics</i>	Beijing, China Jul 2017

## HONORS & AWARDS

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<b>Atmospheric Chemistry Colloquium for Emerging Senior Scientists (ACCESS XVII)</b> <i>Brookhaven National Laboratory</i>	2023
<b>Civil and Environmental Engineering Rising Stars</b> <i>Carnegie Mellon University</i>	2022
<b>NOAA Climate &amp; Global Change Postdoctoral Fellowship</b> <i>University Corporation for Atmospheric Research</i>	2022-2024
<b>Houghton Postdoctoral Fellowship</b> <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i>	Extended to 2025
<b>AGU Outstanding Student Presentation Award</b> <i>American Geophysical Union</i>	2021
<b>Peking University Outstanding Student Award</b> <i>Peking University</i>	2013-2017

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>NOAA Climate &amp; Global Change Postdoctoral Fellow (Host: Arlene Fiore)</b> <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i>	Aug, 2022 – Now
<b>CIRES Temporary Researcher on Model Development</b> <i>Cooperative Institute for Research in Environmental Sciences at the University of Colorado Boulder</i>	Jan – Aug, 2022
<b>Graduate Student Researcher (Advisor: Ron Cohen)</b> <i>University of California, Berkeley</i>	Aug 2017 – Dec 2021
<b>Summer Research Intern (Advisor: Rod Jones)</b> <i>University of Cambridge</i>	Jun – Sep 2016
<b>Undergraduate Researcher (Advisor: Keding Lu &amp; Qi Chen)</b> <i>Peking University</i>	Sep 2014 – Jul 2017

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Summer Research Program, MIT</b> <i>Mentor for a summer intern on an independent research project</i>	June - July, 2023
<b>EPS 50 Planet Earth, UC Berkeley</b> <i>Graduate student instructor for a first-year undergraduate lab class</i>	Jan - May, 2020
<b>Atmospheric Chemistry Elite Scholars (ACES) Program, Berkeley</b> <i>Mentor undergrad students conducting research using atmospheric data collected in the field.</i>	Jul - Aug, 2021
<b>Bay Area Scientists in Schools (BASIS)</b> <i>Teaching sciences lessons with elementary students in Bay Area.</i>	Oct 2017 - May 2022
<b>Academic Writing in English, Peking University</b> <i>Teacher Assistant for a graduate-level writing class.</i>	Jan - May 2017

## PUBLICATIONS

25. **Zhu, Q.**, Fiore, A., Correa, G., Lamarque, J. F., Worden, H., (2024). The impact of internal climate variability on OH trends between 2005 and 2014. *Environmental Research Letters*, in review.
24. Pfannerstill, E. Y., Arata, C., **Zhu, Q.**, Schnell, J., Ward, R., Woods, R., Harkins, C., Schwantes, R. H., Seinfeld, J. H., Bucholtz, A., Cohen, R. C., Goldstein, A. H. (2024), Temperature-dependent emissions dominate aerosol and ozone formation in Los Angeles, *Science*, 2024, accepted.
23. **Zhu, Q.**, Schwantes, R. H., Coggon, M., Harkins, C., Schnell, J., He, J., ... & McDonald, B. C. (2024). A better representation of VOC chemistry in WRF-Chem and its impact on ozone over Los Angeles. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, accepted.
22. Coggon, M. M., Stockwell, C. E., Xu, L., Peischl, J., Gilman, J. B., Lamplugh, A., ..**Zhu, Q.**,... & Warneke, C. (2024). Contribution of Cooking Emissions to the Urban Volatile Organic Compounds in Las Vegas, NV. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, accepted.
21. Fiore, A.; Loretta, M.; **Zhu, Q.**; Baublitz, C. (2024); Climate and Tropospheric Oxidizing Capacity, *Annual Reviews of Earth & Planetary Sciences*, 52.
20. Schulze, B. C., Ward, R. X., Pfannerstill, E. Y., **Zhu, Q.**, Arata, C., Place, B., ... & Seinfeld, J. H. (2023). Methane emissions from dairy operations in California's San Joaquin Valley evaluated using airborne flux measurements. *Environmental Science & Technology*, 57(48), 19519-19531.
19. Yu, K. A., Li, M., Harkins, C., He, J., Zhu, Q., Verreyken, B., ... Harley, R. A. (2023). Improved Spatial Resolution in Modeling of Nitrogen Oxide Concentrations in the Los Angeles Basin. *Environmental Science Technology*, 57(49), 20689-20698.
18. **Zhu, Q.**, Place, B., Pfannerstill, E., Goldstein, A. C., Cohen, R. C. (2023). Direct observations of NO<sub>x</sub> emissions over San Joaquin Valley using airborne flux measurements during RECAP-CA 2021 field campaign. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, 23, 9669–9683.
17. Pfannerstill, E. Y., Arata, C., **Zhu, Q.**, Schulze, B. C., Woods, R., Harkins, C., ... & Goldstein, A. H. (2023). Comparison between Spatially Resolved Airborne Flux Measurements and Emission Inventories of Volatile Organic Compounds in Los Angeles. *Environmental Science & Technology*, 57(41), 15533-15545.
16. Pfannerstill, E. Y., Arata, C., **Zhu, Q.**, Schulze, B. C., Woods, R., Seinfeld, J. H., ... & Goldstein, A. H. (2023). Volatile organic compound fluxes in the agricultural San Joaquin Valley—spatial distribution, source attribution, and inventory comparison. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, 23(19), 12753-12780.
15. Nussbaumer, C. M., Place, B. K., **Zhu, Q.**, Pfannerstill, E. Y., Wooldridge, P., Schulze, B. C., Arata, C., Ward, R., Bucholtz, A., Seinfeld, J. H., Goldstein, A. H., and Cohen, R. C. (2023): Measurement report: Airborne measurements of NO<sub>x</sub> fluxes over Los Angeles during the RECAP-CA 2021 campaign, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 23, 13015–13028.
14. Romps, D. M., Latimer, K., **Zhu, Q.**, Jurkat-Witschas, T., Mahnke, C., Prabhakaran, T., ... & Wendisch, M. (2023). Air pollution unable to intensify storms via warm-phase invigoration. *Geophysical Research Letters*, e2022GL100409.
13. **Zhu, Q.**, Laughner, J. L., & Cohen, R. C. (2022). Estimate of OH trends over one decade in North American cities. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 119(16), e2117399119.
12. **Zhu, Q.**, Laughner, J. L., & Cohen, R. C. (2022). Combining Machine Learning and Satellite Observations to Predict Spatial and Temporal Variation of near Surface OH in North American Cities. *Environmental Science & Technology*, 56(11), 7362-7371.
11. Li, C., **Zhu, Q.**, Jin, X., & Cohen, R. C. (2022). Elucidating Contributions of Anthropogenic Volatile Organic Compounds and Particulate Matter to Ozone Trends over China. *Environmental Science and Technology*, 56(18), 12906-12916.
10. Li, C., Xu, X., Liu, X., Wang, J., Sun, K., van Geffen, J., **Zhu, Q.**, Cohen, R. C. (2022). Direct Retrieval of NO<sub>2</sub> Vertical Columns from UV-Vis (390-495 nm) Spectral Radiances Using a Neural Network. *Journal of Remote Sensing*.
9. Jin, X., **Zhu, Q.**, & Cohen, R. C. (2021). Direct estimates of biomass burning NO<sub>x</sub> emissions and lifetimes using daily observations from TROPOMI. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, 21(20), 15569-15587.
8. Delaria, E. R., Place, B. K., Turner, A. J., **Zhu, Q.**, Jin, X., & Cohen, R. C. (2021). Development of a Solar-Induced Fluorescence Canopy Conductance Model and Its Application to Stomatal Reactive Nitrogen Deposition. *ACS Earth and Space Chemistry*.
7. **Zhu, Q.**, Laughner, J. L., & Cohen, R. C. (2019). Lightning NO<sub>2</sub> simulation over the contiguous US and its effects on satellite NO<sub>2</sub> retrievals. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*. 19. 13067-13078.
6. Laughner, J. L., **Zhu, Q.**, & Cohen, R. C. (2019). Evaluation of version 3.0B of the BEHR OMI NO<sub>2</sub> product. *Atmospheric Measurement Techniques*, 12(1), 129-146.
5. Laughner, J. L., **Zhu, Q.**, & Cohen, R. C. (2018). The Berkeley High Resolution Tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> product. *Earth System Science Data*, 10(4), 2069-2095.
4. Wang, H., Lu, K., Chen, X., **Zhu, Q.**, Wu, Z., Wu, Y., & Sun, K. (2018). Fast particulate nitrate formation via N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> uptake aloft in winter in Beijing. *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics*, 18(14), 10483-10495.

3. Guan, T., Hu, S., Han, Y., Wang, R., **Zhu, Q.**, Hu, Y., ... & Zhu, T. (2018). The effects of facemasks on airway inflammation and endothelial dysfunction in healthy young adults: a double-blind, randomized, controlled crossover study. *Particle and fibre toxicology*, 15(1), 1-12.
2. Mak, H. W. L., Laughner, J. L., Fung, J. C. H., **Zhu, Q.**, & Cohen, R. C. (2018). Improved satellite retrieval of tropospheric NO<sub>2</sub> column density via updating of air mass factor (AMF): case study of Southern China. *Remote Sensing*, 10(11), 1789.
1. Wang, H., Lu, K., Chen, X., **Zhu, Q.**, Chen, Q., Guo, S., ... & Zhang, Y. (2017). High N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> concentrations observed in urban Beijing: Implications of a large nitrate formation pathway. *Environmental Science & Technology Letters*, 4(10), 416-420.

## PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

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- 2024 University of California, Irvine, *Invited Talk*
- 2024 Georgia Institute of Technology, *Invited Talk*
- 2024 University of Washington, *Invited Talk*
- 2024 AMS Meeting, *Oral*
- 2023 AGU Fall Meeting, *Oral*
- 2023 University of HongKong, *Invited Talk*
- 2023 The 10th Conference on Air Benefit and Cost and Attainment Assessment, *Oral*
- 2023 Nanjing University *Invited Talk*
- 2023 Peking University *Invited Talk*
- 2023 Meteorology and Climate - Modeling for Air Quality Conference, *Oral*
- 2023 ACCESS XVII, *Invited Talk*
- 2023 NOAA CSL, *Invited Talk*
- 2023 Composition Air quality Climate inTeractions Initiative (CACTI) Workshop, *Oral*
- 2023 2023 SENSE.nano Symposium, *Invited Talk*
- 2023 CESM Atmosphere / Whole Atmosphere / Chemistry-Climate working group meeting, *Oral*
- 2022 Statistical Learning in Atmospheric Chemistry, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 RECAP-SUNVEX field campaign workshop, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 Atmospheric Mechanisms Conference, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 Civil and Environmental Engineering Rising Stars, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 AGU Fall Meeting, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 TEMPO Annual Meeting, *Invited Talk*
- 2022 AMS Annual Meeting, *Oral*
- 2021 NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, *Invited Talk*
- 2021 TEMPO Science Team Meeting, *Poster*
- 2021 AMS Annual Meeting , *Oral*
- 2020 AGU Fall Meeting, *Oral*
- 2019 AGU Fall Meeting, *Poster*
- 2018 AGU Fall Meeting, *Poster*

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Session Co-Convener:** A086. Sources and Fate of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and NO<sub>x</sub> in Human-Made Environments, AGU 2022; A098. Multi-scale Air Quality Modelling: Development and Application, AGU 2023

**Co-organizer:** Statistical Learning in Atmospheric Chemistry (SLAC) group; MIT PAOC Colloquium

**Reviewer:** ACS Earth and Space Chemistry; Atmospheric Chemistry & Physics; Atmospheric Environment; Atmospheric Measurement Techniques; Environmental Science & Technology; Environmental Research Letters; Environmental Research; Environmental Pollution; Geophysical Research Letters; Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres; Remote Sensing of Environment