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Awards	2022 Flint Postdoctoral Fellowship, Yale University 2019 Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Bok Center 2016 William Benjamin and Jill Kowal Award, Harvard University	
Publications	Fu, M., Graham, R.J., & Abbot, D.S. (2026). Paleogeography strongly influences CO₂ threshold for Sturtian Snowball Earth initiation. (<i>in revision</i>) Fu, M. & Fedorov, A.V. (2026). Contrasting Tropical SST Warming in Two Climate Models: The Roles of Winds, Clouds, Evaporative Cooling, and Ocean Dynamics. (<i>in revision</i>) Koepnick, K., Fu, M., & Tziperman, E. (2026). Comparing the surface mass balance of the Laurentide Ice Sheet during the last deglaciation with geophysical reconstructions. <i>Paleoceanography and Paleoclimatology</i>, 41(9), e2025PA005366. Graham, R.J., Cael, B.B., Fu, M., & Abbot, D.S. (2026). Shifting mechanisms of climate stabilization across the Phanerozoic. <i>Nature Communications</i>, doi:10.1038/s41467-026-77289-3 Zhu, F., Hopcroft, P.O., Albani, S., Fu, M., Crocker, A.J., Xuan, C., &	

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Smith, A. J., Ito, E., Burls, N., Clarke, L., Donders, T., Hatfield, R., ... & PlioWest Working Consortium (2023). Workshop report: PlioWest–drilling Pliocene lakes in western North America. *Sci. Dril.*, 32, 61–72

Fu, M. & Fedorov, A. (2023) The role of Bjerknes and shortwave feedbacks in the tropical Pacific SST response to global warming. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 50:e2023GL105061.

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**Book
Chapters**

Fu, M. & Tziperman, E. (2022). “Clouds”, Global Warming Science. *Princeton University Press*

Grants

Co-PI, *Drilling Pliocene Lakes in Western North America (PLIOWEST)*, International Continental Scientific Drilling Program (ICDP).

Invited Talks

Ocean Worlds at Southampton seminar (January 2026)
Lanzhou Workshop: Tibetan Uplift, Asian Aridification, and the Climate System (August 2025)
University of Southampton SOES seminar (July 2024)
WHOI Climate and Paleo Seminar (May 2024)
Harvard Earth and Planetary Sciences ClimaTea seminar (April 2024)
MIT Earth Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences Sack Lunch Seminar (April 2023)
Yale Atmosphere, Oceans, Climate Dynamics Seminar (November 2022)
Brown Climate and Environment Group Lunch Bunch (October 2022)
University of Chicago Geophysical Sciences Special Seminar (December 2021)
ICDP PlioWest Workshop (September 2021)

**Community
Service**

2026 Session Convener: EGU General Assembly “Past warm climate lessons to navigate into the future: Advances in proxy reconstructions and modelling”
2023–2024 Yale Atmosphere Ocean Climate Dynamics Seminar Organizer
2023 Session Convener: AGU Fall Meeting “Reconstructing Regional Hydrologic Changes Across Climatic Boundaries in the Recent Past”

2023 New Haven Science Fair Volunteer
2020 National Collegiate Research Conference Judge
2019 Harvard ClimaTea Seminar Organizer
2017 Cambridge Science Fair Moderator

**Review
Service**

Peer Review for:
US National Science Foundation
Quaternary Science Reviews
Earth and Space Science
Israel Science Foundation
Nature Communications
Journal of Geophysical Research - Atmospheres
Paleoceanography and Paleoclimatology
Journal of Climate
Geophysical Research Letters
Communications Earth & Environment
Geological Society of America Bulletin
Climate Dynamics