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Gender F | Date of birth January 6th, 1986 | Nationality USA

EDUCATION

- Nov. 2014 – Oct. 2018 **Doctorate of Science (Ph.D.) in Ecology**
University of Padua, Italy
- Sep. 2013 – Sep. 2014 **Master of Science (M.S.) in Aquatic Biology**
Queen Mary University of London, UK
- Sep. 2009 – Oct. 2012 **Master of Science (M.S.) in Biological Sciences**
Rockefeller University, NY, USA
- Sep. 2004 – June 2009 **Bachelor of Arts (A.B.) in Neurobiology**
Harvard University, MA, USA

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- April 2022 – Present **Research Associate (Post-doc)**
Institute Pierre-Simon Laplace Paris 75005, France
Laboratory of Climate and Environmental Sciences Gif sur Yvette 91191, France
Laboratory of Oceanography and Climate Paris 75005, France
Climate genomics of Antarctic toothfish to model and predict distributions under environmental change
- May 2019 – April 2022 **Research Associate (Post-doc)**
Alfred Wegener Institute Bremerhaven 27570, Germany
Berlin Center for Genomics in Biodiversity Research Berlin 14195, Germany
Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research Berlin 10315, Germany
Assessing population structure of Antarctic toothfish to inform management spatial planning
- Nov. 2014 – Oct. 2018 **Graduate student in the Laboratory of Molecular Ecology**
University of Padua Padua 35121, Italy
Multidisciplinary approaches assessing population structure of Antarctic silverfish in the Southern Ocean
- Dec. 2013 – Oct. 2014 **Graduate student in the Benthic Evolutionary and Molecular Ecology group**
Institute of Zoology London NW1 4RY, UK
Using microsatellites to characterize population ecology of sea pens in the North Sea
- Oct. 2009 – Oct. 2012 **Graduate student in the Laboratory of Biology of Addictive Diseases**
Rockefeller University New York, NY 10065, USA
Identifying mechanisms underlying drug escalation behavior in rats

SERVICE EXPERIENCE

- Oct. 2022 – Present **Advisory Committee, member**
Association for Polar Early Career Scientists (APECS) an international and interdisciplinary organization of ECS promoting polar research, career development and scientific outreach
- June 2021 – Present **Steering Committee, member of the leadership team**
SCAR Scientific Research Programme (**SRP**) **Integrated Science to Inform Antarctic and Southern Ocean Conservation (Ant-ICON)** coordinating policy-driven research to conserve and manage Antarctica and the Southern Ocean
- June 2021 – Present **Leadership Steering Group, member**
Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (**SCAR**) Action Group on **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)** addressing EDI issues within SCAR and taking practical actions relevant to the community
- July 2020 – Present **Scientific Steering Committee, member**
Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS) facilitating the collection and delivery of essential observations on dynamics and change of Southern Ocean systems to international stakeholders

- April 2019 – Present **Steering Committee, member**
Marine Ecosystem Assessment for the Southern Ocean (MEASO) assessing status and trends of habitats, species and food webs with the aim to provide a common foundation for science and policy
- Oct. 2017 – Oct. 2022 **Executive Committee, Vice-President, President, ex-officio**
Association for Polar Early Career Scientists (APECS)

PUBLICATIONS

- Caccavo JA, Christiansen H, Constable AJ, Ghigliotti L, Treblico R, Brooks CM, Cotte C, Desvignes T, Dornan T, Jones CD, Koubbi P, Saunders RA, Strobel A, Vacchi M, Van de Putte AP, Walters A, Waluda CM, Woods B, Xavier JC (2021) Productivity and change in fish and squid in the Southern Ocean. *Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution*. 9:351. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fevo.2021.624918>
- Caccavo JA, Raclot T, Poupert T, Ropert-Coudert Y, Angelier F (2021) Anthropogenic activities are associated with shorter telomeres in chicks of Adélie penguin (*Pygoscelis adeliae*). *Polar Biology*. 44:1391–1399. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00300-021-02892-7>
- Brasier MJ, McCormack S, Bax N, Caccavo JA, Cavan E, Ericson JA, Figuerola B, Hancock A, Halfter S, Hellesey N, Höfer J, Puskic P, Soares de Oliveira C, Subramaniam R, Wallis J, Weldrick CK (2020) Overcoming the Obstacles Faced by Early Career Researchers in Marine Science: Lessons From the Marine Ecosystem Assessment for the Southern Ocean. *Frontiers in Marine Science*. 7:692. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fmars.2020.00692>
- Gremion G, Casado M, Aho K, Caccavo JA, Champollion N, Choy E, Connors SL, Dey R, Fernández A, Fugmann G, Höfer J, Jawak S, Lizotte M, Maes S, Mayers K, Mintenbeck K, Mojica JF, Pandit P, Poloczanska E, Rosenbaum P, Seyboth E, Shakil S, van Soest M (2020) What Peer-review Experiences Can Offer To Early Career Scientists And To The Scientific Community. *Proceedings of the 5th International Young Earth Scientists (YES) Congress "Rocking Earth's Future" Berlin, Germany 2019*, 15. <https://doi.org/10.2312/yes19.15>
- Casado M, Gremion G, Rosenbaum P, Caccavo JA, Aho K, Champollion N, Connors S, Dahood A, Fernandez A, Lizotte M, Mintenbeck K, Poloczanska E, Fugmann G (2020) The benefits to climate science of including Early Career Scientists as reviewers. *Geoscience Communication*. 3:89-97. <https://doi.org/10.5194/gc-3-89-2020>
- Bohleber P, Casado M, Ashworth K, Belcher A, Baker CA, Caccavo JA, Jenkins HE, Satterthwaite E, Spolaor A, Winton VHL (2020) Successful Practice in Early Career Networks: Insights from the Polar Sciences. *Advances in Geosciences, Special Issue: Diversity and equality in the geosciences*. 53, 1–14, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.5194/adgeo-53-1-2020>
- Caccavo JA, Ashford JR, Ryan S, Papetti C, Schröder M, Zane L (2019) Spatial structuring and life history connectivity of Antarctic silverfish along the southern continental shelf of the Weddell Sea. *Marine Ecology Progress Series*. 624:195-212. <https://doi.org/10.3354/meps13017>
- Caccavo JA, Papetti C, Wetjen M, Knust R, Ashford J, Zane L (2018) Along-shelf connectivity and circumpolar gene flow in Antarctic silverfish (*Pleuragramma antarctica*). *Scientific Reports*. 8:17856. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-018-36030-x>
- Brooks C, Caccavo JA, Ashford J, Dunbar R, Goetz K, La Mesa M, Zane L (2018) Early life history connectivity of Antarctic silverfish (*Pleuragramma antarctica*) in the Ross Sea. *Fisheries Oceanography*. 00:1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1111/fog.12251>
- Schiavon L, Milan M, Lucassen M, Caccavo JA, Paterno M, Boscari E, Marino IAM, Congiu L, Zane L (2018) Genetic variability of the striped venus *Chamelea gallina* in the northern Adriatic Sea. *Fisheries Research*. 201:68-78. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fishres.2018.01.006>
- Caccavo JA, Brooks C, Zane L, Ashford JR (2015) Identification of *Pleuragramma antarctica* larvae in the Ross Sea via mitochondrial DNA. *CCAMLR Working Group on Fish Stock Assessment*. WG-FSA 15. https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/456279_9cdf5aa56ed74d6e9b2e8d75ec3fbb10.pdf
- Picetti R, Caccavo JA, Ho A, and Kreek MJ (2012) Dose escalation and dose preference in extended access heroin self-administration in Lewis and Fischer rats. *Psychopharmacology*. 220:163-172. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00213-011-2464-4>

INVITED TALKS

- Mar. 2023 **KER-TREND**, Paris, France
Climate Genomics
Caccavo JA
- Mar. 2023 **Gordon Research Conference (GRC) in Polar Marine Science: Integrating Ocean Physics and Biogeochemistry to Assess Polar Ecosystem Sensitivity to Rapid Change**, Ventura, CA, USA
How Climate Genomics can Help Predict Distribution Shifts in Southern Ocean Species Exposed to Environmental Change.
Caccavo JA
- Dec. 2022 **Laboratory of Climate and Environmental Sciences (LSE) seminar series**, Paris, France
Climate genomics of Antarctic toothfish.
Caccavo JA
- Nov. 2022 **COP27** Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt
Presented as part of the side event, Southern Ocean ecosystems: Need for Augmented Understanding, Research Efforts and Protection.
Caccavo JA
- Aug. 2022 **10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC) workshop: Participating in Large-scale International Scientific Assessments**, online
An introduction to the IPCC report process.
Caccavo JA
- June 2022 **Berlin Center for Genomics in Biodiversity Research (BeGenDiv) seminar series**, online
Climate genomics of Antarctic toothfish.
Caccavo JA
- Nov. 2021 **COP26** Glasgow, UK
Southern Ocean sustainability and ecosystem services.
Presented as part of the side event, Antarctic marine ecosystems need local and global protection.
Caccavo JA
- Sep. 2021 **Institute Pierre-Simon Laplace (IPSL), Marine biogeochemistry, ecosystems and resources theme seminar series**, Paris, France
Climate genomics – the next generation of quantifying and predicting climate change impacts on species and ecosystems.
Caccavo JA
- Jan. 2021 **The French National Museum of Natural History (MNHN) Institute of Systematics, Evolution and Biodiversity (ISYEB, UMR 7205) seminar series**, online
Conservation genomics in Antarctic fish.
Caccavo JA
- Jan. 2021 **MNHN Laboratory of Biology of Aquatic Organisms and Ecosystems (BOREA) Program of Ecosystem Observations of Antarctica Fisheries (POEPA)**, online
Population dynamics of Antarctic toothfish: management implications.
Caccavo JA
- Dec. 2019 **COP25** Madrid, Spain
The APECS-led IPCC group review: a launching pad for Early Career Researchers into peer review.
Gremion G, **Caccavo JA**
- Dec. 2018 **COP24** Katowice, Poland
The benefits to climate science of including Early Career Scientists as reviewers.
Casado M, **Caccavo JA**, Gremion G.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

- May 2022 – Present **Organizing Committee**
Inaugural Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS) Symposium
Define symposium format, develop themes, sessions, solicit conveners, assist in workshop design
- Nov 2021 – Aug. 2022 **International Science Organizing Committee**
10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC)
Oversee the scientific aspects of the meeting and advise on event format and structure

SESSIONS CONVENED

- Aug. 2022 **10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC)**
conference moved online.
Co-convenor with [D Liggett](#), [A Howkins](#), [S Chignell](#), [N Gilbert](#), [N Gardiner](#) and [HC Shin](#) of [Session 50: Rethinking Antarctic environments and conservation](#)
- Aug. 2022 **10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC)**
conference moved online.
Co-convenor with [CM Brooks](#) and [CD Jones](#) of [Session 19: Management implications of Southern Ocean ecosystem dynamics and biodiversity thresholds](#)
- Aug. 2020 **9th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC)**
conference moved online.
Co-convenor with [M Belchier](#) of [Session 22: The Role of Fish in the Southern Ocean](#)

ABSTRACTS

- Oral presentation Sep. 2022 **Caccavo JA**, Frémont P, Jaillon O, d'Ovidio F, Gehlen M. [Climate genomics of Antarctic toothfish \(ClimGenAT\)](#). British Ecological Society ([BES](#)) [Climate Change Genomics: Vulnerability, Adaptations and Applications](#) online workshop.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2022 **Caccavo JA**, Frémont P, Jaillon O, d'Ovidio F, Gehlen M. [Climate genomics of Antarctic toothfish \(ClimGenAT\)](#). 10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2022 **Caccavo JA**, Arantes LS, Mazzoni CJ. [A genomics perspective on Antarctic toothfish circumpolar population structure](#). 10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2022 **Caccavo JA**, Henley S, Johnston N, Grant S, Constable C, Höfer J, Melbourne-Thomas J, Baldry, K, Bestley S, Braiser M, , Cavanagh R, Costa D, Figuerola B, Griffiths H, Gutt J, Hallowed A, Hancock A, Hofmann E, Hollowed A, Kauko H, McCormack S, Morley S, Muelbert M, Murphy E, Pinkerton M, Piñones A, Press A, Roberts L, Ropert-Coudert Y, Sergi S, Schloss I, Schofield O, Solomonsz J, Swadling K, Van de Putte A, Weldrick C. [Marine Ecosystem Assessment for the Southern Ocean \(MEASO\): outcomes, updates, and next steps](#). 10th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation May 2022 **Caccavo JA**, Frémont P, Jaillon O, d'Ovidio F, Gehlen M. Climate Genomics of Antarctic toothfish, presented at the [BES Climate Science for Ecological Forecasting](#) symposium, London, UK.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2020 **Caccavo JA**, Arantes LS, Mazzoni C. [A genome reduced-representation approach \(3RAD\) to understanding the population structure of the Antarctic toothfish in the Weddell Sea and beyond](#). 9th Biennial Meetings and Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2020 **Caccavo JA**, Ashford J. [Midway upon the journey of life: the importance of local and regional hydrography on population connectivity in Antarctic fish](#). 9th Biennial Meetings and Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2020 **Caccavo JA**, Ropert-Coudert Y, Poupart T, Raclot T, Angelier F. [Anthropogenic activities are associated with shorter telomeres in chicks of Adélie penguin](#). 9th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation Aug. 2020 **Caccavo JA**, Christiansen H, Ghigliotti L, Treblich R, Brooks CM, Desvignes T, Doman T, Jones CD, Koubbi P, Saunders R, Strobel A, Vacchi M, Van de Putte A, Walters A, Woods B, Xavier J. [Marine Ecosystem Assessment for the Southern Ocean \(MEASO\): Productivity and change in fish and squid in the Southern Ocean](#). 9th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), conference moved online.
- Oral presentation May 2020 **Caccavo JA**, Mazzoni CJ, Brey T. [A multidisciplinary approach to understanding the population structure of an exploited Southern Ocean top predator, the Antarctic toothfish, to improve sustainability and marine spatial planning](#). European Geosciences Union ([EGU](#)) General Assembly, conference moved online.
- Poster June 2019 **Caccavo JA**, Ashford JR, Ryan S, Papetti C, Schröder M, Zane L. [An integrated approach to test spatially-based population structure and life history connectivity of Antarctic silverfish \(*Pleuraogramma antarctica*\) in the southern Weddell Sea](#). Integrated Marine Biosphere Research Open Science Conference ([IMBeR OSC](#)), Brest, France.
- Poster June 2018 **Caccavo JA**, Boutoute M, Kohlbach D, Flores H, Mayzaud P. [Lipid dynamics and trophic patterns of Antarctic silverfish in the Weddell Sea](#). 8th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), Davos, Switzerland.
- Poster June 2018 **Caccavo JA**, Raclot T, Poupart T, Ropert-Coudert Y, Angelier F. [Adélie penguin telomeres: eco-indicators of environmental stress?](#) 8th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference ([SCAR-OSC](#)), Davos, Switzerland.

Poster	June 2018 Caccavo JA , Thornton AE, Holloway J, Bradley A, Hindshaw R, Tummon F, Fugmann G. Early Career engagement bridges polar boundaries: a case study from Horizon 2020 . 8 th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC), Davos, Switzerland.												
Oral presentation	July 2017 Caccavo JA , Ashford J, Papetti C, Zane L. Testing spatially-based population structure and life history connectivity of <i>Pleuraogramma antarctica</i> in the Southeast Weddell Sea . 12 th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR) Biology Symposium, Leuven, Belgium.												
Oral presentation	June 2017 Caccavo JA , Ashford J, Papetti C, Zane L. Population connectivity and ecological dynamics of <i>Pleuraogramma antarctica</i> . 13 th International Student Meeting: Ecology and Behaviour, Chizé, France.												
Oral presentation	Aug. 2016 Caccavo JA , Papetti C, Zane L. Population genetic structure of <i>Pleuraogramma antarctica</i> across the Weddell Sea . 7 th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.												
Oral presentation	Aug. 2016 Brooks C, Caccavo JA , Goetz K, Zane L, Ashford JA, La Mesa, M. Pleuraogramma antarcticum distribution in the Ross Sea: patterns of early life history and evidence of new nursery grounds. 7 th Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research Open Science Conference (SCAR-OSC), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.												
Oral presentation	July 2016 Caccavo JA , Papetti C, Zane L. Population structure of <i>Pleuraogramma antarctica</i> in the Ross Sea . Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR) Working Group on Ecosystem Monitoring and Management (WG-EMM) 2016, Symposium on the Ross Sea Ecosystem, Bologna, Italy.												
FIELD EXPERIENCE													
Jan. 2014	The North Sea and Skagerrak 4 weeks aboard the Hakon Møsbj research trawl survey vessel In collaboration with The Institute of Marine Research Bergen 5005, Norway <i>Collecting sea pens for genetic analysis and assisting in shrimp, shark and bony fish sampling</i>												
STUDENTS SUPERVISED													
Mar. 2020 – Oct. 2020	Teresa Britz Master's student in Analytical Chemistry at the University of Applied Sciences Bonn-Rhein-Sieg Alfred Wegener Institute Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research Bremerhaven 27570 <i>Optimizing the analysis of trace elements in Antarctic toothfish otolith microstructures</i>												
Nov. 2017	Giulia Trauzzi Master's student in Marine Biology at Marche Polytechnic University University of Padua Padua 35121 <i>Using DNA barcoding to distinguish between species of smooth-hound sharks</i>												
TEACHING EXPERIENCE													
Jun. 2021	Master's Course in Bioinformatics at the Free University of Berlin Core Module: Biodiversity and Evolution, Lecture on Population Genomics												
REVIEWER EXPERIENCE													
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MEDIA ENGAGEMENT													
Jan. 2022 – Present	Skype a Scientist <i>A database connecting teachers and scientists – interactive video sessions with students ages 6 - 18</i>												
Jan. 2021 – Present	American Fisheries Society (AFS) Climate Ambassadors Program <i>A specialized communication skills training program that focuses on climate change</i>												
Mar. 2022	The Fisheries Podcast <i>Sharing stories of the amazing people and projects that make up the fisheries science profession</i>												
Oct. 2020	Polar Times podcast <i>Science and stories from literally the coolest places on the planet!</i>												

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- May 2022** [MSCA Seal of Excellence](#) for postdoctoral fellowship proposal ClimGenAT. Score 86.00%.
- Apr. 2022** Postdoctoral fellowship (valued at approximately €120000) from the Institute Pierre-Simon Laplace (IPSL) [Science Theme "Marine biogeochemistry, ecology, and resources"](#).
- Nov. 2019** [CCAMLR Scientific Scholarship](#) of \$25000 to cover expenses for participation in CCAMLR related events and spearhead CCAMLR-relevant research projects.
- Mar. 2019** [Humboldt Research Fellowship](#) for Postdoctoral Researchers (valued at approximately €100000) from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation.
- Nov. 2018** Mini-grant of \$910 from [SCAR AnTERA](#) to complete research project at the Laboratoire d'Océanographie de Villefranche-sur-Mer.
- May 2018** Travel Funding of \$750 from [SCAR AntEco](#) to attend POLAR2018 conference.
- Oct. 2016** [Erasmus+ Fellowship](#) of €1440 for research at the Centre d'Etudes Biologiques de Chizé.
- Aug. 2016** [SCAR Fellowship](#) of \$13000 for research at the Laboratoire d'Océanographie de Villefranche-sur-Mer.
- May 2016** [Antarctic Science Bursary](#) of £4305 for research at Old Dominion University, Center for Quantitative Fisheries Ecology and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

THESES

DOCTORAL THESIS [Population structure, connectivity and ecological dynamics of the Antarctic silverfish, *Pleuragramma antarctica*](#). Accepted June 2018.

Grade: **Cum laude**

Research conducted at The University of Padua, Old Dominion University, Virginia and the Laboratoire d'Océanographie de Villefranche-sur-Mer

MASTER THESIS [Canary in the coalmine: genetic structure and ecological significance of the tall sea pen *Funiculina quadrangularis* in the North Sea and Skagerrak](#). Accepted Sep. 2014.

Grade: **Distinction**

Research conducted at The Institute of Zoology, London and The Institute of Marine Research, Bergen

UNDERGRADUATE SENIOR THESIS [Stress Hormone Modulation of Synaptic Plasticity in the Amygdala](#). Accepted May 2009.

Grade: **Magna cum laude**

Research conducted at The Rockefeller University, New York

LANGUAGES

Mother tongue

English

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
Italian	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
French	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
German	B1	B1	B1	B1	B1
Japanese	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2

Levels: A1/2: Basic - B1/2: Independent - C1/2 Proficient | Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

OTHER EXPERIENCE

- Jan. 2015 – Mar. 2016 **English Instructor**
British Institute Padua 35129, Italy
- Feb. 2014 – June 2014 **Yoga Instructor**
reCentre-Health London SW17 7AN, UK
- Oct. 2013 – Dec. 2013 **Bartender**
Lost Society London SW8 3JF, UK
- May 2012 – July 2013 **Yoga Instructor**
Yo Yoga! New York, NY 10022, USA
- Nov. 2011 – July 2013 **Bartender and Ordering Manager**
Trash Bar Brooklyn, NY 11211, USA
- Aug. 2007 – July 2013 **Adoption representative, photographer**
KittyKind a non-profit, cat rescue and adoption group, New York, NY 10003, USA
- Oct. 2011 – July 2013 **Yoga Instructor**
David Barton Gym New York, NY 10028, USA

QUALIFICATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- May 2013 **500 Hour Yoga Alliance Registered Teaching Certification**
Aarsha Yoga Vidya Peetham – Kerala, India
- July 2012 **PADI Advanced Open Water Dive Certification**
Scuba Fun Dive Center – Sint Maarten, Netherlands Antilles
- Oct. 2011 **Certificate of Completion of beverage mixing and service**
American Bartenders School – New York, NY, USA
- Aug. 2011 **200 Hour Yoga Alliance Registered Teaching Certification**
Yoga to the People – New York, NY, USA