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EMPLOYMENT

- 2023 - now **Institute of Science and Technology Austria, Austria**
Marie Skłodowska-Curie postdoctoral fellow (IST-bridge co-funded)
- 2019 - 2023 **Max Planck Institute for Meteorology, Germany**
Postdoctoral Researcher

EDUCATION

- 2015 - 2019 **University of New South Wales, Australia**
Ph.D. in Climate Science, advisor: Prof. Steven Sherwood
- 2012 - 2015 **Beijing Normal University, China**
M.Sc. in Climate Science, advisor: Prof. Jinming Feng
- 2008 - 2012 **Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology, China**
B.Sc in Atmospheric Science

AWARDS AND HONOURS

- 2026 **Outstanding reviewer award**, Geophysical Research Letters
American Geophysical Union (AGU)
- 2026 **AGU editor's highlight paper**
Paper title: Precipitation Characteristics and Thermodynamic-Convection Coupling in Global Kilometer-Scale Simulations
- 2025 **PNAS paper featured by Futura-Sciences magazine as one of the "Top Five Weather Discoveries of 2025"**
Paper title: Tropics-wide intraseasonal oscillations
- 2025 **EGU highlight paper**
nextGEMS: entering the era of kilometer-scale Earth system modeling
- 2022 **Award for outstanding early career presentation**
GEWEX 3rd Pan-Gass meeting in Monterey USA
- 2020 **Uwe Radok Award** for Best PhD thesis
Australian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society (AMOS)
- 2019 **Chinese government award** for outstanding students abroad (300 globally across all the disciplines)
- 2018 **Award for best published paper** by a student
ARC centre of excellence for climate extremes (five universities in Australia)
- 2017 **AGU editor's highlight paper**
Paper title: The robust relationship between extreme precipitation and convective organization in idealized numerical modeling simulations.
- 2015 **TFS PhD scholarship, CCRC top-up PhD scholarship**
University of New South Wales
- 2015 **Laureate Fellowship top-up PhD scholarship**
University of New South Wales

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023-2025 **IST-bridge Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowship (~180000 Euro)**

PUBLICATIONS

I have published 21 papers (13 as first author) in peer-reviewed journals. 3 additional papers (1 as first author) are currently under review. According to Google Scholar, my work has been cited 1041 times (h-index: 13) as of March 7, 2026.

In review

- He, Y., Wang, J., Feng, J. **Bao, J.** & Nie, J. Anthropogenic warming intensified the July 2023 North China extreme rainfall through enhancing moisture transport and convective organization (submitted to *Weather and Climate Extremes*)
- Wang, J., Tett, S. **Bao, J.**, Sun Y., Wang, X. & Ge, Q. Anthropogenically inequitable risks of sequential extreme precipitation-humid heat events between tropical and extratropical regions (submitted to *Science Advances*)
- **Bao, J.***, Muller, C. & Singh, M. Understanding the role of land and convective organization in determining the free-tropospheric temperature in the tropics (submitted to *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*)

Published

21. **Bao, J.***, Becker, T.* & Takasuka, D.* (2026) Characteristics of precipitation and moisture-convection relationships in global km-scale simulations. *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*. (in press, *equal first authors, **AGU editor's highlight paper**)
20. Yoon, A., Hohenegger C., **Bao, J.** & Brunner, L. (2026) Threats on Amazon after deforestation: beyond annual precipitation. *Earth System Dynamics*. <https://doi.org/10.5194/esd-17-167-2026>
19. **Bao, J.**, Bony, S., Takasuka, D. & Muller, C. (2025) Tropics-wide intraseasonal oscillations. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2511549122> (**Highlighted by Futura-Sciences magazine as one of the "Top Five Weather Discoveries of 2025"**)
18. Segura, H. & co-authors including **Bao, J.** (2025) nextGEMS: entering the era of kilometer-scale Earth system modeling. *Geoscientific Model Development*. <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-18-7735-2025> (**EGU highlight paper**)
17. Gnanaraj A., **Bao, J.** & Schmidt H. (2025) The impact of the rotation rate on an aquaplanet's radiant energy budget: Insights from experiments varying the Coriolis parameter. *Weather and Climate Dynamics*. <https://doi.org/10.5194/wcd-6-489-2025>
16. Schmidt, H. & co-authors including **Bao, J.** (2024) Effects of vertical grid spacing on the climate simulated in a global storm-resolving model. *Geoscientific Model Development*. <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-17-1563-2024>
15. **Bao, J.**, Stevens B., Kluft, L., & Muller, C. (2024) Intensification of tropical precipitation extremes from more organized convection. *Science Advances*. <https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.adj6801>
14. Hu, Y., Lin Y., Deng Y., & **Bao, J.** (2023) Summer Extreme Rainfall over the Middle and Lower Reaches of Yangtze River: Role of Synoptic Patterns in Historical Changes and Future Projection. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*. 128, e2023JD039608. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2023JD039608>
13. Hohenegger, C. et al. (including **Bao J.**) (2023) ICON-Sapphire: simulating the components of the Earth System and their interactions at kilometer and subkilometer scales. *Geoscientific Model Development*. <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-16-779-2023>
12. Windmiller, J., **Bao, J.**, Sherwood, S. C., & Schanzer, T. (2023) Predicting convective downdrafts from updrafts and environmental conditions in a global storm resolving simulation. *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2022MS003048>
11. **Bao, J.**, Dixit, V., Sherwood, S. C. (2022) Zonal temperature gradients in the tropical free troposphere. *Journal of Climate*. <https://doi.org/10.1175/JCLI-D-22-0145.1>

10. **Bao, J.**, Stevens, B. Kluft, L. & Jimenez-de-la-Cuesta, D. (2021) Changes in the tropical lapse rate due to entrainment and their impact on climate sensitivity. *Geophysical Research Letters*. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021GL094969>
9. Keil, P., Schmidt, H, Stevens, B. & **Bao, J.** (2021) Variations of tropical lapse rates in climate models and their implications for the upper tropospheric warming. *Journal of Climate*. <https://doi.org/10.1175/JCLI-D-21-0196.1>
8. **Bao, J.** & Stevens, B. (2021) The elements of the thermodynamic structure of the tropical atmosphere. *Journal of the meteorological society of Japan* . <https://doi.org/10.2151/jmsj.2021-072>
7. **Bao, J.** & Windmiller, J. M. (2021) Impact of microphysics on tropical precipitation extremes in a global storm-resolving model. *Geophysical Research Letters*. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2021GL094206>
6. **Bao, J.** & Sherwood, S. C. (2019). The role of convective self-aggregation in extreme instantaneous vs. daily precipitation. *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2018MS001503>
5. **Bao, J.**, Sherwood, S. C., Alexander, L. V., & Evans, J. P. (2018). Comments on ‘Temperature-extreme precipitation scaling: a two-way causality?’ *International Journal of Climatology*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/joc.5665>
4. **Bao, J.**, Sherwood, S. C., Colin, M., & Dixit, V. (2017). The robust relationship between extreme precipitation and convective organization in idealized numerical modeling simulations. *Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*, 9, 2291–2303. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017MS001125> (**AGU editor’s highlight paper**)
3. **Bao, J.**, Sherwood, S. C., Alexander, L. V., & Evans, J. P. (2017). Future increases in extreme precipitation exceed observed scaling rates. *Nature Climate Change*, 7, 128-132. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nclimate3201>.
2. **Bao, J.**, & Feng, J. (2016). Intercomparison of CMIP5 simulations of summer precipitation, evaporation, and water vapor transport over Yellow and Yangtze River basins. *Theoretical and applied climatology*, 123(3-4), 437-452.
1. **Bao, J.**, Feng, J., & Wang, Y. (2015). Dynamical downscaling simulation and future projection of precipitation over China. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, 120(16), 8227-8243.

TEACHING

09/2024	Participant in 2-day workshop on basics in Didactics: Teaching & Learning in Higher Education
2024	Lecturer and coordinator for a graduate course in University of Vienna: Journal club about Climate modeling Main lecturers: Jiawei Bao and Blaz Gasparini
2023	Guest lecturer for a graduate course in University of Hamburg: Tropical clouds and convection Main lecturer: Raphaela Vogel
2020	Teaching assistant for a graduate course in University of Hamburg: The trade winds Main lecturer: Bjorn Stevens

SUPERVISION

PhD	Abisha Ganaraj (10/2021-10/2025) PhD in University of Hamburg/IMPRS Topic: Impact of earth’s rotation on radiation, circulation and climate sensitivity Co-supervise with Dr. Hauke Schmidt
PhD intern	Noe Klavier (10/2025-now) Phd rotation program at ISTA Topic: Understanding the MCS characteristics in RCEMIP simulations Supervise with Prof. Caroline Muller

PhD intern	Haruki Hagiwara (01/2024-02/2024) Six-week rotation program at ISTA Topic: Understanding the precipitation diurnal cycle over tropical island Supervise with Prof. Caroline Muller
Master intern	Leo Demaine (03/2024-07/2024) Five-month master intern program at ENS Lyon & ISTA Topic: Understanding the relationship between precipitation extremes and MCS in RCEMIP simulations Co-supervise with Prof. Caroline Muller
Master intern	Khushi Dani (09/2023-now) Master intern at IIT Bombay Topic: Understanding the link between convective organisation and Indian monsoon Co-supervise with Prof. Vishal Dixit
Master intern	Laura Hasbini Six-month master intern program at ENSTA Paris & MPI-M Topic: Relative humidity distribution in CMIP6 simulations Co-supervise with Dr. Hauke Schmidt

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2024-now	Member of WCRP APARC project: Atmospheric Temperature Changes and their Drivers (ATC)
2024-now	Coordinator for joint meetings between climate dynamics group at University of Vienna and convection group at ISTA
2024/2025	Judge of EGU OSPP (Outstanding Student and PhD candidate Presentation)
2016-now	Reviewer (30+ papers) for <i>Nature Geosciences</i> , <i>Science Advances</i> , <i>Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems</i> , <i>Journal of Climate</i> , <i>Geophysical Research Letters</i> , <i>Weather and Climate Extremes</i> , <i>International Journal of Climatology</i> , <i>Weather and Climate Dynamics</i> , <i>Journal of Geophysical Research-Atmosphere</i> , <i>Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences</i>
2019-2020	Coordinator for MPI atmospheric department internal seminar

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invited lecture on atmospheric convection at 2nd summer school on moist convective dynamics of monsoons (forthcoming) • Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology, department seminar <i>Tropics-wide intraseasonal oscillations (TWISO)</i>
2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Wisconsin–Madison, department seminar (online) <i>Tropics-wide intraseasonal oscillations (TWISO)</i> • ETH Zurich, IAC institute colloquium <i>Tropics-wide intraseasonal oscillations (TWISO)</i> • GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel, department seminar <i>Understanding the dynamics of mesoscale processes in the atmosphere</i> • Imperial College London, department seminar <i>Understanding the dynamics of mesoscale processes in the atmosphere</i>
2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Vienna, department colloquium <i>Intensification of tropical daily precipitation extremes from more organised convection</i>

- **Stockholm University**, department seminar
Understanding the dynamics of mesoscale processes in the atmosphere
- **Peking University**, department seminar
Intensification of tropical daily precipitation extremes from more organised convection

2023

- **Tropical lapse rate workshop, Sorbonne University**, talk
The thermal structure of tropical troposphere

2022

- **University of California Los Angeles**, seminar (virtual)
The thermal structure of tropical troposphere
- **Europe Geoscience Union General Assembly**, talk
Zonal temperature gradients in the tropical free-troposphere
- **Joint seminar at MPI-M**, talk
Impact of microphysics on tropical precipitation extremes in a global storm-resolving model

2021

- **University of Texas at Austin**, seminar (virtual)

2020

- **Climate Change Summer Institute, University of Washington**, talk (virtual)

2018

- **Monash University**, department seminar

CONFERENCES SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

2026

- Europe Geoscience Union General Assembly, talk
Tropics-wide intraseasonal oscillations

2025

- Europe Geoscience Union General Assembly, talk
Links between atmospheric temperature, surface temperature and convective organisation
- WCRP APARC ATC spring meeting, talk
Links between atmospheric temperature, surface temperature and convective organisation

2024

- GEWEX Open Science conference, talk
Intensification of tropical daily precipitation extremes from more organised convection
- Europe Geoscience Union General Assembly, talk
Intensification of daily tropical precipitation extremes from more organised convection

2023

- 3rd workshop on spatial organization of convection, clouds and precipitation, talk
Intensification of tropical precipitation extremes from more organized convection.
- CFMIP-GASS, poster
Tropical-wide oscillations: RCE or MJO?

2022

- 3rd GEWEX Pan-Gass meeting, talk
Intensification of tropical precipitation extremes from more organized convection

- CFMIP, talk

Zonal temperature gradients in the tropical free-troposphere

2021

- MPI-Meteorology, seminar
- CFMIP, poster
- 1st Workshop on spatial organization of convection, clouds and precipitation, poster

2019

- 2nd ICTP Summer School on Theory, Mechanisms and Hierarchical Modelling of Climate Dynamics

2018

- CFMIP, poster
- The 2nd GEWEX Pan-Gass meeting, poster

2016

- Convection permitting modeling workshop, poster