

EUROPEAN CURRICULUM VITAE FORMAT



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name

GERALD LANGER



WORK EXPERIENCE

- Dates (from 2022– to 2024)
- Name and address of employer
- Type of business or sector
- Occupation or position held
- Main activities and responsibilities

Institute of Environmental Science and Technology (ICTA), Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB), Spain

Research activity

Postdoctoral research associate

Coccolithophore culture experiments and analysis of eco-physiological parameters such as growth rate, carbon production, morphology, minor element partitioning, and isotope fractionation. Participation in oceanographic campaigns studying phyto- and zooplankton diversity and production/dissolution in the water column and sediments. Student supervision and lecturing.

- Dates (from 2016– to 2021)
- Name and address of employer
- Type of business or sector
- Occupation or position held
- Main activities and responsibilities

Marine Biological Association, Plymouth, UK

Research activity

Postdoctoral research associate

Coccolithophore culture experiments and analysis of eco-physiological parameters. Student supervision and lecturing.

- Dates (from 2011– to 2016)
- Name and address of employer
- Type of business or sector
- Occupation or position held
- Main activities and responsibilities

Department of Earth Sciences, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK

Research activity

Postdoctoral research associate

Foraminifera culture experiments and analysis of eco-physiological and geochemical parameters. Coccolithophore culture experiments. Student supervision and lecturing.

- Dates (from 2010– to 2011)
- Name and address of employer
- Type of business or sector
- Occupation or position held
- Main activities and responsibilities

Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research, Bremerhaven, Germany

Research activity

Postdoctoral research associate

Foraminifera culture experiments and analysis of eco-physiological and geochemical parameters. Coccolithophore culture experiments. Student supervision and lecturing.

- Dates (from 2006– to 2010)
- Name and address of employer

Institute of Environmental Science and Technology (ICTA), Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB), Spain

- Type of business or sector
- Occupation or position held
- Main activities and responsibilities

Research activity

Postdoctoral research associate

Coccolithophore culture experiments and analysis of eco-physiological parameters such as growth rate, carbon production, morphology, minor element partitioning, and isotope fractionation. Student supervision and lecturing.

- Dates (from 2005– to 2006)
- Name and address of employer
 - Type of business or sector
 - Occupation or position held
- Main activities and responsibilities

Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research, Bremerhaven, Germany

Research activity

Postdoctoral research associate

Coccolithophore culture experiments and analysis of eco-physiological parameters. Participation in oceanographic campaigns studying bacterial diversity. Student supervision and lecturing.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Referee for scientific journals** including Science, Nature, Nature Geoscience, Nature Communications, PNAS, Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta, Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems, J Exp Mar Biol Ecol, Limnology and Oceanography, Biogeosciences, PLOS One.
- **Referee for funding bodies** including ERC (EU), NERC (UK), DFG (Germany).
- **Supervision of numerous students** including undergrad placement students, Master, and PhD (papers published on student projects of all mentioned levels, e.g. Langer and Bode 2011).
- **Academic teaching** (lecturing at universities in UK and Spain).
- **Guest teacher** in schools (10 to 19 year old students).

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- Dates (from 2001– to 2005)
- Name and type of organisation providing education and training
- Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
- Title of qualification awarded

PhD in Rerum Naturalium

Department of Biology and Chemistry, University of Bremen, Germany

Thesis title “Calcification of selected coccolithophore species: strontium partitioning, calcium isotope fractionation and dependence on seawater carbonate chemistry”. Main subjects: phytoplankton biology and cultivation in laboratory.

Doctor of Philosophy in Rerum Naturalium

- Dates (from 1998 – to 20/03/2000)
- Name and type of organisation providing education and training
- Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
- Title of qualification awarded

Master in Biology

Justus Liebig University, Giessen, Germany

Main subjects: cell biology, specifically electrophysiology on seed plants.

Doctor in Biology

- Dates (from 1994 – to 1998)
- Name and type of organisation providing education and training
- Principal subjects/occupational skills covered
- Title of qualification awarded

Undergrad in Biology

Justus Liebig University, Giessen, Germany

Main subjects: animal and plant biology.

Doctor in Biology

**PERSONAL SKILLS
AND COMPETENCES**

*Acquired in the course of life and career
but not necessarily covered by formal
certificates and diplomas.*

MOTHER TONGUE

OTHER LANGUAGES

- Reading skills
- Writing skills
- Verbal skills

**SOCIAL SKILLS
AND COMPETENCES**

**ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS
AND COMPETENCES**

*Coordination and administration of
people, projects and budgets; at work, in
voluntary work (for example culture and
sports) and at home, etc.*

**TECHNICAL SKILLS
AND COMPETENCES**

*With computers, specific kinds of
equipment, machinery, etc.*

FUNDING ACQUIRED

Research funding.

DRIVING LICENCE(S)

In my career I focused on ecophysiology and cell biology, especially of coccolithophores. I have acquired deep knowledge on marine biomineralization, in particular coccolithophore calcification, at various levels ranging from sub-cellular to geological processes. My approach is highly interdisciplinary including geochemistry and mineralogy. The overarching aim of this approach is to form a holistic picture of biomineralization with the view to achieving an integrated understanding of organism's responses to environmental change, past, present, and future.

GERMAN

ENGLISH

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During my career, I have always worked in multicultural environments, working with people from different expertise and fields, so the teamwork and the communication skills have been fundamental for creating a productive and serene working environment.

During many years of research activities, I have acquired very good organizational skills, especially when it comes to coordinate research projects or supervise and coordinate PhD students.

I have great knowledge in using Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM), Inverted and Polarized microscopes. Coccolithophore culture laboratory, culture maintenance, media preparation, titration system. Good knowledge of Microsoft Office software and software for data analysis.

- Juan de la Cierva grant (Spanish Ministerio de Educacion y Ciencia). Influence of changing seawater carbonate chemistry on coccolithophore calcification and stable isotope fractionation. **PI**. 2008-2011
- Weizmann – UK Making Connections Programme (\$100,000). **Co-I**.
- Maria Zambrano grant (Spanish Ministry of Universities) **PI**, 2022-2024

Driving licence for cars

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

For the full list of publications see <https://orcid.org/0000-0002-7211-4889>

- **h-index**: 34 (Scopus), 39 (Google Scholar)
- **m-index**: 1.8 (Scopus), 2.1 (Google Scholar)

Below are reported the most significant publications:

- 1) Walker JM, Greene HJM, Moazzam Y, Quinn PD, Parker JE, **Langer G.** (2024) An uneven distribution of strontium in the coccolithophore *Scyphosphaera apsteinii* revealed by nanoscale X-ray fluorescence tomography. Environ Sci Process Impacts. 2024 Jun 19;26(6):966-974. doi: 10.1039/d3em00509g. PMID: 38354057.
- 2) Nehrke, Gernot, and **Langer G.** (2023). Proxy Archives Based on Marine Calcifying Organisms and the Role of Process-Based Biomineralization Concepts; Minerals 13, no. 4: 561. <https://doi.org/10.3390/min13040561>
- 3) **Langer G.**, Taylor, A.R., Walker, C.E., Meyer, E.M., Ben Joseph, O., Gal, A., Harper, G.M., Probert, I., Brownlee, C. and Wheeler, G.L. (2021), Role of silicon in the development of complex crystal shapes in coccolithophores. New Phytol. <https://doi.org/10.1111/nph.17230>
- 4) **Langer G.**, Aleksey Sadekov, Gernot Nehrke, Cecilia Baggini, Riccardo Rodolfo-Metalpa, Jason M. Hall-Spencer, Emilio Cuoco, Jelle Bijma, Henry Elderfield (2018) Relationship between mineralogy and minor element partitioning in limpets from the Ischia CO₂ vent site provides new insights into their biomineralization pathway, Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta, 236, 218–229.
- 5) Keul, N., **Langer G.**, Silke Thoms, Lennart Jan de Nooijer, Gert-Jan Reichart, Jelle Bijma (2017) Exploring foraminiferal Sr/Ca as a new carbonate system proxy, Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta, Volume 202, Pages 374-386.
- 6) Jaya, B.N., R. Hoffmann, C. Kirchlechner, G. Dehm, C. Scheu, **G. Langer** (2016) Coccospheres confer mechanical protection: New evidence for an old hypothesis, Acta Biomaterialia, Volume 42, Pages 258-264.
- 7) **Langer, G.**, Nehrke, G., Baggini, C., Rodolfo-Metalpa, R., Hall-Spencer, J. M., Bijma, J. (2014) Limpets counteract ocean acidification induced shell corrosion by thickening of aragonitic shell layers. Biogeosciences, 11, 7363-7368.
- 8) Stoll, H., **Langer, G.**, Shimizu, N. and Kanamaru, K. (2012): B/Ca in coccoliths and relationship to calcification vesicle pH and dissolved inorganic carbon concentrations, Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta, 80, pp. 143-157.
- 9) **Langer, G.** and Bode, M. (2011): CO₂ mediation of adverse effects of seawater acidification in *Calcidiscus leptoporus*, Geochem. Geophys. Geosyst., 12, Q05001, doi:10.1029/2010GC003393
- 10) **Langer, G.**, Nehrke, G., Probert, I., Ly, J. and Ziveri, P. (2009): Strain specific responses of *Emiliania huxleyi* to changing seawater carbonate chemistry, Biogeosciences, 6, pp. 2637-2646.
- 11) **Langer, G.**, Gussone, N., Nehrke, G., Riebesell, U., Eisenhauer, A., Kuhnert, H., Rost, B., Trimborn, S. and Thoms, S. (2006): Coccolith strontium to calcium ratios in *Emiliania huxleyi*: The dependence on seawater strontium and calcium concentrations, Limnology and Oceanography, 51 (1), pp. 310-320
- 12) **Langer, G.**, Geisen, M., Baumann, K. H., Kläs, J., Riebesell, U., Thoms, S. and Young, J. R. (2006): Species specific responses of calcifying algae to changing seawater carbonate chemistry, Geochemistry Geophysics Geosystems, 7, Q09006. doi: 10.1029/2005gc001227

Declaration

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Date
12/05/2025

Signature