

Curriculum vitae

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Born 4 January 1968 (Skövde, Sweden), married to Maria Gustafsson, 3 children (Elsa, 2004; Erik, 2005; Anna, 2008; total of 1,5 years parental leave)

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Scientific Discipline: **Earth, Climate and Environmental Sciences**



EDUCATION

Ph.D. 1997, *Chemical Oceanography*, **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)** and **Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI)**

APPOINTMENTS

- 2009 - **Professor**, *Biogeochemistry*, Dept. Environmental Science and the Bolin Centre for Climate Research, **Stockholm University**, 10691 Stockholm, Sweden
- 2023 - **Chair, Board of Directors, Future Earth - Global Hub** Stockholm-Sweden (appointed)
- 2020 **The Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences (IVA)**, **Elected Academician**
- 2015 **Invited Visiting Scholar**, **UCSD** (Dept. Chemistry and Scripps Inst. Oceanography)
- 2014 - **Elected Academician, The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences** (+ elected affiliate from Class V Geosciences to the Nobel Prize Committee for Chemistry, the International Comm.)
- 2014 - **Deputy Director, Bangladesh Climate Observatory – Bhola** (BCOB; international atmospheric observatory strategically placed at exit of the Indo-Gangetic Plain)
- 2012 - **Director, Maldives Climate Observatory – Hanimaadhoo** (MCOH; the key international Superobservatory for atmospheric/climate studies of S. Asia; succeeded V. Ramanathan).
- 1998 - 2008 **Assistant then Associate (w tenure) Professor**, ITM/ACES, **Stockholm University**

AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 **The Pontifical Academy of Sciences (PAS)**, **Appointed Academician** (by Pope Francis)
- 2020 **The Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences (IVA)**, **Elected Academician**
- 2019 **Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) President’s Award** (highest level) “**Distinguished Scientist**” (signed Bai Chunli, President of CAS).
- 2018 **Swedish Research Council (VR) “Distinguished Professor” Award** (2018-2027)
- 2016 **European Research Council, Advanced Grant (ERC-AdG)** (2016-2021)
- 2016 **Russian Academy of Sciences (RAS) Merit Award** “*for extraordinary contribution to international scientific collaboration*” (signed V. Sergienko, Vice President RAS).
- 2015 **The 2015 KAST (Korean Academy of Science and Technology) Lecture on Climate**
- 2014 **The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences (KVA)**, **Elected Academician**
- 2013 **The 2013 Professor Khondokar Mukaram Hossain Memorial Lecture at Univ of Dhaka** (Dept. of Chemistry), Bangladesh “*Chemical forensics of carbon aerosols over South Asia*”
- 2013 **Revision of Periodic Chart of the Elements**: Recognition awarded by IUPAC - our high-precision $\delta^{81}\text{Br}$ measurements of natural organobromines contributed to refine the atomic weight of element 35, Br (IUPAC Tech. Report 2013: Pure Appl. Chem., 85, 1047-1098).
- 2010 **International Polar Year (IPY) Award: Best Marine Biogeochemistry Program of IPY** to the International Siberian Shelf Study 2008 (ISSS-08; co-chief scientist with I. Semiletov), Selected by NASA and the International (London) IPY office

PUBLICATIONS

Author of 260 papers in international peer-reviewed journals, including lead roles in papers for *Science* (2), *Science Advances* (3), *Nature* (1), *PNAS* (6), *Nature Geoscience* (3), *Nature Communications* (7), *Nature Sustainability* (1), 18 in *Global Biogeochemical Cycles* and 40 in *Environ. Science & Technology*.

Web of Science H-index 72 (50 papers cited > 100 times, > 17,000 citations)

MENTORING AND EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES

Leader of a ~15 person gender-balanced research group (now 10 nationalities): responsible for financing and advising at present one researcher, five post-docs, seven Ph.D. students, and three research engineers.

Mentoring students: Main advisor to **15 completed Ph.D.s (13 of 15 have stayed active in the field)** and continuously several master degree students.

Host and mentor to by now 24 (two-year or longer) post-doc “alumni”:

Most from Europe, but also from USA, Africa, Japan, S. America, India and China.

Among the 24 post-doc “alumni” from my group, 21 today hold research positions, many as professors and/or senior scientists at research institutes, now in UK (2), Spain (3), Switzerland (2), USA (2), China (3), Norway (1), Sweden (2), France (1), Greece (1), Japan (1), Italy (1), India (2)

Development of **new Master Program in *Environmental Science – Atmosphere-Biogeochemistry-Climate Change (ES-ABC)*** (2019-2020)

Established **new Cross-Faculty Course** at Stockholm Univ (in collab w Univ California system)
“***Bending the Curve: Climate Change Solutions***” (Professors/co-teachers from ten diff. departments)

SELECTED COMMISSIONS OF TRUST and RESEARCH LEADERSHIP (last ten years)

- 2008-2018 **Bolin Centre for Climate Research, Stockholm University**, co-founder, steering committee, leader of core theme Biogeochemistry & Climate (co-PI two Grants 25 M€, new faculty hires)
- Recurring **Chief scientist on several Swedish (incl i/b Oden twice) and US ships, deputy on German and Russian ships;** a total of 14 mo at sea on research expeditions
- Recurring **Chief scientist and Director international science teams, atmospheric research programs** at the Maldives Climate Observatory (2007-present, incl construction and instrumenting), the Korean Climate Observatory (2010-fwd), the Bangladesh Climate Observatory – Bhola Island (2013-fwd, incl major constructions and instrumenting), Tiksi RAS Siberian-Arctic Observatory (incl bldg. constructions) 2012-2016
- Recurring **Coordinator**, several EU FP5+6+7, H2020 and Nordic projects
- Recurring **Guest editor and advisory board for research journals**
- 2018-2019 **European Research Council Evaluation Panel for ERC Advanced Grants**
- Recurring **Proposal referee:** National research councils of UK, Switzerland, Norway, Germany, USA, Sweden, the Netherlands; EU Commission (FP), ESF, ERC
- Recurring **Invited speaker to 5 different Gordon Research Conferences** (Chem Ocean.; Environ. Sci.; Org. Geochem., Polar Marine Sci., Atmos. Chemistry), AGU, EGU, IMOG, ACS...
- 2023-2026 **ICS’ Future Earth program International Global Atmospheric Chemistry (IGAC),** Scientific Steering Committee, elected.

SELECTED OUTREACH AND INTERACTION W OTHER FIELDS OF SOCIETY (examples)

- Recurring: **Consultations for Ministries and Governmental Agencies** of e.g. Sweden, Russia, USA, China, India, Bangladesh, Maldives, as well as EU and OECD, **on both nexus of air pollution and climate change, Black Carbon aerosols in the Arctic and on the risk for accelerated climate warming due to thawing permafrost, collapsing hydrates and methane releases.**
- Recurring: **Contributions to extensive public and media coverage of environmental, climate, sustainability issues, incl. public presentations, debates, Op-Eds, interviews and articles;** featured in hundreds of news articles/radio/TV programs worldwide including New York Times (twice), Time Magazine, The Hill, CNN, Skye News, AP, Reuters, The Guardian, Scientific American, BBC World, Sky News, Norwegian Radio NRK, Chemical & Engineering News, Nature, The Independent, ITAR-TASS, El Mundo, El Pais, Der Spiegel, Nature, The Times of India, The Deccan Herald, Indian Express, ifuckinglovescience.com (>100,000 hits), Dagens Nyheter (cover page headline and authored Op-Ed), Svenska Dagbladet (incl Op-Ed), Swedish National TV SVT-Aktuellt (main stories), SVT-Science magazine, Swedish TV4-news, Swedish National Radio P1, various symposia and pods.

- 2011 **Bangladesh-Sweden Policy Seminar:** “Near-term Air Quality and Climate Benefits – Promoting International Co-operation and Facilitating Action” (Dhaka, Bangladesh). Invited by Ministers of Environment of Bangladesh and Sweden
- 2012 **US-Swedish Consultations:** incl. Roundtable Discussion on **Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC) to fight short-lived climate pollutants (SLCP) with US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Swe Minister of Environment Lena Ek.** I gave also a platform presentation on the scientific underpinning of SLCP action to staff from US and Swe gvmt.
- 2013 **Coalition of Low-Lying and Small Island Nations of the UNFCCC:** On request of the Maldives Minister of Env. Prepared a report on links between SLCPs, climate change and sea-level rise to this Coalition’s meeting at the UN (also aided the Maldives to join CCAC at COP-18 Doha)
- 2014 **European Parliament Presentation:** The Cryosphere Imperative for COP-Paris (sponsored by several EU Parliament party coalitions and the Parliament Env Committee).
- 2014 **Sino-Swedish Science-Policy Seminar on Short-Lived Climate Forcers** (Beijing, w. Central Planning Commission of China, incl. head of China COP delegation)
- 2015 **OECD Ministerial Meeting** (Seoul, Oct.. 2015) Invited by Korean Minister for Science, and Technology to give platform presentation on “Climate and Environment”
- 2016- **Nobel Prize Committee for Chemistry**, elected for affiliation to the Selection Committee to represent the Class of Geosciences, The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences.
- 2016 **Task Force report “Breathing Cleaner Air- Ten Scalable Solutions for Indian Cities”:** co-authored report (led by Sharma and Ramanathan) presented at the **World Sustainable Development Summit** and communicated directly *to responsible Indian ministers, UNEP Head Erik Solheim, CCAC Director Helena Molin-Valdes, Volvo India CEO Mr Bali, and many others, as well via California Governor Jerry Brown to Indian Prime Minister Modi* (Delhi, India 6 Oct. 2016).
- 2016 **Task Force on “Limiting Climate Change to a Safe Level: A Bottom-Up Task Force for Promoting Fast Actions to Limit Warming Within the Coming Decades”** Invited participation (conveners Durwood Zaelke, Nobel Prize winner Mario Molina, and V. Ramanathan), incl task force meeting (18-20 Oct 2016), preparation of report to COP-22 (Marrakesh), and major dissemination activities to the public and decision makers worldwide.
- 2017 **“Well Under 2 Degrees Celsius: Fast Action Policies to Protect People and the Planet from Extreme Climate Change”:** Co-author of Report (led by V. Ramanathan) presented at the United Nations Climate Week (Sept 2017, New York City) and at UNFCCC COP-23 (November 2017, Bonn, Germany) and to top decision makers worldwide.
- 2018- **The inter-/trans-/cross-disciplinary university course “Bending the Curve - Climate Change Solutions”:** Main promoter and course responsible at Stockholm University for this *hybrid course using modern pedagogics catering to students of all disciplines to inform and stimulate about actions towards climate change mitigation and sustainable development* (recruited professors from wide range of disciplines incl. environmental science, meteorology, geological sciences, resilience, law, economics, political science, philosophy and literature). Work together with course pioneers at Univ. California system to promote the course worldwide in coming years (aim to raise one million climate champions).
- 2020 **Consultation on Arctic climate change and carbon/methane feedbacks** with Russian Dept of Natural Resource and **President of Russian Academy of Sciences.** (Moscow)
- 2021 Symposium presentation at **Embassy of India** on *Arctic Research and Policy.* (Stockholm)
- 2022 Presentation and **Consultation with the Maldives Minister and Office of Environment and Climate, Mrs. Shauna** on Science to support climate policy and leveraging the Maldives Observatory at the COP (Male, the Maldives).
- 2022 **Science-Policy Symposium** on “*Polar Ocean and Global Change*” Shandong, China.
- 2022 Contributed chapter on **Permafrost** in “**The Climate Book**” 2022 (created by Penguin Press and **Greta Tunberg**)
- 2023 Public Academy Lecture “*From Asian Brown Clouds to Arctic Permafrost*” The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences (Stockholm, Sweden)

BRIEF ACCOUNT OF SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

My fundamental interest is to understand how human activities are perturbing the climate and the related biogeochemical cycle of carbon in the global land-ocean-atmosphere system. I am also interested in cross-disciplinary initiatives contributing towards a more sustainable and resilient stewardship of our planet.

We investigate two grand challenges in climate change science. The first is on Arctic carbon-climate linkages with a focus on thawing land+subsea permafrost and collapsing methane hydrates, which may add greenhouse gases to the atmosphere. We have for two decades pursued field campaigns in the key yet remote and vast region of the Siberian-Arctic coastal margin and unearthed extensive methane releases from thawing subsea permafrost and the dynamics of land permafrost remobilization around the entire circum-Arctic in both the present system and during earlier periods of abrupt climate change.

The second research challenge concerns the interactions of severe air pollution and climate change, with focus on key regions South Asia, the Sub-Saharan Africa, the Tibetan Plateau and East Asia.

We have established atmospheric-climate observatories strategically located to intercept the outflow from e.g. India and China. These are continuously operated with decadal perspectives at locations such as in rural S. Bangladesh and on islands in the northern Indian Ocean and in SE Yellow Sea. Placed within a comprehensive framework of satellite- and observatory data, we are isotopically fingerprinting climate- and health-affecting aerosols and gases to provide atmospheric constraints on the relative importance of different sources, to support air quality and climate modelling and to guide society's efforts to mitigate emissions. We recently also used the COVID shutdown in India as a large-scale geophysical perturbation experiment – a preview of what we may face when we go to net zero fossil emissions. While the skies got bluer and the air got cleaner, the climate warming increased. While atmospherically long-lived CO₂ only dropped by 1%, the loading of short-lived net climate-cooling aerosol pollution dropped drastically resulting in an aerosol demasking that enhances climate warming.

The methane added from Arctic permafrost/hydrates and the aerosol demasking in Asia may both cause climate overshoot – that we miss the climate targets and risk passing dangerous thresholds in the earth system. I take a large interest in cross-disciplinary initiatives both in education and in interactions with society and policy makers to contribute towards finding solutions for us to bend the curve of climate change.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Selected to illustrate breadth, novelty and direction. **ÖG total citations (excl. auto citations): >17000;**
Total publications number 260; H-Index > 72 (Web of Science) (* = senior/corr. author)

Nair, H.C.R.C., K. Budhavant, M. R. Manoj, A. Andersson, S. K. Satheesh, V. Ramanathan, **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2023) Aerosol demasking enhances climate warming over South Asia. *npj Climate and Atmospheric Science*, 6:39 ; <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41612-023-00367-6>

Budhavant, K., A. Andersson, H. Holmstrand, S.K Satheesh, and **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2023) Black carbon aerosols over Indian Ocean have unique source fingerprint and optical characteristics during monsoon season. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS, USA)*
<https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2210005120>

Wild, B., N. Shakhova, O. Dudarev, A. Ruban, D. Kosmach, V. Tumskey, T. Tesi, H. Grimm, I. Nybom, F. Matsubara, H. Alexanderson, M. Jakobsson, A. Mazurov, I Semiletov, and **Örjan Gustafsson*** (2022) Organic matter composition and greenhouse gas production of thawing subsea permafrost in the Laptev Sea. *Nature Comm.* 13, 5057 <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-32696-0>

Martens J., B. Wild, I. Semiletov, O. V. Dudarev and **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2022) Circum-Arctic release of terrestrial carbon varies between regions and sources. *Nature Comm.* 13, 5858
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-33541-0>

Xu, Buqing, G. Zhang, **Ö. Gustafsson**, K. Kawamura, J. Li., A. Andersson; S. Bikkina; B. Kunwar, A Pokhret, G. Zhong, Z. Cheng, S. Zhu, P. Peng and G. Sheng (2022) Large contribution of fossil-derived components to aqueous secondary organic aerosols in China *Nature Communications*, 13, 5115.
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-32863-3>

Steinbach, J., H. Holmstrand, K. Shcherbakova, D. Kosmach, V. Brüchert, N. Shakhova, A: Salyuk, C. J. Sapart, D. Chernykh, R. Noormets, I. Semiletov, and **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2021) Source apportionment of methane escaping the subsea permafrost system in the outer Eurasian Arctic Shelf. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (USA)*. 118, e2019672118. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2019672118>

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- Martens, J., B. Wild, F. Muschitiello, M. O'Regan, M. Jakobsson, I. Semiletov, O. V. Dudarev and **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2020) Remobilization of dormant carbon from Siberian-Arctic permafrost during three past warming events. *Science Advances* 6, doi: 10.1126/sciadv.abb6546
- Winiger, P., T. E. Barrett, R. J. Sheesley, L. Huang, S. Sharma, L. A. Barrie, K. E. Yttri, N. Evangeliou, S. Eckhardt, A. Stohl, Z. Klimont, C. Heyes, I. P. Semiletov, O. V. Dudarev, A. Charkin, N. Shakhova, H. Holmstrand, A. Andersson and **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2019) Source apportionment of circum-Arctic atmospheric black carbon from isotopes and modelling. *Science Advances* Doi: 10.1126/sciadv.aau8052.
- Dasari, S. A. Andersson, S: Bikkina, H. Holmstrand. K. Budhavant, S. Satheesh, E. Asmi, J. Kesti, J. Backman, A. Salam, D., **Ö. Gustafsson*** (2019) Photochemical degradation affects the light absorption of water-soluble brown carbon in the South Asian outflow. *Science Advances* Doi: 10.1126/sciadv.aau8066
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