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## CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Since Sep 2016

Assistant Professor

Department of Earth and Environment  
Boston University

## EDUCATION

2013

Ph.D Marine Science

Marine Science Program  
University of South Carolina

2004

M.S. Oceanography

Department of Oceanography  
Dalhousie University

2000

B.S. Oceanography

Florida Institute of Technology

## PAST APPOINTMENTS

Jan 2014 – Jun 2016

Postdoctoral Scholar (Delta Science Fellow)

Jet Propulsion Laboratory  
California Institute of Technology

Jun 2013 – Dec 2013

Research Associate

Department of Biological Sciences  
University of South Carolina

Jan 2005 – Dec 2007

Laboratory Technician and Coordinator

Department of Marine Sciences  
University of Georgia

## HONORS and AWARDS

<u>Outstanding Postdoctoral Research Award</u>	2015
Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology	
<u>USC Outstanding Dissertation Award</u>	2013
The Graduate School, University of South Carolina	
<u>NASA Group Achievement Award</u>	2012
NASA ICESCAPE Project	
<u>First-prize, oral presentation</u>	2012
Graduate Student Day, University of South Carolina	
<u>Selection for NSF/NOAA Dissertations Symposium in Chemical Oceanography (DISCO)</u>	2012
DISCO XVIII	
<u>Outstanding Teaching Award</u>	2009
Marine Science Program, University of South Carolina	
<u>Best Student Paper Award</u>	2004
Ocean Optics Conference XVII, Western Australia	

## FIELD EXPERIENCE

### *Research expeditions (280 days at sea)*

<u>Oregon Coast</u> : Coastal Carbon in Winter (CCAW) project	2016
US R/V <i>Oceanus</i> : January-February 2016 (10 days)	
<u>Middle Atlantic Bight</u> : UNOLS Chief Scientist Training Cruise	2013
US R/V <i>Endeavor</i> : October 2013 (7 days)	
<u>Chukchi Sea</u> : NASA ICESCAPE Project	2010
US R/V <i>Healy</i> : June-July 2010 (6 weeks)	
<u>Northern Gulf of Mexico</u> : NSF GulfCarbon Project	2009-2010
US R/V <i>Cape Hatteras</i> : March 2010 (2 weeks)	
US R/V <i>Hugh Sharp</i> : November 2009 (2 weeks)	
US R/V <i>Cape Hatteras</i> : July 2009 (2 weeks)	
US R/V <i>Cape Hatteras</i> : April 2009 (2 weeks)	
US R/V <i>Cape Hatteras</i> : January 2009 (2 weeks)	
<u>Beaufort Sea</u> : Canadian Circumpolar Flaw Lead (CFL) project	2008
CCGS Amundsen: June-July 2008 (4 weeks)	
<u>South Atlantic Bight</u> : NASA ICESCAPE Project	2005-2006
US R/V <i>Cape Hatteras</i> : May 2006 (2 weeks)	
US R/V <i>Walton Smith</i> : November 2005 (2 weeks)	
US R/V <i>Cape Hatteras</i> : July 2005 (2 weeks)	
<u>North Atlantic Ocean</u> : Canadian Surface-Ocean Lower-Atmosphere Study (SOLAS)	2003
CCGS Martha Black: October-November 2003 (6 weeks)	
<u>Gulf of Maine</u> : NSF project	2002

US R/V <i>Endeavor</i> : June-July 2002 (4 weeks)	
<u>Gulf of Mexico</u> : NSF SWISS Project	2001
US R/V <i>Pelican</i> : August 2001 (2 weeks)	
<i>Field work</i>	
<u>Florida Atlantic Coast</u> : B.S. Honors Project	1999
US R/V <i>Delphinus</i> : May 1999 (4 days)	
<u>Plum Island Estuary</u>	2018
LTER boat <i>Stein</i> : June-August 2018	
<u>Santa Monica Bay</u> : 2015 Hyperion Sewage Treatment Plant Diversion Monitoring	2015
US R/V <i>La Mer</i> : August-November 2015	
<u>Sapelo Island, GA</u> : GA Seagrant project	2007
Small boat UGA Marine Institute: May-June 2007	
<u>Nova Scotia Estuaries</u> : NSERC Project	2004
Small fishing boat: April 2004	

## TEACHING

<u>Instructor:</u>	<i>ES 420/620 Aquatic Optics and Remote Sensing</i> , Boston University	Spring 2017
		Spring 2018
		Spring 2019
<u>Instructor:</u>	<i>BI/ES 591 Bio-Optical Oceanography</i> (field-based), Boston University	Fall 2017
<u>Instructor:</u>	<i>GE 302 Remote Sensing of Environment</i> , Boston University	Fall 2018
<u>Teaching Assistant:</u>	<i>The Ocean Environments</i> , University of South Carolina	2008
<u>Teaching Assistant:</u>	<i>Coastal Environments</i> , University of South Carolina	2008

## STUDENT MENTORING

<u>Matthew Weiser</u> :	Ph.D student, Earth and Environment, Boston University	2018-Present
<u>Josh Harrington</u> :	Ph.D student, Earth and Environment, Boston University	2018-Present
<u>Kunpeng Sun</u> :	Visiting Ph.D student, Qingdao University, China	2018-Present
<u>Song Jin</u> :	Visiting Ph.D student, Nanjing University, China	2018-Present
<u>Huan Mi</u> :	Visiting Ph.D student, Tongji University, China	2017-Present
<u>Xiaohui Zhu</u> :	Ph.D student, Earth and Environment, Boston University	2017-Present
<u>NASA DEVELOP Program @ BU node</u> ,	Rotating Team, Boston University	2018-Present
<u>Ruizhe Guo</u> :	M.A student, Earth and Environment, Boston University	2017-2018
<u>Rebecca Trinh</u> :	Ph.D student, Columbia University	2016-2017
<u>Christine Elowitt</u> :	NASA DEVELOP intern, Jet Propulsion Laboratory	2016

<u>Rebecca Trinh</u> :	NASA DEVELOP intern, Jet Propulsion Laboratory	2015-2016
<u>Chia-Jung Lu</u> :	Visiting Student from Japan, University of South Carolina	2013
<u>Yuan Shen</u> :	M.S. Student, University of South Carolina	2009-2013
<u>Dandan Duan</u> :	Visiting Student from China, University of South Carolina	2012
<u>Yulong Zhang</u> :	Visiting Student from China, University of South Carolina	2011
<u>Elise Kennedy</u> :	Undergraduate Student, University of South Carolina	2010-2012
<u>Chris Parusa</u> :	Undergraduate Student, University of South Carolina	2009

## FUNDING (\*Funding to BU)

<u>*NASA: Delta-X</u> (\$664,529)	2019-2021
Co-Investigator: Cedric G. Fichot	
<u>*Jet Propulsion Laboratory subcontract</u> (\$10,000)	2018
Principal Investigator: Cedric G. Fichot	
<u>*NASA: Remote Sensing of Water Quality Program</u> (\$430,653)	2018-2020
Principal Investigator: Cedric G. Fichot	
<u>*Jet Propulsion Laboratory subcontract</u> (\$24,999)	2017
Principal Investigator: Cedric G. Fichot	
<u>California SeaGrant: Delta Science Fellows Program</u> (\$169, 376)	2014-2016
Principal Investigator: Cedric G. Fichot	
<u>Dean's Dissertation Fellowship</u> (\$25,000)	2012
From the Graduate School, University of South Carolina	
<u>National Science Foundation Chemical Oceanography (Science PI)</u>	2009-2012
Principal Investigators: Ronald Benner and William L. Miller	

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (\*Supervised Ph.D Student)

- Xie H. and C. G. Fichot, (in prep.). A global estimate of the photochemical production of methane in the ocean. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*.
- Zhu X.\* , W. L. Miller, C. G. Fichot, (in prep.). An approach to determine the apparent quantum yield of CDOM photobleaching in natural waters. *Environmental Science and Technology*.
- Zhang H.\* , C. G. Fichot, Carly Baracco, Ruizhe Guo, Sydney Neugebauer, Zachary Bengtsson, N. Ganju, and S. Fagherazzi (in review). Determining the drivers of suspended sediment dynamics in tidal marsh-influenced estuaries using high-resolution ocean color remote sensing. *Remote Sensing of Environment*
- Balasubramaniam S. V. and **18 authors** (in review). Robust Algorithm for Estimating Total Suspended Solids (TSS) in Inland and Nearshore Coastal Waters. *Remote Sensing of Environment*.
- Fichot C. G., K. Matsumoto, B. M. Holt, M. M. Gierach, K. Tokos (2019). Assessing change in the overturning behavior of the Laurentian Great Lakes using remotely sensed lake surface water temperatures. *Remote Sensing of Environment*. doi: 10.1016/j.rse.2019.111427

Mi H.\*, S. Fagherazzi, G. Qiao, Y. Hong, and C. G. Fichot (2019). Climate change leads to a doubling of turbidity in a rapidly expanding Tibetan lake. *Science of the Total Environment*. 688, 952-959. doi: 10.1016/j.scitotenv.2019.06.339

Jensen D., M. Simard, K. Cavanaugh, Y Sheng, C. G. Fichot, T. Pavelsky, R. Twilley (2019). Improving the Transferability of Suspended Solid Estimation in Wetland and Deltaic Waters with an Empirical Hyperspectral Approach. *Remote Sensing*, 11, 1629. doi:10.3390/rs11131629

Thompson D., K. Cawse-Nicholson, Z. Erickson; C. G. Fichot, C. Frankenberg, B-C. Gao, M. Gierach, R. O Green, Vijay N., A. Thompson (2019). A unified approach to estimate land and water reflectances with uncertainties for coastal imaging spectroscopy. *Remote Sensing of Environment*. doi: 10.1016/j.rse.2019.05.017

Needham D., E. B. Fichot , E. Wang , L. Berdjeeb , J. Cram , C. G. Fichot, J. Fuhrman (2018). Dynamics of finely resolved, abundant symbiotic marine plankton and other interacting microbes via automated high-frequency sampling. *ISME journal*. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1101/216978>.

Whelan and **32 authors.** (2018) Reviews and syntheses: Carbonyl sulfide as a multi-scale tracer for carbon and water cycles, *Biogeosciences*, 15, 3625-3657.

Shen Y., R. Benner, K. Kaiser, C. G. Fichot, and T. E. Whitledge. (2018). Pan-Arctic distribution of bioavailable dissolved organic matter and linkages with productivity in ocean margins. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, 45, 1490–1498. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017GL076647>

Cao F., Tzortziou M, Hu C., Mannino A., Fichot C. G., R. Del Vecchio, Najjar R., Novak M. (2018). Remote sensing retrievals of colored dissolved organic matter and dissolved organic carbon dynamics in North American estuaries and their margins. *Remote Sens. Environ.*, 205, 151-165, doi: 10.1016/j.rse.2017.11.014

Trinh R. C., C. G. Fichot, Gierach, M. M., Holt, B., Malakar, N. K., Hulley, G., & Smith, J. (2017). Application of Landsat 8 for Monitoring Impacts of Wastewater Discharge on Coastal Water Quality. *Front. Mar. Sci.*, 4. doi:10.3389/fmars.2017.00329

Lu C-J., Benner R., C. G. Fichot, Fukuda H., Yamashita Y. and Ogawa H. (2016). Sources and Transformations of Dissolved Lignin Phenols and Chromophoric Dissolved Organic Matter in Otsuchi Bay, Japan. *Front. Mar. Sci.*, 3:85, doi: 10.3389/fmars.2016.00085

Shen Y., C. G. Fichot, S. Liang, and R. Benner (2016). Biological hot spots and the accumulation of marine dissolved organic matter in a highly productive ocean margin. *Limnol. Oceanogr.*, doi:10.1002/lno.10290

Strong, A., K. E. Lowry, Z. W. Brown, M. M. Mills, G. L. van Dijken, R. S. Pickart, L. W. Cooper, K. E. Frey, R. Benner, C. G. Fichot, J. T. Mathis, N. R. Bates, and K. R. Arrigo (2016). Mass balance estimates of carbon export in different water masses of the Chukchi Sea Shelf. *Deep-Sea Res. II*, 130,88-99.

Fichot C. G., R. Benner, K. Kaiser, Y. Shen, R. M. W. Amon, H. Ogawa, and C-J. Lu (2016). Predicting dissolved lignin phenol concentrations in the coastal oceans from chromophoric dissolved organic matter (CDOM) absorption coefficients. *Front. Mar. Sci.*, 3:7, doi:10.3389/fmars.2016.00007

Fichot C. G., B. Downing, B. Bergamaschi, L. Windham-Myers, M. Marvin-DiPasquale, D. Thompson, and M. Gierach (2016). High-resolution remote sensing of water quality in the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 50, 573–583. doi:10.1021/acs.est.5b03518

Yamashita Y., C. G. Fichot, Y. Shen, R. Jaffé, and R. Benner (2015). Linkages among fluorescent dissolved organic matter, dissolved amino acids and lignin-derived phenols in a river-influenced ocean margin. *Front. Mar. Sci.*, 2:92, doi: 10.3389/fmars.2015.00092

Launois T., S. Belviso, L. Bopp, **C. G. Fichot**, and P. Peylin (2015). A new model for the global biogeochemical cycle of carbonyl sulfide Part 1: Assessment of direct marine emissions with an oceanic general circulation and biogeochemistry model. *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 15, 2295- 2312, doi:10.5194/acp-15-2295-2015

Ortega-Retuerta E., **C. G. Fichot**, K. R. Arrigo, G. L. van Dijken, and F. Joux (2014) Response of marine bacterioplankton to a massive under-ice phytoplankton bloom in the Chukchi Sea (Western Arctic Ocean). *Deep-Sea Res. II*, 105, 74-84, doi:10.1016/j.dsr2.2014.03.015

**Fichot C. G.** and R. Benner (2014). The fate of terrigenous dissolved organic carbon in a river-influenced ocean margin. *Global Biogeochem. Cycles*. doi:10.1002/2013GB004670

**Fichot C. G.**, S. E. Lohrenz, and R. Benner (2014). Pulsed, cross-shelf export of terrigenous dissolved organic carbon from the Mississippi-Atchafalaya river system. *J. Geophys. Res. Oceans*, 119, doi:10.1002/2013JC009424

Cao F., **C. G. Fichot**, S. B. Hooker, and W. L. Miller (2014). Improved algorithms for accurate retrieval of UV/Visible diffuse attenuation coefficients in optically complex, inshore waters. *Remote Sens. Environ.*, 144, 11-27, doi:10.1016/j.rse.2014.01.003

**Fichot C. G.**, K. Kaiser, S. B. Hooker, R. M. W. Amon, M. Babin, S. Bélanger, S. A. Walker, and R. Benner (2013). Pan-Arctic distributions of continental runoff in the Arctic Ocean. *Nature: Sci. Rep.*, 3, 1053, doi:10.1038/srep01053

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Shen Y., **C. G. Fichot**, and R. Benner (2012). Dissolved organic matter composition and bioavailability reflect ecosystem productivity in the western Arctic Ocean. *Biogeosciences*, 9, 4993- 5005, doi:10.5194/bg-9-4993-2012

**Fichot C. G.** and R. Benner (2012). The spectral slope coefficient of chromophoric dissolved organic matter ( $S_{275-295}$ ) as a tracer of terrigenous dissolved organic carbon in river-influenced ocean margins. *Limnol. Oceanogr.*, 57(5), 1453-1466, doi:10.4319/lo.2012.57.5.1453

Shen Y., **C. G. Fichot**, and R. Benner (2012). Floodplain influence on dissolved organic matter composition and export from the Mississippi-Atchafalaya River system to the Gulf of Mexico. *Limnol. Oceanogr.*, 57(4), 1149-1160, doi:10.4319/lo.2012.57.4.1149

Belviso S., I. Masotti, A. Tagliabue, L. Bopp, P. Brockmann, **C. G. Fichot**, and 9 authors (2011). DMS dynamics in the most oligotrophic subtropical zones of the global ocean. *Biogeochemistry*, doi:10.1007/s10533-011-9648-1

**Fichot C. G.**, and R. Benner (2011). A novel method to estimate DOC concentrations from CDOM absorption coefficients in coastal waters. *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, 38, L03610, doi:10.1029/2010GL046152

**Fichot C. G.**, and W. L. Miller (2010). An approach to quantify depth-resolved marine photochemical fluxes using remote sensing: Application to carbon monoxide (CO) photoproduction. *Remote Sens. Environ.*, 114, 1363-1377, doi:10.1016/j.rse.2010.01.019

Zhang Y., H. Xie, **C. G. Fichot**, G. Chen (2008). Dark production of carbon monoxide (CO) from dissolved organic matter in the St. Lawrence estuarine system: Implication for the global coastal and blue water CO budgets. *J. Geophys. Res. Oceans*, 113, C12020, doi:10.1029/2008JC004811

**Fichot C. G.**, S. Sathyendranath, and W. L. Miller (2008). SeaUV and SeaUVC: Algorithms for the retrieval of diffuse attenuation coefficients (UV/Visible domain) from ocean color. *Remote Sens. Environ.*, 112(4), 1584-1602, doi:10.1016/j.rse.2007.08.009

## INVITED ORAL PRESENTATIONS

<u>Lakes and Climate: The Role of Remote Sensing (Workshop):</u> Toulouse, France → “Future ocean-color missions for lakes”	2017
<u>Observatoire Midi-Pyrénées:</u> Toulouse, France → “Exploiting the optical and chemical signatures of organic matter in coastal systems.”	2016
<u>AGU Fall Meeting:</u> San Francisco, CA Session: “ <i>Variation in Dissolved Organic Matter Composition and Transport as Indicators of Ecological Processes and Watershed Dynamics.</i> ” → “Assessing the Fate of Terrigenous Dissolved Organic Carbon in River-influenced Ocean Margins.”	2014
<u>ASLO Emerging Issue Workshop:</u> New Orleans, LA → “Linking Optical and Chemical Properties of Dissolved Organic Matter in Natural Waters.”	2013
<u>Dissertations Symposium in Chemical Oceanography (DISCO):</u> Kauai, HI → “Fate and transformations of terrigenous dissolved organic matter in the ocean”	2012

## CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS at INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

<u>Ocean Optics Conference (POSTER)</u> Dubrovnik, Croatia	2018
<u>American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (ORAL)</u> New Orleans, CA	2017
<u>Lakes and Climate: The Role of Remote Sensing Workshop (ORAL)</u> Toulouse, France	2017
<u>Third International International Ocean Colour Science Conference (POSTER)</u> Lisbon, Portugal	2017
<u>National Water Quality Monitoring Conference, 10<sup>th</sup> (ORAL)</u> Tampa, FL	2016
<u>State of the Estuary Conference, 12<sup>th</sup> (POSTER)</u> Oakland, CA	2015
<u>International Ocean Color Science Conference (POSTER)</u> San Francisco, CA	2015
<u>American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting (ORAL)</u> San Francisco, CA	2014
<u>Biennial Bay-Delta Science Conference, 8<sup>th</sup> (POSTER)</u> Sacramento, CA	2014
<u>Ocean Optics Conference XXII (ORAL+POSTER)</u> Portland, ME	2014
<u>Aquatic Sciences Meeting (ORAL)</u> New Orleans, LA	2013
<u>Ocean Sciences Meeting (ORAL+POSTER)</u>	2012

Salt Lake City, UT

<u>Ocean Optics Conference XX (ORAL+POSTER)</u>	2010
Anchorage, AK	
<u>Ocean Sciences Meeting (POSTER)</u>	2010
Portland, OR	
<u>Ocean Sciences Meeting (ORAL)</u>	2008
Orlando, FL	
<u>Ocean Optics Conference XVIII (POSTER)</u>	2006
Montreal, QC	
<u>Ocean Sciences Meeting (ORAL)</u>	2006
Honolulu, HI	
<u>Ocean Optics Conference XVII (POSTER)</u>	2004
Fremantle, Western Australia	
<u>Ocean Sciences Meeting (POSTER)</u>	2004
Honolulu, HI	
<u>Ocean Optics Conference XVI (POSTER)</u>	2002
Santa Fe, NM	

## WORKSHOP and SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPATION

<u>Lakes and Climate: The Role of Remote Sensing</u>	2017
Laboratoire d'Etudes en Géophysique et Océanographie Spatiales (LEGOS)	
<u>Coastal and Inland Water Science A-Team Study</u>	2015
Jet Propulsion Laboratory	
<u>Hyperspectral InfraRed Imager (HyspIRI) Symposium</u>	2015
Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)	
<u>Hyperspectral InfraRed Imager (HyspIRI) Science and Applications Workshop</u>	2014
California Institute of Technology	
<u>Western States Water Council Remote Sensing Workshop</u>	2014
Jet Propulsion Laboratory	
<u>Keck Institute for Space Studies Workshop</u>	2014
“Autonomous Science to Forge a Breakthrough in Quantifying the Global Ocean Carbon Budget”	
California Institute of Technology	
<u>Gulf of Mexico Coastal Carbon Synthesis Workshop</u>	2013
USGS, St-Petersburg, FL	
<u>ASLO Emerging Issue Workshop</u>	2013
“Linking Optical and Chemical Properties of Dissolved Organic Matter in Natural Waters”	
New Orleans, LA	
<u>GulfCarbon Workshop</u>	2010
University of Georgia, Athens, GA	

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

*Lead Science Advisor*

NASA DEVELOP Program, Massachusetts Node @ Boston University  
<https://develop.larc.nasa.gov/nodes/MA.html>

*Reviewer*

Journals: Deep-Sea Research II, Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Geophysical Research-Oceans, Remote Sensing of Environment, Estuarine Coastal and Continental Shelf Research, Biogeosciences, Marine Chemistry, Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta, Optics Express.

Funding agencies: NSF, NASA, SeaGrant, ACS

*Panelist for proposal*

Funding agencies: NSF, NASA

*Session Chair*

DISCO Symposium: Kauai, HI 2012  
“The Nitrogen Cycle”

Ocean Optics XVII: Montreal, QC 2006  
“Recent advances in the study of chromophoric dissolved organic matter”