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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Dynamics of past, present and future climate, climate variability and change from global to regional scales ♦ Physical mechanisms that drive impacts, including meteorological and hydrological responses, to both internal and external forcings ♦ Collaboration with diverse user communities to distill basic research into robust and reliable climate information products and services

### EDUCATION

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2010 Ph.D., Earth and Environmental Engineering, Columbia University, NYC, USA  
2005 Masters, Physical Geography, Hunter College, CUNY, NYC, USA

### CURRENT & PREVIOUS POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

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2018-present Affiliate researcher, Centre for Energy and Climate Transformations (CET), University of Bergen  
2018-present Research Theme co-leader: Climate Impacts on Nature and Society, Uni Research Climate  
2017-present Research Professor (Forsker I): Uni Research Climate & the Bjerknes Centre for Climate Research, Bergen, Norway  
2011-2017 Senior Research Scientist (Forsker II): Uni Research Climate and the Bjerknes Centre for Climate Research, Bergen, Norway  
2013-2015 Research Leader – Regional Climate & Climate Services: Uni Research Climate, Bergen, Norway  
2010-2011 Postdoctoral fellow, Dept. of Geosciences, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, USA  
2009-2010 Teaching Assistant, Columbia University, NYC, USA  
2005-2010 Graduate Research Assistant, Columbia University, NYC, USA

### RESEARCH PROJECTS, PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & COLLABORATIONS

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2018(Jan.)-present **Centre for Early Sapiens Behaviour (SapienCE)**, co-investigator: leader of climate modeling activities.  
2018(Jan.)-present **Enhancing Mechanistic Understanding of mid-latitude Large-scale circulation Errors (EMULATE)**, Principal Investigator, work package 2 leader.  
2017(May)-present **HiddenCosts** co-investigator work package 1 lead.  
2016(Oct.)-present **Dynamics of Arctic–Midlatitude teleconnections: mechanisms, robustness and tropical modulation (DynAMiTe)**, Co-Principal Investigator.  
2016(Aug.)-2017 **Investigating the future evolution of Norwegian glaciers and hydrological impacts: an integrated modeling approach (EVOGLAC)**, Coordinator and work package 4 leader.  
2016(May)-present **CORDEX-FLAGSHIP PILOT STUDY on Convective Processes over Europe and the Mediterranean**, Co-Principal Investigator.  
2016(April)-2017 **Relevant, reliable and robust local scale climate projections for**

	<b>Norway (R3)</b> , Principal Investigator.
2015-present	<b>EURO-CORDEX</b> , Co-coordinator ( <a href="http://www.euro-cordex.net/">http://www.euro-cordex.net/</a> ).
2015-2017	<b>ExPrecFlood</b> , Lead for task 4.2: Climate services, co-development of climate information products.
2015-2017	<b>SKD-WaCyEx</b> , Work package 2 leader: Observed variability, trends and patterns of precipitation extremes and their hydrological responses over western Norway.
2015-2017	<b>SKD-MARGINS</b> , Work package 2 leader: Explore the local and remote controls on precipitation, temperature and runoff over the southeast margins of the Greenland ice sheet.
2015-2017	<b>SKD-PARADIGM</b> , Co-Principal Investigator/Work package leader: Atmospheric and coupled A-O Downscaling of CMIP5 simulations and regional process studies focused on European and Arctic regions.
2013-2014	<b>Norwegian Centre for Climate Services</b> : Member, leader group.
2011-2014	<b>Enabling Climate Information Services for Europe (ECLISE)</b> EU project no. 265240. WP3 Coasts: Investigations of the Atlantic Storm Track in a Warming Climate. WP2 Models: contribute to a multi-model ensemble of non-hydrostatic, convection resolving (~2km) simulations of present and future extreme precipitation events over Crete to evaluate hydrometeorological responses to climate change.
2011-2014	<b>Quantifying Projected Impacts Under +2C Warming (IMPACT2C)</b> EU project no. 282746. WP2 Providing Climate Scenarios for Europe: identifying robust climate change signals over Europe in a +2C world.

#### **RECENT GRANT AWARDS (total grant/amount to home institute)**

2017	<b>EMULATE</b> SKD-internal project, <i>Principal Investigator</i> (~8/1.6 million NOK)
2017	<b>Early Sapiens Behaviour (SapienCE)</b> : Research Council of Norway centre of excellence, <i>Co-Investigator</i> (~136/20 million NOK)
2016	<b>Hidden Costs</b> : Research Council of Norway grant nr. 268243, <i>Co-Investigator</i> (~11/3million NOK)
2015	<b>R3</b> : Research Council of Norway grant nr. 255397, <i>Principal Investigator</i> (~10/6million NOK)
2015	<b>DYNAMITE</b> : Research Council of Norway grant nr. 255027, <i>Co-Principal Investigator</i> (~10/2.7million NOK)
2015	<b>EVOGLAC</b> : Research Council of Norway grant nr. 255049, <i>Co-Investigator</i> (~10/3.5million NOK)
2014	<b>ExPrecFlood</b> : Research Council of Norway grant nr. 244175/E10, <i>Co-Investigator</i> (~10/1.5million NOK)

#### **PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

- Jacob, D., Kotova, L., Teichmann, C., Sobolowski, S. P., Vautard, R., Donnelly, C., ... H, M. T. (2018). Climate Impacts in Europe Under +1.5°C Global Warming. *Earth's Future*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017EF000710>
- Akperov, M., Rinke, A., Mokhov, I. I., Matthes, H., Semenov, V. A., Adakudlu, M., ... Zhang, W. (2018). Cyclone Activity in the Arctic From an Ensemble of Regional Climate Models (Arctic CORDEX). *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2017JD027703>
- King, M. P., Herceg-Bulić, I., Bladé, I., García-Serrano, J., Keenlyside, N., Kucharski, F., ... Sobolowski, S. (2018). Importance of late fall ENSO

- teleconnection in the Euro-Atlantic sector. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1175/BAMS-D-17-0020.1>
4. Yu, E., King, M. P., Sobolowski, S., Otterå, O. H., & Gao, Y. (2017). Asian droughts in the last millennium: a search for robust impacts of Pacific Ocean surface temperature variabilities. *Climate Dynamics*, 1–19. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00382-017-3897-1>
  5. Li, L., Gochis, D. J., Sobolowski, S., & Mesquita, M. d. S. (2017). Evaluating the present annual water budget of a Himalayan headwater river basin using a high-resolution atmosphere-hydrology model: Evaluate water budget in Himalayan basin. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2016JD026279>
  6. Colocousis, C. R., Rebellon, C. J., Smith, N., & Sobolowski, S. (2017). How long can we keep doing this? Sustainability as a strictly temporal concept. *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences*, 7(2), 274–287. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13412-015-0355-4>
  7. Knist, S., Goergen, K., Buonomo, E., Christensen, O. B., Colette, A., Cardoso, R. M., ... Simmer, C. (2017). Land-atmosphere coupling in EURO-CORDEX evaluation experiments. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, 122(1), 2016JD025476. <https://doi.org/10.1002/2016JD025476>
  8. Lacressonnière, G., Watson, L., Gauss, M., Engardt, M., Andersson, C., Beekmann, M., ... Vautard, R. (2017). Particulate matter air pollution in Europe in a +2 °C warming world. *Atmospheric Environment*, 154, 129–140. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.atmosenv.2017.01.037>
  9. Kolstad, E. W., Barnes, E. A., & Sobolowski, S. P. (2017a). Quantifying the role of land–atmosphere feedbacks in mediating near-surface temperature persistence. *Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society*, 143(704), 1620–1631. <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.3033>
  10. Kolstad, E. W., Barnes, E. A., & Sobolowski, S. P. (2017b). Quantifying the Role of Land–Atmosphere Feedbacks in Mediating Near-Surface Temperature Persistence. *Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society*, n/a-n/a. <https://doi.org/10.1002/qj.3033>
  11. Lacressonnière, G., Watson, L., Engardt, M., Gauss, M., Andersson, C., Beekmann, M., ... Vautard, R. (2016). European Air Quality Simulations in the Context of IMPACT2C, Focus on Aerosol Concentrations. In *Air Pollution Modeling and its Application XXIV* (pp. 213–217). Springer, Cham. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-24478-5\\_35](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-24478-5_35)
  12. Watson, L., Lacressonnière, G., Gauss, M., Engardt, M., Andersson, C., Josse, B., ... Vautard, R. (2016). Impact of emissions and +2 °C climate change upon future ozone and nitrogen dioxide over Europe. *Atmospheric Environment*, 142, 271–285. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.atmosenv.2016.07.051>
  13. Sellevold, R., Sobolowski, S., & Li, C. (2016). Investigating Possible Arctic–Midlatitude Teleconnections in a Linear Framework. *Journal of Climate*, 29(20), 7329–7343. <https://doi.org/10.1175/JCLI-D-15-0902.1>
  14. Bhatt, B. C., Sobolowski, S., & Higuchi, A. (2016). Simulation of Diurnal Rainfall Variability over the Maritime Continent with a High-Resolution Regional Climate Model. *Journal of the Meteorological Society of Japan. Ser. II*, 94, 89–103. <https://doi.org/10.2151/jmsj.2015-052>
  15. Mayer, S., Maule, C. F., Sobolowski, S., Christensen, O. B., Danielsen Sørup, H. J., Sunyer, M. A., ... Barstad, I. (2015). Identifying added value in high-resolution

- climate simulations over Scandinavia. *Tellus A*, 67(0).  
<https://doi.org/10.3402/tellusa.v67.24941>
16. Kolstad, E. W., Sobolowski, S. P., & Scaife, A. A. (2015). Intraseasonal Persistence of European Surface Temperatures. *Journal of Climate*, 28(13), 5365–5374.  
<https://doi.org/10.1175/JCLI-D-15-0053.1>
  17. Katragkou, E., García-Díez, M., Vautard, R., Sobolowski, S., Zanis, P., Alexandri, G., ... Jacob, D. (2015). Regional climate hindcast simulations within EURO-CORDEX: evaluation of a WRF multi-physics ensemble. *Geosci. Model Dev.*, 8(3), 603–618. <https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-8-603-2015>
  18. Bhatt, B. C., Sobolowski, S., & King, M. P. (2014). Assessment of downscaled current and future projections of diurnal rainfall patterns for the Himalaya. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, 119(22), 2014JD022134.  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/2014JD022134>
  19. Vautard, R., Gobiet, A., Sobolowski, S., Kjellström, E., Stegehuis, A., Paul Watkiss, ... Jacob, D. (2014). The European climate under a 2 °C global warming. *Environmental Research Letters*, 9(3), 34006. <https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-9326/9/3/034006>
  20. Vautard, R., Gobiet, A., Jacob, D., Belda, M., Colette, A., Déqué, M., ... Yiou, P. (2013). The simulation of European heat waves from an ensemble of regional climate models within the EURO-CORDEX project. *Climate Dynamics*, 41(9–10), 2555–2575. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00382-013-1714-z>
  21. Pavelsky, T. M., Sobolowski, S., Kapnick, S. B., & Barnes, J. B. (2012). Changes in orographic precipitation patterns caused by a shift from snow to rain. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 39(18), L18706. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2012GL052741>
  22. Sobolowski, S., & Pavelsky, T. (2012). Evaluation of present and future North American Regional Climate Change Assessment Program (NARCCAP) regional climate simulations over the southeast United States: NARCCAP PERFORMANCE. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres*, 117(D1), n/a-n/a.  
<https://doi.org/10.1029/2011JD016430>
  23. Sobolowski, S., Gong, G., & Ting, M. (2011). Investigating the Linear and Nonlinear Stationary Wave Response to Anomalous North American Snow Cover. *Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences*, 68(4), 904–917. <https://doi.org/10.1175/2010JAS3581.1>
  24. Sobolowski, S., Gong, G., & Ting, M. (2010). Modeled Climate State and Dynamic Responses to Anomalous North American Snow Cover. *Journal of Climate*, 23(3), 785–799. <https://doi.org/10.1175/2009JCLI3219.1>
  25. Siegfried, T., Sobolowski, S., Raj, P., Fishman, R., Vasquez, V., Narula, K., ... Modi, V. (2010). Modeling Irrigated Area to Increase Water, Energy, and Food Security in Semiarid India. *Weather, Climate, and Society*, 2(4), 255–270.  
<https://doi.org/10.1175/2010WCAS1048.1>
  26. Sobolowski, S., & Frei, A. (2007). Lagged relationships between North American snow mass and atmospheric teleconnection indices. *International Journal of Climatology*, 27(2), 221–231. <https://doi.org/10.1002/joc.1395>
  27. Sobolowski, S., Gong, G., & Ting, M. (2007). Northern Hemisphere winter climate variability: Response to North American snow cover anomalies and orography. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 34(16). <https://doi.org/10.1029/2007GL030573>

## TEACHING

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### **CHES: Land surface modeling course, GFI Bergen, Norway**

- October 2-6, 2017 Lecturer: Hydrology

### **Bergen Summer Research School, Bergen, Norway**

- *June 15-16, 2017* Lecturer: Climate Services.

#### **Bergen Summer Research School, Bergen, Norway**

- *June 20, 2016* Lecturer: European water resources in an uncertain future.

#### **ResClim-IMPACT2C Summer School, Rosendal, Norway**

- *June 29-July 4, 2014* Lecturer and person responsible for course design and content, logistics and organization.

#### **University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC**

- *Fall 2010* Guest Lecturer, GEOL 109 The Science of Climate Change.

#### **Columbia University, New York, NY**

- *Summer 2009* Teaching Assistant, ENVP 6115 Climatology.
- *Summer 2009* Teaching Assistant, ENVP 6116 Hydrology.
- *Spring 2009, 2010* Teaching Assistant, CIEE E3250 Hydrosystems Engineering.

### **AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

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- NASA Earth System Science Fellowship, 2006-2009: \$86,000
- NSF GK-12 Fellowship 2006-2007: \$30,000
- Schuster Award for outstanding Master's thesis, Hunter College, New York, NY, 2005
- NOAA-CREST Center Scholarship, City College, City University of New York, New York, NY, 2005 (\$18,000)
- Einhorn Scholarship, Hunter College, New York, NY, 2005 (\$2,500)

### **SELECTED TALKS**

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- 2018* **Sobolowski, S.**, Coppola, E., et al. (invited) A first-of-its-kind multi-model convection permitting ensemble for investigating convective phenomena over Europe and the Mediterranean. *European Geophysical Union annual meeting*, April 2018.
- 2017* **Sobolowski, S.** (invited) Developing Climate Services in Norway: experiences, successes and challenges. *Rosby Center 20yr Anniversary*. 13-14 Sept. SMHI, Norrköping, Sweden
- 2016* **Sobolowski, S et al.**, (invited) Coordinated high resolution modeling of convective phenomena over Europe and the Mediterranean. *GEWEX Workshop on Convection Permitting Modeling*. 6-8, September 2016, Boulder, CO USA.
- 2016* **Sobolowski, S et al.**, Precipitation seasonality, variability and associated dynamical processes over eastern Africa. *International Conference on Regional Climate – CORDEX 2016*, May 17-20, Stockholm, Sweden.
- 2015* **Sobolowski, S et al.**, European Climate at the +2C threshold: cause for concern? *European Conference on Climate Adaptation*, May 11-14, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- 2014* **Sobolowski, S** (invited), Why the +2C target matters. Tekna 2 Grader Magasin launch seminar, Nov. 20, 2014, NTNU, Trondheim, Norway.
- 2014* **Sobolowski, S** (invited), Climate Services session. Bergen Research Summer School, June 23-July 4, <http://www.uib.no/rs/bsrs>.
- 2012* **Sobolowski, S**, and T Pavelsky (invited), Evaluation of present and future North American Regional Climate Change Assessment Program (NARCCAP) regional climate simulations over the southeast United States. *American Geophysical Union Fall 2012 Meeting*, December 3-7, 2012, San Francisco, CA.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE**

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### Mentorship/Service

- 2018(spring) Supervisor: Lilan Chen (visiting PhD student Nanjin University)  
2017 (fall) Co-supervisor: Xinshu Fu (visiting PhD student Nanjin University)  
2017-present Co-supervisor: Siew Yu “Peter” Feng (Ph.D. candidate, University of Bergen)  
2017-present Co-supervisor: Dr. Clio Michel (postdoc, University of Bergen)  
2016-17 Co-supervisor: Helene Asbjørnsen (M.S. University of Bergen)  
2015-16 Co-supervisor: Raymond Sellevold (M.S. University of Bergen)  
2012-17 Thesis examiner for 10+ M.S. candidates (University of Bergen)

### Member

- 2012-present European Geophysical Union  
2005-present American Geophysical Union  
2005-present American Meteorological Society

### Reviewer

*Journal of Climate, Geophysical Research Letters, International Journal of Climatology, Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society (BAMS), Climate Services, JGR-Atmospheres, Earth and Planetary Science Letters, Climate Dynamics, Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics, Tellus-A, Austrian Climate Research Program (ACRP), National Science Foundation (USA), Belmont Forum expert reviewer*