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WORK EXPERIENCE

2025 - CURRENT College Station, United States

EXPEDITION PROJECT MANAGER/STAFF SCIENTIST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Managing Expeditions for SODCO and facilitating the research of all expedition members.

2022 - 2025 College Station, United States

EXPEDITION PROJECT MANAGER/STAFF SCIENTIST INTERNATIONAL OCEAN DISCOVERY PROGRAM AT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Managing IODP Expeditions and facilitating the research of all expedition members.

2019 - 2021 Bremerhaven, Germany

MARINE GEOLOGIST ALFRED-WEGENER-INSTITUTE HELMHOLTZ CENTER FOR POLAR AND MARINE RESEARCH

Postdoctoral scientist in the department of Marine Geology.

Research Scientist focused on the stability of Antarctic ice sheets and oceanic CO₂ seguestration.

2019 Hannover, Germany

MARINE GEOLOGIST BUNDESANSTALT FÜR GEOWISSENSCHAFTEN UND ROHSTOFFE

Postdoctoral scientist in the department of Marine Geology.

Participation in IODP Expedition 382. Head of the sedimentology working group.

2015 - 2019 Bremerhaven, Germany

MARINE GEOLOGIST ALFRED-WEGENER-INSTITUTE HELMHOLTZ CENTER FOR POLAR AND MARINE RESEARCH

Postdoctoral scientist in the department of Marine Geology.

Research Scientist focused on Southern Ocean circulation and past CO₂ sequestration.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2010 - 2014 Germany

PH. D. / DR. RER. NAT. University of Bremen (German University of Excellence)

2005 - 2010 Germany

DIPLOMA (MSC EQUIVALENT) IN GEOLOGY Steinmann Institute for Geology, Mineralogy and Paleontology, University of Bonn

SEAGOING EXPEDITIONS

2025

HOV CuraSub - Submersible-based sampling and rariphotic zone survey off Curação

Lead Geologist

2024

R/V JOIDES Resolution Expedition 403 - Eastern Fram Strait Paleo-Archive

Expedition Project Manager

R/V JOIDES Resolution Expedition 398 - Hellenic Arc Volcanic Field

Expedition Project Manager

2019

R/V JOIDES Resolution Expedition 382 - South Atlantic / Iceberg Alley

Leader of the sedimentology night shift.

2018

R/V Sonne SO264 - Subarctic Northwest Pacific

Leader of the geology-sedimentology group and coring operations.

2017

R/V Polarstern PS104 - West Antarctic / Amundsen Sea

MSP-Style drilling with the MeBo seafloor drill rig.

2016

R/V Polarstern PS97 - Antarctic Peninsula & Drake Passage

Leader of physical-properties group. Sedimentology and coring operations, deployment of land/ice-based GNSS antennas.

2014

R/V Polarstern ANT-XXX/1 - English Channel & North Atlantic

Sub-seafloor profiling and multibeam mapping.

2013

R/V Polarstern ANT-XXIX/4 - Scotia Sea / South Georgia

Leader of physical-properties group. Sedimentology and coring operations.

2012

R/V Heincke HE-376/2 - North Sea

Sub-seafloor profiling and multibeam mapping.

2011

R/V Sonne SO213/2 - South Pacific: Chile - New Zealand

Leader of physical-properties group. Sedimentology and coring operations.

2010 - 2011

R/V Sonne SO213/1 - Southeast Pacific: Valparaíso, Chile - Valparaíso, Chile

Sedimentology and coring operations.

2010

R/V Uthörn - German Bight

Sedimentology and coring operations, biological trawling.

2008 - 2009

Geological/Biological underwater fieldwork (SCUBA) off Elba, Italy

LAND EXPEDITIONS

2009

Geological mapping in the Karoo Desert, South Africa

Project management, fieldwork, interaction with UraMin-Areva reps, writing of final report.

Geological mapping in the Eastern Rhodopes, Bulgaria

2007

Paleontological excavation in Winterswijk, Netherlands

2007

Geological mapping in the Lodève-Basin, France

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH STAYS

2014

ETH Zürich

Laboratory of Ion Beam Physics

2009

Statoil ASA, Stavanger, Norway

Department of Geology

2009

University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

Centre of Excellence in Palaeosciences; Sedimentology and Biostratigraphy

COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

Science Communicator

German and English science talks for the general public, school classes, and other events.

Science Ambassador

Participating in official outreach events of the Alfred-Wegener-Institute. E.g., Open Ship, climate workshops, panels.

Science Educator

Multiple talks and presentations for school classes in person, or world-wide via Skype-a-Scientist.

Media

Multiple interviews and appearances for different media outlets (print, online, radio, podcast, TV).

Social Media

Active communicator on Bluesky: @ThomasRonge

TEACHING

2018 - 2021

Lecture: Introduction to Paleoceanography and Paleoclimatology, Bremen University

Online lectures in 2020 and early 2021

2010 - 2021

Supervision of interns, bachelor's, master's, and PhD students

2008 - 2010

Micropaleontology lectures at University of Bonn

REVIEWER ACTIVITY

Reviewer for

Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Special Report on the Ocean and Cryosphere in a Changing Climate (SROCC)

IPCC 6th Assessment Report
Earth and Planetary Science Letters
Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems (G-Cubed)
Journal of Climate
Paleoceanography and Paleoclimatology
National Science Foundation
Nature Communications
Quaternary Science Reports