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Brendan Fisher is a member of the Tropospheric Composition Group in the Earth Science Section at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. He is member of the OCO-2 and OCO-3 science and validation teams. As part of the OCO-2 project, he is intimately involved in the atmospheric retrieval of XCO₂ algorithm and validation of the product. For OCO-3, Brendan is the Science Operations Lead and is the primary interface between the mission operations team and the science implementation team. Additionally, Brendan is responsible for maintaining the OCO-3 SAM/TG list, implementing new observation sites and adjusting strategies to assist coordination with community science, validation, and calibration activities. Brendan is also a member of the science implementation team and is involved in nearly all aspects of the algorithm development. Brendan has extensive experience with flight projects from early build to on-orbit operations, instrument calibration and validation, remote sensing, and atmospheric retrieval algorithms.

Research Interests

- Atmospheric carbon cycles
- Validation & Calibration of remote sensing instruments
- Mission design & planning
- Infrared instrumentation for ground and spacecraft application: design, development and use.
- Data science: algorithm and numerical methods, particularly atmospheric sounding, data visualization, user interfaces, hardware control.
- Planetary Atmospheres: thermal structure, dynamics, composition of the earth and gas giants

Professional Experience

- Jet Propulsion Laboratory (1996 - Present)
 - OCO-3 Science Operations Lead (2018-present)
 - OCO-3 Science Implementation Team (2017-present)

- TES Instrument Scientist (2016-2021)
 - OCO-2 Science Implementation Team (2009-present)
 - Orbiting Carbon Observatory (OCO) Calibration, Validation, and Science Teams (2006-2009)
 - Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer (TES) project (2000 - 2021)
 - Mars 98 Orbiter and Mars Polar Lander (1999-2000)
 - Caltech Postdoctoral Scholar (1998 - 1999)
 - NASA/NRC Resident Research Associate (1996 - 1998)
- University of Rochester, Instructor/Fellow (1995 - 1996)

Awards

- JPL Team Award as a member of the OCO-3 science Team (2021)
- JPL Team Award as a member of the TES project team (2021)
- JPL Team Award as a member of the OCO-2 science Team (2020)
- JPL Voyager Award for leadership during OCO-3 IOC (2019)
- NASA Honors Award as a member of the OCO-2 Science Team (2018)
- JPL Team Bonus Award for Completion of the TES mission Team (2018)
- JPL Team Bonus Award as a member of the OCO-2 Science Team (2017)
- NASA Honors Award as a member of the OCO-2 validation team (2016)
- NASA Honors Award as a member of the OCO-2 L2 algorithm team (2016)
- JPL Team Bonus Award as a member of the TES instrument recovery team (2016)
- JPL Team Bonus Award as a member of the OCO-2 L2 algorithm development team (2016)
- JPL Discovery Award relating to OCO-2 L2 algorithms (2016)
- JPL Team Bonus Award as a member of the OCO-2 project (2015)
- NASA Honors Award as a member of the TES team (2014)
- JPL Team Bonus Award as a member of the OCO-2 project (2014)
- NASA Honors Award as a member of the Aura Project (2005)
- NASA Honors Award as a member of the Aura Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer instrument and ground data system development teams (2005)
- Goddard Space Flight Center Group Achievement Award as a member of the Aura Team (2005)
- Fellow, National Research Council Research Associates Program (1996 - 1998)
- Fellow, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Graduate Student Researchers Program, Office of Space Science, NASA Headquarters (1991 - 1994)
- Fellow, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Space Grant Program, California Space Institute, Scripps Institute of Oceanography (1990)
- Studentship Award, American Astronomical Society, Solar Physics Division (1990)
- 1st Place, Senior Physics Lab Project, University of California, San Diego (1986)

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