

Dr SAMANTHA JANE LAVENDER



EDUCATION / TRAINING

- 2012 - 2012** CIEH Level 2 Award in Environmental Principles and Best Practice
- 2009 - 2011** Undertook modules that can lead to the Institute of Directors award of Chartered Director: Role of the Director and the Board & the Director and the Law; Finance for non-Financial Directors.
- 2000 - 2001** PgCert, University of Plymouth: Learning and Teaching in Higher Education.
- 1992 - 1996** PhD, University of Plymouth: Remote Sensing of Suspended Sediment.
- 1989 - 1992** First Class BSc Honours Degree in Oceanography and Marine Computer Applications, University of Plymouth.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 2012 -** **Managing Director, Pixalytics Limited (www.pixalytics.com).**
Specialises in the transition of academic knowledge to commercial opportunity and public understanding. Activities include consultancy services, research expertise, software development, bid support, project management and a variety of teaching and training options.
- 2015 - 2018** **Trustee, Sir Alister Hardy Foundation for Ocean Science.**
SAHFOS was an internationally funded independent research organisation responsible for the operation of the Continuous Plankton Recorder survey, which has since merged with the Marine Biological association.
- 2013 - 2017** **Director, Ocean Nourishment (UK) Limited.**
Aims to conduct underpinning research in collaboration with universities and marine institutions to investigate the potential of Ocean Nourishment in different regions of the world's oceans.
- 2009 - 2019** **Honorary Reader, School of Marine Science and Engineering, Plymouth University.**
Support for remote sensing research activities including supervision of MSc and PhD student projects. Member of the Institute for Sustainability Solutions Research and Geomatics Research Grp.
- 2007 - 2012** **Managing Director, ARGANS Limited.**
A research active UK SME formed around a growing core of customer-focused scientists and software engineers.
- 2005 - 2009** **Reader in Geomatics, School of Earth, Ocean and Environmental Sciences (SEOES), University of Plymouth.**
Module leader on undergraduate and postgraduate modules within the primary subject areas of geodesy, remote sensing, satellite positioning and surveying mathematics. Member of the School's Research Team & 2007 RAE Shadow Coordinator. Co-ordinator of the Geomatics Research Group.
- 2000 - 2005** **Lecturer and then Senior Lecturer in Geomatics, Institute of Marine Studies. University of Plymouth.**
- 1997 - 2000** **HSO Remote Sensing Scientist, Plymouth Marine Laboratory. Natural Environment Research Council.**
- 1995 - 1997** **Manager of the NERC Remote Sensing & GIS Unit (RAGU). Natural Environment Research Council.**
- 1992 - 2000** **Part-Time Lecturer and Demonstrator, Institute of Marine Studies. University of Plymouth.**

PERSONAL MEMBERSHIP

- 2009 - 2012** The Geological Remote Sensing Group (UK based)
- 2008 -** The Oceanography Society (USA based)
- 2001 -** The Hydrographic Society (UK based)

- 1992 - Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society (RSPSoc, UK based) and Challenger Society for Marine Science (UK based)
- 1989 - Royal Meteorological Society (Fellow, UK based)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2015 – 2017 Chairman of the British Association of Remote Sensing Companies (BARSC)
- 2013 – 2017 Member of the UK Space Agency Earth Observation Advisory Committee (EOAC)
- 2012 – 2016 International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS) Working Group Chair VIII.3 on Coastal and Ocean Applications
- 2012 – 2014 Treasurer for the European Association of Remote Sensing Laboratories (EARSeL)
- 2012 – 2013 Member of the UK Space Innovation & Growth Strategy Markets Theme
- 2010 – 2012 UK representative and Council member for EARSeL
- 2010 – 2013 Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry Society (RSPSoc) Chairman
- 2008 – 2012 RSPSoc Chair of External Affairs & ISPRS Working Group Co-chair VIII.9 Oceans
- 2007 – Peer reviewer for the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong
- 2006 – 2010 Member of the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) peer-review college
- 2007 – 2008 Member of the NERC Centre for Earth Observation Instrumentation (CEOI) steering committee
- 2006 – 2010 Member of the International Ocean Colour Co-ordinating Group (IOCCG)
- 2004 – 2008 ISPRS Working Group Chair VIII.6 on Coastal Zones Management, Ocean Colour and Ocean State Forecasting
- 2002 – 2008 Scientific team leader and scientific steering committee member for the NERC Centre for observation of Air-Sea Interactions and fluxes (CASIX)

CONTRACTS / PROJECTS

- 2018 - **EcoProMIS (Ecological Production Management Information System) in Colombia:** Project funded by the International Partnership Programme of the UK Space Agency, where Rothamsted Research is the lead.
- 2018 - 2019 **Life Smart Water 2018-19 project for the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency:** To detect waste material using remote sensing techniques.
- 2017 - **Drought and Flood Mitigation Service in Uganda:** Project funded by the International Partnership Programme of the UK Space Agency, where Rhea is the lead.
- 2015 - 2016 **Optical and Microwave Extension for Floodwater Mapping (OMEF) in Rural and Urban Environments:** Feasibility study funded by the Space for Smarter Government Programme (SSGP) of the UK Space Agency.
- 2014 - **EO Consultant** [confidential], working on future sensors and Earth observation applications
- 2013 - 2016 European Space Agency (ESA) **E-Collaboration for Earth Observation (E-CEO)**, led by Terradue UK, which addressed the technologies and architectures needed to provide a collaborative research platform for automating data mining and information extraction experiments; see <http://wiki.services.eoportal.org/tiki-index.php?page=ECEO>.
- 2013 - **Virtual Water Gauge:** determination of water height and extent from satellite imagery.
- 2012 - **EO Consultant** for Telespazio VEGA UK, working on the ESA IDEAS contract (Quality Control of the Landsat reprocessed data) and Ocean Colour Climate Change Initiative project (<http://www.esa-oceancolour-cci.org/>).
- 2012 - **eLearning material** preparation for the Hydrographic Academy: covering the topics of remote sensing and satellite positioning.
- 2012 - **Scientific engagement** of the general public via social media: development of a website and Secchi phone apps, www.secchidisk.org - presentation as invited lecture during Ocean Optics, 2014.
- 2012 – 2014 **EO Consultant for the ESA Mobile Autonomous Scientist for Terrestrial and Extra-terrestrial Research (MASTER) project** where SciSys is the lead.
- 2012 Development of a **low-cost water quality sensor** in collaboration with Gerald Moore of Bio-Optika.
- 2012 **Time-series processing** of Landsat imagery in support of a desertification project.

COMPLETED PHD STUDENTS

- Alboabidallah, 2019. A. Uncertainty within remotely sensed data for ecosystem services. Based at Plymouth University.
- Cristina, S. 2016. Study of optical properties of oceanic and coastal water southwest Portuguese coast using remote sensing data acquired by the sensor MERIS ocean colour. Based at the University of Algarve.
- Morakinyo, B. 2016. Flaring and Pollution Detection in the Niger Delta. Based at Plymouth University.
- Zhang, D. 2014. Understanding the potential and limitations of fluorescent imaging of cyanobacteria in freshwater and sea water. Based at Mullard Space Science Laboratory. Based at University College London.
- Krijnen, J. 2013. Remote sensing applied to variability in North Atlantic CO₂ uptake. Based at the University of East Anglia.
- Abdel Hamid, I. 2012. Chromo-Stereoscopic Visualisation in Dynamic Marine Operations. Based at Plymouth University.
- Kay, S. 2011. Sun glint correction of marine satellite imagery by radiative transfer model inversion. Based at the University of Exeter & ARGANS.
- Davey, F. 2011. Research Interests in GIS and remotely sensed data for landscape character assessment. In collaboration with Tamar AONB Service.
- Brewin, R. 2011. Detecting Phytoplankton Size Class using Satellite Earth Observation. Based at the University of Plymouth and in collaboration with Plymouth Marine Laboratory and the UK MetOffice.
- Barker, K. 2009. Novel Techniques for Estimating Primary Production Rates directly from Earth Observation Data. In collaboration with Plymouth Marine Laboratory.
- Fishwick, J. 2008. Biological and Optical Properties of Phytoplankton Assemblages in the Western English Channel. In collaboration with Plymouth Marine Laboratory.
- O'Neill, C. 2008. Identifying and modelling mesoscale processes responsible for deep sea-shelf exchanges over the Rockall Bank.
- Ostnes, R. 2005. To Assess the Opportunities and Benefits of Improved Visualisation of Hydrographic Data. In collaboration with Aalesund University College, Norway.
- Lowe, C. 2005. Satellite Remote Sensing of Characteristic Properties and Photosynthetic Rates of Phytoplankton Ecosystems. In collaboration with Plymouth Marine Laboratory.
- Nagur Cherukuru, R.C. 2004. Remote Sensing of Optically Active Marine Components. In collaboration with Plymouth Marine Laboratory.

I have been an external PhD examiner six times in the UK and four times overseas (Belgium, France, Sweden & Indonesia), and an internal examiner twice in the UK.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS SINCE 2009 (author/co-author on over 90 peer-reviewed publications).

- Groom et al., 2019 Satellite Ocean Colour: current status and future perspective. *Frontiers in Marine Science*, <https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fmars.2019.00485/full>
- Kycko, M., Zagajewski, B., Lavender, S. et al. 2018. The impact of tourist traffic on the condition and cell structures of alpine swards. *Remote Sensing* 10 (2), 220
- Buchwitz, M., Lavender, S., Chuvieco, E. 2017. Special issue on earth observation of essential climate variables, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rse.2017.09.001>
- Alboabidallah, A., Martin, J., Lavender, S. et al. 2017. Terrestrial laser scanning for biomass assessment and tree reconstruction: improved processing efficiency. *Proc. SPIE 10444, Fifth International Conference on Remote Sensing and Geoinformation of the Environment (RSCy2017)*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1117/12.2279130>
- Casal, G., and Lavender, S. 2017. Spatio-temporal variability of sea surface temperature in Irish waters (1982-2015) using AVHRR sensor. *Journal of Sea Research*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.seares.2017.07.006>
- Lavender, S.J. 2017. Chapter 10: Remote sensing. In: Uncles, R. and Mitchell, S. (Eds.) *Estuarine and Coastal Hydrography*, Cambridge University Press.
- Marcinkowska-Ochtyra, A., Zagajewski, B., Ochtyra, A., Jarocińska, A., Wojtuń, B., Rogass, C., Mielke, C. and Lavender, S. 2017. Subalpine and alpine vegetation classification based on hyperspectral APEX and simulated EnMAP images, *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, 38(7), <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/01431161.2016.1274447>

- Zhang, D., Lavender, S., Muller, J.P., Walton, D., Karlson, B. and Kronsell, J. 2017. Determination of phytoplankton abundances (Chlorophyll-a) in the optically complex inland water - The Baltic Sea, *The Science of the total environment*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.scitotenv.2017.05.245>
- Cristina, S., Cordeiro, C., Lavender, S., Costa Goela, P., Icely, J., and Newton, A. 2016. MERIS Phytoplankton Time Series Products from the SW Iberian Peninsula (Sagres) Using Seasonal-Trend Decomposition Based on Loess, *Remote Sens.* 8(6), <http://dx.doi.org/10.3390/rs8060449>
- Kratzer, S., Alikas, K., Harvey, T., Morozov, E., Mustapha, S.B., and Lavender, S. 2016. Chapter 19: Multi-temporal Remote Sensing of Coastal Waters. In: Ban, Y. (Ed.). *Multitemporal analysis of satellite images*. Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg. http://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-47037-5_19
- Lavender, S., Boissier, E., Brito, F., Ribeiro, R., Aas, C., Casu, F., Iapaolo, M. 2016. E-Collaboration for Earth Observation: Example Challenge Focused on the Atmospheric Correction of Ocean Colour Data. *ESA Living Planet Symposium*, Prague, Czech Republic, May 2016.
- Lavender, S., Haria, K., Cooksley, G., Farman, A. and Beaton, B. 2016. Understanding the Future Market for NovaSAR-S Flood Mapping Products using Data Mining and Simulation. *ESA Living Planet Symposium*, Prague, Czech Republic, May 2016.
- Gascon, F., Biasutti, R., Ferrara, R., Fischer, P., Galli, L., Hoersch, B., Lavender, S., Meloni, M., Mica, S., Northrop, A. Paciucci, A., Saunier, S. 2015. Bulk processing of the Landsat MSS/TM/ETM+ archive of the European Space Agency. SPIE 9643, *Image and Signal Processing for Remote Sensing XXI*, October 2015. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1117/12.2192847>
- Lavender, S.J. and Lavender, A. 2015. *Practical Handbook of Remote Sensing*. CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group.
- Gascon, F., Biasutti, R., Ferrara, R., Fischer, P., Galli, L., Hoersch, B., Hopkins, S., Jackson, J., Lavender, S., Mica, S., Northrop, A., Paciucci, A., Paul, F., Pinori, S. and Saunier, S. 2014. European Space Agency (ESA) Landsat MSS/TM/ETM+ Archive Bulk-Processing: Processor Improvements and Data Quality, SPIE 9218, *Earth Observing Systems XIX*, 92181C, September 2014. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1117/12.2062223>
- Lavender, S.J. 2014. Multi-sensor ocean colour atmospheric correction for time-series data: Application to LANDSAT ETM+ and OLI data, *EARSeL eProceedings*, 13(2): 58-66.
- Lavender, S.J. and Moufaddal, W. 2014. Chapter 23: Remote Sensing Applications to Modeling Biomass and Carbon of Oceanic Ecosystems. In: Wang, G. and Weng, Q. (Eds.) *Remote Sensing of Natural Resources*, CRC Press, Taylor & Francis Group.
- Raitsos, D.E., Pradhan, Y., Lavender, S.J., Hoteit, I., McQuatters-Gollop, A., Reid, P.C. and Richardson, A.J. 2014. From silk to satellite: half a century of ocean colour anomalies in the Northeast Atlantic. *Global Change Biology*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/gcb.12457>
- Manakos, I. and Lavender, S. 2014. Remote Sensing Support of the Geoinformation in Europe. In: Manakos I. and Braun M. (Eds.) *Land Use and Land Cover Mapping in Europe*. Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-94-007-7969-3>
- Font J., Boutin, J., Reul, N., Spurgeon, P., Ballabrera-Poy, J., Chuprin, A., Gabarró, C., Gourrion, J., Guimbard, S., Hénocq, C., Lavender, S., Martin, N., Martínez, J., McCulloch, M., Meirold-Mautner, I., Mugerin, C., Petitcolin, F., Portabella, M., Sabia, R., Talone, M., Tenerelli, J., Turiel, A., Vergely, J.L, Waldteufel, P., Yin, X., Zine, S. and Delwart, S. 2013. SMOS first data analysis for sea surface salinity determination. *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, 34(9-10), pp. 3654-3670.
- Kay, S., Hedley, J., and Lavender, S. 2013. Sun glint estimation in marine satellite images: a comparison of results from calculation and radiative transfer modelling. *Appl. Opt.* 52, 5631-5639
- Lavender, S. 2013. Ocean Measurements and Applications, Ocean Color. In: Njoku E. (Ed.) *Encyclopaedia of Remote Sensing: SpringerReference* (www.springerreference.com). Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg. http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/SpringerReference_327180
- Werdell, P., Franz, B., Bailey, S., Feldman, G., Boss, E., Brando, V., Dowell, M., Hirata, T., Lavender, S., Lee, Z., Loisel, H., Maritorena, S., Mélin, F., Moore, T., Smyth, T., Antoine, D., Devred, E., d'Andon, O. and Mangin, A. 2013. Generalized ocean color inversion model for retrieving marine inherent optical properties, *Appl. Opt.* 52, pp. 2019-2037.
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- Raitsos, D.E., Lavender, S.J., Maravelias, C.D., Haralabous, J., McQuatters-Gollop, A., Edwards, M. and Reid, P.C. 2011. Macroscale factors affecting diatom abundance: a synergistic use of Continuous Plankton Recorder and satellite remote sensing data. *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, 32 (8), pp. 2081-2094
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- Lavender, S.J. et al. 2010. Products Definition and Determining Uncertainties; Sentinel-3 Optical Level 2 Prototype Processor. *ESA Living Planet Symposium*, Bergen, Norway, June-July 2010, 5 pp.
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- Lavender, S. 2009. Chapter 27: Optical Remote Sensing of the Hydrosphere: From the Open Ocean to Inland Waters. The SAGE Handbook of Remote Sensing, Warner, T; Dunane Nellis, M; Foody, G (eds.), 504 pp.
- Lavender, S.J., Moufaddal, W.M. and Pradhan, Y.D. 2009. Assessment of temporal shifts of chlorophyll levels in the Egyptian Mediterranean shelf and satellite detection of the Nile bloom. *Egyptian Journal of Aquatic Research*, 35(2), pp. 121-135.
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