

# Curriculum Vitæ – Richard Foa Katz

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2015– **Professor of Geodynamics**, Department of Earth Sciences, Univ. Oxford, UK.  
2011–15 **Associate Professor**, Department of Earth Sciences, University of Oxford, UK.  
2012 **Visiting Researcher**, Earthquake Research Institute, Univ. Tokyo, Japan.  
2007–12 **Research Councils UK Academic Fellow**, Department of Earth Science, University of Oxford, UK.  
2006–08 **Senior Research Fellow**, Institute of Theoretical Geophysics, Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, University of Cambridge, UK.  
2006 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Lamont-Doherty Earth Obs., Columbia Univ., NY.

## EDUCATION

- 2006 **PhD with distinction**, Columbia University, NYC, NY, USA. Dissertation: *The Deep Roots of Volcanoes: Models of Magma Dynamics with Applications to Subduction Zones*, supervisor: Marc Spiegelman.  
2000 **BA Cum Laude**, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA.

## AWARDS

- 2015 Editors' Citation for Excellence in Refereeing from *G-Cubed*.  
2013 Outstanding Reviewer award from *Geophysical Journal International*.  
2012 **The Philip Leverhulme Prize**.  
2012 The European Geosciences Union's **Division Outstanding Young Scientist Award for the Division on Geodynamics**.  
2008 My [paper](#) on wax tectonics is a **10th Anniversary Highlight** of *New J. Phys.*

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 30/09/26 **Royal Society International Exchanges** £12k over two years to support research visits to/from ENS de Lyon and ISTerre/Grenoble. With partner S. Labrosse (ENS de Lyon).  
01/05/26 **John Fell Fund Research Grant**. [*awarded*] £4.7k over seven months to pay a research intern to develop theory for tides of the basal magma ocean.  
20/09/23 **Africa–Oxford Catalyst Grant**. [*expired*] £5k over 6 weeks to support an Oxford visit by PI Dr. Ikenna Obasi (Fed. Univ. Lokoja) to develop models of groundwater hydrology for the Abakaliki region of Nigeria.  
01/09/22 **Leverhulme Research Grant**. [*expired*] £214k over three years to hire one PDRA to study tidally forced porous flow in planets and moons. With Co-Is I. Hewitt (Oxford) & B. Vermeersen (Delft). Leverhulme ref. RPG-2021-199.  
01/03/19 **European Research Council Consolidator Grant**. [*expired*] €2M over five years to hire two PDRAs and one student to study magma-assisted tectonics of mid-ocean ridges and continental rifts. RIFT-O-MAT, ERC ref. 772255.  
01/04/18 **Deep Carbon Observatory of the Sloan Foundation grant**. [*expired*] \$750k over 18 months to continue development of two-phase simulations of carbon transport. With PI Prof. L. Kellogg (UC Davis).  
01/05/17 **NERC/NSF Collaborative Grant**. [*expired*] £240k over three years to develop two-phase models of temperate ice at ice-stream margins. Co-PIs Hewitt (Oxford), Iverson (Iowa State) and Zoet (Wisconsin). Ref. NE/R000026/1.

- 01/11/15 **Deep Carbon Observatory of the Sloan Foundation grant.** [*expired*] \$700k over 2 years to develop two-phase simulations of carbon transport. With PI Prof. L. Kellogg and Co-I Prof. S. Mukhopadhyay (UC Davis).
- 01/03/15 **Royal Society International Exchanges Grant.** [*expired*] £12k over 2 years to develop 3D simulations of sea-ice formation and brine circulation with adaptive mesh refinement. With Prof. Andrew Wells, AOPP/Oxford.
- 01/09/14 **NERC Consortium Grant.** [*expired*] £2.25M over five years. ~20 Co-Is; To investigate terrestrial volatile cycles through the solid Earth. NERC ref. NE/M000427/1.
- 01/12/10 **NERC Standard Grant.** [*expired*] £338k over three years. Four PIs; collaborative between Cambridge and Oxford. To develop finite element models of magma dynamics. NERC ref. NE/I026995/1.
- 14/10/10 **European Research Council Starter Grant.** [*expired*] €1.4M over five years to hire two PDRAs and one student to study coupling of climate with magmatism at mid-ocean ridges. ISMAGiC, ERC ref. 279925.
- 04/09/10 **Royal Society Travel Grant.** [*expired*] £4000 to support a 1-month Oxford visit by Prof. Y. Takei of ERI, Tokyo in 2011.
- 01/08/09 **Natural Environmental Research Council New Investigator Grant.** [*expired*] “Coupled models of magma/mantle dynamics: melt transport at mid-ocean ridges and subduction zones.” £55k over two years for personal salary support, overhead, travel, consumables. NERC ref. NE/H00081X/1.
- 01/09/06 **US National Science Foundation International Research Fellowship Program.** [*expired*] \$163,057 over two years covering salary, travel, research expenses. NSF award #0602101.

#### MANUSCRIPTS IN REVIEW/REVISION/PRESS

- Kiernan, M.B.C., H.C.F.C. Hay, D.W. Rees Jones, J.F.J. Bryson & **R.F. Katz**. Resonant lunar tides of Earth’s core and basal magma ocean. <http://arxiv.org/abs/2606.16340>
- **Katz, R.F.** & P. Huybers. How sea level paces faulting at fast-spreading mid-ocean ridges. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2605.10342>.
- Ackland, R., E. Melekhova, J. Blundy, **R.F. Katz** & J. Dominique. Textural evolution and element mobility during fluid-mediated subsolidus reactions in layered igneous rocks.
- Turner, S.J., I.P. Savov, T.A. Mather, **R.F. Katz**, D.W. Rees Jones, D.M. Pyle, J.C.M. de Hoog, S.F.L. Watt. Volcanic arc structure controlled by liquid focusing from the slab—evidence from boron isotopes and trace elements. [10.31223/X5MM7V](https://doi.org/10.31223/X5MM7V)

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- 2026 Davis, T., Y. Li, A.E. Pusok, **R.F. Katz**. Megadyke propagation down dynamic topography. *Proc. Roy. Soc. A*. [10.1098/rspa.2025.0733](https://doi.org/10.1098/rspa.2025.0733)
- 2025 Hay, H.C.F.C, I. Hewitt, M. Rovira-Navarro & **R.F. Katz**. Poro-viscoelastic tides of Io. *Proc. Roy. Soc. A*. [10.1098/rspa.2025.0607](https://doi.org/10.1098/rspa.2025.0607)
- Haseloff, M., I. Hewitt & **R.F. Katz**. Subglacial hydrology regulates oscillations in marine ice streams. *The Cryosphere*. [10.5194/tc-19-5939-2025](https://doi.org/10.5194/tc-19-5939-2025)
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- Li, Y., T. Davis, A.E. Pusok & **R.F. Katz**. Models of buoyancy-driven dykes using continuum plasticity and fracture mechanics: a comparison. *Geosci. Model Devel.* [10.5194/egusphere-2024-3504](https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-2024-3504)
- 2024 **Katz, R.F.**, J.F. Rudge and L.N. Hansen. Dilatancy and non-local fluidity of partially molten rock. *J. Fluid Mech.* [10.1017/jfm.2023.1003](https://doi.org/10.1017/jfm.2023.1003).
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- 2022 **Katz, R.F.** The Dynamics of Partially Molten Rock, Princeton University Press. [Website](#).
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- 2021 Rees Jones, D.W., H. Zhang and **R.F. Katz**. Magmatic channelisation by reactive and shear-driven instabilities at mid-ocean ridges: a combined analysis. *Geophys. J. Int.* [10.1093/gji/ggab112](https://doi.org/10.1093/gji/ggab112).

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- 2020 Spencer, D., **R.F. Katz** and I.J. Hewitt. Magmatic intrusions control Io's crustal thickness. *JGR Planets*. [10.1029/2020JE006443](https://doi.org/10.1029/2020JE006443).
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- 2017 Keller T., **R.F. Katz** and M.M. Hirschmann. Volatiles beneath mid-ocean ridges: Deep melting, channelised transport, focusing, and metasomatism. *EPSL*. [10.1016/j.epsl.2017.02.006](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.epsl.2017.02.006).
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- 2014 Rhebergen, S., G. Wells, **R.F. Katz**, and A. Wathen; Analysis of block preconditioners for models of coupled magma/mantle dynamics. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing.* [10.1137/130946678](#).
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- [Google Scholar](#) h-index: 35 (accessed 7 July 2026).
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#### INVITED CONFERENCE LECTURES

- 2024 [Ada Lovelace workshop](#), Sète, France; Fall AGU meeting, Washington DC.
- 2023 [European Geoscience Union 2023](#), Vienna, Austria. Session [GMPV7.2](#).
- 2021 [GEOMOD conference](#), Utrecht, Netherlands. [MEREMA II School](#), Sestri Levante, Italy.
- 2019 Fluid Transport Modelling Workshop, Minneapolis, USA.
- 2015 AGU Fall Meeting, San Francisco, USA. [DCO Modeling and Visualization Workshop](#), Washington DC, USA.
- 2013 Two invited talks at [Fall AGU](#), SF, USA. Invited talk at [SIAM Geosciences conference](#), Padova, Italy.
- 2012 [Gordon Research Conference on Rock Deformation](#), Andover, New Hampshire, USA. Award lecture at [EGU](#) conference in Vienna.
- 2011 [AGU Fall Meeting](#), San Francisco, USA. Two invited talks. [VMSG Conference](#), Cambridge, UK. (program substitution).
- 2010 [American Geophysical Union](#), San Francisco, USA. [European Geosciences Union](#) conference in Vienna, Austria. Session [GMPV16/GD5.9](#)
- 2009 [11th International Workshop on Modelling of Mantle Convection and Lithospheric Dynamics](#), Braunwald, CH; [Water on Earth and Beyond conference](#), Durham, UK; [In-situ Geophysical Studies of Planetary Surfaces: Past, Present, and Future](#), Roy. Astro. Soc. meeting, London.
- 2008 [Computational Infrastructure for Geodynamics \(CIG\) Workshop on Mathematical and Computational Issues in the Solid Earth Geosciences](#), Santa Fe, USA.
- 2006 Penrose Conference on Arc Crustal Genesis and Evolution, Valdez, Alaska; Western Pacific Geophysics Conference, Beijing, China.
- 2005 [Fall AGU meeting](#), San Francisco, USA.
- 2004 [Fall AGU meeting](#), San Francisco, USA.

#### PHD STUDENT SUPERVISION

- 2025– **Ambre Brabant**. Project: Granular mechanics of gravity currents.
- 2025– **Linus Miller**. Project: Theory for anisotropic dislocation-mechanics of olivine.
- 2023– **Rhiannon Ackland**. Project: Ore formation by percolative reactive flow.

- 2020–24 **Hanwen Zhang**. Project: Flow and fracture of ice sheets. On to postdoc in Oxford Dept. of Mathematics.
- 2020–24 **Luke Kearney**. Project: Fluid-escape pipes in the Levantine Basin. On to job as applied scientist at Viridian.
- 2017–21 **Tom Breithaupt**. Project: Modelling elements of microstructure in olivine. On to: 1851 Research Fellowship at Univ Cambridge.
- 2017–21 **Dan Spencer**. Project: Tidal dissipation and volcanism on Io. On to job as applied scientist at Sagentia Innovation.
- 2013–17 **Jonathan Burley**. Project: Ice ages, sea level, and magmatism: coupled oscillations.
- 2010–13 **Teresa Kyrke-Smith**. Project: Ice stream emergence in coupled models of ice sheets and subglacial hydrology. On to a postdoc at the British Antarctic Survey.
- 2009–13 **Samuel Weatherley**. Project: Reactive magmatic flow in a deforming mantle. On to a postdoc at the Danish Geological Survey.

#### POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH SUPERVISION

- 2022–25 **Hamish Hay**. Now Ernst Rutherford Fellow at University of St. Andrews.
- 2024–25 **Calum Braham**.
- 2020–25 **Yuan Li**. Now postdoc at Montpellier.
- 2021–24 **Tim Davis**. Now postdoctoral researcher at University of Bristol.
- 2019–23 **Adina Pusok**. Now Royal Society University Research Fellow at Univ. Oxford.
- 2017–19 **Marianne Haseloff**. Now professor at University of Wisconsin.
- 2016–19 **Meng Tian**. Now staff scientist at LMU Munich.
- 2016–18 **David Rees Jones**. Now lecturer at University of St. Andrews.
- 2016–18 **Nestor Cerpa Gilvonio**. Now CNRS research scientist.
- 2013–16 **Tobias Keller**. Now Reader at Univ. Glasgow.
- 2013–16 **Andrew Turner**. Now employed in UK government scientific research.
- 2012–14 **Sander Rhebergen**. Now professor at the University of Waterloo, Canada.
- 2012–13 **John Crowley**. Now employed at Engineering Seismology Group Canada.

#### DEPARTMENTAL TEACHING

- 2023– **Vector calculus & continuum mechanics** for third-year students.
- 2015– **Mantle dynamics seminar** for fourth-year students.
- 2012– **Geodynamics** for third-year students.
- 2011–16 **Time-series analysis** for second-year students.
- 2010–16 **Introduction to Physical Thermodynamics** for first-year students.
- 2008–10 **Mathematics for Materials and Earth Sciences**. Tutor conducting weekly problem classes.
- 2008–14 Demonstrator for the **Oxford volcanology field trip** to Santorini, Greece.

#### OUTREACH AND EXTERNAL TEACHING

- 2023 Lecturer at the [Joint ICTP-EAIFR-IUGG Workshop on Computational Geodynamics](#) at the University of Rwanda, Kigali.
- 2022 [Invited seminar](#), East African Inst. for Fundamental Research, Univ. Rwanda.
- 2021– Internship supervisor for [Mfano Africa](#) programme and its successor [MIORPA](#) (1 intern annually).
- 2017– [Lecturer](#), Introduction to Fluid Dynamics, [African Institute for Mathematical Sciences](#), Cape Town, South Africa.



- 2016 Invited lecturer at the EMS School in Applied Mathematics [Mathematical Modelling, Numerical Analysis and Scientific Computing](#).
- 2012–19 Outreach lectures to A-level students taking Further Maths.
- 2011 Invited lecturer, Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics [Advanced School on Mechanical and Thermal Processes in Geodynamics](#).
- 2009 Public lecture at [Science Oxford](#) on the L'Aquila earthquake.

#### SERVICE, TRAINING, AND QUALIFICATIONS

- 2021–25 MPLS Divisional Board, representing Earth Sciences.
- 2021–23 Chair of Nursery Committee, St. Anne's College.
- 2020–21 Co-founder and co-lead organiser, earth2earth remote seminar series for the UK geoscience community.
- Committee service in Department: Organiser of Departmental seminars (2010–20), IT committee (2014–22, chair); management committee (2014–23); examiner (2014, 2018, 2025, 2026), research committee (2013, 2023–).
- 2019–20 Project Sponsor, Research File Service project board, University of Oxford.
- 2016–23 Scientific Advisory Committee, [Institute for Computing and Data Sciences \(ISCD\)](#), Sorbonne University, Paris.
- 2014–20 Divisional representative on Research IT board (University-level committee).
- 2011–16 Oxford Supercomputing Centre Executive Committee (Chair, 2013–2016).
- 2014–16 Co-organiser of the Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences programme [Melt in the Mantle](#).
- 2015 Co-organiser of the Deep Carbon Observatory meeting [Modelling and Visualization Workshop](#).
- 2008– Session convener at the Goldschmidt Conference (2008, 2012, 2018), the European Geosciences Union conference (2010, 2012, 2013).
- 2012– Member of NERC Peer Review College.
- Reviewer for journals including *Science*, *Nature*, *J. Petrology*, *J. Fluid Mechanics*, *EPSL* and for the European Research Council, UK Natural Environment Research Council, Swiss National Science Foundation and the US National Science Foundation. Guest editor for *PNAS*.
- 2007 Two-month training in peer-support counselling of graduate students, University of Cambridge.