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Education	
2015 – 2018	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, USA, Ph.D in Geology and Geophysics, GPA:4.0
Ph.D	Deep submarine silicic volcanism: Conduit and eruptive dynamics of 2012 Havre eruption
	Advisors: Prof. Bruce Houghton, Dr. Rebecca Carey
2011 - 2015	University of Bristol, UK, M.Sci Geology with Study Abroad, 1st class Honours
B.S/M.S	Effects of temperature and grain size on the stability and dynamics of co-ignimbrite plumes
	Advisors: Prof. Alison Rust, Dr. Julia Eychenne
2013 - 2014	University of California, Berkeley, USA, UCEAP student, GPA: 3.9
Exchange	Dept. of Earth and Planetary Science

### **Employment**

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<u> 2021 – present</u>	Facilities Technician	University of Bristol
2020 - 2021	Associate Tutor in Geology	Edge Hill University
2020	Research Associate (short term)	University of Bristol
2019	Research Technician / Laboratory Assistant	University of Bristol
2016	Graduate Teaching Assistant	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
2015 - 2018	Graduate Research Assistant	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa
2014	Undergraduate Laboratory Assistant	University of Bristol

#### **Current/Ongoing Research Interests**

Dynamics of submarine volcanism – lava flow propagation, volatiles in the crust and ocean, pumice rafts Analogue experiments in fluid dynamics: secondary hydroeruptions, magma melt lenses, ash sedimentation Conduit and eruptive dynamics, and clastic transportation during volcanic eruptions

Interpretive 3D seismic surveys of submarine volcano morphology, associated lava flows, and magma reservoirs

### **Publications** (In review/revision)

- Mitchell, S. J., Hudak, M. R., Bindeman, I. N., Carey, R. J., McIntosh, I. M., Houghton, B. F. & Rubin K. H. (*In revision*) Isotopic signatures of magmatic fluids and seawater within deep-sea silicic volcanic rocks, *Geochimica et Cosmchimica Acta*
- **Mitchell, S. J.**, Fauria, K. Houghton, & Carey, R. J. (*In revision*), Sink or float: Microtextural controls on the fate of pumice deposition from submarine volcanic eruptions, *Bulletin of Volcanology: What Pyroclasts Can Tell Us?*
- Vásconez-Muller, A., Cashman, K., **Mitchell, S. J**. & Vasconez, J. (*In revision*), The 2.6–2.3 ka explosive eruptive period of the Pululahua dome complex, Ecuador: Insights from pyroclast analysis, *Bulletin of Volcanology: What Pyroclasts Can Tell Us?*

### **Publications**

- 9. Gilbertson, M., Taylor, A., **Mitchell, S. J.** & Rust, A. (2020) A fluidisation mechanism for secondary hydroeruptions in pyroclastic flow deposits, *Frontiers in Earth Science: Volcanology, v. 8, no. 324.*
- 8. Sun, Q., Magee, C., Jackson, C. A. L., **Mitchell, S. J.** & Xie, X. (**2020**) How do deep-water volcanoes grow?, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 542.
- 7. **Mitchell, S. J.**, Houghton, B. F., Carey, R. J., Manga, M., Fauria, K., Jones, M. R., Conway, C. E., Soule, A. S., Wei, Z. & Giachetti, T. (**2019**) Submarine giant pumice: A window into the shallow conduit dynamics of a recent silicic eruption, *Bulletin of Volcanology*, v. 81, no. 7, p. 42.
- 6. Sun, Q., Jackson, C. A. L., Magee, C., **Mitchell, S. J.** & Xie, X. (2019) Extrusion dynamics of deep-water volcanoes revealed by 3D seismic data, *European Geophysical Union: Solid Earth*, v. 10, no. 5.
- 5. **Mitchell, S. J.**, Biass, S., Houghton, B. F., Walker, B. H., Anderson, A., Bonny, E., Mintz, B. G., Turner, N., Frank, D., Carey, R. J. & Rosenburg, M. D. (2018) The interplay of clast size, vesicularity and secondary

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- fragmentation: An example from the 1.8 ka Taupo eruption, *Geological Society of America special paper*, v. 538, 17.
- 4. Manga, M., **Mitchell, S. J.,** Degruyter, W. & Carey, R. J. (**2018**) Transition of eruptive style: Pumice raft to dome-forming eruption at the Havre submarine volcano, *Geology*, v. 46, no. 12.
- 3. **Mitchell, S. J.**, McIntosh, I. M., Houghton, B. F., Carey, R. J. & Shea, T. (**2018**) Dynamics of a powerful deep submarine eruption recorded in H2O contents and speciation in rhyolitic glass: The 2012 Havre eruption, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 494, p. 135-147.
- Manga, M., Fauria, K., Lin, C., Mitchell, S. J., Jones, M., Conway, C. E., Degruyter, W., Hosseini, B., Carey, R. J., Cahalan, R., Houghton, B. F., White., J. D. L., Jutzeler, M., Soule, S. A. & Tani, K. (2018) The pumice raft-forming 2012 Havre submarine eruption was effusive, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, v. 489, p. 49-58.
- Carey, R. J., Soule, S. A., Manga, M., White, J. D. L., Wysoczanski, R., Jutzeler, M., McPhie, J., Tani, K., Fornari, D., Caratori-Tontini, F., Houghton, B. F., Mitchell, S. J., Ikegami, F., Murch, A., Fauria, K., Conway, C., Jones, M., Cahalan, R. & McKenzie, W. (2018) The largest deep ocean silicic volcanic eruption of the past century, *Science Advances*, v. 4, no. 1.

### Awards and Funding

2019	AGU Fall Meeting 2018: Outstanding Student Presentation Award, VGP	
2018	Ocean Discovery Fellow, NOAA 2018 National Ocean Exploration Forum	(US\$ 800)
2018	Lipman Award, GSA Student Research Grant: Melt inclusion SIMS analysis	(US\$ 3100)
2018	Fred M. Bullard Graduate Fellowship: Stable isotope volatile geochemistry	(US\$ 3350)
2018	UH Mānoa Graduate Student Organisation: Conference Travel Grant	(US\$ 357)
2017	UH Mānoa Office of Graduate Education: Achievement Award	(US\$ 1500)
2017	AGU Chapman Conference on Submarine Volcanism: Best Student Poster Award	
2016	UH Mānoa Graduate Student Organisation: International Research Grant	(US\$ 795)
2016	AGU Chapman Conference: Early-Career Researcher Travel Grant	(US\$ 1000)

#### **Teaching Experience**

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Fall 2020	Co-lecturing at Edge Hill University	GEO2044, Igneous Petrology
Fall 2020	Co-lecturing at Edge Hill University	GEO1050, Dynamic Earth
Fall 2020	Co-lecturing at Edge Hill University	GEO1052, Earth Materials
Fall 2020	Tutoring at Edge Hill University	IFP1010, Introduction to Geology
Spring 2016, 2017	Co-instruction of Volcanic Crises Awarenes	s course, NDPTC, FEMA
Spring 2016	Teaching Assistant at University of Hawai'i	GG101L, Dynamic Earth Laboratory
Fall 2015 – 2017	Teaching Support at University of Hawai'i	GG300, Volcanology

#### Student supervision/Laboratory assistants

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2021 – present	Jacob Nash	M.Sc student	University of Bristol, Co-supervisor
2021 – present	Various (3)	B.Sc summer student(s)	University of Bristol, Co-supervisor
2016 - 2018	Zachary Langdalen	Laboratory assistant	University of Hawai'i, Supervisor
2015 - 2016	Warren McKenzie	Laboratory assistant	University of Hawai'i, Supervisor
2015 - 2016	Hannah Azouz	Laboratory assistant	University of Hawai'i, Supervisor

### Field Experience

Taupo and Tarawera, New Zealand – Explosive volcanism	2 weeks	2016
Kilauea and Mauna Loa, Hawai'i - Lava flows and explosive volcanism	1 weeks	2016
Kilauea, Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea, Hawai'i – Natural hazards	2 weeks	2015-17
Syros & Santorini, Greece – Explosive volcanism & subduction metamorphism	2 weeks	2014
Berkeley Hills, California – Field geology and digital mapping (8 hr/week)	13 weeks	2014
Kinlochleven and Ullapool, Scotland - Geological mapping	5 weeks	2013
Andalucia, Spain – Sedimentary basins & Miocene volcanics	1 week	2013
Pembrokeshire, Wales –Geological mapping	1 week	2012

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# Research Cruise Experience

2022, 5 weeks	(Upcoming) ROV sampling and surveying of the Northern and Southern Galapagos platforms:
	Lava flows and coral reefs, R/V James Cook, NOC-UK
2019, 5 weeks	3D and 2D seismic reflection survey of Axial Volcano, USA, R/V Marcus G. Langseth,
	Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory. Operations: seismic reflection surveying, multibeam,
	echosounding and XBT profile collection
2015, 4 weeks	Mapping, exploration and sampling at the submarine Havre Volcano, Kermadec Ridge, NZ,
	through the use of Jason ROV and Sentry AUV aboard the R/V Roger Revelle, Scripps.
	Operations: ROV, AUV, gravity coring, sediment grabs, ship-based multibeam collection.

## **Seminars/ Conference Talks**

VMCC 2021	
VMSG 2021	Isotopic signatures of magmatic fluids and seawater within silicic submarine deposits, VMSG
	annual meeting 2021, virtual.
AGU 2019	The fate of pumice from large submarine eruptions: Microtextural differences and their control
	on clast transportation and depositional processes, AGU Fall Meeting
AGU 2019	The fate of magmatic gases during deep-sea volcanic eruptions: Implications for lava domes,
	hydrothermal systems and mineral ore deposits, AGU Fall Meeting, (Invited eLightning)
U. Bristol 2019	Mapping, sampling and understanding large, recent submarine eruptions, Research seminar at
	University of Bristol
VMSG 2019	Sink or swim: Eruptive controls on the formation and longevity of pumice rafts with
	implications for the submarine geologic record, VMSG annual meeting 2019, St. Andrews.
UH Mānoa 2018	Rapid Rehydration of Submarine Pumice: Resolving Unknown Sources Using Stable Isotopes,
	Fellowship recipient seminar at University of Hawai'i
U. Oregon 2018	The largest deep submarine silicic eruption in modern history, Departmental seminar at
	University of Oregon
AGU 2017	Breakin' up is hard to do: Fragmentation mechanisms of the 2012 submarine Havre eruption,
	AGU Fall Meeting.
IAVCEI 2017	Giant Pumice: A window into the physical and geochemical heterogeneity of a deep
	submarine silicic volcanic conduit, IAVCEI 2017.
GSA 2017	Magma chamber to the ocean surface: What water tells us about pre- and syn-eruptive
	submarine volcanic processes, GSA Cordilleran Section Meeting 2017 Honolulu, HI.
VMSG 2017	Syn-eruptive hydration of a deep-submarine explosive eruption: Water speciation analysis of
	volatiles in rhyolitic glass, VMSG-TSG-BGA, Liverpool Joint Assembly 2017.
	Tolules in injoine glass, This Too Don, Liverpoor John Historiory 2017.

# Convened sessions / Committee roles

GSA 2017	Rubin, K. & Mitchell, S. J. Submarine Volcanism in Hawai'i and Elsewhere, GSA Cordillera
	Meeting 2017, Honolulu, HI.
Chapman 2017	Invited early-career-researcher panellist during discussion on: The Next Decade of Research in
	Submarine Volcanism, AGU Chapman Conference on Submarine Volcanism: New Frontiers
	and Approaches.
GSO 2017-18	University of Hawai'i Graduate Student Organization representative for the Dept. Geology and
	Geophysics

## Workshops Attended

AGU 2019	CONVERSE Eruption Dynamics
CIDER 2019	Volcanoes: 4-week lecture and practical workshop (Early Career participant)
AGU 2017,	2019 Social Media for Scientists in Geoscience – AGU Sharing Science
AGU 2018	IODP Pre-proposal workshop: Silicic submarine calderas in the Kermadec Arc
AHOD 2018	National Oceanic Exploration Forum 2018: All Hands On Deck, MIT Media Lab
AGU 2015	Volcanic Crises Awareness course, NDPTC, FEMA

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### Analytical and Experimental Experience / Skills

SEM / EDS Microtextural image acquisition and element identification Electron Microprobe Microtextural image acquisition and geochemical composition Analogue experiments Sedimentation, melt lenses, volcanic plumes, granular beds, fluidisation Image analysis Use of Fiji-App (ImageJ) and A. Photoshop to process 2D BSE images and CT slices High Speed Imagery High-speed thermal and visible imagery of analogue experiments **MATLAB** Volcanic conduit modelling and diffusion modelling μRaman Spectroscopy Volatile concentrations, fluorescence, and crystal identification in silicates Volatile concentrations, hydrocarbon contaminants and speciation in silicates FTIR Spectroscopy Volatile concentrations and isotopes in silicates SIMS TC/EA Stable H and O isotope analysis of volatile components and silicate glasses Isolated and connected porosity of porous rocks He-pycnometry

Conical rheometer Rheology of inviscid and viscous Newtonian and non-Newtonian fluids

Capillary flow porometry Permeability of volcanic rocks

### **Select Geoscience Communication / Outreach**

2020	Contributor to Earth_Live_Lessons, Science_Mom, Going_Places and Volcano_Moments – remote
	science communication initiatives set up during the COVID-19 crisis.
2020	Researcher – Supervolcanoes documentary (TBD), Wildflame Productions for Discovery Network
2020	Specialist Researcher - Volcanoes documentary (TBD), Back2Back Productions for BBC Earth
2019	Organization of a New York Times Science cover story article for an NSF research expedition
2019	Outreach co-ordinator for the NSF 3D Seismic Expedition to Axial Volcano
2019	Featured scientist in a NOVA   PBS documentary - Hawai'i: Kilauea on Fire
2018	Leading of a public Q&A session on submarine volcanoes at the New England Aquarium during the
	2018 National Oceanic Exploration Forum (all ages in attendance)
2015–17	Social media co-ordinator for MESH expedition 2015 and AGU Chapman Conference on
	Submarine Volcanism, <i>Hobart, Tasmania</i> , 2017.

### Featured in the news/media

2019	The New York Times - A 3D Encounter With a Violent Volcano's Underbelly:
	https://www.nytimes.com/2019/12/18/science/volcano-3d-reunion-island.html
2019	The New York Times (Cover Story) - A Deep-Sea Magma Monster Gets a Body Scan:
	https://www.nytimes.com/2019/12/03/science/axial-volcano-mapping.html
2019	Gizmodo - Scientists Witness the Birth of a Submarine Volcano for the First Time:
	https://gizmodo.com/scientists-witness-the-birth-of-a-submarine-volcano-for-1834990629
2018	The New York Times - A Vault of Glass and the Deepest Volcanic Eruption Ever Detected:
	https://www.nytimes.com/2018/10/30/science/deep-sea-volcano.html
2018	IFL Science - The Largest Deep-Ocean Eruption In History Was Really Quite Bizarre:
	https://www.iflscience.com/environment/largest-deepocean-eruption-history-really-quite-
	bizarre/all/
2017	AGU Blogosphere: In the field – Lauren and the giant pumice:
	https://blogs.agu.org/thefield/2017/02/16/lauren-giant-pumice/

### **Conference Abstracts** (included in)

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AGU 2019	Mitchell, et al. Showcasing the life of scientists at sea through social media: Challenges and
	methods of connecting the public with off-shore scientists, AGU Fall Meeting, Poster (Public
	Affairs)
CIDER 2019	<b>Mitchell,</b> et al. Completing the eruptive record of a large submarine volcanic eruption:
	Microtextures of pumice from the sea surface and the seafloor, CIDER summer workshop
	2019, Volcanology, Poster
AGU 2018	Mitchell, et al. Resolving rehydration in pumice: Methods for deriving original H <sub>2</sub> O content
	and quenching pressures using H <sub>2</sub> O speciation and H isotope analysis, AGU Fall Meeting,
	Poster (OPSA awarded)
GSA 2017	<b>Mitchell,</b> et al. The interplay of clast size, vesicularity and secondary fragmentation, GSA
	Cordilleran Section Meeting 2017 Honolulu, Poster.
Chapman 2017	Mitchell, et al. Reconstructing the evolution of the submarine Havre eruption, 2012: Insights
-	from vesicularity, water concentrations and microtextural analysis of rhyolitic glass, AGU

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	Chapman Conference on Submarine Volcanism: New Frontiers and Approaches, Poster (BSPA awarded)
AGU 2016	<b>Mitchell,</b> et al. Investigating syn- vs. post-eruption hydration mechanisms of the 2012 Havre submarine explosive eruption: Water speciation analysis of pumiceous rhyolitic glass, <i>AGU</i>
AGU 2015	Fall Meeting, Poster.  Mitchell, et al. Exploring the effects of temperature and grain size on plumes associated with PDCs through analogue experimentation, AGU Fall Meeting, Poster.
AGU 2019	Arnulf, et al. Imaging the internal workings of Axial Seamount on the Juan de Fuca Ridge, <i>AGU Fall Meeting, Invited poster</i>
AGU 2019	Mutch, et al. Re-evaluating the crustal contribution to volcanism along the Izu-Bonin arc: a geospatial and geochemical approach, <i>AGU Fall Meeting</i> , <i>Poster</i>
AGU 2019	Rust, et al. The power and limitations of analogue experiments of pyroclast fluidization and segregation: Applications to ash venting and secondary pyroclastic eruptions, <i>AGU Fall Meeting, Invited talk</i>
EGU 2019	Manga, et al. Transition of eruptive style: Pumice raft to dome-forming eruption at the Havre submarine volcano, <i>EGU General Assembly 2019, Talk.</i>
AGU 2018	McIntosh, et al. Investigating submarine eruption dynamics using water contents of submarine pyroclasts, <i>AGU Fall Meeting</i> , <i>Poster</i>
AGU 2018	Manga, et al. Transition of eruptive style: Pumice raft to dome-forming eruption at the Havre submarine volcano, <i>AGU Fall Meeting, Poster</i>
AOGS 2018	Carey, et al The role of the ocean and modulating the dynamics of silicic submarine volcanic eruptions, <i>Asia Oceania Geosciences Society Annual Meeting 2018, Invited Talk</i>
EGU 2018	Manga, et al. The pumice raft-forming 2012 Havre submarine eruption was an effusive eruption, <i>EGU General Assembly 2018, Talk.</i>
AGU 2015	Carey, et al. Stratigraphic relationships and timing of the 2012 Havre submarine silicic volcanic eruption revealed by high resolution bathymetric mapping and observations by underwater vehicles, <i>AGU Fall Meeting, Invited Talk</i> .

### **Affiliations**

2016 – present	Member of Golden Key International Honour Society
2016 – present	Member of IAVCEI
2015 – present	Member of the Geological Society of America
2015 – present	Member of European Geophysical Union
2013 – present	Member of American Geophysical Union
2009 – present	Fellow at The Geological Society, London (previously candidate & junior candidate)

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