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Brief Bio

Dr. Brad Weir is a research scientist at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center and Morgan State University through the GESTAR II cooperative agreement. He is the lead developer of NASA's Goddard Earth Observing System (GEOS) Constituent Data Assimilation System (CoDAS) — a state-of-the-art statistical method for estimating atmospheric trace gas abundances based on satellite observations. His research focuses on developing and applying mathematical and statistical methods to address questions about the physics, chemistry, and biology of the Earth's atmosphere, ocean, and land surface. His work has appeared in [Science](#), the [New York Times](#), the websites of [National Geographic](#) and the [BBC](#), the NASA [COVID-19 Dashboard](#), and the NASA/ESA/JAXA trilateral [Earth Observing Dashboard](#).

Positions/Employment

- 10/ 2013 - Present **Scientist (Senior Scientist, 2021-Present)**
Global Modeling and Assimilation Office, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD
Goddard Earth Sciences Technology and Research (GESTAR) I & II cooperative agreements:
- Universities Space Research Association (2013-2021)
 - Morgan State University (2021-Present)
- 9/ 2010 - 10/ 2013 **Post-doctoral Research Associate**
College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences (CEOAS), Oregon State University,
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Education

- Ph.D., Mathematics, University of Arizona (2010)
- B.A., *Cum Laude*, Mathematics, New York University (2003)

Publications

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- Sweeney, C., et al. 2022. "Using atmospheric trace gas vertical profiles to evaluate model fluxes: a case study of Arctic-CAP observations and GEOS simulations for the ABoVE domain." *Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics* **22** (9): 6347-6364 [[10.5194/acp-22-6347-2022](#)]
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- Schuh, A. E., et al. 2019. "Quantifying the Impact of Atmospheric Transport Uncertainty on CO₂ Surface Flux Estimates." *Global Biogeochemical Cycles* **33** 484-500 [[10.1029/2018gb006086](https://doi.org/10.1029/2018gb006086)]
- Lee, E., et al. 2018. "The impact of spatiotemporal variability in atmospheric CO₂ concentration on global terrestrial carbon fluxes." *Biogeosciences* **15** 5635-5652 [[10.5194/bg-15-5635-2018](https://doi.org/10.5194/bg-15-5635-2018)]
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Invited talks

- Data assimilation for carbon monitoring** 5/11/2022
[WMO GHG/Carbon Monitoring Workshop](#)
 World Meteorological Organization, Geneva, Switzerland
- The Orbiting Carbon Observatory-2 project: Monitoring atmospheric carbon dioxide** 3/22/2022
[Carbon Tracking and Reporting](#)
 Energy Conference Network, Houston, TX, USA
- The GEOS-Carb reanalysis of atmospheric carbon dioxide** 4/5/2017
[GMAO Seminar Series on Earth System Science](#)
 Global Modeling and Assimilation Office, Greenbelt, MD, USA
- Implicit parameter estimation** 2/17/2013
[Probabilistic Approaches to Data Assimilation for Earth Systems](#)
 Banff International Research Station, Banff, Alberta, Canada
- Implicit sampling: theory and implementation** 2/7/2013
[International Workshop on Particle Filters for Data Assimilation](#)
 Institute for Statistical Mathematics, Tachikawa, Tokyo, Japan
- Implicit assimilation for marine ecological models** 12/3/2012
 AGU Fall Meeting 2012, San Francisco, CA, USA
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