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Education

B.S., University of Hartford, Chemistry (summa cum laude), 1980

Ph.D., Cornell University, Biogeochemistry, 2001

Professional experience

10/2024-present	Research Professor, Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, Cornell University
2018-present	Faculty Fellow, Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future, Cornell University
2003-10/2024	Senior Research Associate, Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, Cornell University
2005-present	Visiting Investigator (Whitman), The Ecosystems Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole
2001-2004	Staff Scientist I, The Ecosystems Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole
1988-2001	Research Support Specialist III & Laboratory Manager, Section of Ecology & Systematics, Division of Biological Sciences, Cornell University
1985-1988	Research Support Specialist II, Section of Ecology & Systematics, Division of Biological Sciences, Cornell University
1981-1985	Research Assistant I, II & III, The Ecosystems Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole
1980-1981	Intern, Chemistry Dept., Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution; Participant on cross-equator research cruise (R/V Endeavor), University of Rhode Island

Research Interests

Biogeochemistry and aquatic ecosystem ecology; controls on biological nitrogen fixation; interactions of major nutrient cycles and trace elements in aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems; influence of land use and management, and climate change on nutrient fluxes to rivers and estuaries; controls and consequences of eutrophication in estuaries; atmospheric deposition of gaseous nitrogen from near-source emissions; greenhouse gas emissions associated with roadside ditch management; greenhouse gas footprints of technologies for heating and cooling and related societal policies for a more sustainable energy future; application of research results to science education, public outreach, and government policy at local to state levels to address ecological and environmental problems and sustain the biosphere.

Relevant Professional Activities

Academic

- University Faculty Senator, Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (2020-present).
- Co-organizer, Cornell Biogeochemistry Seminar Series (2021-present).
- Undergraduate advisor, Marine Biology Concentration (2020-2026).

- Coordinator /committee member, undergraduate Honors Thesis reviews, Environment & Sustainability Major (2020-2024).
- Primary research advisor to undergraduate Merrill Presidential Scholar student (Audrey Vinton), honored as faculty advisor (2020-2022).
- Whittaker and Book Awards committee, EEB (2017, -19, -21).
- Committee member, Leanna Heffner (Ph.D., University of Rhode Island; 2009-2013).
- Co-author, 2013 Pritchard Award from the Coastal & Estuarine Research Federation for the best physical oceanography paper published in *Estuaries and Coasts*, 2011-2012.
- North American Nitrogen Center Initiative (part of International Nitrogen Initiative, ICSU); participant and workshop organizing (2004-2006).
- Shoals Marine Laboratory Director Search Committee (2003).
- Co-organizer, NOAA Workshop to Identify National Research Priorities for Nutrient Pollution in Coastal Waters, Woods Hole, MA (2002).

Community

- Chair of Town of Ulysses Conservation and Sustainability Advisory Council and NYS Climate Smart Communities Task Force (2017-present); member of Cayuga Lake Watershed Inter-Municipal Organization, Education and Outreach Committee (2017-2025); vice-chair Ulysses Source Water Protection Committee (2022-present); member Town of Ulysses Comprehensive Plan Update Steering Committee (2022-present).
- Town Councilperson, Ulysses; liaison to Tompkins County Council of Governments (2022).
- Member of Town of Ulysses Zoning Update Committee (2017-2019); Ulysses Philomathic Library Board of Trustees and chair of Sustainability Committee (2017-2021).
- Founding member of Board of Directors and Treasurer, Solar Tompkins / HeatSmart Tompkins (2013 - 2019).
- Town Supervisor (2010-2013), and Town Councilperson (2004-2007, Ulysses, Tompkins County NY); member of Tompkins County Council of Governments (2010-2013); member of Elected Officials to Protect New York (2011-2013); member of Tompkins County Advisory Board on Water Resources (2004-2006); member of Ulysses Comprehensive Plan Committee (2007-2009).

Professional Societies

Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography; Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation; American Geophysical Union

Reviewer

Biogeochemistry; Estuaries and Coasts; Estuarine and Coastal Shelf Science; Limnology and Oceanography; Marine Ecology Progress Series; Ecosystems; National Science Foundation; Maryland SeaGrant

Publications:

- 2026 Swaney, D.P., T.J. Butler, R.W. Howarth, R. Marino, G. M. Beachley, and C. Baublitz. Atmospheric ammonia deposition: A significant source of nitrogen to an oligotrophic lake and its watershed. *Journal of Geophysical Research Biogeosciences* 131. <https://doi.org/10.1029/2025JG009389>

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- 2025 Hayn, M., R. Marino, N.K. Ganju, R.W. Howarth, and K.H. Foreman. Using multiple lines of evidence to evaluate spatio-temporal trends in nitrogen loading to a eutrophic estuary. *Estuaries & Coasts* 49,24. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12237-025-01630-0>
- 2024 Haviland, K.A., R.W. Howarth, A.E. Giblin, and R. Marino. The potential role of sediment iron and sulfur speciation in seagrass meadow loss and recovery. *Ocean-Land-Atmosphere Research*; 2024(3): Article 0069. <https://doi.org/10.34133/olar.0069>
- 2023 Marino, R., M. Hayn, R.W. Howarth, A.E. Giblin, K.J. McGlathery, and P.Berg. Nitrogen fixation associated with epiphytes on the seagrass *Zostera marina* in a temperate lagoon with moderate to high nitrogen loads. *Biogeochemistry* 166:211-226. doi:10.1007/s10533-023-010083-2
- 2022 Haviland, K.A, R.W. Howarth, R. Marino, and M. Hayn. Variation in sediment and seagrass characteristics reflect multiple stressors along a eutrophication gradient in a New England. lagoon. *Limnology & Oceanography* 67:660-672.
- 2022 Marino, R. and R.W. Howarth. Nitrogen Fixation. Pages 163-170 in: Mehner, Thomas and Tockner, Klement (eds), *Encyclopedia of Inland Waters*, 2nd Edition. vol[1]. Oxford: Elsevier.
- 2022 Schneider, R., N. Baker, E. Chase, S. Dunn, R. Marino, D. Orr, W. Puer, and S. Reynolds. Replumbing watersheds: a how-to guide for improving roadside ditch management to buffer the impacts of climate change. In: W.L. Filho (ed.), *Climate Change Strategies: Handling the challenges of adapting to a changing climate*, ICCIR, Springer Nature.
- 2021 Howarth, R.W., F. Chan, D.P. Swaney, R. Marino, and M. Hayn. Role of External inputs of nutrients to aquatic ecosystems in determining prevalence of nitrogen vs. phosphorus limitation of net primary productivity. *Biogeochemistry*. doi:10.1007/s10533-021-00765-z
- 2021 Wong, M., S.D. Rathod, R. Marino, L. Li, R.W. Howarth, A. Alastuey, M.G. Alaimo, F. Barraza, M.C. Carneiro, S. Chellam, Y. Chen, D.D. Cohen, D. Connely, G. Dongarra, D. Gomez, J. Hand, R.M. Harrison, P.K. Hopke, C. Hueglin, Y. Kuang, F. Lambert, J. Liang, R. Losno, W. Maenhaut, C. Milando, M.I.C. Monteiro, Y. Morera-Gómez, X. Querol, S. Rodríguez, P. Smichowski, D. Varrica, Y. Xiao, Y. Xu, and N.M. Mahowald. Anthropogenic Perturbations to the Atmospheric Molybdenum Cycle. *Global Biogeochemical Cycles* 35, e2020GB006787. doi:10.1029/2020GB006787
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