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- 2003- **Professor.** School of Marine Sciences, University of Maine, Orono, Maine.
- 2008-2012 **Associate Director,** School of Marine Sciences, University of Maine, Orono, ME
- 1999-2003 **Associate Professor.** School of Marine Sciences, University of Maine, Orono, ME
- 1996-1998 **Research Associate Professor.** School of Marine Sciences, University of Maine
- 1990-1995 **Executive Director.** Atlantic Centre for Remote Sensing of the Oceans, Bedford, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- 1989-1990 **Assistant Professor, Senior Research.** College of Oceanography, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon.
- 1988-1989 **Post-Doctoral Fellow.** College of Oceanography, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon.

**EDUCATION:**

- 1988 **Ph.D.,** Oceanography, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada.
- 1982 **M.Sc.,** Oceanography, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada.
- 1979 **B.Sc.,** Biology, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

**PUBLICATIONS in Journals (since 2001):**

- Pershing, A.J., M.A. Alexander, C.M. Hernandez, L.A. Kerr, A. LeBris, K.E. Mills, J.A. Nye, N.R. Record, H.A. Scannell, G.D. Sherwood, A.C. Thomas. **2015.** Rapid warming leads to the collapse of Gulf of Maine cod through complex socio-ecological dynamics. *Science*. Submitted.
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- Foukal, N.P., and **A.C. Thomas**. **2014.** Biogeography and phenology of satellite-measured phytoplankton seasonality in the California Current. *Deep-Sea Res. I*, 92: 11-25.
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- Venegas, R., P.T. Strub, E. Beier, R. Letelier, **A.C. Thomas**, T.Cowles, C. James, L. Soto-Mardones, C. Cabrera. **2008**. Satellite-derived variability in chlorophyll, wind stress, sea surface height, and temperature in the northern California Current System. *J. Geophys. Res.* 113, C03015, doi:10.1029/2007JC004481.
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- Thomas A.C.**, D. Byrne and R. Weatherbee, **2002**, Coastal sea surface temperature variability from LANDSAT infrared data. *Rem. Sens. Env.* 81:262-272.
- Thomas A.C.**, M.E. Carr and P. T. Strub, **2001**, Chlorophyll variability in eastern boundary currents, *Geophys. Res. Lett.* 28: 3421-3424. *Chosen as featured cover article*.
- Nixon, S.W. and **A.C. Thomas**, **2001**, On the size of the Peru upwelling ecosystem. *Deep Sea Res. I*, 48:2521-2528.
- Blanco J.L., **A.C. Thomas**, M-E. Carr and P.T. Strub, **2001**, Seasonal climatology of hydrographic conditions in the upwelling region off northern Chile, *J. Geophys. Res.* 106:11,451-11,467.
- Thomas A.C.** and P.T. Strub, **2001**, Cross-shelf phytoplankton pigment variability in the California Current. *Cont. Shelf Res.* 21: 1157-1190
- Thomas A.C.**, J.L. Blanco, M.E. Carr, P.T. Strub and J. Ossus, **2001**, Satellite-measured chlorophyll and temperature variability off northern Chile during the 1996-1998 La Nina and El Nino, *J. Geophys. Res.* 106:899-915.
- Townsend D.W. and **A.C. Thomas**, **2001**, Winter-spring transition of phytoplankton chlorophyll and inorganic nutrients on Georges Bank, *Deep Sea Res. II*, 48:199-214.
- Townsend D.W., N.R. Pettigrew and **A.C. Thomas**, **2001**, Offshore blooms of the red tide dinoflagellate, *Alexandrium* sp., in the Gulf of Maine. *Cont. Shelf Res.* 21:347-369.

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- Mackas, D., P.T. Strub, **A.C. Thomas**, V. Montecino, **2006**, Eastern Ocean Boundaries Pan-Regional View, In: *The Sea*. A.R. Robinson and K.H. Brink, Editors. Harvard Press Ltd..
- Townsend, D.W., **A.C. Thomas**, L.M. Mayer, M.A.Thomas and J.A. Quinlan, **2006**, Interdisciplinary oceanography of the northwest Atlantic continental shelf waters. In: *The Sea*. A.R. Robinson and K.H. Brink, Editors. Harvard Press Ltd..
- Montecino, V., P.T. Strub, J. Tarazona, F. Chavez, **A.C. Thomas** and T. Baumgartner. **2006**, Bio-physical interactions off western South America, In: *The Sea*. A.R. Robinson and K.H. Brink, Editors. Harvard Press Ltd..
- Reddin D.G., J. Helbig, **A. Thomas**, B.G. Whitehouse and K.D. Friedland, **2000**, Survival of Atlantic Salmon (*Salmo salar* L.) Related to Marine Climate. in *The Ocean Life of Atlantic Salmon - Environmental and Biological Factors Influencing Survival*, Derek Mills ED, Blackwell Science Ltd., UK.
- Hill, A.E., B.M.Hickey, F.A.Shillington, P.T.Strub, K.H. Brink, E.D.Barton, **A.C. Thomas**, **1998**. Eastern Boundary Currents: A Pan-Regional Review. In: *The Sea*. A.R. Robinson and K.H. Brink, Editors. J.Wiley and Sons Inc.
- Thomas, A.C.** and P.T. Strub. **1998**. Large-scale temporal and spatial variability of phytoplankton pigment concentrations in the California Current. Pg 255-266 In: *Remote*

Sensing of the Pacific Ocean by Satellites. R.A. Brown, Ed., Earth Ocean and Space Pty. Ltd.

**Thomas, A.C.**, P.T. Strub and S. Levesque. **1994**. Satellite measured ocean colour variability at large spatial and temporal scales. Pg 240-248 In: Proceedings of WMO/IOC Technical Conference on Space-based Ocean Observations, Bergen, Norway, World Meteorological Organization, UNESCO.

#### Other &/or Older Publications:

- Mundy, P.R., Allen, D.M., Boldt, J.L., Bond, N.A., Dressel, S., Farley Jr., E.V., Hanselman, D.H., Heifetz, J., Hopcroft, R.R., Janout, M.A., Ladd, C., Lam, R.C., Livingston, P.A., Lunsford, C.R., Mathis, J.T., Mueter, F.J., Rooper, C.N., Sarkar, N., Shotwell, S.A.K., Sturdevant, M.V., **Thomas, A.C.**, Weingartner, T.J., Woodby, D. **2010**. Status and trends of the Alaska Current Region, 2003-2008, pp. 142-195 In, S.M. McKinnell and M.J. Dagg [Eds.] Marine Ecosystems of the North Pacific Ocean, 2003-2008. PICES Special Publication 4, 393 p.
- Bograd, S.J., Sydeman, W.J., Barlow, J., Brodeur, R.D., Calambokidis, J., Chavez, F., Crawford, W.R., Durazo, R., Emmett, R., Field, J., Gaxiola-Castro, G., Goericke, R., Hildebrand, J., Irvine, J.E., Kahru, M., Koslow, J.A., Lavaniegos, B., Lowry, M., Mackas, D.L., Manzano-Sarabia, M., McKinnell, S.M., Mitchell, B.G., Munger, L., Perry, R.I., Peterson, W.T., Ralston, St., Schweigert, J., Suntsov, A., Tanasichuk, R., **Thomas, A.**, Whitney, F. **2010**. Status and trends of the California Current region, 2003-2008, In: S.M. McKinnell and M. Dagg. [Eds.] Marine Ecosystems of the North Pacific Ocean, 2003-2008. PICES Special Publication 4.
- Siegel, D. A., **A.C. Thomas** and J. Marra, **2004**, Views of ocean processes from the Sea-viewing Wide Field of View Sensor (SeaWiFS) Mission: Introduction to the second special issue. Deep-Sea Res. 51: 911-912.
- Siegel, D. A., **A.C. Thomas** and J. Marra, **2004**, Views of ocean processes from the Sea-viewing Wide Field of View Sensor Mission: Introduction to the first special issue. Deep-Sea Res. 51: 1-3.
- Thomas, A.C.**, **2001**. Measuring the Surface Temperature of the Ocean. Pg 34-36 In: Backscatter, Spring/Summer 2001, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- Thomas, A.C.** **1999**, Seasonal distributions of satellite-measured phytoplankton pigment concentration along the Chilean coast. J. Geophys. Res. 104:25877-25890.
- Thomas, A.C.**, B. Whitehouse and S. Levesque. **1996**. Spatial and Temporal Variability of North Atlantic Salmon Habitat: Estimates from Satellite Measured Sea Surface Temperature. Technical Report for the Atlantic Salmon Federation and the Atlantic Salmon Trust.
- Thomas, A.C.**, P.T. Strub, F. Huang and C. James. **1994**. A comparison of the seasonal and interannual variability of phytoplankton pigment concentrations in the Peru and California Current System. J. Geophys. Res. 99:7355-7370.
- Thomas, A.C.** **1992**. Associations between zooplankton community structure and satellite measured surface thermal patterns in a continental shelf region. Cont. Shelf Res. 12:753-777.
- Hobbs, R.C., L.W. Botsford and **A.C. Thomas**. **1992**. Influence of hydrographic conditions and hind forcing on the distribution and abundance of Dungeness crab, C. magister, larvae. Can. J. Fish. Aquat. Sci., 49:1379-1388.
- Thomas, A.C.** and P.T. Strub. **1990**. Seasonal and interannual variability of pigment

- concentrations across a California Current frontal zone. *J. Geophys. Res.* 95:13023-13042.
- Strub, P.T., C. James, **A.C. Thomas**, and M.R. Abbott. **1990**. Seasonal and non-seasonal variability of satellite derived surface pigment concentration in the California Current. *J. Geophys. Res.* 95:11501-11530.
- Thomas, A.C.** and P.T. Strub. **1989**. Interannual variability in phytoplankton pigment distribution during the spring transition off western North America. *J. Geophys. Res.* 94:18095-18117.
- Thomas, A.C.** and W.J. Emery. **1988**. Relationships between near-surface plankton concentrations, hydrography and satellite measured sea surface temperature. *J. Geophys. Res.* 93:15733-15748.
- Thomas, A.C.** and W.J. Emery. **1986**. Winter hydrography and plankton distributions on the southern British Columbia continental shelf. *Can. J. Fish. Aquat. Sci.* 43:1249-1258.
- Emery, W.J., **A.C. Thomas**, M. Collins, W.J. Crawford and D.L. Mackas. **1986**. An objective method for computing advective surface velocities from sequential infrared satellite images. *J. Geophys. Res.* 91:12865-12878.
- Lewis, A.G. and **A.C. Thomas**. **1986**. Tidal transport of zooplankton across the sill of a British Columbia fjord. *J. Plankton Res.* 8:1079-1089.
- Emery, W.J., **A.C. Thomas**, M.J. Collins, W.R. Crawford, and D.L. Mackas. **1986**. Comparison between satellite image advective velocities, dynamic topography, and surface drifter trajectories. *The Oceanography Report, EOS* 67(22).

#### APPOINTMENTS TO NATIONAL PANELS:

- NASA SeaWiFS Science Team, 1997-2003
- NASA SeaWiFS Science Team, Executive Committee, 1997-1999
- NASA Gulf of Maine Ocean Color Working Group, 1997-1999
- Canadian National Ice Remote Sensing Working Group, 1993-95
- Canadian National Oceans Remote Sensing Working Group, 1993-95
- Canadian Space Agency, Long Term Space Plan Formulation Committee, 1993-94
- Canadian Joint Earth Observation Advisory Council, 1994-96

#### AWARDS HONORS:

- 2006 Geophysical Research Letters, citation for excellence in reviewing
- 1988-1989 Isaac W. Killam Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 1985-1987 British Columbia Science Council Postgraduate Scholarship
- 1983-1985 NSERC Postgraduate Scholarship
- 1982 Chevron Canada Ltd., Oceanography Scholarship

#### MENTORING:

**Post Docs:** Dr. Guoqi Han (with Moto Ikeda, now at Memorial University),  
 Dr. Seunghyun Son (now at NOAA Silver Spring),  
 Dr. Stephanie Henson (now at U. Southampton)

**Graduate Students:** Remy Luerssen, Jennifer Bosch, Kasey Legaard, Chris Proctor, Ryan Weatherbee, Mahima Jaini (with Rick Wahle), Nick Foukal, Kerstin Cullen

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**TEACHING:**

SMS 302: Oceanography,  
SMS 540: Satellite Oceanography

SMS 491: Intro to Computer Programming, Data Analysis and Matlab,  
Plus others courses episodically.

GUEST LECTURER, INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE Programs:

Chile: Olmué 1997, IOCCG Ocean color & primary productivity from space,  
USA: Darling Marine Center 2004, NSF Geostatistics & Marine Data,  
China: Shanghai 2009, Summer Grad Program, Satellite Oceanography,  
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**OTHER:** Senior scientist 18 oceanographic cruises, participating scientist 20 additional cruises, Guest Editor: Deep Sea Research 2

**MEMBER:** American Geophysical Union

**INTERESTS:** competitive swimming, wilderness backpacking, foreign travel, foreign people, good wine, beer & food