

## 2021 Memorials for scientists involved with SCOR

### Thomas (Tom) Church

11 February 2021



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<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10498-016-9297-z>

Dr. Thomas M. (Tom) Church was a long-term faculty member at the University of Delaware where the SCOR office is based and a member of SCOR Working Group #80 aimed to study the role of Phase Transfer Processes in the Cycling of Trace Metals in Estuaries.

Dr. Church was many things in his career as a chemical oceanographer at the University of Delaware. He was interested in chemical research at the air-sea interface for more than 40 years driving chemical research at the air-sea interface. He contributed to writing the atmospheric input section of the GEOTRACES Science Plan and developed and tested the methods used to collect trace element-clean aerosol and rainfall samples on cruises since 2002. Tom Church published over 160 papers in prestigious journals that include Science and Nature.

A tribute to Tom Church by GEOTRACES can be read at:

<https://www.geotraces.org/geotraces-tribute-to-thomas-m-church/>

In Memoriam by the University of Delaware can be read at:

<https://www.udel.edu/udaily/2021/march/in-memoriam-thomas-church/>

## José (Pepe) Stuardo

10 June 1929 – 30 March 2021



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Dr. José Stuardo was an Emeritus Professor in oceanography at the University of Concepcion, Chile. José Stuardo was instrumental in establishing what are SCOR's Graduate Networks in Oceanography today and was involved for almost two decades in the Ecology and Diversity of marine Microorganism (ECODIM) courses. He was a SCOR nominated member for Chile for many years. José made significant contributions to marine science and to Malacology both in Chile and internationally and established the basis for the development of oceanography in Chile and in Latin America through the development of regional capacity programs and of the PhD program in Oceanography at the University of Concepción.

A heartfelt tribute by his friend and colleague Kurt Hanselmann can be read at: [http://scor-int.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/JoséStuardo\\_1929-2020\\_in\\_Memoriam.pdf](http://scor-int.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/JoséStuardo_1929-2020_in_Memoriam.pdf)

## Chibo Chikwililwa

13 June 1980 – 23 June 2021



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<https://www.geotraces.org/in-memory-of-dr-chibo-chikwililwa/>

Dr. Chibo Chikwililwa was a researcher at the University of Namibia, and the GEOTRACES national representative for Namibia since 2019. She was the co-director and member of the SCOR's Regional Graduate Networks of Oceanography (RGNO) committee since 2016, organizing the annual RGNO Ocean discovery camps providing her expertise on harmful algal blooms, seaweeds, and geochemical processes. Chibo Chikwililwa completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Cape Town and earned her PhD in Marine Biology and Biological Oceanography from the University of Rostock in 2014 working with marine phycotoxins in the northern Benguela region related to harmful algal blooms.

She was actively engaged in lecturing and in the organization of the 2021 online RGNO seminars at the University of Namibia focused on the Benguela Upwelling System with more than 50 invited speakers.

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[https://www4.obs-mip.fr/wp-content-omp/uploads/sites/31/2021/07/Scientific\\_career\\_Chibo\\_KHa\\_VMo.pdf](https://www4.obs-mip.fr/wp-content-omp/uploads/sites/31/2021/07/Scientific_career_Chibo_KHa_VMo.pdf)

The RGNO in memory of Chibo is available at:

<https://lms.uzh.ch/auth/RepositoryEntry/16371188134/CourseNode/104040658544200>

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## Satya Prakash

22 September 1979 - 22 July 2021



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Dr. Satya Prakash was the coordinator of the Joint Project Office (JPO) - India of the Second International Indian Ocean Expedition (IIOE-2), based at the National Institute of Oceanography (NIO) in Goa, India. Satya completed his master studies in applied geology at the Indian Institute of Technology (Rorkee) and earned a PhD at the Physical Research Laboratory, Department of Space, Ahmedabad. His area of research was on biogeochemistry of the Arabian Sea and Southern Ocean utilizing isotopes. He was one of the pioneers in the deployment and validation of new-generation Argo-floats with biogeochemical sensors in the Indian Ocean.

Satya Prakash played a key role in planning various activities leading to the formal launching of the Second International Indian Ocean Expedition (IIOE-2) from Goa. He also participated in the first research cruise under IIOE-2 (Goa-Mauritius). Since then, he had served as the JPO coordinator for the India node of IIOE-2 and had been actively involved in numerous activities related to the IIOE-2 including being a part of the Editorial Team of the IIOE-2 newsletter and the Indian Ocean Bubble, as well as facilitating the hosting of the fourth meeting of the Steering Committee of the IIOE-2 in virtual space in April 2021.

Some words from his colleagues can be found at:

<https://www.clivar.org/news/remembering-dr-satya-prakash>