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Education

-**Geologist** since 2003.

-**PhD Degree** 2008 of Geological Sciences, Facultad de Ciencias Exactas, Físicas y Naturales, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Córdoba-Argentina. PhD Project "**Sedimentología y evolución paleoambiental de la Formación La Laja, Cámbrico inferior y medio de la Precordillera Oriental, San Juan**".

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Advisor: Dr Ricardo A. Astini.

-CONICET PhD Fellow (Argentine National Research Council), since 2003 to 2008.

-CONICET Postdoctoral student, since 2008 to present.

-**Research Scholar, Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences, University of Tennessee.** October 2008-August 2009.

-Research Student CICTERRA-Centro de Investigaciones en Ciencias de la Tierra (at present)

Previous teaching position

Stratigraphy Lab Assistant (Jefe de Trabajos Prácticos), Cátedra de Estratigrafía y Geología Histórica, Facultad de Ciencias Exactas, Físicas y Naturales, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, from 2000 to 2005.

Fellowships

1.-CONICET Scholarship Program (Argentine National Research Council) 2003-2007. PhD Project: "**Sedimentología y evolución paleoambiental de la Formación La Laja, Cámbrico Inferior y Medio de la Precordillera Oriental, San Juan**" Advisor: Dr. Ricardo A. Astini.

2.-CONICET Postdoctoral Program 2008 to present. Postdoctoral Project: "**Sedimentology, paleoenvironmental and diagenetic evolution of the Los Hornos dolostones, Guandacol, La Rioja Precordillera, Argentine**" Advisor Dr. Ricardo A. Astini.

3.-NASA Planetary Biology Internship Program 2008, award sponsored by the Department of Geosciences University of Massachusetts and funded by the National American Space Agency (NASA) and National Science Fundation (NSF). Project title: **Stromatolites in high-altitude Andean lakes of Catamarca (Argentina): An analogue for early Earth microbial life.** Sponsor: Dr. Linda C. Kah (Department of Earth & Planetary Sciences University of Tennessee Knoxville).

4.-Earth and Planetary Sciences Department Fellowship, University of Tennessee. As a Geo/Exobiology Research Scholar at UT. Project title: **Stromatolites in high-altitude Andean lakes of Catamarca (Argentina): An analogue for early Earth microbial life.** Sponsor: Dr. Linda C. Kah (Department of Earth & Planetary Sciences University of Tennessee Knoxville).

5.-Wrigley Institute for Environmental Studies Fellowship, University of Southern California, Travel Grant funded by the **National Science Foundation (NSF) travel Grant** to attend to the **Geobiology International Course**, from June 11 to July 10 2008.

Other Grants and Awards

1.-Travel Grant 2001, International Association of Sedimentologists. Amount: **\$300**. Travel Grant to attend to the **IV Reunión Argentina de Icnología y II Reunión de Icnología del Mercosur**, September 24-28, 2001, San Miguel de Tucumán.

References: Dres. Gabriela Mángano and Luis Buatois, Department of Geological Sciences, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon (Canadá). luis.buatois@usask.ca, gabriela.mangano@usask.ca.

2.-IAS Grant Scheme 2004. International Association of Sedimentologists grant as economic support to geochemical and isotopic studies on sedimentary carbonates. **Amount: 1000 €(Euro).**

References: IAS Newsletter Nº 193, August 2004, page 13.

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<http://www.iasnet.org>

3.-Travel Grant 2004, International Association of Sedimentologists. Amount: **\$300**. Travel Grant to attend to the **X Reunión Argentina de Sedimentología**, 2004, San Luis.

Reference: Dr. David Rivarola, Universidad Nacional de San Luis.

4.-Award Dr. Adrián Mario Iñiguez Outstanding work : Rudstones intraclásticos inusuales en el Cámbrico de la Precordillera: Posible origen y significado paleoambiental. X Reunión Argentina de Sedimentología, 2004, San Luis.

Reference: Dr. David Rivarola, Universidad Nacional de San Luis.

5.-Best Contribution Award, Book “Exploratory Frontiers in Argentina”, Cuencas de la región Precordillerana., VI Congreso de Exploración y Desarrollo de Hidrocarburos, Mar del Plata, November 2005. **Authors:** Astini, R., Dávila, F.M., Lopez Gamundi, O., **Gomez, F.J.**, Collo, G., Ezpeleta, M., Martina, F., Ortiz, A., Pages 115-145.

Reference Carlos Cruz, Congress President, e-mail: acunado@iapg.org.ar.

6.-IAS Travel Grant to attend to the **IAS International Summer School of Sedimentology 2005** held in **Pontresina, Switzerland**. Course related to geomicrobiology, sedimentology, palaeoceanography and geochemistry of sedimentary carbonates and Mesozoic carbonate sequences. **Amount: 770 € (Euros).** Referencias: <http://www.iasnet.org/summerschool/index.asp>.

7.-Best Contribution Award, Cordobensis 2006. Program of Teaching in Science, Agencia Córdoba Ciencia, el Ministerio de Educación de la Provincia de Córdoba y el Centro de Desarrollo de Proyectos Avanzados en Pediatría. Title: “The early Earth and Life, how Earth became a habitable planet: Evidences from the geological record (rocks and minerals)”

Publications

1. Refereed journal articles

1.-Gomez, F.J., and Astini, R., 2005. Cianobacterias renalciformes en el Cámbrico Medio de la Precordillera Argentina: morfología, posición estratigráfica y significado paleoambiental. *Ameghiniana*, (Asociación Paleontológica Argentina), 42(1):221-232.

- 2.-**Gomez, F.J.** and Astini R.A., 2006. **Sedimentología y paleoambientes de la Formación La Laja, Quebrada La Laja, Sierra Chica de Zonda, San Juan.** *Revista Geológica de Chile* 33(1):19-46.
- 3.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Ogle, N., Astini, R.A., and Kalin, R.M., 2007. **Paleoenvironmental and carbo-oxygen isotope record of Middle Cambrian carbonates (La Laja Formation) in the Argentine Precordillera.** *Journal of Sedimentary Research* 77:826-842.
- 4.-**Gomez, F.J.**, and Astini, R.A., *in preparation.* **Unusual intraclastic rudstones in the Middle Cambrian of the Argentine Precordillera: paleoenvironmental significance.** To be submitted to *Sedimentology*.

2. Chapters in Books

- 1.-Astini, R., Dávila, F.M., Lopez Gamundi, O., **Gomez, F.J.**, Collo, G., Ezpeleta, M., Martina, F., and Ortiz, A., 2005. **Cuencas de la región Precordillerana.** VI Congreso de Desarrollo y Exploración de Hidrocarburos, Pages 115-145.
- 2.-Astini, Gomez, Cañas and Thomas, *In preparation.* **A fragment of the Grand Carbonate Bank in the Argentine Precordillera.** American Association of Petroleum Geologists Special Publication

3. Published proceedings

- 1.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Foglia, R., and Astini, R., 2002. **Litofacies del perfil tipo de la Formación La Laja y su transición con la Formación Zonda, Precordillera Oriental de San Juan.** IX Reunión Argentina de Sedimentología, May 21-23, 2002. Page 25.
- 2.-**Gomez, F.J.**, and Astini, R., 2004. **Rudstones intraclásticos inusuales en el Cámbrico de la Precordillera: Posible origen y significado paleoambiental.** X Reunión Argentina de Sedimentología, San Luis, September 1-3, 2004. Pages 75-77.
- 3.-Astini, R.A., Ezpeleta, M., and **Gomez, F.J.**, 2006. **Intervalo carbonático en la base del Paleozoico Superior en la región de Guandacol-Gualcamayo.** IX Congreso Argentino de Paleontología y Bioestratigrafía, September 18-23, Córdoba, Argentina. Page 175.
- 4.-**Gomez, F.J.** and Astini, R., 2001. **Ichnofabric patterns in shallow-marine carbonate tidal flats of the Middle Cambrian in the Precordillera.** IV Reunión Argentina de Icnología y II Reunión de Icnología del Mercosur, September 24-28, 2001, San Miguel de Tucumán. Page 49.
- 5.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Foglia, R., and Astini, R., 2003. **Renalcys in the Laurentian derived Middle Cambrian rocks of the Argentine Precordillera: morphologies, distribution and stratigraphic position.** 3rd Latin American Congress of Sedimentology, June 8-11, 2003, Belém (Brasil). Pages 209-210.
- 6.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Ogle, N., Astini, R., and Kalin, R., 2005. **Carbon and Oxygen isotope record of Early to Middle Cambrian carbonates (La Laja Formation) from the Precordillera terrane, Argentine.** Gondwana 12 (Geological and Biological Heritage of Gondwana) November 6-11, 2005, Mendoza, Argentina. Page 177.
- 7.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Martini, M., and Astini, R.A., 2006. **Ciclos perimareales y estructuras microbialíticas en el Miembro Las Torres, extremo norte de la Sierra Chica de Zonda, San Juan, Argentina.** IV Congreso Latinoamericano de Sedimentología y XI Reunión Argentina de Sedimentología, Bariloche, Argentina. Page 115.
- 8.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Ogle, N., Astini, R.A., and Kalin, R.M., 2006. **Paleoenvironmental and carbon-oxygen isotope record of Middle Cambrian carbonates (La Laja Formation) in the Argentine**

Precordillera. IV Congreso Latinoamericano de Sedimentología y XI Reunión Argentina de Sedimentología, Bariloche, Argentina. Page 116.

- 9.-**Gomez, F.J.**, and Astini, R., 2005. **Niveles dolomíticos y mixtos en la Formación La Laja (Cámbrico), sierra de Villicum, Precordillera de San Juan: implicancias estratigráfico-secuenciales.** XV Congreso Geológico Argentino, September 20-23, 2005, La Plata, Pages 139-146.
- 10.-**Gomez, F.J.**, Kah, L.C. and Astini, R.A., 2008. **Stromatolites in high-altitude andean lakes of Catamarca Province (Argentina): An astrobiological analogue to life in extreme environments?** 2008 Joint Meeting of the Geological Society of America, Soil Science Society of America, American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies with the Gulf Coast Section of SEPM.
- 11.-**Gomez F.J.**, and Astini, R.A., 2008. **Comparison between Early to Middles Cambrian stratigraphy of the Argentine Precordillera and the Appalachian margin.** 2008 Joint Meeting of the Geological Society of America, Soil Science Society of America, American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies with the Gulf Coast Section of SEPM.
- 12.-Thanyakooop, C, Zargar, K., **Gomez, F.J.**, Eydal, H., Berelson, W., Dawson, S., Corsetti, F., Hanselmann, K., Johnson, H., Spear, J., Stevenson, B.S., de la Torre, J., and GeoBio2008. **A silica budget reveals much about how bacteria might regulate the formation of silica stromatolites in YNP Hot Springs.** AGU Meeting 2008.
- 13.-**Gomez, F.J.**, and Astini, R.A., 2008. **Estratigrafia secuencial de la Formacion La Laja (Cambrico Inferior y Medio), Precordillera Oriental, San Juan.** Congreso Geologico Argentino 2008, Jujuy (Argentina).

4. Non-refereed articles

Publications with educational purposes

- 1.-Gomez, F.J., 2006. "The early Earth and Life: How Earth became a habitable planet, evidences from the geological record (rocks and minerals)". Published in spanish, **Cordobensis Award 2006**, Agencia Córdoba Ciencia.

Unpublished work

- 1.-**Gomez, F.J.**, 2003. **Sedimentología y paleoambientes del estratotipo de la Formación La Laja (Cámbrico), aflorante en la Sierra Chica de Zonda, San Juan.** Bs. Thesis, Advisor: Dr. Ricardo Astini (Cátedra de Estratigrafía y Geología Histórica). May 2003.
- 2.-**Gomez, F.J.**, 2008. **Sedimentología y evolución paleoambiental de la Formación La Laja, Cámbrico inferior y medio de la Precordillera Oriental, San Juan**. PhD Thesis, 380 pages. Universidad Nacional de Córdoba 2008.

Participation in Meetings and Congress organization

- 1.-**Gondwana 12** (Geological and Biological Heritage of Gondwana) November 6-11, 2005, Mendoza, Argentina. **A2 Precordillera Terrane Field Trip, Leaders:** Ricardo A. Astini (Universidad Nacional de Córdoba), **Fernando J. Gomez** (Universidad Nacional de Córdoba), Fernando Cañas (Universidad Nacional de Río Cuarto), Juan P. Milana (Universidad Nacional de San Juan). Reference: <http://cig.museo.unlp.edu.ar/gondwana/>