



# Simulating the mid-Miocene, from single cell to global paleoclimate modelling

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Climate models serve as powerful tools for predicting future climate change and assessing and mitigating its impact. Paleoclimate modelling has played a crucial role in supporting climate models since the first simulations in the 1970s by evaluating the ability of climate predictions in reproducing large-scale past climate changes, as well as testing the resilience and sensitivity of the climate system to out-of-sample forcing. Recently, there has been a growing interest for warm paleoclimates as the closest analog to future climate change, such as the Miocene, which displays particularly warm temperatures for CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations estimated to be similar to modern levels.

In this talk, I will provide an overview of the process of setting up past climates into climate models and discuss the challenges inherent in this endeavour. I will also show the results of the first Miocene simulations I have completed using a highly complex Earth system model.



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