



SNSF Professorship for Nathalie Dubois

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Nathalie Dubois from the Surface Waters Research and Management Department has received a Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) professorship. She plans to use the professorship to research what effects early human activity had on ecosystems in previously uninhabited eastern Pacific islands.

Following her promotion at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Canada, Nathalie Dubois worked as a postdoc at, among other places, the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Massachusetts. She has been working as a researcher in Eawag's Surface Waters Department since 2013, and is currently heading up the Sedimentology group, which is primarily engaged in lake sediment research. With the information gleaned from sediment cores, the researchers reconstruct the environmental conditions of the past. The cores function as archives of the interactions between humans and their environment, and enable the researchers to make inferences and predictions about past and future climate change respectively. The SNSF professorship is funded for four years and is linked to the Department of Earth Sciences at ETH Zurich.

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