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Profile

Freelance science and technology journalist and editor with eight years of experience across print, national, and online. Accomplished writer that can tackle anything from major discoveries to niche reporting. Specialize in space and physics, including a keen interest in space exploration and private spaceflight. Keen attention to detail, with considerable copy-editing experience.

Aside from the roles listed below my work has also appeared in Scientific American, WIRED, Horizon, Alphr, BBC Earth, All About History, World of Animals, and a variety of other science and technology publications.

Employment history

IFLScience

Senior Staff Writer
July 2015 to November 2018
London, UK

- Wrote multiple science and technology articles daily to tight deadlines
- Created shareable online content for a monthly audience of 50m
- Explained complex topics to a mainstream audience
- Generated regular ideas for news stories and features
- Interviewed experts and attended events in the UK and abroad
- Edited work of other writers for the website

MailOnline

Science and Technology Reporter
March 2014 to July 2015
London, UK

- Wrote accurate and quick copy under strict time constraints
- Generated regular news and feature ideas
- Led coverage of breaking stories
- Edited work of in-house staff and freelancers
- Trained on company's digital CMS
- Working understanding of media law

All About Space magazine

Features Editor
March 2012 to March 2014
Bournemouth, UK

- Launched the magazine in 2012
- Planned, pitched, and wrote features
- Commissioned freelance writers and illustrators
- Helped creatively shape the magazine
- Ran the magazine's social media accounts

How It Works magazine

Staff Writer/Senior Staff Writer
Sept 2010 to March 2012
Bournemouth, UK

- Wrote and researched articles on a variety of topics
- Generated and developed story ideas
- Oversaw various sections of the magazine
- Trained in using InDesign and other publishing tools

Qualifications

University of Birmingham

Sept 2006 to Sept 2009

- Physics and Astrophysics, DipHE

Queen Elizabeth's Hospital School

Sept 2001 to June 2006

- 3 A Levels, 1 AS Level
- 10 GCSEs

Articles and references available on request