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Ornithologist with fieldwork experience centered on Iceland. B.Sc. degree from Aberdeen University Scotland, D.Phil. from Oxford University, England. Primary focus of research is on seabirds in general, with many other sidelines, such as shorebirds, passerines, incidental mammals, and many others, even invertebrates, toponymy (study of place names) and onomatology (study of names)! Field biologist as well as museum curator for decades. Bird conservation and management issues, for decades advisory to government on these aspects. Research interests include population and monitoring studies, distributional and banding studies, climate change and contaminants, relationship of humans and nature. Coordinator of the Icelandic Bird Ringing Scheme since 1978. Long experience in numerous committee works both domestic and international. Icelandic National Representative of the Arctic Council's CAFF (Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna) working group since inauguration in 1993, currently Chair. Corresponding member of NABO since long before formal establishment in 1992.