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Dr. Willie Soon, an astrophysicist and geoscientist, is a leading authority on the relationship between solar phenomena and global climate. In this 33+ years of singular pursuit, he seeks to understand the Sun-Earth relations in terms of not only meteorology and climate, but also in terms of orbital dynamics of Sun-Earth-other planets interactions, magmatic (volcanoes) and tectonic (earthquakes) activities. His discoveries challenge computer modelers and advocates who consistently underestimate solar influences on cloud formation, ocean currents, and wind that cause climate to change. He has faced and risen above unethical and often libelous attacks on his research and his character, becoming one of the world's most respected and influential voices for climate realism. In 2018, he founded the Center for Environmental Research and Earth Sciences (CERES-science.com) in order to tackle a wider range of issues and topics without fears nor prejudices.

Dr. Soon was an astrophysicist at the Solar, Stellar and Planetary Sciences Division of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, from 1991-2022. He served as receiving editor for *New Astronomy* from 2002-2016, astronomer at the Mount Wilson Observatory from 1992-2009. He is also on the editorial board of *Geoscience*, an MDPI publication since 2020 as well as serving as Review Editor of *Frontiers in Earth Science* starting 2022. Dr. Soon has also held the role of visiting professors at various institutions including University of Putra, Malaysia, Institute of Earth Environment of Xian, China and State Key Laboratory of Marine Environmental Science at Xiamen University. Since September 2021, Dr. Soon is also affiliated with Hungary's Institute of Earth Physics and Space Science.

Dr. Soon earned bachelor's and master's degrees in science and a Ph.D. in aerospace engineering from the University of Southern California.

Dr. Soon's honors include a 1989 IEEE Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society Graduate Scholastic Award and a Rockwell Dennis Hunt Scholastic Award from the University of Southern California for the most representative Ph.D. research thesis of 1991.

In 2003, Dr. Soon received the Smithsonian Institution (Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory) Award in official recognition of work performance reflecting a high standard of accomplishment. In 2004, Soon received the Petr Beckmann award for courage and achievement in defense of scientific truth and freedom from the Doctors for Disaster Preparedness. In 2014, Dr. Soon received the Courage in Defense of Science Award from the George Marshall Institute. In 2017 he received the Frederick Seitz Memorial Award from the Science and Environmental Policy Project.

Dr. Soon is the author of *The Maunder Minimum and the Variable Sun-Earth Connection* (World Scientific Publishing Company, 2004). He is the coauthor, with Sebastian Lüning, of "Chapter 2: Solar Forcing of Climate" in *Climate Change Reconsidered II: Physical Science* (The Heartland Institute, 2013); the author of "Sun Shunned" in *Climate Change: The Facts 2014* (The Public Affairs Institute: Melbourne, Australia); and coauthor, with S. Baliunas, of "A brief review of the sun-climate connection, with a new insight concerning water vapour" in *Climate Change: The Facts 2017* (The Public Affairs Institute: Melbourne, Australia).

In summary, Dr. Soon has published a total of 120 refereed papers, at least 37 book chapters and magazine articles, and 95 invited presentations at various universities and international and national meetings. For Dr. Soon's publication list, please visit:

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The citation history of Dr. Soon can be studied here

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Dr. Soon has received strong letters of praise and support from distinguished scientists like the late Professor Eugene Parker, Professor William Happer, Professor Christopher Essex, Professor Richard Lindzen, the late Dr. Harry van Loon, and the late Dr. Kary B. Mullis, the late Professor Robert Carter, as well as the late Freeman Dyson,

"How about the weather? If you'd like to know more about global weather than is provided by the gladiators for hire on both sides, and you remember that global climate has been here, quite variable, for a long time all by itself, with names like Miocene, Pliocene and Pleistocene to adorn it, and hint that it may not always be the same, you might try *The Maunder Minimum And the Variable Sun-Earth Connection* by Willie [Soon] and Steven Yaskell, or The Long Summer, How Climate Changed Civilization, by Brian Fagan."

— <u>Kary Mullis</u> in his recommended <u>Books list</u>, July 25, 2006

"The whole point of science is to question accepted dogmas. For that reason, I respect Willie Soon as a good scientist and a courageous citizen."

— <u>Freeman Dyson</u> in the <u>Boston Globe</u>, November 5, 2013

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