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#### BIO

Halleh B. Balch is an experimental physicist, NSF Ocean Sciences Postdoctoral Fellow, and HHMI Hanna H. Gray Fellow at Stanford University. Her research focuses on developing novel nanophotonic sensors for in situ microscopy and spectroscopy onboard autonomous underwater vehicles to study marine and freshwater environments and their impact on climate and human health. Halleh received her PhD in Physics from the University of California Berkeley and her undergraduate degree from Swarthmore College in physics and literature.

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