A comforting solitude surrounds the mountain landscape. Gabo enjoys hearing the quiet murmur of groundwater streams, the chirps of curious birds, and the scents of aromatic plants, all set against the backdrop of majestic, snow-covered mountains.

While cameras, drones, spectral radiometers, and digital loggers have become essential in the study of mountain ecosystems, field expeditions still require nature guides, a good pencil, and an all-weather field notebook.

Gabo’s research focuses on mapping and describing the high altitude wetlands of the Tropical Andes. The mountain wetlands are deeply connected to the people living in the Andes, and now, because of climate change, these ecosystems need our care and protection.

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