

## CURRICULUM VITAE

Belinda Sue McSwain Sturm, PhD

**Interim Vice Chancellor for Research**  
**Director of the Kansas National Science Foundation EPSCoR Program**  
**Professor and Ross McKinney Faculty Fellow, Environmental Engineering**

### ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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**Interim Vice Chancellor for Research** 2023 – Present  
**University of Kansas**

The Vice Chancellor for Research is the senior research officer for the KU Lawrence campus (\$194.5 million in external research expenditures for FY23). Accomplishments include:

- Recruited Director of the Hall Center for the Humanities
- Launched Center Director searches for the Center for Environmentally Beneficial Catalysis and the Achievement & Assessment Institute
- Planned and completed a university-wide bioengineering research and academic program review
- Presented strategic alignment of the Office of Research to the University strategic plan; served as objective leader for two research objectives
- Served as Responsible Institutional Official for research misconduct

**Director, Kansas National Science Foundation EPSCoR Program** 2022 – Present  
**Associate Director** 2020 - 2022

The Kansas NSF EPSCoR (KNE) office is responsible for effective and efficient operation and supervision of the NSF EPSCoR Track-1 program in Kansas. As the Project Director (PD) and Principal Investigator (PI), administer all KNE operations and external relations; provide vision and leadership; and oversee report preparation, proposal writing, and strategic planning for current and future initiatives. The KNE Project Director interfaces with the NSF EPSCoR Directorate and governmental representatives to advocate for federal research, with the goal of increasing federal research competitiveness in Kansas. The KNE Director facilitates the publication of the Kansas Science and Technology Plan, in concert with the Kansas Board of Regents EPSCoR Committee and the Chief Research Officers of Kansas research-intensive institutions. Accomplishments include:

- Led interdisciplinary and diverse team development and writing of \$24 million NSF Research Infrastructure Improvement Track-1 award; received funding with first submission
- Administered \$400-500k competitive seed funding across Kansas annually
- Led the development of the 2021 State Science and Technology Plan, which was endorsed by the Kansas Board of Regents
- Advocated for EPSCoR and IDeA funding to federal and state legislatures, including CHIPS and Science Act increases to EPSCoR and IDeA funding
- Conducted limited submission pre-proposal review and selection of all EPSCoR opportunities on campus

**Associate Vice Chancellor for Research** 2018 – 2022  
**University of Kansas**

Promote research endeavors at the University of Kansas, provide oversight of five university designated research centers and surveys, have responsibility for the University Conflict of Interests Committee and several areas of research compliance, as well as responsibility for the General Research Fund program and other interactions with the Faculty Senate Research

**Committee.**

- Led searches for Directors of External Communications and Research Development
- Recruited Directors of the Kansas Biological Survey and the Kansas Geological Survey
- Conducted organizational assessments of two designated research centers, resulting in organizational and personnel changes
- Launched university training for conflict of interest and time commitment
- Served as ACE Internationalization Lab Sub-committee chair for international partnerships
- Served as ex-officio member of Faculty senate research committee
- Promoted flexible IP policies to increase industry-sponsored research activities
- As Vice President of the KU Center for Research, co-chaired the External Partnership Advisory Group

**Faculty, Environmental Engineering Program  
School of Engineering, University of Kansas**

2006 - current

Maintain externally-funded research program. Mentor graduate students. Teach undergraduate and graduate-level engineering and science courses. Specialize in biological processes in wastewater treatment and resource recovery.

- Graduated 7 PhD students, 39 MS students, and over 70 undergraduates in research
- Received research awards as principal investigator totaling \$27,340,000 and as a co-investigator on an additional \$15,010,000
- Served on Board of Directors or Chair for influential professional committees, including the Water Environment Federation, the International Water Association, and the Association of Environmental Engineering & Science Professors

**EDUCATION**

PhD Civil Engineering & Geological Sciences, School of Engineering,  
University of Notre Dame, 2005

BSPH Environmental Science & Engineering, School of Public Health,  
University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, 2000

**PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS****Academic**

Interim Vice Chancellor for Research, 2023 – current

Ross McKinney Endowed Faculty Fellow, University of Kansas, 2022 – current

Project Director, Kansas National Science Foundation EPSCoR Program,  
University of Kansas, 2022 – current

Associate Director, Kansas National Science Foundation EPSCoR Office,  
University of Kansas, 2020 – 2022

Associate Vice Chancellor for Research,  
University of Kansas, 2018 – 2022, Interim (2018-2019)

Professor, Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering,  
University of Kansas, 2019 – current

Vice President, KU Center for Research, Inc, 2018 – 2020

Edward & Thelma Wohlgemuth Endowed Faculty Scholar, University of Kansas, 2016 – 2019

Associate Professor, Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering,  
University of Kansas, 2013 – 2019

Assistant Professor, Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering,  
University of Kansas, 2006 – 2013

Postdoctoral Researcher, Civil and Environmental Engineering,  
University of California, Davis, 2005 – 2006

Graduate Research Assistant, Institute for Water Quality and Waste Management,  
Technical University Munich, Germany, 2002 – 2005  
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Civil Engineering & Geological Sciences,  
University of Notre Dame, 2000 – 2002  
Visiting Scholar, La Sapienza University, Italy, 2001  
Undergraduate Researcher, Clarkson University, 1999

### **Professional**

Owner, Sturm Bioprocess Consulting, LLC, 2022 – current  
Consultant, City of Lawrence Utilities Department, 2013 – 2023  
Consultant, Burns and McDonnell, 2022  
Consultant, Garver, 2021 – 2023  
Aerobic Granular Sludge Steering Committee, Aqua-Aerobics, 2016 – 2018  
Consultant for Aerobic Granular Sludge, Black & Veatch Engineering, 2014 – 2015, 2021-2022  
Intern, Division of Extramural Research & Training,  
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, 1998

### **OTHER UNIVERSITY AFFILIATIONS**

Courtesy Faculty, Chemical and Petroleum Engineering, 2023 – current  
Affiliated Faculty, Bioengineering Graduate Program, University of Kansas, 2009 – current  
Affiliated Faculty, Center for Environmental Policy, Institute for Policy & Social Research,  
University of Kansas, 2007 – current  
Courtesy Faculty, Environmental Studies Program, 2011 – 2018  
Faculty Advisor, Center for Research on Global Change, Institute for Policy & Social Research,  
University of Kansas, 2007 – 2015

### **GOVERNING BOARD AFFILIATIONS**

Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors, Board of Directors Member,  
2023 – current  
EPSCoR / IDeA Foundation, Board of Directors Member, 2022 – current  
International Water Association Member USA National Executive Committee, 2004 – current  
Chair, 2020 – 2021  
University of Kansas Center for Technology Commercialization Board Member, 2018 – 2022,  
2024 - current  
University of Kansas Center for Research, Vice President, 2018 – 2020

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Water Environment Federation / Association of Environmental Engineering and Science  
Professors / American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists Master  
Lecturer, WEFTEC, 2023  
[Paul L. Busch Award](#), The Water Research Foundation, 2022  
Ross McKinney Endowed Faculty Fellow, University of Kansas, 2022  
Martha Hahn Best Abstract Award, Municipal Wastewater Design Symposium, Water  
Environment Federation, 2020  
University Sustainability Faculty Leadership Award, University of Kansas, 2020  
*Water Environment Research* Best Paper Award, 2019  
The Edward & Thelma Wohlgemuth Endowed Faculty Scholar, University of Kansas 2016  
Miller Scholar, School of Engineering, University of Kansas, 2016  
Keeler Family Intra-University Professorship, University of Kansas, 2016

Water Environment Federation's 5S Society Award (Select Society of Sanitary Sludge Shovelers), KWEA, 2015  
Miller Scholar, School of Engineering, University of Kansas, 2015  
Graduate Teaching Achievement Recognition, Center for Teaching Excellence, University of Kansas, 2013  
Excellence in Environmental Engineering, 2012 Honor Award for University Research, American Academy of Environmental Engineers  
Miller Award for Distinguished Professional Service, School of Engineering, University of Kansas, 2012  
Gould Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Advisor, School of Engineering, University of Kansas, 2012  
Bellows Scholar, School of Engineering, University of Kansas, 2010  
Fellow, University of Kansas, Center for Teaching Excellence Best Practices Institute, 2007

### **PATENTS AND INVENTION DISCLOSURES**

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Sturm B, Williams S, and Alimoradi S. 2021. "Identification of inorganic and organic species of phosphorus in algal biomass and the impact on solids formed during hydrothermal liquefaction." Provisional patent application No. 63/433,566. University of Kansas.  
Sturm B, Williams S, and Alimoradi S. 2021. "Hydrothermal liquefaction of biomass: Nutrient and energy recovery." Provisional patent application No. 63/290,689. University of Kansas.  
Roberts G, Williams S, and Sturm B. 2014. "Co-production of calcium orthophosphates and biocrude oil from biomass." University of Kansas.

### **PUBLICATIONS** (maiden name McSwain; corresponding author denoted by \*)

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#### **Books and Book Chapters**

Bathe S, de Kreuk MK, McSwain BS, Schwarzenbeck N, Eds. April 2005. *Aerobic Granular Sludge. Water Environment Management Series (WEMS)*, IWA Publishing, ISBN 1843395096.

#### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

Rider Z, Percich A, Hiripitiyage Y, Harris TH, Sturm BSM, Wilson AE, Pollock ED, Beaver JR, and Husic A\*. 2024. "Drivers of cyanotoxin and taste-and-odor compound presence within the benthic algae of human-disturbed rivers." *Water Research*, 253, DOI: 10.1016/j.watres.2024.121357.  
Daigger GT, Kuo J, Derlon N, Houweling D, Jimenez JA, Johnson BR, McQuarrie JP, Murthy S, Regmi P, Roche C, Sturm B, Wett B, Winkler M, and Boltz JP\*. 2023. "Biological and physical selectors for mobile biofilms, aerobic granules, and densified-biological flocs in continuously flowing wastewater treatment processes: a state-of-the-art review." *Water Research*, 242, DOI: 10.1016/j.watres.2023.120245.  
Ibrahim A, Hiripitiyage Y, Peltier E\*, and Sturm BSM. 2023. "Biodegradation of aromatic compounds under hypersaline conditions: comparing aerobic biofilm reactors with conventional activated sludge." *Environmental Engineering Science*, In Press. DOI: 10.1089/ees.2023.0068.  
Van Winckel T, Ngo N, Sturm B, Al-Omari A, Wett B, Bott C, Vlaeminck SE\*, and De Clippeleir H. 2022. "Enhancing bioflocculation in high-rate activated sludge improves effluent quality yet increases sensitivity to surface overflow rate." *Chemosphere*, 308(2). DOI: 10.1016/j.chemosphere.2022.136294.  
Ngo KN, Tampon P, Van Winckel T, Massoudieh A, Sturm B, Bott C, Wett B, Murthy S, Vlaeminck SE, DeBarbadillo C, De Clippeleir H. 2022. "Introducing bioflocculation boundaries in process control to enhance effluent quality of high-rate contact-stabilization systems." *Water Environment Research*, 94(8), DOI: 10.1002/wer.10772.

- Hutchison JM\*, Li Z, Chang CN, Hiripitiyage Y, Wittman M, Sturm BSM. 2022. "Improving correlation of wastewater SARS-CoV-2 gene copy numbers with COVID-19 public health cases using readily available biomarkers." *FEMS Microbes*, 3. DOI: 10.1093/femsmc/xtac010.
- Regmi P\*, Sturm B, Hiripitiyage D, Keller N, Murthy S, Jimenez J. 2022. "Combining continuous flow aerobic granulation using an external selector and carbon-efficient nutrient removal with AvN control in a full-scale simultaneous nitrification-denitrification process." *Water Research*, 210, 117991. DOI: 10.1016/j.watres.2021.117991.
- Sturm BS\*. 2020. "Balancing flocs and granules for activated sludge process intensification in plug flow configurations." Project No. U1R14/4870, *The Water Research Foundation*, ISBN: 978-1-60573-475-0.
- Ibrahim A, Hiripitiyage Y, Peltier E\*, and Sturm B. 2020. "Use of halophilic bacteria to improve aerobic granular sludge integrity in hypersaline wastewaters." *Environmental Engineering Science*, 37(5), 306-315. DOI: 10.1089/ees.2019.0349.
- Alimoradi A, Stohr H, Stagg-Williams SM, and Sturm B\*. 2020. "Effect of temperature on toxicity and biodegradability of dissolved organic nitrogen formed during hydrothermal liquefaction of biomass." *Chemosphere*, 238, 124573. DOI: 10.1016/j.chemosphere.2019.124573.
- Van Winckel T, Vlaeminck SE\*, Al-Omari A, Bachmann B, Sturm B, Wett B, Takács I, Bott C, Murthy SN, and De Clippeleir H. 2019. "Screen versus cyclone for improved capacity and robustness for sidestream and mainstream deammonification." *Environmental Science: Water Research & Technology*, 5(10), 1769-1781. <https://doi.org/10.1039/C9EW00384C>
- MardanDoost B, Brookfield AE, Feddema J, Sturm B\*, Kastens J, Peterson D, and Bishop C. 2019. "Estimating irrigation demand with geospatial and in-situ data: Application to the high plains aquifer, Kansas, USA." *Agricultural Water Management*, 223. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.agwat.2019.06.010>.
- Hable RD, Alimoradi S, Sturm BSM, Stagg-Williams SM\*. 2019. "Simultaneous solid and biocrude product transformations from the hydrothermal treatment of high pH-induced flocculated algae at varying Ca concentrations." *Algal Research*, 40. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.algal.2019.101501>
- Van Winckel T, Liu X, Vlaeminck SE\*, Takács I, Al-Omari A, Sturm B, Kjellerup BV, Murthy SN, and De Clippeleir H. 2019. "Overcoming floc formation limitations in high-rate activated sludge systems." *Chemosphere*, 215, 342-352. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chemosphere.2018.09.169>
- Cornejo PK\*, Becker J, Pagilla K, Mo W, Zhang Q, Mihelcic JR, Chandran K, Sturm B, Yeh D, and Rosso D. 2019. "Sustainability metrics for assessing water resource recovery facilities of the future." *Water Environment Research*, 91(1), 45-53. doi:10.2175/106143017X15131012187980
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- Huang Y, Yasarer LMW, Li Z\*, Sturm BSM, Zhang Z, Guo J, and Shen Y. 2017 "Air-water CO<sub>2</sub> and CH<sub>4</sub> fluxes along a river-reservoir continuum: case study in the Pengxi River, a tributary of the Yangtze River in the Three Gorges Reservoir, China." *Environmental Monitoring Assessment*, 189(5), 223. DOI 10.1007/s10661-017-5926-2.
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- Bode C\*, Criss M, Ising A, McCue S, Ralph S, Sharp S, Smith V, and Sturm B. 2014. "Pond Power: How to use algae to energize inquiry and interdisciplinary connections." *The Science Teacher*, 81 (2), 43-49.
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- McSwain BS\*, Irvine RL, and Wilderer PA. April 2005. "Population dynamics during aerobic granule formation – lessons from denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis." *Water Environment Management Series (WEMS)*, ISBN 1843395096, 53-61.
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### **Published Reports**

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- Harris T, Yun J, Baker D, Kastens J, Sturm B, Leavitt, Katterer M, and St Amand A. 2020. "Phytoplankton and Water Quality in Milford Reservoir: Results of Paleolimnological Sediment Core and Historical Data Analyses." Kansas Water Office Contract 18-115. Kansas Biological Survey Report N0. 197.
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### **Conference Proceedings / Minor Publications**

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- Parameswaran P, Williams J, Ericson M, Bertsch T, Singh R, DeMarco J, Sun N, Kratzer M, Sturm BSM, Khanna V, and Hutchinson S. 2023. "Total resource recovery (energy, water, and fertilizers) from concentrated swine wastewater using the anaerobic membrane bioreactor (AnMBR) platform." *American Institute of Chemical Engineering (AIChE) Annual Meeting*.
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- Rider Z, Husic A, Sturm B, and Harris T. 2021. "Land use impacts on the development of cyanotoxins and taste-and-odor compounds in benthic algae mats." *AGU Fall Meeting Abstracts, 2021/12, H35Z-15*.
- Li Z, Peltier E, Sturm B. 2021. "Microplastics losses in runoff following biosolids application." *Proceedings of the Water Environment Federation*.
- Ngo KN, Hauduc H, Massoudieh A, Wett B, Bott C, Sturm B, Miller M, Al-Omari A, Regmi P, Jimenez J, Takács I, deBarbadillo C, De Clippeleir H. 2021. "Extracellular polymeric substance composition forms the glue between process and clarifier models." *International Water Association WRRmod 2021*. [Link](#)
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### **INVITED ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **International**

- "Emerging trends in nutrient management." April 28, 2022. *International Water Association USA National Committee Webinar*, online seminar.

- “Basic principles of granular sludge in continuous flow systems.” May 26, 2021. Water Environment Association of Ontario, online, hosted by *Water Environment Association of Ontario*, Ontario, Canada.
- “Microplastics in municipal wastewater: Efficient capture during treatment...but where do they end up?” April 27, 2021. *Water Environment Association of Ontario*, Residuals & Biosolids Webinar.
- “Granulation in continuous flow systems.” January 7, 2021. *GHD Process Seminar*, online seminar.
- “Kinetic drivers for granule formation: EPS formation and species selection.” December 7, 2020. *International Water Association Biofilms 2020 Virtual Conference: Emerging Trends and Developments*, virtual conference.
- “USA Case: Carbon management for sludge densification, process intensification, and plant resiliency.” September 1, 2020. *International Water Association Nutrient Removal and Recovery Conference*, virtual conference.
- “Microbial Selection Approaches for Aerobic Granulation.” July 20, 2018. *Singapore International Water Week*, Singapore.
- “Benefits of Granular vs Flocculent Biomass in Continuous Flow Systems.” March 18, 2018. *Granular Sludge Conference, IWA Biofilms Specialist Group*, Delft, the Netherlands.
- “The effect of slowly biodegradable carbon on the performance of aerobic granular sludge.” October 30, 2014. *International Water Association Specialist Conference Global Challenges: Sustainable Wastewater Treatment and Resource Recovery*, Kathmandu, Nepal.
- “A Sustainable Platform for Biofuels Production: Coupling nutrient removal from wastewater with algal biomass production.” September 1, 2014. Chongqing Institute of Green and Intelligent Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Chongqing, China.

### **National**

- “Embracing the imposter among us: How interdisciplinary and intersectional identities are an asset.” October 2, 2023. Water Environment Federation / Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors Master Lecture, *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- “From sanitation to resource recovery: Creating a circular economy from wastewater.” July 17, 2023. Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM) 2023 Central Regional Meeting, Kansas City, KS.
- “Engineering the reactive surface of aerobic granular sludge for contaminant and pathogen removal.” October 11, 2022. Paul L. Busch Award Luncheon, New Orleans, LA.
- “Microplastics fate in municipal wastewater effluent and runoff after land application of biosolids.” October 9, 2022. In the workshop “Emerging Pathogens and Microconstituents in Wastewater/Water Reuse: Challenges and Opportunities,” *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, New Orleans, LA.
- “Intensifying anaerobic digestion.” June 20, 2022. In workshop “Process Intensification - Getting 10 gallons out of a 5 gallon bucket. Water Environment Federation Innovation in Process Engineering Conference, Miami, FL.
- “Deciphering differential properties of flocs and granules.” June 20, 2022. In workshop “Particles and colloids: The next frontier in intensifying water resource recovery.” Water Environment Federation Innovation in Process Engineering Conference, Miami, FL.
- “Aerobic granules for wastewater treatment - Where we’ve been and where we’re going.” February 22, 2022. Central States Water Environment Association (CSWEA) Webinar Series: Granules Galore.
- “Introduction to aerobic granular sludge.” December 7, 2021. Plenary session moderator. *International Water Association Biofilm Conference*, online, hosted by University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN.

- “Carbon dynamics - Selection and EPS formation.” December 6, 2021. *International Water Association Biofilm Conference*, Continuous Flow Granulation Workshop, online, hosted by University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN.
- “Role of microplastics as a microbial carrier.” October 18, 2021. Microplastics Knowledge Development Forum, *Water Environment Federation Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- “Recent advancements in granular activity sludge processes.” May 28, 2021. Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, online Seminar, hosted by MWRDGC in Chicago, IL.
- “Sludge densification, process intensification, and plant resiliency.” April 13, 2021. *Central States Water Environment Association (CSWEA) 2021 26th Annual Education Seminar - Problems from Big to Small: Emerging Trends to Meet Regulations and New Demands*, online.
- “Methods in microbial ecology.” March 25, 2021. Guest lecture for Manhattan College, online, New York City, NY.
- “Continuous aerobic granular sludge: Generation of granules.” March 22, 2021. *Water Research Foundation Virtual Research Summit*, Nutrients Treatment: Intensification, Reliability, and Efficiency, online workshop.
- “COVID and public water supplies.” January 12, 2021. *Groundwater Management Districts Association Annual Conference and Board Meeting*, online.
- “Sludge densification, process intensification, and plant resiliency.” January 7, 2021. GHD Engineering, Online Seminar for Process Engineering Group.
- “Knowledge Development Forum: Microplastics in water and resource recovery facilities (WRRFs) – where they appear and where they disappear.” October 8, 2020. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, online.
- “Sludge densification, process intensification, and plant resiliency.” April 23, 2020. Virginia Water Environment Association Education Committee Webinar Series, online.
- “Historical observations, overview and summary of factors that lead to granulation.” December 10, 2019. LIFT Working Group Webinar: Continuous-flow densification / granulation.
- “The path to densification in WRRF: Current status and implications on performance and capacity.” October 9, 2019. *Florida Water Environment Association Innovative and New Wastewater Treatment Technologies*, Fort Myers, FL.
- “Fate of microplastics through wastewater treatment.” October 7, 2019. *CDM Smith Process Seminar*, webinar.
- “Microplastics fate through wastewater treatment.” September 21, 2019. Workshop *Pathogens and Constituents of Emerging Concern in Wastewater Effluent and Water Reuse*, *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- “Where are we going? And the search for cheaper, faster, better.” July 24, 2019. *Water Environment Federation Nutrient Removal and Recovery Symposium*, Minneapolis, MN.
- “Improving floc settleability and granulation for biological process intensification.” May 6, 2019. *CDM Smith Process Seminar*, webinar.
- “Challenges and research needs for microplastic fate and transport.” December 13, 2018. *Water Research Foundation Webinar: Occurrence of microplastics in water...size does matter!*
- “Fate of micro plastics through North America WRRFs: an initial survey.” October 2, 2018. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, New Orleans, LA.
- “Environmental loading estimates and fate of microplastics from municipal wastewater treatment.” August 20, 2018. *American Chemical Society National Meeting*, Boston, MA.
- “Aerobic Granular Sludge.” June 18, 2018. *Water Environment Federation Nutrient Removal and Recovery Conference*, Raleigh, NC.
- “WE&RF Project Update: Balancing Granules and Flocs for Process Intensification.” September

- 24, 2016. *Water Environment Federation's Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference, Aerobic Granular Sludge Workshop*, New Orleans, LA.
- "Resource recovery using thermochemical processing of wastewater biosolids." August 29, 2016. University of Notre Dame, Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering & Earth Sciences, South Bend, IN.
- "Wastewater characteristics in North-America: challenges for aerobic granulation." October 2, 2015. Workshop: Aerobic granulation in existing facilities, DC Water, Washington D.C.
- "Intensification in action." August 9, 2015. *Water Environment Federation Intensification of Resource Recovery (IR<sup>2</sup>)*, Manhattan College, Riverdale, NY.
- "Waste to energy to higher-value products: hydroxyapatite crystallization and biocrude oil production from wastewater-cultivated algae." February 13, 2015. Environmental Engineering and Water Resources Engineering Seminar, University of Nebraska, Omaha, NE.
- "Research in Algae for Nutrient Uptake." March 28, 2014. Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- "Early career advice for new faculty." October 25, 2013. *Society of Women Engineers National Conference*, Baltimore, MD.
- "Algal ecology." October 8, 2013. *Water Environment Federation Technical Exhibition and Conference (WEFTEC)*, Chicago, IL.
- "Systems analyses of coupling nutrient removal from wastewater with algal biomass production: LCA, land availability, and energy balances." September 9, 2013. Civil and Environmental Engineering Department Seminar, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- "A sustainable platform for biofuels production: coupling nutrient removal from wastewater with algal biomass production." March 15, 2012. Civil Engineering Department Seminar, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AK.
- "Survival and migration of antibiotic resistant genes in the water column and biofilm environments." April 3, 2009. Environmental Engineering & Water Resources Seminar, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.
- "Coselection of copper- and antibiotic-resistant bacteria in activated sludge reactors." November 2, 2007. Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.
- "From Hurricane Katrina Floodwaters to Rural Wine Country: Using quantitative PCR to monitor pathogens and fecal contamination in storm waters." Feb, 20, 2006. Oral Seminar for the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.

### **Statewide**

- "Microplastics fate in municipal water systems." November 1, 2022. Keynote speaker for the KC One Health Day: Microplastics: Small Particles. Big Impact, University of Kansas Edwards Campus, Overland Park, Kansas.
- "Build your future: using ecology and engineering to ensure a sustainable future." October 17, 2022. Keynote speaker for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Women in Science Day, Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas.
- "COVID-19 wastewater surveillance." August 12, 2021. 2021 Kansas Environmental Virtual Conference. Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Topeka, Kansas.
- "Waste to energy to higher-value products: hydroxyapatite crystallization and biocrude oil production from wastewater-cultivated algae." November 9, 2021. Seminar for Department of Civil Engineering, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS.
- "Detecting COVID outbreaks using wastewater." December 2, 2020. Kansas Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, virtual webinar.
- "COVID-19 wastewater surveillance." September 2, 2021. KsAWWA / KWEA Joint Conference, Topeka, KS.

- “What we know about microplastics... and what we need to learn.” July 26, 2018. Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Topeka, Kansas.
- “Beyond Biogas: Innovations in Sludge Processing.” June 11, 2018. CDM Smith, Kansas City, Missouri.
- “Granular sludge applications for wastewater treatment.” April 1, 2013. University of Kansas Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering Professional Development Series, offered as continuing education credit at Burns & McDonnell, 9400 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri.
- “Wastewater solutions: Treatment of wet-weather flows.” March 23, 2015. University of Kansas, Department of Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering Professional Development Series, offered as continuing education credit at Burns & McDonnell, 9400 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri.
- “Activated sludge microbiology – identifying the undesirables and designing against them.” May 2, 2011. University of Kansas Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering Professional Development Series, offered as continuing education credit at Burns & McDonnell, 9400 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri.
- “The impact of sludge residence time on the removal of synthetic estrogen in biological wastewater treatment.” March 24, 2009. University of Kansas Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering Professional Development Series, offered as continuing education credit at Burns & McDonnell, 9400 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri.
- “Measures of Water Quality for Pathogen TMDL Development.” Feb 19, 2007. University of Kansas Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering Professional Development Series, offered as continuing education credit at Burns & McDonnell, 9400 Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri.

### **Local**

- “Communicating and increasing research impact.” January 11, 2024. Life Span Institute Collaboratory, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- “Leveraging our wastewater infrastructure to track COVID-19 in Kansas communities.” May 7, 2021. KU School of Engineering Advisory Board, online, hosted by University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- “Leveraging our wastewater infrastructure to track COVID-19 in Kansas communities.” April 21, 2021. KU 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Environmental Engineering Conference, online conference.
- “The critical role of wastewater treatment for public health protection and water and resource recovery.” March 25, 2021. Environmental Engineering & Water Resources Seminar, University of Kansas, online.
- “Wastewater-based epidemiology: Estimating community prevalence of SARS-CoV-2 using municipal wastewater surveillance.” September 21, 2020. University of Kansas Bioengineering Seminar Series, webinar.
- “Microplastics and biofiltration.” October 15, 2019. WaterOne, Overland Park, KS.
- “Sludge Dewaterability: The Basics and new considerations with Biological Nutrient Removal.” February 26, 2018. Professional Development Seminar, University of Kansas Department of Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering, Kansas City, Missouri.
- “Municipal wastewater: Transforming a problem into our sustainable future.” November 27, 2017. Kansas University Center for Research, Lawrence, KS.
- “A new spin on BNR: Employing hydrocyclones for process intensification.” April 19, 2017. The University of Kansas 67th Environmental Engineering Conference, Lawrence, KS.
- “Resource recovery using thermochemical processing of wastewater biosolids from algal biological treatment.” March 16, 2017. The University of Kansas Environmental Studies / Geography Colloquium, Lawrence, KS.
- “Biological nutrient removal in wastewater treatment - engineering approaches to manipulate

- species selection.” September 9, 2016. Kansas Biological Survey, Lawrence, KS.
- “Solid waste in our built environment.” January 23, 2016. *Future Cities Regional Competition*, Lawrence, KS.
- “Testing a New Biofilm Application – Aerobic Granular Sludge.” April 22, 2015. 65th Annual Environmental Engineering Conference, University of Kansas.
- “Wastewater treatment and microbial ecology.” October 17, 2014. University of Kansas Red Hot Research, Lawrence, KS.
- “Modeling field-level irrigation demands with changing weather and crop choices.” September 26, 2014. Kansas Water: Research and Communication, From Data to News, Lawrence, KS.
- “Systems analyses of coupling nutrient removal from wastewater with algal biomass production.” October 1, 2013. Chemical and Petroleum Engineering Department Seminar, University of Kansas.
- “Envisioning wastewater as a resource.” April 13, 2013. Global Water Conference: Drought conservation & security, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- “Understanding Farmers’ Land- and Water-use Decisions in a Changing Climate and Biofuel Economy.” October 26, 2012. Sustainability Forum, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS.
- “Encouraging synthesis of laboratory data with scientific literature.” August 17, 2010. *KU Summit for Teaching: Firm foundations for learning*, Lawrence, KS.
- “Preparing for class: ways to make it happen.” February 17, 2010. University of Kansas Center for Teaching Excellence, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “The promise of coupling nutrient removal from wastewater with algal oil production – preliminary results of a pilot study.” Feb 3, 2010. 60<sup>th</sup> *Environmental Engineering Conference: Designing for Sustainability*, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “Preparing students before they come to class.” January 12, 2010. KU School of Engineering Faculty Teaching Workshop “Technology in the Classroom,” Lawrence, Kansas.
- “KU Feedstock to Tailpipe Initiative: Algal Production.” April 9, 2009. Transportation Research Institute Colloquium, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “Production of algae as a feedstock for biodiesel production.” June 6, 2008. Transportation Research Institute Colloquium, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “A mesocosm study: The survival and migration of antibiotic resistant genes in the water column and biofilm environments.” November 30, 2007. Kansas Biological Survey, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “Biofilms in engineered systems: factors of their formation and function.” Department of Chemical & Petroleum Engineering’s Spring seminar series, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “The application of microbial source tracking in water quality monitoring for TMDL development.” Feb 7, 2007. Oral presentation at the 57<sup>th</sup> *Environmental Engineering Conference: Striving Toward Sustainability*, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “More than continuing ed: bridging the gap between research and practice.” January 26, 2007. Kansas Water Environment Association Young Professionals Meeting, Topeka, Kansas.
- “Aerobic Granular Sludge Formation: Using a multidisciplinary approach to describe the critical processes.” April 3, 2006. Oral Seminar for the Department of Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS** (invited presentations are not duplicated)

### **Oral Presentations**

- “Evidence of antibiotic resistant genes sorbed to microplastics in biosolids and mobilized in runoff.” October 4, 2023. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- “Hydrolysis measurement techniques and results from bench and full-scale processes.” October 4, 2023. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.



- "How low DO impacts biological selection." October 19, 2021. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- "Kinetic considerations for metabolic selectors design for process intensification." October 7, 2020. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Virtual conference.
- "The role of DO in floc/granule formation." September 25, 2019. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- "Modeling aerobic granular sludge performance in sequencing batch reactors." September 25, 2019. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- "Fate of microplastics through wastewater treatment plants." September 25, 2019. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- "Modeling aerobic granular sludge performance in sequencing batch reactors." July 24, 2019. *Water Environment Federation Nutrient Removal and Recovery Symposium*, Minneapolis, MN.
- "Quantifying the benefits of densified activated sludge on secondary clarifier capacity." July 24, 2019. *Water Environment Federation Nutrient Removal and Recovery Symposium*, Minneapolis, MN.
- "Kinetic and microbiological characterization of varying size fractions of aerobic granular sludge." October 3, 2018. *Water Environment Federation Annual Technical Exposition and Conference*, New Orleans, LA.
- "Modelling extracellular polymeric substances in granular sludge formed with low strength municipal wastewater." March 20, 2018. *Granular Sludge Conference, IWA Biofilms Specialist Group*, Delft, the Netherlands.
- "Microbial community analysis revealed the selective retention of functionally important microorganisms by hydrocyclones in biological nutrient removal (BNR) processes." October 4, 2017. *Water Environment Federation's Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- "Determining the internal selection / substrate gradient needed to induce granulation for low-strength wastewater." October 3, 2017. *Water Environment Federation's Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference*, Chicago, IL.
- "Hydrocyclones Retain Functionally-Important Microorganisms in Biological Nutrient Removal." August 29, 2017. *9th Annual Joint KWEA and KsAWWA Water / Wastewater Conference*, Wichita, KS.
- "Long-term effect of hydrocyclones as external selectors for granular biomass at a full-scale WWTP." August 8, 2017. *The 2nd International Resource Recovery Conference*, New York, NY.
- "Impact of Substrate Profile on BNR Performance in Aerobic Granular Sludge Pilots at the Lawrence, KS WWTP." September 27, 2016. *Water Environment Federation's Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference*, New Orleans, LA. *Proceedings of the Water Environment Federation*: (9), 5470-5478.
- "Defining Granular Sludge and Process Intensification Benefits." September 27, 2016. *Water Environment Federation's Annual Technical Exhibition and Conference*, New Orleans, LA.
- "Fate of micro plastics through wastewater treatment plants." August 31, 2016. *8th Annual Joint KWEA and KsAWWA Water / Wastewater Conference*, Topeka, KS.
- "Strategies for operating aerobic granular sludge reactors for low-strength municipal wastewater." September 28, 2015. *Water Environment Federation Technical Exhibition and Conference (WEFTEC)*, Chicago, Illinois.
- "Hydroxyapatite crystallization and biocrude oil production from wastewater-cultivated algae." June 10, 2015. *WEF Water and Energy 2015 Opportunities for Energy and Resource Recovery in a Changing World*, Washington D.C.
- "Performance of granular sludge reactors for complete biological nutrient removal." August 26, 2014. *Kansas Water Environment Association and Kansas American Water Works Association 6th Joint Annual Conference*, Topeka, KS.

- “The relationship between growth phase, macromolecular content, and biocrude yield for *Chlorella kessleri*.” November 6, 2013. *American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA.
- “Controls of microalgal biomass and lipid production in municipal wastewater-fed bioreactors.” October 17, 2011. *American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting*, Minneapolis, MN.
- “Developing critical reading and writing skills in a biological principles class.” July 10-12, 2011. *Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors Education and Research Conference*, Tampa, FL.
- “Impact of sludge residence time on the relative biodegradation and biosorption of sulfonamide antibiotics in activated sludge.” March 27-31, 2011. *American Chemical Society*, Anaheim, CA.
- “Application of top-down ecological control principles to maximize algal productivity in open pond systems.” November 7-12, 2010. *American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting*, Salt Lake City, UT.
- “Pilot studies of algal lipid production in wastewater-fed systems.” 27-30 October 2010. *45<sup>th</sup> Midwest Regional Meeting, American Chemical Society*, Wichita, KS.
- “Coupling nutrient removal with algal oil production.” 30 Aug-2 Sept, 2010. *2<sup>nd</sup> Joint KWEA & KsAWWA Conference*, Topeka, Kansas.
- “The promise of coupling nutrient removal from wastewater with algal oil production – preliminary results of a pilot study.” Feb 3, 2010. *60<sup>th</sup> Environmental Engineering Conference: Designing for Sustainability*, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “Dissolved oxygen as a key parameter to aerobic granule formation.” April 7, 2008. *2008 4<sup>th</sup> IWA International Conference for Sequencing Batch Reactor Technology*, Rome, Italy.
- “The application of microbial source tracking in water quality monitoring for TMDL development.” Feb 7, 2007. *57<sup>th</sup> Environmental Engineering Conference: Striving Toward Sustainability*, Lawrence, Kansas.
- “Population dynamics during aerobic granule formation – lessons from denaturing gradient gel electrophoresis.” 2004. *1st IWA Aerobic Granular Sludge Workshop*, Munich, Germany.
- “The influence of settling time on the formation of aerobic granules and extracellular polymeric substances.” 2004. *3<sup>rd</sup> IWA International Conference for Sequencing Batch Reactor Technology*, Noosa, Australia.
- “The effect of intermittent feeding on aerobic granule structure.” 2003. *IWA International Biofilm Symposium*, Cape Town, South Africa.

### **Poster Presentations**

- “Monitoring the conjugal transfer of plasmid pWWO from *Pseudomonas putida* in a sequencing batch biofilm reactor for bioaugmentation purposes” (Poster). 2002. *NIEHS Conference for Bioremediation and Biodegradation: Current Advances in Reducing Toxicity, Exposure and Environmental Consequences*, Pacific Grove, California.
- “A comparative evaluation of population dynamics in a sequencing batch reactor (SBR), and two conventional continuous flow systems” (Poster). 2001. *3<sup>rd</sup> IWA International Conference for Microorganisms in Activated Sludge and Biofilm Processes*, Rome, Italy.

### **GRANTS:**

#### **External Grants**

- “Improving water quality and equity through sensor data and machine learning models,” 02/12/2024 – 02/11/2025 (\$650,000). Co-principal Investigator.
- “Evaluation of pre-oxidation of Evonik wastewater to improve biological nutrient removal performance,” 09/1/2023 – 06/30/2024 (\$91,068). Principal Investigator.
- “Performance of Biological Nutrient Removal with Evonik Influent,” 02/06/2023 – 07/31/2023,

- Evonik Corporation (\$42,467). Principal Investigator.
- “RII Track-1: Adaptive and Resilient Infrastructures Driven by Social Equity,” 06/1/2022 – 05/31/2027, National Science Foundation (\$20,000,000 NSF, \$4,000,000 match). Principal Investigator.
- “Effects of low dissolved oxygen on microbial community composition and kinetics,” 06/1/2022 – 05/31/2023, Hampton Roads Sanitation District (\$30,000). Principal Investigator.
- “Project 5130: Advancement of Densification to Implement and Achieve More Efficient BNR Processes: Granule Generation, Retention and Management,” 03/15/2022 – 02/28/2024, Water Research Foundation (\$200,000). Senior Personnel.
- “Integrated Anaerobic Membrane Bioreactor (AnMBR)-Electro-Assisted Fermentation Platform for Total Resource Recovery from Diverse Wastewaters,” 10/1/2021 – 09/30/2024, Department of Energy (\$418,004 KU sub-award, \$2,499,898 total). Co-PI with Prathap Parameswaran, PI.
- “Project 5083: Advancing Low Energy Biological Nitrogen and Phosphorus Removal,” 02/15/2021 – 02/14/2024, Water Research Foundation (\$1,029,420), Senior Personnel.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring,” 01/01/2022 – 06/30/2022, Ft Riley Utility Services (\$56,238). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring,” 01/01/2021 – 12/31/2021, Ft Riley Utility Services (\$51,000). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring,” 07/01/2021 – 06/30/2022, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (\$52,000). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring,” 07/01/2021 – 06/30/2022, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (\$125,000). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring as an indicator for community prevalence of COVID-19,” 10/01/2020 – 04/30/2021, City of Olathe (\$28,980). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring as an indicator for community prevalence of COVID-19,” 06/01/2020 – 12/31/2020, City of Lawrence (\$24,398). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater monitoring as an indicator for community prevalence of COVID-19,” 07/01/2020 – 10/31/2020, Johnson County Wastewater (\$24,840). Principal Investigator.
- “Wastewater COVID-19 sampling and analysis in Metro KC,” 09/25/2020 – 12/31/2020, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (\$30,000). Principal Investigator.
- “Wastewater COVID-19 sampling and analysis in Rural Kansas,” 09/25/2020 – 06/30/2021, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (\$80,000). Principal Investigator.
- “SARS-CoV-2 Wastewater Monitoring as an Indicator for Community Prevalence of Covid-19,” 06/01/2020 – 06/30/2021, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (\$20,000). Principal Investigator.
- “Benthic cyanobacterial mats: a potential source of harmful and nuisance compounds to Kansas streams,” 03/01/2020 – 02/28/2022, Kansas Water Resources Institute (\$40,000 plus \$80,000 cost-share). Co-Principal Investigator.
- “Water Sustainability and Resource Recovery Consortium,” 06/01/2019 – 05/31/2022, Brown and Caldwell (\$110,000 total). Principal Investigator.
- “Water Sustainability and Resource Recovery Consortium,” 08/01/2017 – 12/30/2020, City of Lawrence (\$83,000 total). Principal Investigator.
- “WERF: Determining the fate and major removal mechanisms of microplastics in water and resource recovery facilities,” 08/01/2017 – 07/31/2021, National Science Foundation (\$304,892). Principal Investigator.
- “RII Track-1: Microbiomes of Aquatic, Plant and Soil Systems (MAPS) mediating sustainability: An observational and experimental network across Kansas,” 06/01/2017 – 05/31/2022, National Science Foundation (\$20,000,000). Senior personnel with K Bowman-James, PI.
- “RII Track-2 FEC: Improving water management, treatment and recovery in oil and gas production,” 08/01/2016 – 07/31/2021, National Science Foundation (\$3,898,637). Co-

- investigator with E Peltier, PI.
- "GOALI - Balancing Flocs and Granules for Activated Sludge Process Intensification: Stoke's vs Fick's Laws," 07/01/2015 – 06/30/2018, National Science Foundation (\$330,061). Principal Investigator.
- "Balancing flocs and granules for activated sludge process intensification in plug flow configurations," 04/01/2015 – 03/31/2017, Water Environment Research Foundation (\$118,926, with \$130,000 hard-dollar matching, and \$1,621,672 in-kind matching). Principal Investigator.
- "Developing granular/floccular hybrid systems for activated sludge intensification," 03/16/2015 – 03/15/2019, District of Columbia Water & Sewer Authority (\$260,000). Principal Investigator.
- "Hydroxyapatite formation during hydrothermal liquefaction of algae: synthesis and catalytic implications," 08/01/2014 – 07/31/2017, National Science Foundation (\$409,653). Co-PI with SM Stagg-Williams, PI.
- "Aerobic granular sludge," 07/01/2014 – 12/31/2015, Black & Veatch Engineering (\$20,000). Principal Investigator.
- "EPSCoR Supplement: Sturm (KU)," 10/0/2014 – 12/31/2015, National Science Foundation (\$164,298). Principal Investigator.
- "Microcosm/Bench-scale studies at Fort Riley, Kansas," 09/22/2014 – 09/21/2015, US Army Corps of Engineers (\$76,530). Co-PI with J. Roberts and L. Krishtalka, PI.
- "Asian Carp Distribution Study Using Environmental DNA (eDNA)," 9/20/2012 – 7/12/2015, US Fish & Wildlife Service #F12AP01204 (\$29,996). Co-investigator with D. Huggins, PI, D. Baker, and M. Grose.
- "REU: Biofuels development – feedstock to tailpipe," 09/15/2011 – 08/31/2015, National Science Foundation Grant # EEC-1063097 (\$358,531). Co-investigator with R. Ostermann, PI, and S. Williams.
- "EPSCoR Phase VI: Climate change and energy: basic science, impacts, and mitigation - Farmers' Decisions to Grow Crops for Fuel," 10/01/2009 – 08/31/2015, National Science Foundation Grant # EPS-0903806 (\$3,369,867). Co-investigator with D. Earnhart, PI, C. Brown, S. Egbert, J. Feddema, J. Gibson-Carpenter, E. Hanley, J. Nagel, S. White, J. Peterson, J. Bergtold, and L. Kulcsar.
- "EPSCoR Phase VI: Climate change and energy: basic science, impacts, and mitigation – Subaward for Solar Energy Capture for Algal Oil Production," 10/01/2009 – 09/30/2014, National Science Foundation Grant # EPS-0903806 (\$140,000). Principal investigator for sub-award.
- "Environmental DNA (eDNA) sampling as a non-invasive monitoring tool for threatened and endangered species: Experimental studies using Topeka shiners (*Notropis topeka*)," 10/10/2012 – 5/31/2014, Kansas Department of Wildlife Parks & Tourism (\$46,576). Co-investigator with D. Huggins, PI, D. Baker, F. deNoyelles, and M. Grose.
- "Feedstock to tailpipe initiative: Kansas biofuels production, testing and certification laboratory," 01/01/2010 – 12/31/2013, Department of Energy Award # EE-0000408 (\$1,236,950). Co-investigator with S. Williams, PI, and C. Depcik.
- "RET: Shaping inquiry from feedstock to tailpipe (SHIFT)," 09/01/2009 – 08/31/2013, National Science Foundation Grant # EEC-0909100 (\$499,477). Co-investigator with S. Williams, PI, L. Blair, C. Bode, C. Depcik, D. Lane, V. Smith, A. Scurto, L. Weatherley, N. Brunzell, S. Billings, and E. Peltier.
- "Feasibility of renewable feedstocks for production of bio-jet fuel," 01/01/2011 – 6/31/2013, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Grant #NNX07AO27A, Subaward #SUB3138-17 and Kansas Technology Enterprise Corporation (\$468,561). Principal investigator with co-investigators S. Williams, E. Peltier, and R. Taghavi.
- "KU Biofuels Feedstock to Tailpipe Initiative," 10/01/2008 – 5/15/2013, US Department of Transportation Grant # DT0S59-06-G-00047, Kansas University Transportation Research

- Institute (\$845,714). Co-investigator with S. Williams, PI, F. deNoyelles, C. Depcik, V. Smith, A. Scurto, L. Weatherley, N. Brunzell, S. Billings, and E. Peltier.
- “Food vs. Fuel: Kansas farmer’s decisions to grow crops for transport fuels,” 8/2009 - 8/2010, US Department of Transportation Grant # DT0S59-06-G-00047, Kansas University Transportation Research Institute (\$153,392). Co-investigator with D. Earnhart, PI, C. Brown, J. Feddema, J. Gibson-Carpenter, E. Hanley, and S. White.
- “Feasibility of biological production of hydrogen from wastewater by a two-stage fermentation process,” 8/2007 - 8/2008, US Department of Transportation Grant # DT0S59-06-G-00047, Kansas University Transportation Research Institute (\$54,954). Principal investigator.
- “Fate of pathogens in transportation runoff and stormwater collection systems,” 8/2007 - 7/2008, US Department of Transportation Grant # DT0S59-06-G-00047, Kansas University Transportation Research Institute (\$53,662). Principal investigator.
- Black & Veatch gift to support wastewater treatment research, 3/2007 - 3/2008, Black & Veatch Engineering firm, Kansas City, MO (\$25,000). Principal investigator.

### **Internal Grants**

- “Investigating the Role of Microplastics as Carriers of Antibiotic Resistance into the Environment,” University of Kansas Office of Research, Research GO Grant (\$29,228). Principal Investigator.
- “Creating a Center for Metagenomic Microbial Community Analysis,” 3/01/2014 – 8/31/2017, University of Kansas Provost’s Strategic Initiative Grant, Level One (\$299,925). Principal investigator with S. Billings, S. MacDonald, J. Roberts, and B. Sikes.
- “Sustainable Hydrocarbon Recovery in Unconventional Reservoirs,” 3/01/2014 – 2/28/2016, University of Kansas Provost’s Strategic Initiative Grant, Level One (\$299,000). Co-investigator with J-T. Liang, PI, C. Berkland, R. Barati, J-S. Tsau, S. Johnson, T. Peltier, and K. Peltier.
- “Combining engineering, public health, anthropological, geographic, and film knowledge for sustainable development among the Ch’orti’ Maya of Guatemala,” 5/10/2013 – 6/09/2014, University of Kansas Commons (\$25,000). Co-investigator with B. Metz, PI, A. Viera, J. Gentry, and A. Mladenov.
- “Social and environmental determinants of health for the Ch’orti’ Maya,” 05/01/2012 – 04/31/2013, Latin Americanist Research Cluster Award, University of Kansas (\$5,000). Co-investigator with B. Metz, PI, P. Herlihy, and J. Gentry.
- “Distinguishing the influence of ammonia oxidizing bacteria or abiotic reactors in the degradation of synthetic estrogens (EE2),” 7/2009 - 6/2010, University of Kansas General Research Fund #2301215 (\$6,890). Principal investigator.
- “A pilot project: maximizing the lipid content of algal growth for downstream biodiesel production,” 7/2008 - 6/2009, University of Kansas General Research Fund #2301326 (\$8,116). Principal investigator.
- “Investigating the impact of sludge residence times on microbial diversity and reactor stability under stressed conditions,” 4/2007 - 4/2009, University of Kansas General Research Fund (\$7,887). Principal investigator.

### **TEACHING**

#### **Courses Taught**

CE 576	Municipal Water Supply and Waste Management
CE 477	Introduction to Environmental Engineering
CE 573/773	Biological Principles of Environmental Engineering Processes
CE 871	Fundamentals of Bioremediation
CE 876	Wastewater Treatment Plant Design
CE 550/850	Life Cycle Assessment

ENVR 702 Energy, Ecology & Community in Kansas

### **Doctoral Students Advised**

1. Sayed Maaz Sadat, Environmental and Water Resources Engineering, Began August 2022, Current.
2. Tasmin Binty, Environmental and Water Resources Engineering, Began August 2022, Current.
3. Megan Wittman, Environmental and Water Resources Engineering, Began August 2021, Current.
4. Zhengxi Li, Environmental Engineering, January 2023.
5. Rasha Faraj, Environmental Engineering, began January 2015, Current.
6. Abdullah Ibrahim, Environmental Engineering, March 2020. Co-advised with Dr. Edward Peltier.
7. Sirwan Alimoradi, Environmental Engineering, December 2019.
8. Robert Hable, Chemical Engineering, December 2018. Co-advised with Dr. Susan Williams.
9. Mariela Mosquera, Environmental Science, January 2016 – May 2018. Incomplete.
10. Jodi Gentry, Environmental Engineering, began January 2010 – 2014. Incomplete.
11. Bob Everhart, Environmental Engineering, December 2015.
12. Lindsey Witthaus Yasarer, Environmental Science, August 2015.
13. Marie-Odile Fortier, Environmental Engineering, August 2015.

### **Masters Students Advised**

1. Vibha Ramesh, Environmental Engineering, expected December 2023. Current
2. Anuluwapo Oluwakunle, Environmental Engineering, expected Spring 2024. Current
3. Adrian Romero, Environmental Engineering, December 2023.
4. Amelia Richardson, Environmental Engineering, December 2022.
5. Omolola Odunola, Environmental Engineering, January 2020.
6. Chelsea Linvill, Environmental Science, May 2020.
7. Boshra Alfowzan, Environmental Engineering, December 2019.
8. Mai Bui, Environmental Engineering, August 2018.
9. Andrew Hummel, Environmental Engineering, May 2019.
10. Jennifer Warren, Environmental Engineering, May 2019.
11. Tyler Mayo, Environmental Engineering, May 2019.
12. Cordell Viehweg, Environmental Science, December 2018.
13. Shashi Khambampati, Environmental Engineering, completed coursework May 2017.
14. Theresa Amante, Environmental Engineering, December 2017.
15. Samruddhi Vinayak, Environmental Engineering, August 2017.
16. Rachel Swezy, Environmental Engineering, May 2016.
17. Matthew Herynk, Environmental Science, December 2015.
18. Ammar Al Zarjawi, Environmental Engineering, May 2017.
19. Rasha Faraj, Environmental Engineering, May 2014.
20. Babak Mardan Doost, Environmental Engineering, May 2015.
21. Roopa Matole, Environmental Engineering, December 2014.
22. Christine Polo, Environmental Engineering, December 2014.
23. Richard Gui, Environmental Science, December 2014.
24. Guo (Sarah) Chen, Environmental Engineering, December 2013.
25. Jaci Ferguson, Environmental Engineering, December 2013.
26. Jennifer Raney, Environmental Science, December 2012.
27. Lindsey Witthaus, Environmental Science, May 2012.
28. Ryan Coiner, Bioengineering, December 2011.
29. Stacey Lamer, Environmental Engineering, May 2011.

30. Reuben Dermeyer, Civil Engineering (Water Resources), August 2011.
31. Lindsey Bergsven, Environmental Engineering, December 2010.
32. Mauricio Antezana, Chemical Engineering, May 2011.
33. Jason Koontz, Environmental Science, August 2010.
34. Gustavo Queiroz, Environmental Engineering, May 2010.
35. Pat Owens, Environmental Science, August 2009.
36. Xi Chen, Environmental Science, August 2009.
37. Erin Bellassai, Environmental Engineering, May 2009.
38. Maritza Yanez Navarrete, Environmental Science, May 2009.
39. Jeff Barnard, Civil Engineering, December 2008.
40. Wen Zhang, Environmental Engineering, August 2008.
41. Chris Finn, Environmental Engineering, May 2007.
42. Lu Yi, November 2003.

### **Undergraduate Student Research Advised**

1. Evan Darrow, B.S. Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, 2022 – current.
2. Kate Tieu, B.S. Environmental Studies, 2022 – current.
3. Jenna Boggs, B.S. Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, 2022 – May 2023.
4. Emma Forthaus, B.S. Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, 2022 – current.
5. Page Haynes, B.S. Spring 2022.
6. Eleanor Wyndrum, B.S. Environmental Studies, Fall 2021 – Summer 2022.
7. Zach Howard, B.S. Civil Engineering, 2022.
8. Karah Kniola, B.S. Biology, Spring 2021 – 2022.
9. Anubhav Manandhar, B.S. Biology, December 2020 – May 2021.
10. Kathy Martinez Reynaga, B.S. Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, Spring 2021.
11. Kathryn Rasmussen, B.S. Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, Spring 2019 – January 2020.
12. Megan Wittman, B.S. Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, Summer 2019 – 2021.
13. Amelia Wyndrum, B.S. Biochemistry, Fall 2018 – Spring 2020.
14. Anna Barreda, B.S. Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, May 2018 – December 2018.
15. Edward Darbro, B.S. Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, May 2018 – July 2019.
16. Sydney Gard, B.S. Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, December 2017 – May 2020.
17. Adrian Romero, B.S. Chemical Engineering, January 2018 – current.
18. Juan Pablo Ramirez Mantilla, B.S., Mechanical Engineering, August 2017 – current.
19. Hannah Stohr, B.S., Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, August 2017 – current.
20. Abigail Bradshaw, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, December 2017 – May 2018.
21. Sam Nixon, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, December 2017 – May 2018.
22. Andrew Finley, B.S., Chemical Engineering, environmental emphasis, May – December 2017.
23. Colton Kenner, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, August 2016 – May 2017.
24. Miranda Mendiola, B.S., Chemical Engineering, January 2016 – August 2016.
25. Russell Epperson, B.S., Chemical Engineering, Summer 2015 – May 2016.
26. Rogelio Preschard, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, January 2016 – May 2017.
27. Jennifer Warren, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, August 2015 – May 2017.
28. Savannah Probasco, B.S., Chemical Engineering, August – December 2015.

29. Ryan Magner, B.S., Chemical Engineering, Summer 2015.
30. William O'Fill, B.S., Chemical Engineering, Summer 2015.
31. Abigail Perkins, B.S., Chemical Engineering, January 2015 – 2016.
32. Kyle Harrigan, B.S., Chemical Engineering, August 2014 – May 2015.
33. David Tyndall, B.S., Environmental Science, Haskell Indian Nations University, October 2014 – May 2016.
34. Theresa Amante, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, February 2014 – August 2015.
35. Brett Wagner, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, August 2012 – May 2016. National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship recipient (2016).
36. Emily Cook, B.S., Civil Engineering with environmental emphasis, August 2012 – May 2015.
37. Malcolm Squire, B.S., University of Minnesota, Summer 2014.
38. Katie Legenski, B.S., Chemical Engineering, Pennsylvania State University, Summer 2014.
39. Luigi Basalo, B.S., Civil Engineering, environmental emphasis, May 2012 – December 2013.
40. Emanuel Di Stasio, B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Loyola Marymount University, Summer 2013.
41. Daniel Calzadilla, B.S., Chemical Engineering, SUNY-Buffalo, Summer 2013.
42. Corinne Finley, B.S., Chemical Engineering, University of Maine, Summer 2012.
43. Cody Siroka, B.S., Chemical Engineering, University of Massachusetts - Amherst, Summer 2012.
44. Elizabeth Murray, B.S., Chemical Engineering, Columbia University, Summer 2012.
45. Matt Crawford, B.S., Engineering Physics, University Kansas, Summer 2012.
46. Alex Keeling, B.S., Chemical Engineering, Syracuse University, Summer 2012.
47. Cale Mages, B.S., Civil Engineering with environmental emphasis, May 2012 - August 2012.
48. Alahmadi, Mala, B.S., Civil Engineering, September 2011 – December 2011.
49. Quent Cole, B.S., Civil, Civil Engineering with environmental emphasis, June 2011 – June 2012.
50. Chloe Wooldridge, B.S., Civil Engineering with environmental emphasis, November 2010 – May 2012. National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship recipient (2013).
51. Brent Gerard, B.S., Civil Engineering, September 2010 – December 2010.
52. Brandon Westemeyer, B.S., Chemical Engineering, May 2010 – August 2010.
53. Amanda Roden, B.S., Chemical Engineering, August 2009 – December 2010.
54. John Sullivan, B.S., Chemical Engineering, August 2009 – August 2010.
55. Vinur Kaul, B.S., Civil Engineering, August 2009 – May 2010.
56. Daniel Klapper, B.S., Chemical Engineering, May 2009 – May 2010.
57. Matt Hiatt, B.S., Civil Engineering with environmental emphasis, May 2009 – May 2011. National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship recipient (2012).
58. Ryan Coiner, B.S., Chemical Engineering, January 2009 – May 2010.
59. Amanda Green, B.S., Civil Engineering, December 2007 – August 2010.
60. Gillian Johnston, B.S., Biology, March 2009 – August 2009.
61. Jonathon Holmes, B.S., Chemical Engineering, August 2008 – June 2009
62. Joe Day, B.S., Chemical Engineering, May 2008 – October 2008.
63. Seth Motes, B.S., Chemical Engineering, March 2008 – December 2009.
64. Nicole Carroll, B.S., Civil Engineering, September 2007 -May 2008.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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EPSCoR Project Director Council, Executive Committee, 2023 – current  
Kansas Water Research Institute, Advisory Board Member, 2019 – current  
Water Research Foundation

Member, Research Planning Summit, Nutrient Removal and Recovery, 2024

Technical Advisory Committee, Water Research Foundation Project #5221 "Impact of Solid Stream Treatment on Microplastics in Biosolids," 2023 – current



Project Advisory Committee Member for Project #4975 “Practices to enhance internal fermentation of side-stream secondary sludge and mixed liquor suspended solids for biological phosphorus removal,” 2019 – 2023

Technical Advisory Committee for Microplastics Occurrence, Detection, and Fate, 2019 – current

Water Environment Federation Member, 2003 – current

WEFTEC Program Committee Member (Municipal Design Symposium), 2013 – current

Chair, 2021 – current

Vice-Chair, 2018 – 2021

Working Group on Hydrothermal Liquefaction, Member, 2022 – current

Moderator of Invite-Only Workshop in Vancouver, British Columbia, 2022

Nutrient Conference Chair, 2017 – 2018

Nutrient Conference Steering Committee Member, 2016 – 2020

Municipal Resource Recovery Design Committee Member, 2013 – current

Research Committee, 2019 – current

Algae Technologies Task Force Member, 2009 – current

Advisor for University of Kansas student chapter, 2011 – current

Member State Chapter Kansas Water Environment Federation, 2007 – current

Algae Technologies Workshop at WEFTEC, Organizing Member, 2013

Annual Literature Review Committee, *Water Environment Research*, 2003 – 2010

International Water Association Member, 2004 – current

USA National Executive Committee Chair, 2020 – 2021

USA National Executive Committee, 2016 – current

Microbial Ecology in Water Engineering Management Committee, 2013 – 2019

Microbial Ecology in Water Engineering, 2004 – current

Aerobic Granule Sludge Workshop Organizing Committee, Munich, Germany, 2004

Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors Member, 2006 – current

American Water Works Association Member, 2013 – current

Advisor for University of Kansas student chapter, 2014 – current

American Association for the Advancement of Science, 2018 – current

American Institute of Chemical Engineers Member, 2010 – 2013

Annual Meeting Session Chair, Advances in Algal Biorefineries I and II, 2013 – 2014

Annual Meeting Session Co-chair, Advances in Algal Biorefineries I and II, 2012

Annual Meeting Chair, Sustainable Fuels from Renewable Resources I, 2012 – 2013

Peer-Reviewer, *Environmental Science & Technology*, *Water Research*, *Biotechnology & Bioengineering*, *Applied Biochemistry and Biotechnology*, *Algal Research*

Peer-Reviewer, National Science Foundation (2009, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2021)

Mentor, United States Department of State Junior Faculty Development Program, 2012

Educator, Douglas County Water Festival at the University of Kansas Field Station, 2009

PhD Examiner, Department of Environmental Engineering, University of Bari, Italy, 2006

## **COMMUNITY AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

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### **Community**

Church Council Member, Trinity Lutheran Church (2022 – current)

Boy Scouts of America Chartered Adult Member, Troop Advancement Coordinator (2022 – current)

### **University of Kansas**

Office of Research, Research Security Committee, Research Training and Education Sub-group  
Co-Chair (2022)

Office of Research Advisory Committee for External Engagement, Co-Chair (2020 - 2021)

Genomics Research Center Advisory Board, Member (Fall 2021 - Present)  
Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging Advisory Council, Member (2021 – 2022)  
Jayhawks Rising Research Objective Leader for Increasing Impact of Research (May 2020 – Current)  
Faculty Women & Allies Leadership Network, Steering Committee Member (Fall 2020 – 2022)  
KU Research Technology Working Group, Member (January 2021 – 2022)  
COVID-19 Research Reactivation Workgroup, Member (Spring 2020 – Summer 2020)  
ACE Internationalization Lab, Collaborations and Partnerships Abroad Sub-Committee Co-Chair (December 2020 – 2022)  
Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies, Search Member (Fall 2019 – Spring 2020)  
Director of Research Development, Office of Research, Search Committee Chair (Fall 2019)  
University Faculty Senate Research Committee, Ex-Officio (Fall 2018 – 2022)  
University Conflict of Interest Committee, Ex-Officio (Fall 2018 – 2022)  
Federal Demonstration Partnership, University Faculty Representative (Fall 2018 – Spring 2021)  
University Faculty Development Liaison (Fall 2018 – 2022)  
KU Center for Technology Commercialization Board Member (2018 – 2022)  
NSF Broader Impacts Writing Workshop Planning Committee, Member (Fall 2018 – Spring 2019)  
Kansas Geological Survey Deputy Director Search Committee, Member (Fall 2018 – Spring 2019)  
Office of Research Director of External Affairs Search Committee, Chair (Fall 2018 – Spring 2019)  
Alcohol Sales Policy Review Committee, Member (2017 - 2018)  
Ad-hoc Insurance Review Committee, Member (2017)  
University Faculty Senate, Member (2015 - 2018)  
University Faculty Senate Research committee, Member (2013 - 2016)  
Center for Teaching Excellence, Departmental Ambassador (2008 - 2016)  
National Science Foundation, Innovations in Food Energy & Water Design Workshop, Organizing committee member (2015 - 2016)  
University Sabbatical Leave committee, Member (2013 - 2015)  
Big 12 Universities Water Workshop, Leader of the Nutrients and Trace Contaminants Workshop, Task Force Chair (Fall 2014)  
Aquatic Ecology faculty search committee, KBS/CLAS, Member (Fall 2013 - Spring 2015)  
Vice Chancellor for Research Search Committee, Member (Spring 2014 - Fall 2014)  
KU Water Research Planning committee, Member (2013 - 2014)  
Fulbright Scholars evaluation and interview committee, Member (2012 - 2014)  
Center for Research on Global Change, C-Change project, Faculty Advisor. (2007 - 2014)  
McNair Scholars Program, Mentor (Spring 2014 - Summer 2014)  
Center for Teaching Excellence Peer Triad member, Member (Spring 2014)  
Water Research Workshop, Organizer (September 13, 2013)  
Center for Teaching Excellence GTA workshop, Presenter (2008, 2012, 2014)  
Sustainability Curriculum & Research committee, Member (2010 - 2012)  
“Water Initiative” for the University Strategic Planning process, Co-Author (2011)  
KU Teaching Summit, Presenter (2010)  
Sustainability in Education Group, KU Sustainability Master Plan, Member (2008 - 2010)  
University Graduate Teaching Award, Reviewer (2008)  
Best Practices Institute, Center for Teaching Excellence, Fellow (2007 - 2008)  
Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools, Thesis reviewer (2007)

**School of Engineering**

Chair Five Year Review committee, Member (2018)  
School of Engineering Academic Standards Committee (2016 – 2018)  
LEEP2 Building Analytical Core Lab Committee, Member (2012 - 2015)  
LEEP2 Building Unit Ops/ Environmental Teaching Lab Committee, Member (2012 - 2015)  
Graduate Engineering Association Presentation Competition, Judge (April 10, 2014)  
NIST Building Committee, Member (2009 - 2013)  
Water Theme Leader, Strategic Planning Committee, Leader (2010 - 2012)  
SOE Annual Teaching Workshop, Presenter (2010)  
Engineer Your Career Outreach Program, Presenter (2009 - 2010)  
Dept of Chemical & Petroleum Engr Undergraduate Research Presentations, Judge (2009)  
Mechanical Engineering Senior Design Team, Advisor (2008 - 2009)  
Society of Women Engineering Weekend Camps, Presenter (2007 - 2009)  
Graduate Research Poster Competition, Judge (2008)  
Environmental engineering laboratories, Design Director (2006 - 2007)

**Department of Civil, Environmental & Architectural Engineering**

Chair, Search committee for CEAE Chair (Fall 2022)  
Organizer, Environmental Engineering and Water Resources Seminar Series. (Fall 2022)  
KU Environmental Engineering Conference Organizing Committee Chair (2020 – 2024)  
Environmental Engineering and Water Resources Faculty Meetings, Organizer (2022 - Present)  
American Society for Civil Engineering KU Student Chapter, Co-Advisor (2019 – 2020)  
Promotion and Tenure Mentor (2018 – Current)  
Environmental Engineering Faculty Search committee, Member (2017 - 2018)  
Curriculum committee, Member (2013 - 2018)  
Association of Water and Environment, Faculty Advisor (2011 - Current)  
Environmental Science and Engr annual student poster competition, Coordinator (2011 – 2015)  
Scholarship committee, Member (2011 - 2019)  
Environmental engineering laboratory safety, Coordinator (Fall 2008 - Current)  
KU Environmental Engineering Conference Organizing Committee (2007 - Current)  
Transportation faculty search committee. Member (2013 - 2014)  
Website Development, Member (2013 - 2014)  
Environmental Engineering and Science seminar, Organizer (2011 - 2012)  
CEAE Chair Search Committee, Member (2007 - 2008)  
ABET Assessment Planning Committee, Member (2006)