

Resume

Personal details

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Academic qualifications

2005-2008 Bachelor of Science in Agriculture (1st Class Hons.)
Faculty of Agriculture and Environment, the University of Sydney
2009-2012 Doctor of Philosophy (Soil Science).
Faculty of Agriculture and Environment, the University of
Sydney.

Research

My research focus is in using quantitative methods to precisely understand how soils function and change— spatially, and through time. I research methods for comprehensive digital soil mapping aiming to characterize soil both in the lateral and vertical dimensions. Additionally I contribute methodology for quantifying (and validating) measures of uncertainty for these comprehensive soil information systems. Outputs of this sort of work are intended for feeding into environmental modeling and monitoring programs, where precise land management decision making is required at all manner of spatial scales. The importance of these research fields have been recognized by successful funding grants from both the Australian Research Council and Australian Government Department of Agriculture.

Academic & Research Experience

Position held	Organisation	Period
Research Fellow	The University of Sydney	2012-
Visiting Scholar	Texas A&M University	2013 (3 months)

Honors & Awards

- The Australian Society of Soil Science CJ Stephens Award in 2013 for the best soil science PhD Thesis in the calendar year.
- Deans Award for Outstanding Post-Graduate Research in 2011: Faculty of Agriculture and Environment, University of Sydney

Research Grants

- *Optimised field delineation of contaminated soils*; McBratney A, Minasny B, Malone B, Bishop T, Horta A, Mulvey P; Australian Research Council (ARC)/Linkage Projects (LP). (2015-2018) (\$500000)
- *Securing soils for posterity. An international research and training collaboration to investigate efficient approaches to assessing and improving global soil carbon sequestration*; Malone B, Stockmann U, Chen Z; DVC International/IPDF Grant. (2015) (\$15000)
- *A general soil spatial scaling theory*; McBratney A, Minasny B, Malone B; Australian Research Council (ARC)/Discovery Projects (DP). (2013-2016) (\$300000)
- *Farm scale assessment of SOC from disaggregated national/regional scale models*; McBratney A, Minasny B, Malone B; Department of Agriculture and Water Resources (Federal)/Carbon Farming Futures - Filling the Research Gap Program. (2013-2016) (\$300000)

Dissemination of research, scholarly work from the last 5 years

Edited Books

Minasny, B., Malone, B., McBratney, A. (Eds.), 2012. Digital Soil Assessments and Beyond. Digital Soil Assessments and Beyond. CRC Press, Leiden, The Netherlands.

Book Chapter

- Adhikari, K., Bou Kheir, R., Greve, M., Bocher, P.K., Greve, M.H., Malone, B., Minasny, B., McBratney, A., 2012. Progress towards GlobalSoilMap.net soil database of Denmark. Digital Soil Assessments and Beyond, 1. CRC Press, Leiden, The Netherlands.
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- Hughes, P., McBratney, A., Malone, B., Minasny, B., 2012. Development of terrons for the Lower Hunter Valley wine-growing region. Digital Soil Assessments and Beyond, 1. CRC Press, Leiden, The Netherlands.
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- Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., 2012. Some methods regarding manipulations of scale for digital soil mapping. Digital Soil Assessments and Beyond, 1. CRC Press, Leiden, The Netherlands.
- McBratney, A., Minasny, B., Wheeler, I., Malone, B., van der Linden, D., 2012. Frameworks for digital soil assessment. Digital Soil Assessments and Beyond. CRC Press, Leiden, The Netherlands.
- Minasny, B., Malone, B., Stockmann, U., Odgers, N., McBratney, A., 2014. Pedometrics. Reference Module in Earth Systems and Environmental Sciences. Elsevier, Netherlands.
- Minasny, B., McBratney, A., Malone, B., Lacoste, M., Walter, C., 2014. Quantitatively Predicting Soil Carbon Across Landscapes. Soil Carbon. Springer, New York.
- Waring, C., Stockmann, U., Malone, B., Whelan, B., McBratney, A., 2014. Is Percent 'Projected Natural Vegetation Soil Carbon' a Useful Indicator of Soil Condition? Soil Carbon. Springer, New York.
- Webb, M.A., Kidd, D.B., Grose, C.J., Moreton, R.M., Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., 2014. Integrating climate into the Digital Soil Assessment framework to assess land suitability. GlobalSoilMap: Basis of the global spatial soil information system. CRC Press, London.

Journal Articles

- Adhikari, K., Bou Kheir, R., Greve, M., Bocher, P., Malone, B., Minasny, B., McBratney, A., Greve, M.H., 2013. High-Resolution 3-D Mapping of Soil texture In Denmark. *Soil Science Society of America Journal* 77, 860-876.
- De Gruijter, J., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., Wheeler, I., Malone, B., Stockmann, U., 2016. Farm-scale soil carbon auditing. *Geoderma* 265, 120-130.
- Horta, A., Malone, B., Stockmann, U., Minasny, B., Bishop, T., McBratney, A., Pallasser, R., Pozza, L., 2015. Potential of integrated field spectroscopy and spatial analysis for enhanced assessment of soil contamination: A prospective review. *Geoderma* 241-242, 180-209.
- Kidd, D., Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., Webb, M., 2015. Operational sampling challenges to digital soil mapping in Tasmania, Australia. *Geoderma Regional* 4, 1-10.
- Kidd, D., Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., Webb, M.A., 2014. Digital mapping of a soil drainage index for irrigated enterprise suitability in Tasmania, Australia. *Soil Research* 52, 107-119.
- Kidd, D., Webb, M., Malone, B., Minasny, B., McBratney, A., 2015. Digital soil assessment of agricultural suitability, versatility and capital in Tasmania, Australia. *Geoderma Regional* 6, 7-21.
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- Malone, B., de Gruijter, J., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., Brus, D., 2011. Using Additional Criteria for Measuring the Quality of Predictions and Their Uncertainties in a Digital Soil Mapping Framework. *Soil Science Society of America Journal* 75, 1032-1043.
- Malone, B., Hughes, P., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., 2014. A model for the identification of terrons in the Lower Hunter Valley, Australia. *Geoderma Regional* 1, 31-47.
- Malone, B., Jha, S.K., Minasny, B., McBratney, A., 2016. Comparing regression-based digital soil mapping and multiple-point geostatistics for the spatial extrapolation of soil data. *Geoderma* 262, 243-253.
- Malone, B., Kidd, D., Minasny, B., McBratney, A., 2015. Taking account of uncertainties in digital land suitability assessment. *PeerJ* 3, 1-21.
- Malone, B., McBratney, A., Collins, J., 2014. Soil-landscape endemism: The Glasserton Rigs of the Machars Peninsula, Scotland. *Geoderma Regional* 2-3, 72-81.
- Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., 2011. Empirical estimates of uncertainty for mapping continuous depth functions of soil attributes. *Geoderma* 160, 614-626.
- Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., 2013. Spatial scaling for digital soil mapping. *Soil Science Society of America Journal* 77, 890-902.
- Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., Wheeler, I., 2012. A general method for downscaling earth resource information. *Computers and Geosciences* 41, 119-125.
- Malone, B., Minasny, B., Odgers, N., McBratney, A., 2014. Using model averaging to combine soil property rasters from legacy soil maps and from point data. *Geoderma* 232-234, 34-44.
- Minasny, B., McBratney, A., Malone, B., Wheeler, I., 2013. Digital Mapping of Soil Carbon. *Advances in Agronomy* 118, 1-47.
- Somaratna, P., Malone, B., Minasny, B., 2016. Mapping soil organic carbon content over New South Wales, Australia using local regression kriging. *Geoderma Regional* 7, 38-48.
- Stockmann, U., Malone, B., McBratney, A., Minasny, B., 2015. Landscape-scale exploratory radiometric mapping using proximal soil sensing. *Geoderma* 239, 115-129.
- Taghizadeh-Mehrjardi, R., Ayoubi, S., Namazi, F., Malone, B., Zolfaghari, A.A., Sadrabadi, F., 2016. Prediction of soil surface salinity in arid region of central Iran using auxiliary variables and genetic programming. *Arid Land Research and Management* 30, 49-64.
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- Zolfaghari, A.A., Taghizadeh-Mehrjardi, R., Moshki, A.R., Malone, B., Weldeyohannes, A.O., Sarmadian, F., Yazdani, M.R., 2016. Using the nonparametric k-nearest neighbor approach for predicting cation exchange capacity. *Geoderma* 265, 111-119.

Professional Service

Office bearer of Professional Society

- Advisory board member of the Pedometrics Commission of the International Union of Soil Sciences 2013-.
- Sydney representative of the NSW Branch of Soil Science Australia (professional soil science society of Australia. 2015-).

Editorial board member of international scholarly journals

- Member of the Editorial board of *Geoderma*, since 2013.
- Member of the Editorial board of Soil Science Society of America Soil Methods on-line, since Nov 2015.

Conference & meetings

- Member of the organizing committee for the 5th Global Workshop on Digital Soil Mapping Sydney, 10-13 April 2012.