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RESEARCH AREA Understanding and reducing air quality-related public health impacts, with a focus on life cycle assessment and scientific model development

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota USA

Postdoctoral scholar, Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering

January 2015 - present

Ph.D., Civil, Environmental, and Geo-Engineering

January 2009 - December 2014

- GPA: 3.64/4.0
- Dissertation: Life Cycle Air Quality and Climate Impacts of Conventional and Alternative Light-Duty Transportation in the United States
- Minor: Public Health
- Advisor: Dr. Julian D. Marshall

B.M.E., Mechanical Engineering

September 2002 - May 2006

- G.P.A. 3.66/4.0
- cum laude
- G.R.E. verbal: 740, quantitative: 740, analytical writing: 4.5
- Thesis: The Influence of Engine Load, Ignition Timing, and Fuel-Air Ratio on the Ultrafine Particulate Emissions from a Natural Gas Spark Ignition Engine.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- 4. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, Life cycle air quality impacts of conventional and alternative light-duty transportation in the United States. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.* **111**, 18490–18495 (2014).
- 3. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, Twelve-month, 12-km resolution North American WRF-Chem air quality simulation: Performance evaluation. *Geosci. Model Dev. Discuss.* 7, 8433–8476 (2014).
- 2. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Marshall, J. D. Hill, A spatially and temporally explicit life cycle inventory of air pollutants from gasoline and ethanol in the United States. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 46, 11408–11417 (2012).
- 1. D. B. Millet, E. Apel, D. K. Henze, J. Hill, J. D. Marshall, H. B. Singh, C. W. Tessum, Natural and anthropogenic ethanol sources in North America and potential atmospheric impacts of ethanol fuel use. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* **46**, 8484–92 (2012).

ARTICLES SUBMITTED FOR PEER REVIEW

- 2. L. Hu, D. B. Millet, K. R. Travis, M. Müller, C. W. Tessum, A. Wisthaler, M. Graus, C. Warneke, J. de Gouw, J. Marshall, M. Baasandorj, W. F. Reinhart, T. J. Griffis, T. Mikoviny, Emissions of C6-C8 aromatic compounds in the United States: Constraints from tall tower and aircraft measurements. (2014).
- 1. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Marshall, J. D. Hill, Spatially resolved life cycle assessment for production- and consumption-based accounting of climate forcing agent emissions from gasoline, ethanol, and electric motor vehicles in the United States. (2014).

Reports and Other Publications

- 2. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Marshall, J. D. Hill, "Tank-to-wheel emissions of ethanol and biodiesel powered vehicles as compared to petroleum alternatives", tech. rep. (Center for Transportation Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA, 2010).
- 1. C. W. Tessum, A. M. Boies, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Assessing the sustainability of biofuels: Metrics, models, and tools for evaluating the impact of biofuels", in *Expand. Biofuel Prod. Sustain. Transit. to Adv. Biofuels Summ. a Work.* Ed. by P. Koshel, K. McAllister (National Research Council, 2010), 117–140, https://download.nap.edu/catalog.php?record%5C_id=12806.

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Invited Presentations

7. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, Julian D. Marshall, "Air pollution, health, and environmental justice implications of shifting transportation fuels in the United States", presented at the Lawrence Berkeley Natl. Lab. Environ. Energy Technol. Div. Semin. Ser. (Mar. 2014).

- 6. C. Tessum, J. Hill, J. Marshall, "A reduced-complexity, variable grid resolution model for air pollution transport and transformation", presented at the 2014 Nat. Cap. Annu. Meet. Train. (Mar. 2014).
- 5. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Marshall, J. D. Hill, "Life cycle air pollutant emission and impact accounting for transportation fuels", presented at the Air Waste Manag. Assoc. 106th Annu. Conf. Exhib. (July 2013).
- 4. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Public health implications of alternative transportation fuels in the United States", presented at the Peking Univ. (Mar. 2013).
- 3. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Public health implications of alternative transportation fuels in the United States", presented at the China Cent. Dis. Control Prev. (Mar. 2013).
- 2. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality and public health impacts of biofuel production and use in the United States", presented at the Peking Univ. (Aug. 2011).
- 1. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, "Assessing biofuel sustainability: Lessons from growth of the U.S. industry", presented at the Minnesota Acad. Sci. Annu. Meet. (Apr. 2011).

Conference Presentations

- 12. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "A reduced-complexity, variable grid resolution model for PM2.5 transport and transformation", presented at the Am. Assoc. Aerosol Res. Annu. Conf. (Oct. 2014).
- 11. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Environmental justice and equality aspects of conventional and alternative light-duty transportation in the United States", presented at the Int. Soc. Environ. Epidemiol. Annu. Conf. (Aug. 2014).
- 10. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, Julian D. Marshall, "Air pollution, health, and environmental justice implications of shifting transportation fuels", presented at the Annu. Conf. Int. Soc. Environ. Epidemiol. Int. Soc. Expo. Sci. Int. Soc. Indoor Air Qual. (Aug. 2013).
- 9. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Public health implications of alternative transportation fuels: Synergies between climate and air quality policies", presented at the Minnesota Supercomput. Inst. Res. Exhib. (Apr. 2013).
- 8. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "A spatially and temporally explicit life cycle inventory of air pollutants from transportation fuels in the United States", presented at the Soc. Environ. Toxicol. Chem. North Am. Annu. Conf. (Nov. 2012).
- 7. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality and public health impacts of biofuel production and use in the United States", presented at the Initiat. Renew. Energy Environ. E3 Conf. (Nov. 2011).
- 6. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality and public health impacts of biofuel production and use in the United States", presented at the Inst. Environ. Student Sustain. Symp. (Oct. 2011).
- 5. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality and public health impacts of biofuel production and use in the United States", presented at the Am. Cent. Life Cycle Anal. Annu. Conf. 3rd place student poster award, (Oct. 2011).
- 4. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality and public health impacts of biofuel production and use in the United States", presented at the Int. Soc. Environ. Epidemiol. Annu. Conf. (Aug. 2011).
- 3. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality implications of alternative fuels: A spatially and temporally explicit life cycle modeling approach", presented at the Minnesota Supercomput. Inst. Res. Exhib. (Apr. 2011).
- 2. C. W. Tessum, K. Wagstrom, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Air quality implications of alternative fuels: A spatially and temporally explicit life cycle modeling approach", presented at the Initiat. Renew. Energy Environ. E3 Conf. (Oct. 2010).
- 1. C. W. Tessum, J. D. Hill, J. D. Marshall, "Spatially and temporally explicit life-cycle analysis of biofuels", presented at the First Annu. Fulbright US-Brazil Biofuels Short Course, (Aug. 2009).

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TEACHING Experience

Civil Engineering 5561: Air Quality Engineering, University of Minnesota

Teaching Assistant

Spring 2013

Instructor: Dr. Julian Marshall

- Graded homework questions and exams
- Answered student questions

Instituto Cultural Peruano Norteamericano, Chiclayo, Perú

English Teacher

October - December 2008

- Taught classes of 20-30 students aged 10-20
- Planned curriculum and designed and graded homework assignments and exams

Professional Experience

CT Consulting LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota USA

Owner; independent contractor for EcoEngineers LLC

2012 - 2013

• Carried out life cycle assessment for California Low Carbon Fuel Standard permitting

CT Consulting LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota USA

Owner; independent contractor for Smithfield Packing Co.

May - September 2008

- Specified and justified the purchase of energy efficient equipment
- Worked with plant staff and equipment manufacturers to determine the best energy efficient products for Smithfield
- Created air flow and heat transfer model of refrigerated areas

Energy Management Solutions, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota USA

Engineer

June 2007 - April 2008

- Performed energy efficiency audits at industrial facilities
- Worked with plant staff to implement energy efficiency improvements
- Calculated and measured predicted and real energy savings due to the installation of energy efficient equipment

Volvo Car Corporation, Gothenburg, Sweden

Aerodynamics Intern

August - December 2006

- Operated wind tunnel to perform aerodynamic research on scale models
- Assisted staff engineers in the setup of project tests
- Wrote LabVIEW programs for wind tunnel data acquisition

Voith Paper AG, Heidenheim an der Brenz, Germany

Automation Intern

National Merit Scholarship

May – August 2006

Wrote LabVIEW programs for sensor control

Honors and Awards

- Third place student poster award: American Center for Life Cycle Analysis Annual Conference 2011
- Admission to First Annual Fulbright US-Brazil Biofuels Short Course

2002 - 2006

2009