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Education

2021 M.A. Earth and Environmental Sciences, Columbia University, New York, NY Thesis: "Compositional and chemical variation of toxic iron minerals present in PM_{2.5} in the NYC region"

2017 **B.S. Civil Engineering**, *Gonzaga University*, Spokane, WA Minor: Physics, Concentration: Environmental Engineering

Research Interests

Remote Sensing - Methane Emissions - Air Quality - Water Resources - Energy Transition

Research Experience

2023 - Present Post-Masters Researcher, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM

- O Ground- and drone-based instrument and sensor development and deployment to quantify methane emissions from orphaned and abandoned oil and gas wells in New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas as part of the Department of Energy's Consortium Advancing Technology for Assessment of Lost Oil and Gas Wells (DOE CATALOG)
- o Follansbee, E. R., Dubey, M., Dooley, J. F., et al. (2023). Orphan well methane emissions inferred from plume observations in the Permian Basin [AGU23 Presentation].
- o Follansbee, E., Lee J.E., Dubey M.L., et al. Quantifying Methane Fluxes from Super-Emitting Orphan Wells to Report Carbon Credits and Prioritize Remediation. ESS Open Archive [preprint].
- 2018 2021 **Graduate Student Researcher**, Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory, Columbia University, Palisades, NY
 - O Investigated ground and airborne based remote sensing measurements of methane and carbon surface-atmosphere gas exchange in NYC using laser spectroscopy sensors. Analyzed datasets in Python; identified methane sources in NYC.
 - O Investigated PM2.5 air quality composition of transition metals using synchrotron chemical analysis techniques. Organized correspondence with local residents for site identification and technical team for analysis.
 - O Presented research to LDEO Colloquium, "Measuring Methane Emissions from NYC"
- 2017 2018 **Post-Baccalaureate Researcher**, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
 - O Designed microspectroscopic sensors for 65 Tesla and 100 Tesla magnets to understand the strain magnets undergo when energized and prevent catastrophic failure. Presented research to senior research PIs.
 - 2016 Undergraduate Intern, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM
 - O Designed a supercooled cryostatic instrument to cool a sample of material to 4 Kelvin placed in a 200 Tesla explosive magnet studying the effects of high magnetic fields on materials at ultralow temperatures.
 - O Presented poster at Los Alamos Student Colloquium and invited seminar at Gonzaga University

O Designed and built a bench-scale model of an anaerobic digester to harness methane from food waste for use in the Gonzaga University dining hall. Presented results to dining hall management, Wash. Dept. of Ecology, and engineering department.

Professional Experience

- 2022 Project Engineer, Storm Water, Herrera Environmental Consultants, Seattle, WA
 - O Designed green stormwater infrastructure (GSI) and low impact development (LID) practices in Civil3D
 - O Prepared plans, specifications, and cost estimate (PS&E) packages for public and private stormwater management facilities and/or site development civil engineering projects
- 2021 2022 Energy Project Manager, NYC Department of Environmental Protection, NY
 - O Research lead to quantify fugitive methane emissions coming from NYC's 14 Wastewater Treatment Plants (WWTP) and the anaerobic digestion biogas and gas-to-grid programs. Collaborated with City University of New York, Los Alamos National Laboratory, and ABB on a methane leak detection survey of WWTPs.
 - O Granted over \$1,000,000 in funding for energy saving projects across DEP as manager of the NYC DEP Energy Expense program. Collaborated with WWTP operations personnel to implement projects in the field. Prepared invoices for consultant projects like the DEP Energy and Carbon Neutrality Plan
 - O Led internal whitepapers on DEP climate change initiatives and wrote technical surveys on the current science of fugitive methane as a greenhouse gas.

Publications

- Dooley, J. F., Minschwaner, K., Dubey, M. K., El Abbadi, S. H., Sherwin, E. D., Meyer, A. G., Follansbee, E., & Lee, J. E. (2024). A New Technique for Airborne Measurements to Quantify Methane Emissions Over a Wide Range: Implementation and Validation [in review]. EGUsphere, 1–26. https://doi.org/10.5194/egusphere-2024-760
- Dubey, M. L., Santos, A., Moyes, A. B., Reichl, K., Follansbee, E., Lee, J. E., Dubey, M. K., LeYhuelic, C., Variano, E., Chow, F. K., & Biraud, S. C. (2024). Development of a Forced Advection Sampling Technique for Quantification of Methane Emissions from Orphaned Wells [in prep].
- Follansbee, E., Lee, J. E., Dubey, M. L., Dooley, J., Schuck, C., Minschwaner, K., Santos, A., Biraud, S. C., & Dubey, M. K. (2024). Quantifying Methane Fluxes from Super-Emitting Orphan Wells to Report Carbon Credits and Prioritize Remediation [in review].
- Guiltinan, E., Milazzo, D., Reeder, M., Downs, C., Pratt, R., Follansbee, E., Lee, J. E., Santos, J. E., Jahan, I., Dubey, M., & Viswanathan, H. (2024). Orphan Well Detection Techniques Utilizing Magnetometer and Methane Sensing: Case Study in Osage County, OK [in prep].
- O'Malley, D., Delorey, A., Guiltinan, E., Ma, Z., Kadeethum, T., Lackey, G., Lee, J. E., Follansbee, E., Nair, M., Pekney, N. J., Jahan, I., Mehana, M., Hora, P., Carey, J. W., Govert, A., Varadharajan, C., Cuilla, F., Biraud, S. C., Jordan, P., ... Kang, M. (2024). Unlocking Solutions: Innovative Approaches to Identifying and Mitigating the Environmental Impacts of Undocumented Orphan Wells in the United States [in review].
- Balk, A. L., Gilbert, I., Ivkov, R., Unguris, J., & Stavis, S. M. (2019). Bubble Magnetometry of Nanoparticle Heterogeneity and Interaction [Acknowledgement]. *Physical Review Applied*, 11(6), 061003. https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevApplied.11.061003

Presentations & Posters

Dubey, M. K., Follansbee, E. R., Dubey, M. L., Lee, J. E., Dooley, J., Minschwaner, K., & Biraud, S. C. (2023). Safe, defensible, cost-effective, and scalable methane emission monitoring for orphan well plugging [AGU23].

- Follansbee, E. R. (2023). Orphan well methane emissions inferred from plume observations. [Los Alamos Annual Student Symposium].
- Follansbee, E. R., Dubey, M., Dooley, J. F., Lee, J., Minschwaner, K. R., Biraud, S., & Dubey, M. K. (2023). Orphan well methane emissions inferred from plume observations in the permian basin [AGU23].
- 4 Guiltinan, E. J., Milazzo, D., Coats, D. E., Lee, J., Follansbee, E. R., Dubey, M. K., & Viswanathan, H. S. (2023). *Undocumented orphan well detection in the four corners region* [AGU23].
- 5 Sevanto, S., Musa, D., Franco, N. A., Follansbee, E. R., Moore, E. R., Negi, S., & Benedict, K. (2023). Novel greenhouse testbed for evaluating impacts of landscape management practices on greenhouse gas emissions [AGU23].
- Follansbee, E. R. (2019, April 12). *Measuring methane emissions from NYC* [Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory, Columbia University].
- Follansbee, E. R. (2016a, November 4). Designing and building a cryogenic system for the single turn project [Gonzaga University Physics Department Seminar].
- Follansbee, E. R. (2016b, August 3). Designing and building a cryogenic system for the single turn project [Los Alamos Annual Student Symposium].

Relevant Skills

Computer Python, GIS, AutoCAD, SolidWorks, Excel

Analytical Laboratory instrumentation, data collection, ground- and drone- based remote sensing, data analysis, geospatial analysis

Certifications Engineer-In-Training, Washington State

Professional Activities

Committees

Current Department of Energy, Advanced Research Projects Agency – Energy Grant Reviewer

2020 Chevron Student Initiative Fund Award, Columbia University Grant Reviewer

Certifications

2017 Engineer-In-Training License

Washington State

2022 NASA Applied Remote Sensing Training – Measuring Atmospheric Carbon Dioxide from Space

Professional Organizations

2018 – Present Earth Science Women's Network

2014 - Present American Society of Civil Engineers

2017 - Present American Geophysical Union

2019 - 2022 Crohn's and Colitis Foundation - Young Professionals Committee

Outreach and Service

2000 - Present Girl Scouts

2023 Los Alamos Volunteer - School Science Outreach Day

Jan 2019 – May 2021 Columbia University Women in Science at Columbia - STEM Starters

April 2019 Girl's Science Day at Columbia University

Teaching Experience

Ongoing Private Tutor

Columbia University

| Spring 2021 | Earth Environmental System: Climate Systems | Teaching Assistant | |
|-------------|--|--------------------|-------------------|
| Spring 2020 | Introduction to Atmospheric Chemistry | Teaching Assistant | |
| 2020 - 2021 | Seminar in Race, Climate, and Environmental Justice Course H | landbook | ${\it Co-Author}$ |
| | Gonzaga University | | |
| Fall 2016 | Scientific Physics II | Lab Teach | ing Assistant |

Awards & Honors

| Spring 2018 | Dean's Fellow | $Columbia\ University$ |
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| Spring 2017 | Dean's List | Gonzaga University |
| Spring 2016 | President's List | Gonzaga University |
| Fall 2016 | Dean's List | Gonzaga University |