

# EESSD - ESS Cyberinfrastructure Working Groups

## Annual Meeting Highlights

# Working Groups Structure

*2015 AGU Town Hall & 2016 Working Groups Kickoff*

Executive Committee (EC) and Working Groups:

Data Management (DM)



Danielle Christianson (LBNL)  
Terri Velliquette (ORNL)

Model–Data Integration (MDI)



Xingyuan Chen (PNNL)  
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Software Engineering and Interoperability (SEI)



David Moulton (LANL)

Computing Infrastructure

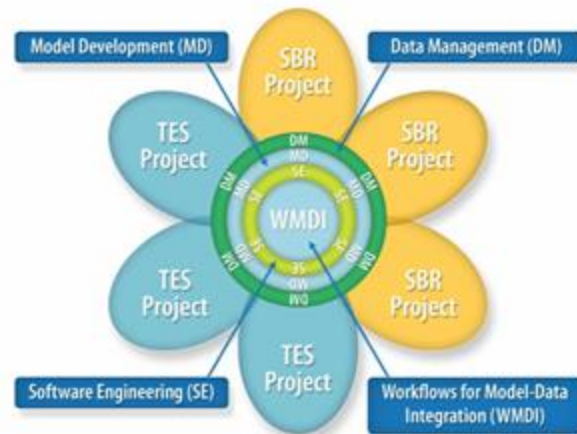


Lee Ann McCue (PNNL)

Building a Cyberinfrastructure for  
Environmental System Science:  
Modeling Frameworks, Data Management, and  
Scientific Workflows

DOI/SC-6178

Workshop Report



Environmental System Science

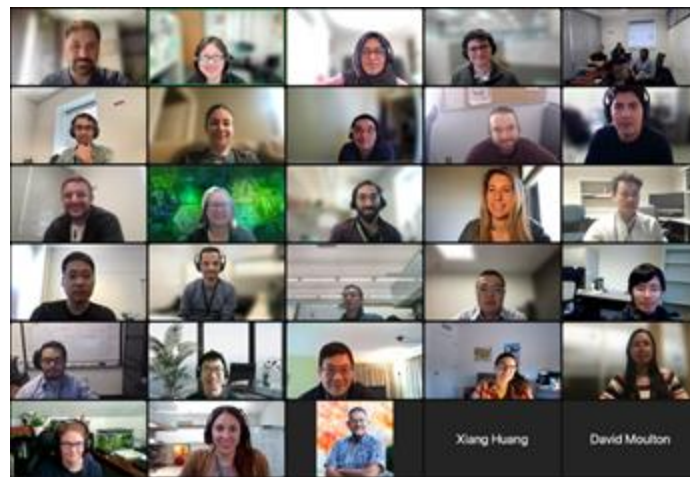
# Working Groups Annual Meeting

- Participation:
  - 30 in-person, 20 virtual on Zoom
  - 4 BER representatives
- Hybrid Logistics:
  - Google Docs and Jam Boards
- Agenda Highlights:
  - Quick recap of recent activities
  - ESS-DIVE Updates/Planning
  - Community Flash talks
  - Generative AI: Panel and Group Discussion
  - Hands-on and Breakout Sessions



# Working Group Activity Highlights

- Data Management has quarterly meetings, topics include
  - Data integration brainstorming for BERAC RFI
  - NMDC submission portal & EMSL metadata template
  - BERAC Unified Data Report & ESS-DIVE proposal input
- Model Data Integration coordinated two hack-a-thons,
  - ELM (April 13, 2023) led by Dan Ricciuto and Faria Zahura
  - ILAMB (April 27, 2023) led by Jitu Kumar and Nathan Collier



# Working Group Activity Highlights (continued)

*Model Data Integration also partnered with CUAHSI on a Reactive Transport Short Course*



## REACTIVE TRANSPORT WITH SOPHISTICATED REACTION NETWORKS: HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WITH THE PFLOTTRAN REACTION SANDBOX

NOVEMBER 6 - 9, 2023

REGISTRATION DEADLINE 9.14.2023

**Location:** Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, WA

[REGISTRATION WEBSITE](#)

### Instructors

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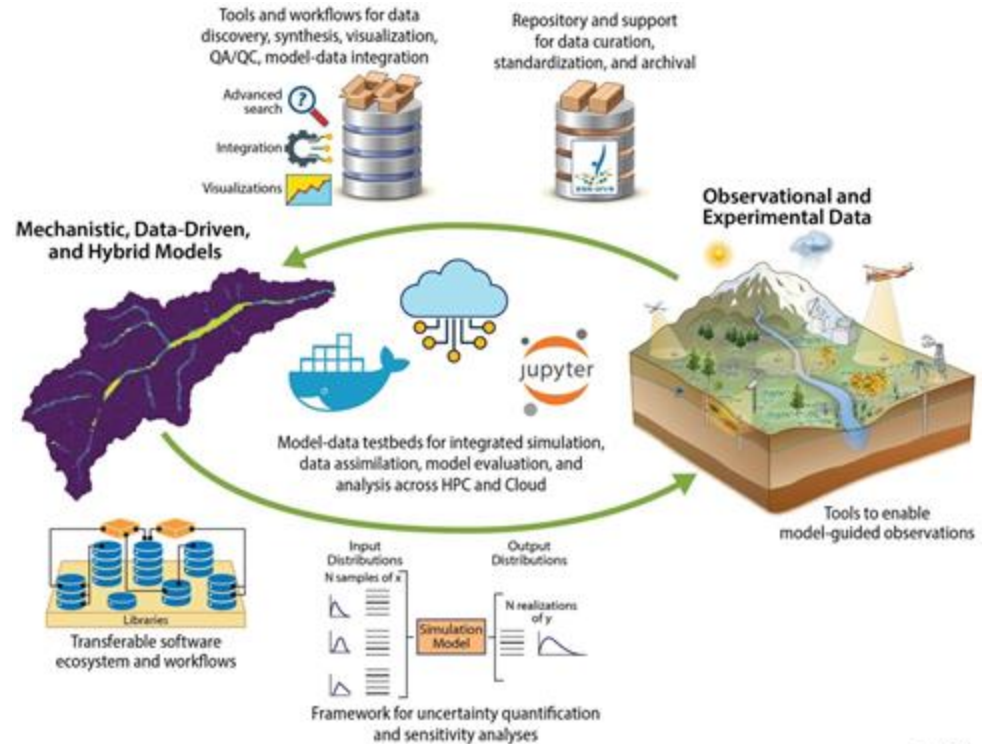


# ModEx cycle frames challenges and opportunities

Identify how your work fits into the ModEx cycle:

- What do you need or use from the ModEx cycle.
- Where does your science contribute to ModEx for the community.

Imagine what standards, tools, interfaces, resources, etc. would help the community work more efficiently.





# Flash Talks

Highlights from the community on progress in key areas:

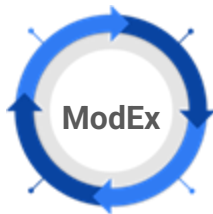
- Community and Facilities

BERAC

- Data Management



- ModEx



- AI/ML



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- Toolsq



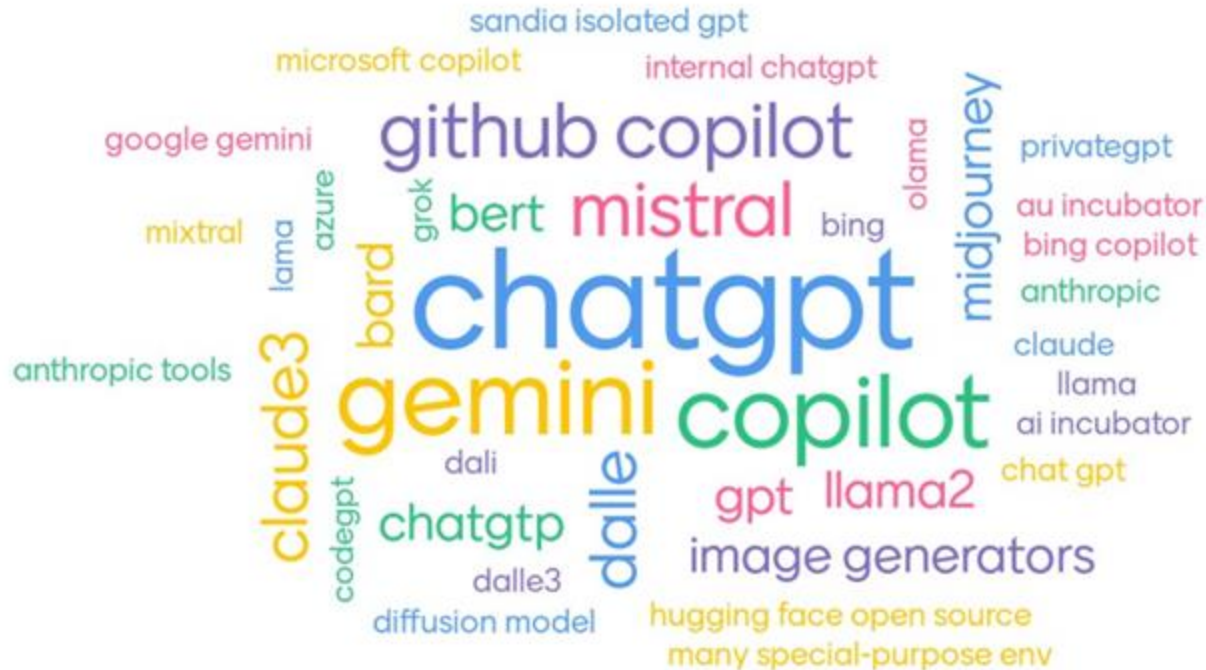
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***Making possible what we couldn't do alone.***

# Generative AI: Panel and Group Discussion

## What generative AI tools are you aware of?





# Generative AI: Panel and Group Discussion



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Panelists described their experience(s) with generative AI:

- Generating initial draft of a science highlight
- Creating a custom ChatGPT instance to help students accelerate selection of a research project.
- Accelerating learning a new language, python
- Creating a completely open-source (and free) generative AI system (Chatur), as part of NSF Cyberinfrastructure Project (cyverse) at University of Arizona

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## Take away messages:

- It's can accelerate some facets of work, but its not a final solution
- It's iterative, and it takes time and effort to use responsibly
  - Ensure students are truly learning
  - Ensure text is consistent and accurate
- If equity is a priority, open-source (and free) tools are critical
  - Question of hardware resources remains
- Tap into your imagination

# Breakout Sessions: Take away messages

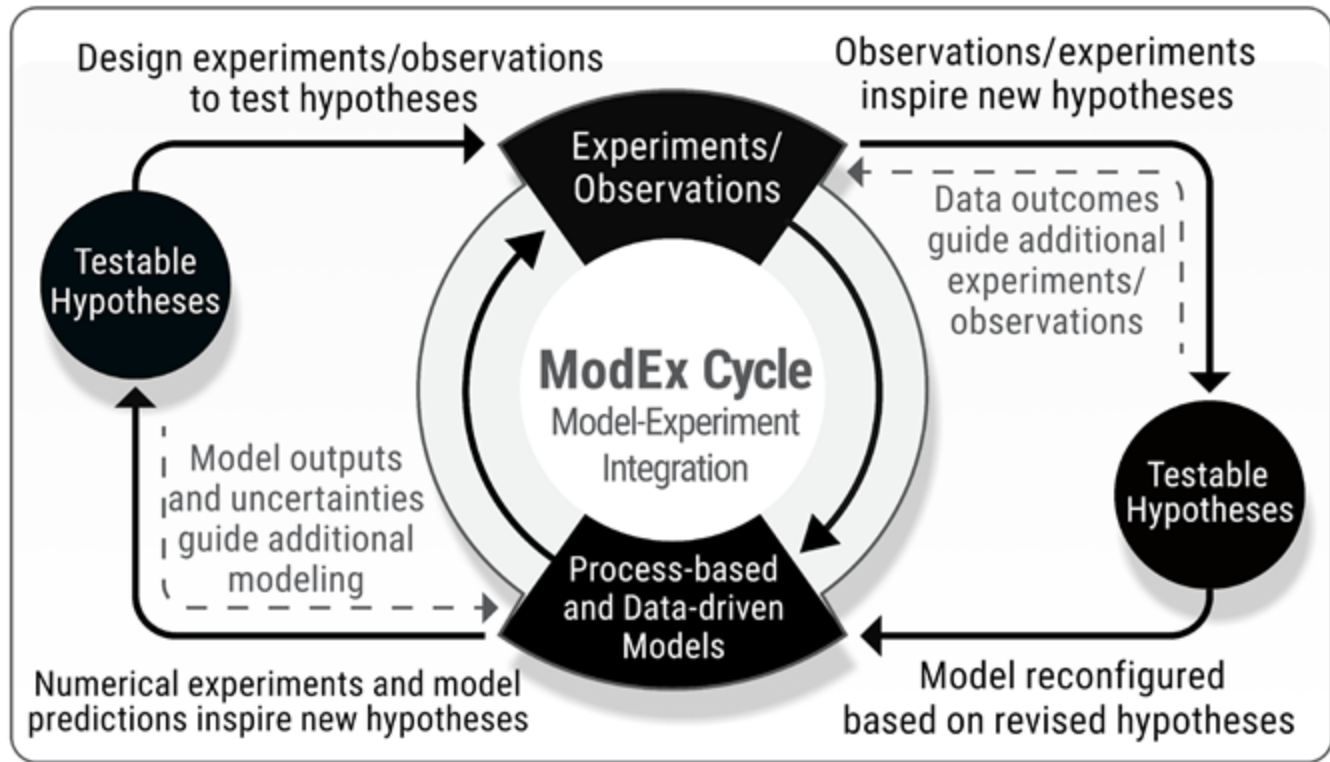
## Model Intercomparisons – Beyond Benchmarking

- There is high interest in using model intercomparisons as a diagnostic tool to understand the importance of process components and for scenario analyses.
- Integration of metrics and comparisons through, e.g., ILAMB with other workflow flow tools such as Basin3D and Watershed Workflow tools would help the users.

## Modeling code management and packaging of model data

- Important to archive model data outputs and we need to have a way to standardize how that is done across the spectrum of models used in ESS science
- Archive reusable model code or workflows as software with DOE code, and data specific processing scripts as part of the dataset.

# Reframing MoDEx: Hypothesis-Driven



Inner Loop: Using models to design experiments or observations, using data to revise models.

Outer Loop: Explicit generation and testing of hypotheses.

Thank You!  
Any Questions?