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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS AND EXPERTISE

Prof McCabe exploits a wide range of sensing technologies, modeling approaches and data-analysis/integration techniques to better understand Earth system behavior and provide improved description of its diverse processes. His research addresses challenges related to water and food security, precision agriculture, climate change and its impacts, and numerous interrelated and multi-disciplinary problems at the nexus of food, water, energy and sustainability. McCabe has particular interest in:

Satellite remote sensing: terrestrial optical, hyperspectral, microwave, thermal and SAR based systems

Nano-Satellites: high-resolution Earth observations, satellite payload development and deployment;

UAVs and Ground-based Robotics: applications of rovers and unmanned aerial vehicles for precision; agriculture, plant phenotyping, and mapping applications; cooperative UAV and ground-based sensing;

Model-Data Integration: use of Earth system and process models together with statistical, data assimilation and machine learning approaches to drive process understanding;

Environmental Sensing: extensive experience with meteorological measurements, GNSS, cosmic ray neutron sensing, eddy covariance, scintillometry, and the design of distributed sensing networks. Expertise in UAV- and satellite-based passive and active sensors (e.g. hyperspectral, multispectral, lidar, thermal) in addition to field- and laboratory-based spectral sensing and calibration.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Ph.D. in Civil and Environmental Engineering
University of Newcastle, NSW, Australia, 1998-2003

B.E. (Hons) in Environmental Engineering
University of Newcastle, NSW, Australia, 1993-1997

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2021 – Present	Director of the KAUST Climate and Livability Initiative
2021 – Present	Co-Founder Sarsat Arabia, Chief of Solutions, www.sarsatarabia.com
2021 – Present	Visiting Scientist, l'Institut National de Recherche pour l'Agriculture, l'Alimentation et l'Environnement (INRAE), Avignon, France
2018 – Present	Full Professor of Remote Sensing and Water Security, Division of Biological and Environmental Science and Engineering, Environmental Sciences and Engineering Program, KAUST
2017 – 2021	Associate Director, Water Desalination and Reuse Center, KAUST
2017 – 2020	Chief Science Officer, www.questfeed.com
2012 – 2018	Associate Professor, Division of Biological and Environmental Science and Engineering, Environmental Sciences and Engineering Program, KAUST

2012	Associate Professor, School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, UNSW, Australia
2011	Visiting Scientist, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, USA
2011	Visiting Scientist, Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland (GEUS), University of Copenhagen, Denmark
2009 – 2011	Guest Professor, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Key Laboratory of Water Cycle and Related Land Surface Processes
2008 – 2012	Senior Lecturer, School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia
2006 – 2008	Post-doctoral Researcher, International Space and Response (ISR-2)/Earth and Environmental Sciences (EES-6), Los Alamos National Laboratory, New Mexico, USA
2003 – 2006	Post-doctoral Researcher, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey, USA

HONORS AND SCHOLARLY AWARDS

2024	Tarek Al-Kasabi Award For Excellence in Civil Engineering in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
2023	Highly Cited Researcher (Cross Field), Thomson Reuters Web of Science Group
2022	Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water (PSIPW)
2022	Highly Cited Researcher (Geosciences), Thomson Reuters Web of Science Group
2022	Best Paper Award for “Current practices in UAS-based environmental monitoring”, Remote Sensing
2021	Highly Cited Researcher (Geosciences), Thomson Reuters Web of Science Group
2020	Highly Cited Researcher (Cross Field), Thomson Reuters Web of Science Group
2020	Distinguished Lecturer, University of Bonn, Innovation Pathways to Sustainability, “ Data-driven agriculture: a new pathway towards sustainability in our food and water systems ”
2019	Highly Cited Researcher (Cross Field), Thomson Reuters Web of Science Group
2019	Frontiers Forum Science Unlimited Speaker, “ Precision Food and Water Security ”
2016	Inaugural Planet Ambassador, Planet Labs (www.planet.com), San Francisco, California, USA
2009	Chinese Academy of Sciences Foreign Visiting Expert Scholarship, Center for Agricultural Resources Research, Shijiazhuang, Hebei, China
2009	Tall Poppy Award of the Australian Institute of Policy and Sciences (NSW and ACT)
1997	Australian Institute of Engineers Civil and Structural Branch Prize (Newcastle) Dux of Engineering
1997	Tony Herzog Prize for the Best Engineering Honors Thesis, University of Newcastle, Australia

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

2023	Member of the Research, Development, Innovation Authority (RDIA) Area Committee for Research Strategy at KAUST
2022 – Present	Directive Committee, Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture, Saudi Arabia (USD \$13M Strategic Partner Agreement with KAUST)
2022 – Present	Affiliated Faculty, AEON Collective, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
2019 – Present	Section Chief Editor, Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence
2018 – 2021	GCOS-TOPC Task Team on Climate Adaptations Observations
2018 – 2021	Management Committee Observer – COST-Action
2017 – Present	Editorial Board Member, MDPI Remote Sensing
2017	Guest Editor MDPI Remote Sensing “Advances in the remote sensing of terrestrial evaporation”
2017 – Present	Management Committee, European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) Action, “Harmonization of UAS techniques for agricultural and natural ecosystems monitoring”
2017 – 2019	Invited Member, World Meteorological Organization, Global Climate Observing System, Terrestrial Observation Panel for Climate (GCOS-TOPC)

2016	Guest Editor for Hydrology and Earth System Sciences Special Issue in Honour of Eric F. Wood "Observations and modelling of land surface water and energy exchanges across scales".
2015 – 2020	Associate Editor, Frontiers in Earth Science
2015 – 2020	Chair of the Global Energy and Water Exchanges LandFlux Project
2015 – 2016	Vice-Chair, World Climate Research Programme, GEWEX Data and Assessment Panel
2013 – 2018	Editorial Board Member, MDPI Hydrology Journal
2013 – 2015	Member, World Climate Research Programme, GEWEX Data and Assessments Panel
2012 – 2016	Associate Editor, Journal of Hydrology
2009 – 2014	Scientific Steering Committee GEWEX Radiation Panel LandFlux Project
2008 – 2012	Member, World Climate Research Programme, GEWEX Radiation Panel

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH (since 2012)

2023 -	Party Delegate, Saudi Arabia, COP 28, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
2023 -	Distinguished Speaker, Riyadh World Expo Bid, Louvre, Paris
2022 -	Party Delegate, UNFCCC, COP 27, Sharm El Sheik, Egypt
2021 -	Invited Speaker, New York Climate Week Side Event, Ministry of Energy, Saudi Arabia
2021 -	Chair KAUST Climate and Livability Faculty Search Committee (12 positions)
2021 -	KAUST Leadership Committee, Provost Office
2021 -	University Search Committee for BESE Dean
2021 -	BESE Divisional Faculty Search Committee
2021 -	KAUST Representative to the Saudi Space Commission, National Space Strategy
2020 – 2021	BESE Elected Representative, Academic Council, KAUST
2020 – 2021	Climate and Livability Taskforce
2020 -	KAUST Coronavirus Task Force on Research, Collaboration and Innovation
2020 -	KAUST Coronavirus Task Force on Administration
2020 -	Vice President, KAUST Red Sea Rugby Club
2020 -	Representative to G20 Saudi Secretariat for Climate Systems Working Group (CSWG)
2019 – 2020	Member, Presidents Air Quality Task Force
2019 -	Deans Advisory Board, Division of Biological and Environmental Sciences and Engineering
2019 – 2021	Faculty and Staff Conflict of Interest Review Committee (FSCOIRC)
2019	ForeSight Leader, Future of Food & Water Security, KAUST Industry Advisory Board (KIAB)
2019	Sci-Café Speaker "Water Security", KAUST (see https://youtu.be/Zgn8kiRVAqQ)
2019	Selection Committee, KAUST Distinguished Teaching Award
2018	KAUST Live, Water Research in the WDRC (see https://youtu.be/JaTnG9cOW44)
2018 - 2019	Member, KAUST Greenhouse Core Lab User Committee
2017 -	Associate Director, Water Desalination and Reuse Center, KAUST
2017	Invited Faculty Speaker, KAUST Industry Advisory Board (KIAB)
2017	Sci-Café Speaker, "Growing Food for the Future", KAUST
2017 - 2020	Member of the Graduate Student Admission Committee, KAUST EnSE Program
2017	Graduation Speaker, KAUST Work Internship and Student Experience (WISE) Program
2016	Scientific Committee, Symposium in Honor of Eric Wood, "Observation and Modelling Across Scales", Princeton, NJ USA, 2-3 June
2015	Member of the Faculty Search Committee, KAUST Environmental Sciences and Engineering Program, Division of Biological and Environmental Sciences & Engineering,
2015	Scientific Committee, European Space Agency Earth Observation for Water Cycle Science 2015, Frascati, Italy
2014	Invited Faculty Speaker, KAUST Industry Collaboration Program (KICP) Symposium
2014	Member of the Faculty Search Committee, KAUST Environmental Sciences and Engineering Program, Division of Biological and Environmental Sciences & Engineering,
2013 – 2014	Associate Director, Water Desalination and Reuse Center, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (transition period during search for a new Center Director)

2013 – 2014 BESE Elected Representative, Academic Council, KAUST
 2012 Member Teaching and Learning Committee, School of Civil and Environmental Engineering,
 University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

REVIEWER FOR JOURNALS AND FUNDING AGENCIES

Journals: Nature; Nature Climate Change; Scientific Reports; Journal of Geophysical Research; Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Hydrology; Water Resources Research; Advances in Water Resources; Journal of Hydrometeorology; IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing; Remote Sensing of Environment, Hydrology & Earth System Sciences (and many others).

International Expert Reviewer: US National Science Foundation; US National Institute of Water Resources; NASA Earth Science Fellowships; Space Research Organization of The Netherlands; Belgium Space Research and Applications Division of the Belgian Federal Science Policy Office; Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic; Australian Research Council OzReader; Australian Research Council DECRA (and many others)

RESEARCH FUNDING

NB. McCabe also undertakes a range of engineering and expert consulting activities that are not included in the list below. Further details can be provided upon request.

Projects listed below only include those that have been awarded: pending proposals are not listed.

Funding since arriving at KAUST

2023 -	\$1,133,000 (USD) KAUST Reefscape Research Initiative, Principal Investigator, “Monitoring Benthic Communities and Bathymetry from UAV-based Green LiDAR and Multispectral Data” with Kasper Johansen (co-PI)
2023 -	\$207,000 (USD) Principal Investigator, KAUST Conferences and Workshops Support, “Climate Futures: risks and challenges of a 3-degree world” with Co-PI Yoshihide Wada
2022 –	\$4,500,000 (USD) Office of the President, Strategic Research Initiative, Design and build the Climate and Livability with an assigned head-count of 12 Faculty Positions
2021	\$1,400,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Special Projects, “KAUST-SAT: a GNSS and hyperspectral CubeSat” (to be launched December 2022)
2020	\$130,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST ASEPC, Boston Dynamics SPOT Robot
2021 – 2024	\$1,000,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Competitive Research Grant (CRG2020), “Proximal to remote: harnessing emerging sensors for improved water and food security”, with INRAE France (Dominique Courault, Albert Olioso) and University of Delft (Susan Steele-Dunne) and Planet (Rasmus Houborg)
2021 -2024	\$750,000 (USD) Co-Principal Investigator [Lead-PI Carlos Duarte], KAUST Circular Carbon Initiative, “Pushing the boundaries of Nature Based Solutions: from local to global opportunities”
2021 – 2023	\$800,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Center Partnership Fund, “Mapping national groundwater abstraction for agriculture in Saudi Arabia”, with the Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture (MEWA)

2020 - 2024	\$1,800,000 (USD). Co-Principal Investigator [Lead-PI Carlos Duarte], KAUST Circular Carbon Initiative, "Pushing the boundaries of Nature Based Solutions: from local to global opportunities"
2019 – 2021	\$1,100,000 (USD). Co-Investigator [Lead-PI Ibrahim Hoteit], Center of Excellence for NEOM Research at KAUST, "A managing environment for sustainability hub"
2019 – 2021	\$550,000 (USD). Co-Principal Investigator [Lead-PI Mark Tester], KAUST-KAU Initiative, "Identifying the genetic basis for salinity and heat tolerance in quinoa using drone-based sensing technologies"
2019 – 2021	€250,000 (EUR). International Investigator [PI Diego Miralles], Belgian Federal Scientific Policy Office (BELSPO), "ET-SENSE – High resolution terrestrial evaporation from Sentinels"
2018 – 2020	\$600,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Office of the Senior Vice President Research, Innovation and Economic Development, "Monitoring RPW infestation using thermal, hyperspectral and novel tracking techniques"
2018 – 2021	\$1,000,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Competitive Research Grant (CRG2017), "A new paradigm in precision agriculture: assimilation of ultra-fine resolution data into a crop-yield forecasting model" with University of Southampton (Justin Sheffield)
2017 – 2019	\$720,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Ministry of Environment, Water and Agriculture, "Estimating agricultural groundwater abstractions in Saudi Arabia" (<i>the only KAUST Faculty-led Government funded award</i>)
2016 – 2018	\$350,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Competitive Research Grant (CRG2016), "Unmanned aerial vehicles for enhanced monitoring: the future of precision agriculture" with University of Tasmania (Arko Lucieer)
2016 – 2019	\$1,200,000 (USD). Co-Investigator [PI Ying Sun, KAUST], KAUST Competitive Research Grant (CRG2016) "Statistical Process Monitoring and Risk Assessment for Engineering and Spatial Environmental Applications"
2014 – 2020	\$1,800,000 (USD). Principal Investigator, KAUST Center Collaborative Funding, Water Desalination and Reuse Center, Hydrologic Systems: Monitoring, Sensing and Modeling

Competitive Funding prior to joining KAUST (approx. \$3.5M + \$30M multi-investigator)

2012 – 2014	\$340,000 (AUD). Principal Investigator, Australian Research Council Discovery Project, McCabe MF and Wood EF "Closing the water cycle using land surface modelling, remote sensing, and an Australian hydrological observatory"
2012	\$1,000,000 (AUD). Co-Investigator [PI Jeffrey Walker, Monash University], Australian Research Council Linkage Infrastructure Equipment Facility Project "A portable weather radar system for hydrological research"
2012 – 2014	€500,000 (EUR). International Principal Investigator [PI Catherine Prigent, Observatoire Paris], European Space Agency "Water cycle Modeling and Observation Strategy for Evapotranspiration (WACMOS-ET)"

2011	\$255,000 (AUD) Principal Investigator [Co-PI Lixin Wang], University of New South Wales Vice Chancellors Research Fellowship on “Stable water isotopes for monitoring agricultural water use: stochastic modeling and field investigations”
2010	\$156,000 (AUD). Co-Investigator [PI Jason Evans, UNSW], University of New South Wales Major Research Equipment and Infrastructure Initiative (MREII), “Computational server and associated data storage system for analysis of large climate model, satellite and in-situ observational datasets”
2010	\$150,000 (AUD). Co-Investigator [PI Jason Middleton, UNSW], University of New South Wales Major Research Equipment and Infrastructure Initiative (MREII), “Airborne hyper-spectral camera for Earth observation”
2009 – 2014	\$30,000,000 (AUD). Co-Investigator [PI Craig Simmons, Flinders University], Program Node Leader, Australian Research Council and the National Water Commission, “National Centre for Groundwater Research and Training: Surface water-groundwater-vegetation-atmosphere interactions”
2009 – 2012	\$440,000 (AUD). Co-Investigator [PI Jeffrey Walker, Monash University], Australian Research Council Linkage Project (with Victorian Department of Primary Industries), “A new paradigm for improved water resource management using innovative water modeling”
2009 – 2012	\$320,000 (AUD). Sole Principal Investigator, Australian Research Council Discovery Project, “Characterizing the hydrological cycle using water isotopes, land-surface models and satellite data”, 2009-2012

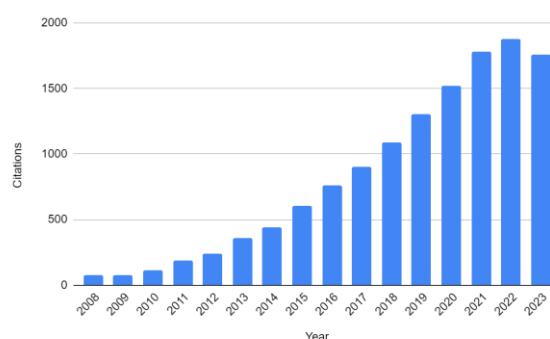
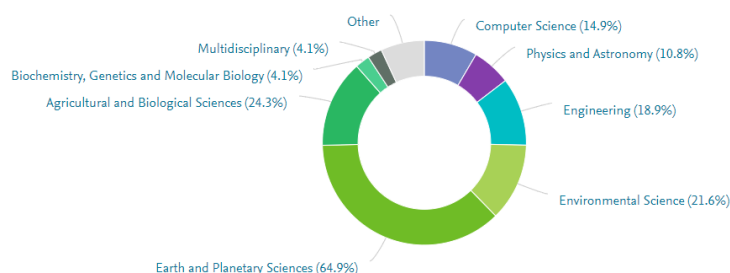
PUBLICATIONS

Prof. McCabe has published approx. **220+ papers** (avg. 10 per year) in leading international journals, edited book chapters, peer-reviewed conference proceedings and scientific reports. His Hirsch-index is 56/64 (SCOPUS; Google Scholar, January 2024) and he has been recognized as a **Highly Cited Researcher** in both the Cross Field (2019, 2020, 2023) and Geosciences (2021-2022) domains. His 5-year FWCI is 3.18 (2018-2022) and his h-5 index is 24 (from SciVal, Jan 2024).

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Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

Note that Book Chapters, Conference Articles (peer and non-peer reviewed) and Presentations, Research Reports and other publications are not listed herein, but can be provided separately upon request.

Publications since arriving at KAUST (late 2012)

1. El Hajj MM, Steele-Dunne SC, Almashharawi SK, Tian X, Johansen K, Camargo OAL, Amezaga-Sarries A, Mas-Vinolas A, and **McCabe MF** (2024) Ground-Based Soil Moisture Retrieval Using the Correlation Between Dual-Polarization GNSS-R Interference Patterns. *IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing*. 62: p. 1-10. DOI: 10.1109/TGRS.2023.3337841.
2. Hong PY, Mishra H, Daffonchio D and **McCabe MF** (2023) Greening initiatives in the Middle East can leverage urban infrastructure to enhance sustainable water use. *Nature Water*. 1. doi.org/10.1038/s44221-023-00171-9
3. Shi Y, Ballesio M, Johansen K, Trentman D, Huang Y, **McCabe MF**, Bruhn R, and Schuster G (2023) Semi-universal geo-crack detection by machine learning. *Frontiers in Earth Science*. 11. DOI: 10.3389/feart.2023.1073211.
4. Li T, López Valencia OM, Johansen K, and **McCabe MF** (2023) A Retrospective Analysis of National-Scale Agricultural Development in Saudi Arabia from 1990 to 2021. *Remote Sensing*. 15(3). DOI: 10.3390/rs15030731.
5. Kim Y, Park H, Kimball JS, Colliander A, and **McCabe MF** (2023) Global estimates of daily evapotranspiration using SMAP surface and root-zone soil moisture. *Remote Sensing of Environment*. 298. DOI: 10.1016/j.rse.2023.113803.
6. Hirt H, Al-Babili S, Almeida-Trapp M, Martin A, Aranda M, Bartels D, Bennett M, Blilou I, Boer D, Boulouis A, Bowler C, Brunel-Muguët S, et al. (2023) PlantACT! – how to tackle the climate crisis. *Trends in Plant Science*. 28(5): p. 537-543. DOI: 10.1016/j.tplants.2023.01.005.
7. Elfarkh J, Johansen K, El Hajj MM, Almashharawi SK, and **McCabe MF** (2023) Evapotranspiration, gross primary productivity and water use efficiency over a high-density olive orchard using ground and satellite based data. *Agricultural Water Management*. 287. DOI: 10.1016/j.agwat.2023.108423.
8. Elfarkh J, Johansen K, Angulo V, Camargo OL, and **McCabe MF** (2023) Quantifying Within-Flight Variation in Land Surface Temperature from a UAV-Based Thermal Infrared Camera. *Drones*. 7(10). DOI: 10.3390/drones7100617.
9. El Hajj MM, Johansen K, Almashharawi SK, and **McCabe MF** (2023) Water uptake rates over olive orchards using Sentinel-1 synthetic aperture radar data. *Agricultural Water Management*. 288. DOI: 10.1016/j.agwat.2023.108462.
10. Ziliani MG, Altaf MU, Aragon B, Houborg R, Franz TE, Lu Y, Sheffield J, Hoteit I, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Early season prediction of within-field crop yield variability by assimilating CubeSat data into a crop model. *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*. 313. DOI: 10.1016/j.agrformet.2021.108736.
11. Ziliani MG, Altaf MU, Aragon B, Houborg R, Franz TE, Lu Y, Sheffield J, Hoteit I, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Intra-field crop yield variability by assimilating cubesat LA in the APSIM crop model. 43(B3-2022): p. 1045-1052. DOI: 10.5194/isprs-archives-XLIII-B3-2022-1045-2022.
12. Zhou L, Rada J, Tian Y, Han Y, Lai Z, **McCabe MF**, and Gan Q (2022) Radiative cooling for energy sustainability: Materials, systems, and applications. *Physical Review Materials*. 6(9). DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevMaterials.6.090201.

13. Tu YH, Johansen K, Aragon B, El Hajj MM, and **McCabe MF** (2022) The radiometric accuracy of the 8-band multi-spectral surface reflectance from the planet SuperDove constellation. *International Journal of Applied Earth Observation and Geoinformation*. 114. DOI: 10.1016/j.jag.2022.103035.
14. Rains D, Lievens H, De Lannoy GJM, **McCabe MF**, De Jeu RAM, and Miralles DG (2022) Sentinel-1 Backscatter Assimilation Using Support Vector Regression or the Water Cloud Model at European Soil Moisture Sites. *IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters*. 19. DOI: 10.1109/LGRS.2021.3073484.
15. Ma C, Johansen K, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Combining Sentinel-2 data with an optical-trapezoid approach to infer within-field soil moisture variability and monitor agricultural production stages. *Agricultural Water Management*. 274. DOI: 10.1016/j.agwat.2022.107942.
16. Ma C, Johansen K, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Monitoring Irrigation Events and Crop Dynamics Using Sentinel-1 and Sentinel-2 Time Series. *Remote Sensing*. 14(5). DOI: 10.3390/rs14051205.
17. Lu Y, Wei C, **McCabe MF**, and Sheffield J (2022) Multi-variable assimilation into a modified AquaCrop model for improved maize simulation without management or crop phenology information. *Agricultural Water Management*. 266. DOI: 10.1016/j.agwat.2022.107576.
18. Li T, Johansen K, and **McCabe MF** (2022) A machine learning approach for identifying and delineating agricultural fields and their multi-temporal dynamics using three decades of Landsat data. *ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing*. 186: p. 83-101. DOI: 10.1016/j.isprsjprs.2022.02.002.
19. Johansen K, Ziliani MG, Houborg R, Franz TE, and **McCabe MF** (2022) CubeSat constellations provide enhanced crop phenology and digital agricultural insights using daily leaf area index retrievals. *Scientific Reports*. 12(1). DOI: 10.1038/s41598-022-09376-6.
20. Johansen K, Dunne AF, Tu YH, Jones BH, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Monitoring coastal water flow dynamics using sub-daily high-resolution SkySat satellite and UAV-based imagery. *Water Research*. 219. DOI: 10.1016/j.watres.2022.118531.
21. Johansen K, Dunne AF, Tu YH, Almashharawi S, Jones BH, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Dye tracing and concentration mapping in coastal waters using unmanned aerial vehicles. *Scientific Reports*. 12(1). DOI: 10.1038/s41598-022-05189-9.
22. Jiang J, Johansen K, Tu YH, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Multi-sensor and multi-platform consistency and interoperability between UAV, Planet CubeSat, Sentinel-2, and Landsat reflectance data. *GIScience and Remote Sensing*. 59(1): p. 936-958. DOI: 10.1080/15481603.2022.2083791.
23. Jiang J, Johansen K, Stanschewski CS, Wellman G, Mousa MAA, Fiene GM, Asiry KA, Tester M, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Phenotyping a diversity panel of quinoa using UAV-retrieved leaf area index, SPAD-based chlorophyll and a random forest approach. *Precision Agriculture*. 23(3): p. 961-983. DOI: 10.1007/s11119-021-09870-3.
24. Gallo A, Odokonyero K, Mousa MAA, Reihmer J, Al-Mashharawi S, Marasco R, Manalastas E, Morton MJL, Daffonchio D, **McCabe MF**, Tester M, and Mishra H (2022) Nature-Inspired Superhydrophobic Sand Mulches Increase Agricultural Productivity and Water-Use Efficiency in Arid Regions. *ACS Agricultural Science and Technology*. 2(2): p. 276-288. DOI: 10.1021/acsagscitech.1c00148.
25. El Hajj MM, Almashharawi SK, Johansen K, Elfarkh J, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Exploring the use of synthetic aperture radar data for irrigation management in super high-density olive orchards.

International Journal of Applied Earth Observation and Geoinformation. 112. DOI: 10.1016/j.jag.2022.102878.

26. Cheng M, Penuelas J, **McCabe MF**, Atzberger C, Jiao X, Wu W, and Jin X (2022) Combining multi-indicators with machine-learning algorithms for maize yield early prediction at the county-level in China. *Agricultural and Forest Meteorology*. 323. DOI: 10.1016/j.agrformet.2022.109057.
27. Blunden J, Boyer T, Dunn RJH, Allen J, Hammer G, Love-Brotak SE, Misch DJ, Ohlmann L, Riddle DB, Veasey SW, Ades M, Adler R, et al. (2022) State of the Climate in 2021. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*. 103(8): p. S11-S142. DOI: 10.1175/2022BAMSStateoftheClimate.1.
28. Blanco-Sacristán J, Johansen K, Duarte CM, Daffonchio D, Hoteit I, and **McCabe MF** (2022) Mangrove distribution and afforestation potential in the Red Sea. *Science of the Total Environment*. 843. DOI: 10.1016/j.scitotenv.2022.157098.
29. Angel Y and **McCabe MF** (2022) Machine Learning Strategies for the Retrieval of Leaf-Chlorophyll Dynamics: Model Choice, Sequential Versus Retraining Learning, and Hyperspectral Predictors. *Frontiers in Plant Science*. 13. DOI: 10.3389/fpls.2022.722442.
30. Ades M, Adler R, Aldred F, Allan RP, Anderson J, Anneville O, Aono Y, Argüez A, Arosio C, Augustine JA, Azorin-Molina C, Barichivich J, et al. (2022) GLOBAL CLIMATE. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*. 103(8): p. S11-S142. DOI: 10.1175/BAMS-D-22-0092.1.
31. Aragon B, Ziliani MG, Houborg R, Franz TE and **McCabe MF** (2021) “Cubesats deliver new insights into agricultural water use at daily and 3 m resolutions”, *Scientific Reports*, 11(1), 12131, doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-91646-w
32. El Kenawy AM, Lopez-Moreno JI, **McCabe MF**, Dominguez-Castro F, Pena-Angulo D, Gaber IM, Alqaseme AS, Al Kindi KM, Al-Awadhi T, Hereher ME, Robaa SM, Al Nasiri NA and Vicente-Serrano SM (2021) “The impact of COVID-19 lockdowns on surface urban heat island changes and air-quality improvements across 21 major cities in the Middle East”, *Environmental Pollution*, 288, 117802, doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2021.117802
33. Lu Y, Chibarabada TP, **McCabe MF**, De Lannoy GJM and Sheffield J (2021) “Global sensitivity analysis of crop yield and transpiration from the FAO-AquaCrop model for dryland environments”, *Field Crops Research*, 269, 108182, doi.org/10.1016/j.fcr.2021.108182
34. Lu Y, Chibarabada TP, Ziliani MG, Kileshye Onema J-M, **McCabe MF** and Sheffield J (2021) “Assimilation of soil moisture and canopy cover data improves maize simulation using an under-calibrated crop model”, *Agricultural Water Management*, 252, 106884, doi.org/10.1016/j.agwat.2021.106884
35. Johansen K, Lopez O, Tu Y-H and **McCabe MF** (2021) “Center pivot field delineation and mapping: A satellite-driven object-based image analysis approach for national scale accounting”, *ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing*, 175, doi.org/10.1016/j.isprsjprs.2021.02.019
36. Virtue J, Turner D, Williams G, Zeliadt S, **McCabe MF** and Lucieer A (2021) “Thermal sensor calibration for unmanned aerial systems using an external heated shutter”, *Drones*, 5(4), 119, doi.org/10.3390/drones5040119
37. Jiao W, Wang L and **McCabe MF** (2021) “Multi-sensor remote sensing for drought characterization: current status, opportunities and a roadmap for the future”, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 256, doi.org/10.1016/j.rse.2021.112313

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