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I am a natural resource data scientist with 11 years of experience applicable to the R&D, monitoring, and adaptive management of forested and agricultural lands. I'm passionate about leveraging data to further the integrity and impact of forest-based industries in the circular economy. I focus on research that will:

- increase opportunities for bio-based products with standardized tools and monitoring procedures to ensure sustainable management practices are transparent to stakeholders;
- improve the economic viability of sustainable natural resource industries through data, standards, and certification of nature-based solutions.

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TN, USA

2011-present (Full time):

R&D Scientist (GS13 comp.), Mobility and Energy Transitions Analysis Group, Bioenergy Resources & Engineering Systems, Data Science & Integration

Feb 2023 – present

Researching interdisciplinary decarbonization strategies using decision-science; leading R&D research on biomass availability for low-carbon strategies to meet US energy needs

- Lead: modeling and tool development to inform deployment of bioenergy crops for specific regions with known nature-based solutions (NbS) markets that can enable cost competitiveness, *and* benefit marginalized communities. Task will collaborate with industry establishing NbS markets.
- Lead: forest-based biomass, DOE's next "Billion Ton" report
- Contributor: Biomass in a Circular Economy, International Standards Organization
- Management: Atmospheric Radiation Measurement metadata team
- Leadership: Climate Change Science Institute, decarbonization in the Southeast through NbS

R&D Scientist (GS13 comp.), Data Science & Integration: Atmospheric Radiation Measurement (ARM), Bioenergy Resources & Engineering Systems

2021 –2023

Leading data management at ARM, a DOE National User Facility, and leading R&D research on biomass availability for low-carbon strategies to meet US energy needs [3 Publications, 1 dataset to date]

- Lead author for forest-based biomass, DOE's next "Billion Ton" report (in development): modeling synthesis facilitates understanding of private industry interests and biomass market impact
- Drafting Team WG3, [TC323- Circular Economy](#): International Standards Organization: strengthens connections with private industry interested in measuring circularity and trade of products and services
- Coordinated data contributions from international field researchers for ARM's Data Center (ADC); incorporating standardized data management concepts (e.g., DublinCore) and pushing towards cutting edge technologies such as machine learning and graph database structures to support FAIR principles
- Modernized biomass resource assessment POLYSYS partial equilibrium model for high performance computing and moved manual analysis of data to automated Python workbooks, improving efficiency
- Managing a team of 3 responsible for all metadata for [ARM data](#): >2 PB spanning 30 years: Applied knowledge of statistics, mathematics, data modeling and high performance data architectures, and advanced computing to integrate and prepare data
- Chairing Bioenergy, Climate Change & Carbon (E3 WG), Society of American Foresters | Washington, DC: increases cross-organization and interdisciplinary collaborations on forest carbon and bioenergy topics
- Chairing the Women in Science and Engineering (WiSE) ERG for 650 women and allies

R&D Associate Scientist (GS12 comp.), ARM & Bioenergy Resources & Engineering Systems **2016 – 2021**

Modernized ARM metadata management, led resource modeling and modernization of models on HPC, standards development and bioenergy sustainability assessments [10 Publications, 8 datasets]

- Lead modeling for ecosystem service valuation impact on feedstock markets: facilitates better data on the impact of valorizing water quality ES
- Billion Ton 2016: [Volume 1](#) Lead author and lead energy crop and agricultural residues modeler (POLYSYS); [Volume 2](#) author for Land Management (Ch 3) evaluating the impacts of biomass production
- Developed a trade module in POLYSYS, and improved data on impacts of bioenergy on commodity prices
- Developed International standards: [ASTM E3066, 2017](#): Standard Practice for Evaluating Relative Sustainability Involving Energy or Chemicals from Biomass
- Modernized the main portal to ARM data, [data discovery](#), including data epochs and recommendations
- Implemented automation and auditing for ARM metadata management, securing ADC expanded scope
- [Sustainability website](#) creator: Primary content developer, manager of UX design and implementation
- Lead for Data Management Planning for entire BioEnergy Technologies Office (BETO) portfolio
- Research Theme lead, Bioenergy, Climate Change & Carbon (E3) Working Group, Society of American Foresters | Washington, DC, US, 2020-2021. Chair the special session, Data for bioproduct assessments in November of 2021
- Lead author on [Regulation of Genetically Modified Trees](#), [Utilization of Woody Biomass for Energy](#), Committee on Forest Policy, Society of American Foresters
- Global Bioenergy Partnership participant:
- Award (Distinguished Achievement): Science Serving Society, Awarded May 2017
- Award (Service): Atmospheric Radiation Measurement (ARM): Awarded June 2021, Awarded June 2020

R&D Assistant Scientist (GS 11 comp.), Resource modeling, International trade of bioproducts 2014-2016

Supported 2 projects for assessments of sustainability and lead modeler on dedicated energy crops for BT16

- Demonstrated leadership and technical breadth as part of a small team leading modeling, visualizations, and stakeholder engagement to prepare content for the Billion Ton report, 2016.
- Secretariat (Working Group on Indirect Effects, ISO13065- Sustainability of Bioenergy): International Standards Organization | Geneva, CH; 2012-01-01 to 2015-09-30: Addressed key barriers, e.g., related to sustainability assessment methods, food security, land-use change (LUC), reference case and carbon measurement; Led final report, annotated bibliography, and 20 international webinars
- Contributed expertise in sustainability indicators to working group, [ISO](#) (The International Organization for Standardization). 2015. *13065:2015 - Sustainability criteria for bioenergy*. Paris, France: ISO.
- Lead investigator for report, “Bioenergy trade and Domestic Biomass Resource Implications”
- Contributing investigator for report, “Brief Perspectives on Expanding Advanced Energy Sources in Brazil: Part 1: Biofuels and Bioenergy” 2015. Office of intelligence and counterintelligence.
- Contributor to Brazil Bio-Energy, Science and Technology Conference - Communications, awareness, joint presentations on sustainability, food security, carbon accounting

Postmasters Research Associate (GS10 comp.)

2011–2014

Supported 2 projects for sustainability assessments of biomass for bioenergy, collaborating with Brazilian researchers on land use change assessments, bioenergy sustainability [3 Publications]

- Led 30 international webinars as Secretariat (Working Group on Indirect Effects, ISO13065- Sustainability of Bioenergy): International Standards Organization | Geneva, CH;
- US delegate to ISO13065: Working Group on Indicators of bioenergy sustainability
- International collaborations with Brazil researchers resulted in report: Comparison of Regions and Modeling of Land in the GTAP-DEPS and BLUM. Oladosu, G., M.M.R. Moreira, K. Kline, M. Davis, W. Kmura, 2014.

Research Specialist III (GS9 comp.): Institute for a Secure & Sustainable Environment,

2006-2010

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville TN, USA

Throughout my master’s education, I supported 2 projects to develop science teacher training programs [1 Pub]

- Created ORNL STEM teacher training workshops, led reports to funders and tours at ORNL
- Environmental education program created for Tennessee Valley Authority and delivered to Alcoa school

EDUCATION:

- **Data Science/Informatics** (ongoing)
 - Python, Tableau, SQL, Remote Sensing
 - Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) SAF: Enhancing the precision of broad-scale forest growing stock and stock change estimates with small area estimation (2021); Data Science for Forestry (2018)
 - University of Tennessee Agricultural Economics, 2018: International and regional trade of bioproducts
 - Disciplined Agile Scrum Master training, Project Management Institute
- **M.S., Forestry Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences, University of Tennessee, TN, USA** 2011
 - International research: Brazilian Eucalyptus, Minas Gerais Brazil (Jan-Nov, 2010)
- **B.A., Economics and Geography, University of Tennessee, TN, USA** 2007

LANGUAGES:

Portuguese (Level 3 ILR), Spanish (Level 2 ILR)

RESEARCH SKILLS:

- Bioenergy with carbon capture and storage (BECCS) & Short Rotation Woody Crops (SRWCs)
- Biomass standards & certification development
- Natural resource economics, carbon valuation, soil organic carbon (SOC) sequestration
- Data science, data archival standards & visualization,
- Python, Fortran, High Performance Computing (Linux), Git, SQL, Tableau, Power BI
- GIS/remote sensing,
- POLYSYS, SRTS

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS:

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2. Esther Parish, Virginia Dale, Maggie Davis, Rebecca Efroymson, Michael Hilliard, Henriette Jager, Keith Kline, Fei Xie. 2020. An Indicator-based Approach to Sustainable Management of Natural Resources. Chapter 14 of Data Science Applied to Sustainability Analysis. ISBN: 9780128179765. Published: 1st May 2021
3. Guntapally, K. K. Dumas, G. Prakash, R. Devarakonda, W. Darnell, M. Davis, R. Cederwall, 2021. Enabling modern data discovery for atmospheric measurements. Earth Science Informatics. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12145-021-00635-0>
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