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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

The aggressive pursuit of cutting edge research and the expansion of our partnerships, both domestic and abroad, are key elements in CE-CERT's continued growth and our expanding impact on real-world environmental solutions. Several examples of this are as follows:

This past year our efforts with the US Department of Energy (USDOE) and the US Department of Transportation (USDOT) are developing and optimizing intelligent transportation strategies, such as eco-driving and vehicle-to-grid charging. Our international efforts on marine engines have resulted in new laboratories that are measuring the impact of diesel and alternative fuels used throughout the world. Within the state, we are teaming with other UC campuses to discover how our applied research can become a substantial component in solving the University of California campus quest for achieving net zero by 2025. As a partner in the \$25 million a year USDOE funded Bio-Energy Science Center (BESC), UCR has advanced a potentially game changing technology called Co-solvent Enhanced Lignocellulosic Fractionation (CELf) for overcoming the recalcitrance of cellulosic biomass as the major barrier to low cost biological conversion into liquid transportation fuels.

Another game changing collaboration opportunity has recently unfolded with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) decision to relocate their Southern California facilities to our UCR campus. There are plans to develop an International Center for Air Pollution and Climate Change Research that would also include a world-class facility to support motor vehicle emissions standards development, implementation, and enforcement. The University of California has long been CARB's greatest partner, and we look forward to further strengthening our relationship through this move.

Our focus with CARB and other key partners is to advance our understanding of renewable energy and fuels generation, to optimize technologies to use these energy sources, and to understand the air and health impacts of their use. Our partnerships are being developed through several mechanisms:

- **Internships:** Our undergraduate and graduate students will have unique internship opportunities to work directly with CARB and other partner facilities.
- **Continuing Education:** Current staff will have the opportunity to complete graduate level coursework at UCR, addressing subjects such as air quality and climate change, as a part of their life-long learning experience. Earlier this year, SCAQMD pledged a \$1 million endowment to CE-CERT to support this effort.
- **Joint Research Programs:** UCR, CARB and other stakeholders will work to develop joint research programs, shared knowledge bases and research equipment in a number of areas that are of mutual interest. One example is the new BREATHE Center. BREATHE (Bridging Regional Ecology and Aerosolized Toxins to understand Health Effects) aims to develop multidisciplinary research projects to study the health impacts of air quality changes, such as those resulting from chronic drought, climate change, and resulting ecological change.

The success of our innovative research is credited to our students, faculty, researchers, accomplished alumni, donors and committed staff. Together, with the vision and support of campus leaders for advancing UC's mission of education, research and public service, we are embarking on an exciting era for CE-CERT, for our campus, for our state and beyond.

ABOUT CE-CERT

Distinguished by more than 50 years of high-impact research, the University of California-Riverside has become one of the leading institutions for the exploration of issues critical to growing communities at home and abroad — air, water, energy, transportation, agriculture and more. Vital to UC Riverside's research portfolio is its Bourns College of Engineering-Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) consisting of over 150 faculty, research staff, and students from science, engineering, health and business disciplines.

A large solar collector, part of a solar tower system, is shown in a desert landscape. The collector is a large, curved, metallic structure that reflects a bright beam of sunlight into the sky. The background features a clear blue sky, distant mountains, and a line of power lines. The foreground shows the desert floor with sparse vegetation.

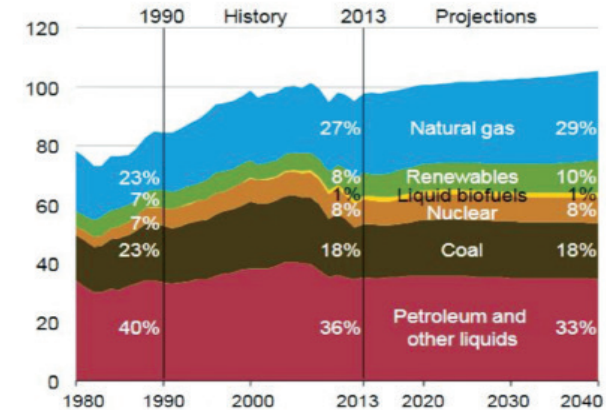
CE-CERT'S VISION

For the past 25 years, CE-CERT has served as a recognized leader in education, an honest broker in research, a creative source of innovative technology, and a strong contributor to solving societal environmental issues.

SETTING THE SCENE

The way the US obtains its energy in the future will look very different compared to today. The Department of Energy projects that use of natural gas will increase over the next twenty years, as will renewable technologies, particularly wind and solar (see figure to the right). At CE-CERT we are researching the best ways to accomplish this transition – from renewable energy generation, optimization of the technologies that use these energy sources, and studying the environmental and health implications from its use.

Creating sustainable solutions requires collaboration amongst the greatest minds and diverse input from across disciplines. CE-CERT's unique structure was created to foster these partnerships - across colleges, universities, industries and government.



Source: Department of Energy Annual Energy Outlook 2015, April 2015
<http://www.eia.gov/forecasts/aeo/pdf/0383%282015%29.pdf>

CE-CERT'S AREAS OF RESEARCH



CLEAN AIR.

Understanding how pollution sources react in the atmosphere to form toxics, ozone (smog), and particulates that impact human health



RENEWABLE FUELS.

Life-cycle analysis of renewable fuels from creating renewable fuels from landfill waste and biomass (e.g. green waste) to improving technologies that use these fuels to run efficiently and safely



SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS.

Environmentally-friendly intelligent transportation systems, eco-driving applications, and advanced vehicle integration



RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY AND SMART GRIDS.

Advanced solar energy production, energy storage, energy distribution and management



CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS.

Measuring and predicting impacts of man-made (e.g. power plants) and natural (e.g. wildfires) pollution on greenhouse gases and cloud formation



COMMERCIALIZING BIOFUELS

The Department of Energy selected UCR and commercial partner MG Fuels to receive over \$1 million in funding through its BioEnergy Technologies Office (BETO) incubator program to further develop CELF, a breakthrough biomass-to-biofuels technology that was invented at CE-CERT.

CE-CERT IS INNOVATION DRIVEN

CE-CERT is at the forefront of developing innovative technologies to advance the bioenergy field. Recently, the Aqueous Biomass Processing (ABP) group invented a groundbreaking biomass pretreatment and fractionation process called CELF (Co-solvent Enhanced Lignocellulosic Fractionation) to directly convert organic plant wastes and residues from the agricultural and forestry industry into biofuels and chemicals. CELF is a patented process that brings researchers closer to reaching the long elusive goal of producing renewable fuels and chemicals from biomass at high enough yields and low enough costs to become a viable alternative or replacement for petroleum. Originally, CELF was developed to be a cost-saving front-end technology to be integrated with

cellulosic ethanol or other advanced biofuel operations to reduce the scale-up difficulties associated with biomass processing and achieve product yields that were not possible before. Additionally, CELF could also serve as a stand-alone process to directly produce a highly combustible oil called “CELf oil” that is a direct replacement for certain petroleum oils. The CELF process was exclusively licensed by investment company CogniTek and the license was then transferred to a brand new bioenergy start-up, MG Fuels, to commercialize CELF and other breakthrough biofuel technologies. Support for the development of CELF in other bioenergy applications is provided by the Bioenergy Science Center (BESC), one of three national science centers supported by the DOE Office of Science.

PAVING A NEW PATH



**CE-CERT'S NEWEST
FACULTY MEMBER,
DR. KELLEY BARSANTI,**

is paving a new path developing mechanistic modeling improvements for the prediction of one of the most ubiquitous pollutants in our atmosphere: secondary organic particulate matter.

Kelley's groundbreaking research includes conducting measurements of organic compounds with comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatography (pictured right with Post Doctoral Researcher, Lindsay Hatch) and using process level models to follow the chemical and physical transformations of those compounds as they

evolve from gaseous emissions to particle constituents. For many of the recently measured compounds, their role in the formation of particulate matter and other pollutants, such as ozone, is as yet unknown. This year, Kelley will lead a four-year project to investigate the nighttime chemistry of biomass burning emissions; she will also collaborate with researchers from the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) and Rutgers University to improve models for biomass burning. Findings from combined projects, totaling nearly \$1 million dollars, will improve the understanding and model representation of the emissions of semi- and intermediate-volatility organic compounds from North American fires, the chemical transformations of those emissions, and the subsequent local to regional air quality and visibility impacts.





SIGI IN ACTION

Through our applied SIGI testbed, we are helping utilities, industry, and government understand the various ways they can meet their storage and production goals. For example, CE-CERT's testbed (pictured) responded immediately to our local utility's request for help to avoid a brown-out by using our real-time controls to supplement 2MWh to the grid over a 4-hour window.

CE-CERT's Multi-Standard Direct Charging Station (insert picture) can fully charge most electric vehicles (EVs) available today in under 60 minutes.

CE-CERT IS BUILDING A STRONGER CALIFORNIA ECONOMY

IMPROVING THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF OUR UTILITIES

Most of the water and waste water systems in California have developed over the last 100 years in an ad hoc fashion. For efficient, safe and reliable operation of these water systems, Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System (SCADA) upgrades are necessary for conducting real-time monitoring and control. Upgrades and modernization efforts face the challenges of integrating control equipment of various vintages along with communication barriers among different vendor protocols. CE-CERT, with \$3 million in funding from the California Energy Commission, will upgrade five wastewater systems throughout California with unique energy management and data acquisition supervisory control strategies.

These demonstrations will serve as a platform for implementation across the state that can improve efficiency while reducing peak loads and electricity costs in the delivery and treatment of water in California.

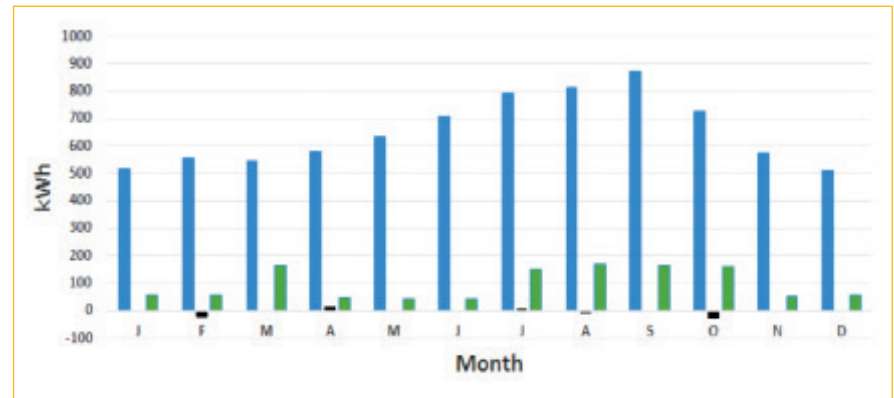
This new system will overlay and incorporate the existing SCADA system without disrupting current operations. The demonstration project will highlight a pathway for water agencies in California to reduce their peak energy consumption substantially with no detriment in service or reliability.

MEETING OUR RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION TARGETS

CALIFORNIA'S FUTURE 'SMART GRID' SYSTEM will integrate solar, wind, and other renewable electricity generation with energy storage to meet our electricity demands and to support electric transportation. The Sustainable Integrated Grid Initiative (SIGI, pictured left) at CE-CERT combines these elements so that researchers, utility personnel, regulators, and the public can evaluate and optimize a variety of smart grid configurations at full-scale.

California is requiring 33% renewable energy by 2020 and the California Public Utility Commission is also requiring the Investor Owned Utilities to acquire 1,325MW of storage by 2020. While using solar power is now commonplace, coupling solar with storage to achieve optimum economical advantages is a new area of research that requires large-scale system integration and analysis. Serving as a platform for innovative applications, CE-CERT's living laboratory demonstrates our ability to use minimal solar coupled with batteries and a research-grade smart dispatch system to create different scenarios, including a net zero building. The graph on the right shows the electricity purchased the year before and after our testbed was operational. The green bars represent the impact of adding only 5 electric vehicle chargers to our building.

Net Zero Demonstration: CE-CERT Administration Building Daily Average Electricity Usage from Grid



The blue bars represent our electricity usage before renewable smart grid was installed, the black bars (almost zero) represent after the renewable grid was operational, showing net zero operations. The green bars show the extra electricity usage from having 4 Level II and 1 Level III EV chargers connected to the building.



DID YOU KNOW?

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) specifically designed to minimize the environmental impacts of transportation (such as dynamic eco-driving research described on the opposite page) have been shown to reduce energy and emissions on the order of 10% to 20%. Current environmental-ITS research programs in the United States and the European Union are focused on developing and testing applications that take advantage of “connected vehicle” technology, which enables vehicles to communicate with each other as well as with roadway infrastructure, and vice versa. Research is needed to improve our understanding of the connection between environment, mobility, and safety performance of any ITS programs. Research is also needed to quantify the potential induced demand effects of ITS program deployment.

CE-CERT IS LEADING IN SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION

ADVANCED VEHICLE CHARGING TECHNOLOGIES

The Sustainable Integrated Grid Initiative (SIGI) is a 4 megawatt (MW) testbed that integrates solar, battery storage and electric vehicle charging into a smart micro-grid. Now that the SIGI testbed is complete, we are evaluating and demonstrating a variety of advanced charging technologies and monitoring associated vehicle activity to further demonstrate the effectiveness of Partial Electric Vehicle (PEV) deployment as part of a smart grid system. One particular project, funded by Riverside Public Utilities and South Coast Air Quality Management District, is a vehicle-to-grid (V2G) technology that can help mitigate power glitches by momentarily supplying electricity to the grid, and re-

charging when the need is less. The project involves the development of the technology in the testbed and optimizing algorithms and on-board vehicle telematics. (Pictured on opposite page.)

Enabling V2G strategies will yield a number of environmental benefits including improved power quality, greater energy flexibility, and maximization of PEV use.

“ECO-DRIVING” HELPS TRUCK DRIVERS DRIVE SMARTER

THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION (NCST) is one of five national centers funded by the US Department of Transportation’s Office of the Secretary for Research and Technology under the University Transportation Centers (UTC) program. NCST brings together six innovative universities with the goal to move the US towards a more economically, environmentally, and socially sustainable transportation system.

One of UCR’s key research programs within NCST has been to develop a variety of dynamic eco-driving techniques that show great promise to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation

sector. Dynamic eco-driving is the general concept of modifying driving behavior to reduce fuel consumption, greenhouse gases and pollutant emissions, using real-time traffic information. By driving more smoothly, choosing appropriate speeds, and minimizing sharp accelerations and decelerations, vehicle energy consumption can be significantly reduced. To date, the majority of dynamic eco-driving studies have been focused on light-duty passenger vehicles driven by typical consumers. CE-CERT is now taking what we’ve learned from light-duty applications and applying eco-driving applications to the goods movement and trucks sector.



Dynamic eco-driving research is demonstrated above with Development Engineer, Daniel Sandez



UNDERSTANDING CLIMATE IMPACTS

Black Carbon (BC) is the second largest contributor to human induced climate warming, after carbon dioxide. Ocean going vessels are thought to be a significant contributor of BC emissions. Although we are beginning to have a better understanding of how to limit these emissions, more work is planned given the paucity of data in this area.

CE-CERT IS SHAPING THE REGULATORY LANDSCAPE

RESEARCH IN THE EMISSIONS AND FUELS RESEARCH (EFR) group is a balance of projects looking to fill knowledge gaps on how things are working today and exploring pathways to sustainably-fueled systems, from lawnmowers to earthmovers. One emerging area of interest is understanding fuel and engine parameters that create emissions from marine vessels traveling through the Arctic circle that leave a trail of black carbon on the icepack. Working with California and international partners, CE-CERT conducted a number of emissions tests on a variety of ships last year, preparing for the debate on needed regulations.



The research team — UCR and Environment and Climate Change Canada (pictured left)—built and operated the test cell for a study funded by the International Council of Clean Technology (ICCT). As part of the same study, UCR also collected emissions from ships like the one pictured on the previous page, as they traveled the pacific ocean.

RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS

CE-CERT IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE the establishment of a new research center focusing on renewable methane, with the goal of addressing key challenges faced by California in achieving renewable energy and GHG emission mitigation targets. The Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Center is funded by environmental state regulators, industry and academic partners. RNG is pipeline quality gas that is fully interchangeable with fossil natural gas but is produced from a renewable feedstock and can be used as a 100% substitute for, or blended with, conventional natural gas streams. The focus of the Center, led by Dr. Arun Raju, is to demonstrate and optimize pre-commercial RNG production technologies and to address policy barriers with the goal of expediting widespread commercial RNG production and use.



The new marine test cell under construction.



**“MY EXPERIENCE AT CE-CERT
HAS BEEN VERY FRUITFUL...”**

I find myself lucky to have a supportive advisor, motivated and loyal peers as well as a remarkable staff that helps us, UCR students, accomplish what we strive to do.”

— Pedro Piqueras

CE-CERT IS EDUCATING STUDENTS THROUGH REAL-WORLD RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

PEDRO PIQUERAS – As a Ph.D. Candidate in Chemical and Environmental Engineering, Mr. Piqueras saw how pressing air pollution is on local as well as the global scale. He launched a clean air campaign, named fAIR4all, at the United Nations and had the honor of going to the California State Capitol to speak with senators and assembly members about the environmental research conducted in CE-CERT's laboratory. "CE-CERT has provided opportunities for me to grow academically and professionally. It has given me the resources to carry on with my research and to learn about its real life applications. While being here, I discovered how pressing of an

issue air pollution is on a local and global scale, and how I can add my little grain of sand to the science community to help educate citizens about its health and climate implications. I have always been encouraged and given a reason to keep pushing and do what I do for the betterment of society and the planet as a whole." Pedro's quest for improving our world continues with his newest project. Under the direction of Dr. Akua Asa-Awuku, this project will for the first time look at the real-time size and number distribution of particulate matter, including potential virus-size particles and toxics, that may be emitted during the wastewater treatment process.

CURRENT GRADUATE STUDENT

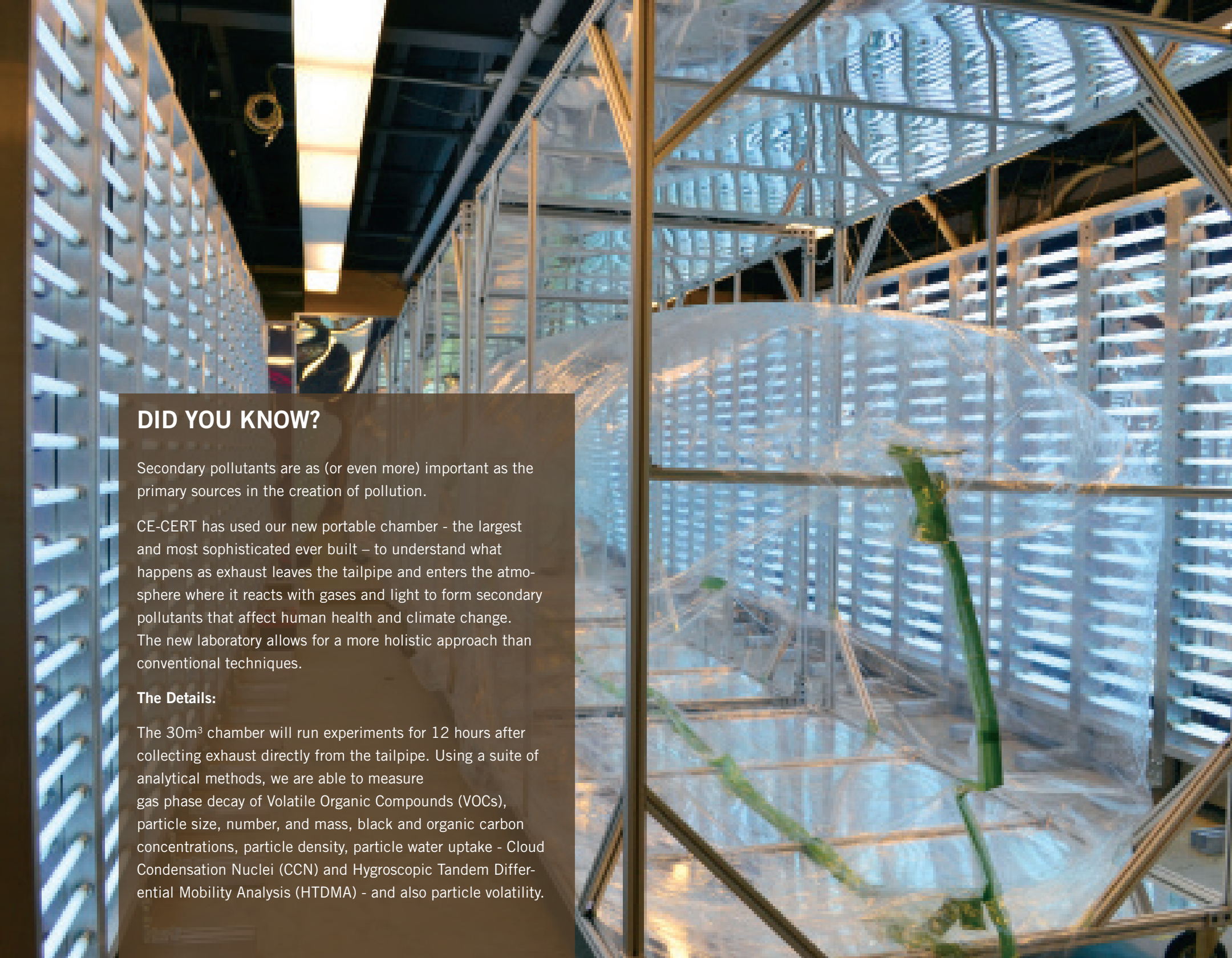


JADE (YU) JIANG is a 3rd year Ph.D. candidate who works in the Emissions and Fuel Research Group (EFR) under the direction of researchers Dr. Kent Johnson, Dr. Thomas Durbin and Professor David Cocker. Her recent projects include improving measurement methods for capturing black carbon emissions from marine going vessels, verification of the new 0.02 g NOx/bhp-hr heavy duty natural gas Cummins engine, and understanding in-use after treatment effects of newer model year on-road diesel vehicles. "The most exciting part of working at CE-CERT is the application of the engineering principles I have learned in class. Here, I have the opportunity to help conduct measurements from ship engines to alternative fueled truck engines, an experience that I would not get anywhere else as a 3rd year grad student."

POST-GRADUATE STUDENT



DANIEL SHORT graduated with his Ph.D. in Chemical and Environmental Engineering in 2014. As a student, Dr. Short worked primarily on vehicle emissions testing of current and emerging fuels and vehicle technologies in the CE-CERT laboratories, preparing him for his post-graduate career with the 4th largest refining company in the United States. His current position, Fuel Technologist at Marathon Petroleum Company (MPC), includes advising MPC on new fuel technologies and staying abreast of future fuel and engine technology trends. Dan currently serves as the Coordinating Research Council (CRC) emissions committee co-chair, the CRC life cycle analysis panel chair, and the American Petroleum Institute life-cycle analysis group chair. He has recently been appointed by the EPA administrator as the fuel producer's representative to the EPA Mobile Source Technical Review Subcommittee (MSTRS).



DID YOU KNOW?

Secondary pollutants are as (or even more) important as the primary sources in the creation of pollution.

CE-CERT has used our new portable chamber - the largest and most sophisticated ever built – to understand what happens as exhaust leaves the tailpipe and enters the atmosphere where it reacts with gases and light to form secondary pollutants that affect human health and climate change. The new laboratory allows for a more holistic approach than conventional techniques.

The Details:

The 30m³ chamber will run experiments for 12 hours after collecting exhaust directly from the tailpipe. Using a suite of analytical methods, we are able to measure gas phase decay of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), particle size, number, and mass, black and organic carbon concentrations, particle density, particle water uptake - Cloud Condensation Nuclei (CCN) and Hygroscopic Tandem Differential Mobility Analysis (HTDMA) - and also particle volatility.

CE-CERT IS ENGAGING THE PUBLIC

STUDENT HOSTED CONFERENCE – “UCCONNECT”

University of California Center on Economic Competitiveness in Transportation, <http://ucconnect.berkeley.edu/>

CE-CERT students organized the 2016 UCCONNECT conference, the first ever to be held at the University of California, Riverside in February 2016. UCCONNECT is dedicated to the proposition that economic competitiveness comes by mobilizing society in general, and the workforce in particular; and by delivering goods and services in the most efficient ways possible. Our Center recognizes that achieving these goals requires innovative ideas for reducing congestion and its associated costs.

A big thank you to the student organizing committee: David Kari, Xuewei Qi and Nigel Williams. They did an amazing job organizing and facilitating this conference!

“FREIGHT AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES POLICY FORUM”

National Sustainable Transportation Center, <http://ncst.ucdavis.edu/>

On May 12, 2015, the Center hosted a policy forum with local freight industry officials, government planning leaders, community advocates and sustainability researchers on the future of goods movement in the Inland Empire. The policy forum included four in-depth panel discussions relating to economic and job prospects, traffic impacts, pollution and environmental impacts and land use planning. “As freight transportation continues to grow, it will play an increasing role in shaping the economy, the environment, and our communities,” said Matthew Barth, director of CE-CERT. “This forum is designed to engage industry, community and regulators to illuminate where research can help identify how we can enhance livability in the Inland Empire without impeding the growing goods movement.”

IN-USE EMISSION MEASUREMENTS

THE 2016 PORTABLE EMISSION MEASUREMENT SYSTEM (PEMS) CONFERENCE on March 17th and 18th was attended by 200 people from over 50 different companies, agencies and institutions representing 10 countries from around the world.

PEMS are a key resource in identifying real-world emissions, which don't always agree with laboratory results. PEMS systems are revolutionizing how we measure, report and enforce emissions and fuel economy standards from many sources. The presentations provided a comprehensive discussion on PEMS: regulatory development and trends; approaches for measuring in-use PM; current and future research developments; and development of new instrumentation for in-use testing. This year, Professor David Cocker taught a short course on the formation of secondary particulate tailpipe emissions, measured with PEMS instruments such as the chamber (pictured on the opposite page).



In addition to hosting conferences and policy forums, donor contributions allow CE-CERT to teach hundreds of junior and high school students and their teachers each year the real-world applications of STEM subjects, such as how to create a dye sensitized solar cells from berry juice.



FULLY ELECTRIC TROLLEY

CE-CERT's 32-passenger trolley is powered by a 155kWh battery pack. This trolley was fully converted from a diesel engine, as part of the Sustainable Integrated Grid Initiative (SIGI).

OUR DONORS ARE MAKING AN IMPACT

CE-CERT'S long standing commitment to outreach is connecting people with life-changing learning experiences in STEM fields.

CE-CERT has a long-standing commitment to outreach as part of the three-pronged mission of the university. The applied nature of our research helps connect people with real world applications and to provide insight into future careers in science and mathematics. As the US now trails in the amount of science and engineering degrees offered internationally, there is no better time to improve the participation and performance of younger students in STEM. Equipping young students with the inspiration, initiative and curiosity to pursue STEM fields is a top priority.

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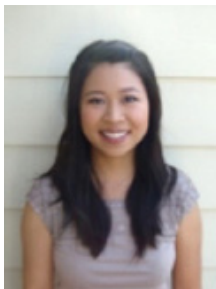
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DIEP VU a two-time recipient of the fellowships offered here at CE-CERT and UCR; the Esther Hays Fellowship in 2014-2015 and the UCCONNECT Fellowship in 2015-2016. With these fellowships she was able to study the relationship between aerosols from different anthropogenic and biogenic sources and their ability to modify the microphysical properties of clouds.

Dr. Vu is now research engineer for Ford Motor Company (Vehicle Emissions Research Laboratory at the Research and Innovation Center) in Dearborn, Michigan.

“The guidance and support of the faculty and donors, in conjunction with the collaborative environment at CE-CERT, provided me with the opportunity to pursue and achieve my research goals.”



**CE-CERT celebrating the Bourns College
of Engineering's 25th Anniversary (pic-
tured left) on May 16, 2015.**

From left, top: Kathy Vang, Kiran Jayaram, Kent
Johnson, Wayne Miller, Maryam Hajbabaei, Seye-
dehsan (Eshan) Hosseini, and William (Bill) Welch

From left, bottom: Varalaskshmi (Lakshmi) Ja-
yaram, Mohammad (Yusuf) Khan, Nicholas Gysel
and Chi Scheel



WHO'S WHO?

2015 CE-CERT FACULTY & RESEARCH MEMBERS


Akua Asa-Awuku	Kelley Barsanti
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Kevin Duc Harvard	Yun Tsai
Kyle Daly	

An aerial photograph of a university campus, likely the University of California, San Diego. The image shows a dense cluster of modern academic buildings with various architectural styles, interspersed with lush green trees. In the background, a vast cityscape stretches out towards a range of mountains, some of which are covered in snow. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. A semi-transparent dark green rectangular box is positioned in the lower-left quadrant of the image, containing a quote and its attribution.

**“THE SCIENCE OF TODAY
IS THE TECHNOLOGY OF TOMORROW.”**

— Edward Teller

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