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Section I: Documentation of Support for Education

Students contributing to and receiving support from DOE-funded Methane Hydrate projects: 2000-2007.

Alaska, Anchorage, The University of (in conjunction with the Maurer/Anadarko project)

- Porhola, Stan, B.S.
- Ross, Zulimacristina, M.S.

Alaska, Fairbanks, The University of (in conjunction with the BP-Alaska project)

- Bhangale, Amit, M.S., 2007, Modeling
- Howe, Steven, M.S., 2004, Modeling and Economics
- Jaiswal, Namit, M.S., 2004, Petroleum Engineering
- Kulkarni, Abhijeet, Ph.D., 2005
- Phale, Hemant, M.S., 2006
- Stone, Chris, M.S., 2006
- Tsunemori, Phillip, B.S., 2005
- Vajjha, Pavan, M.S., 2005
- Westervelt, Jason, M.S., 2004, Geology
- White, Aaron, M.S., 2003
- Singh, Praveen, M.S., in progress
- Kerkar, Prasad, M.S., 2005
- Banerjee, Sudiptya, M.S., 2005

Arizona, The University of (in conjunction with the BP-Alaska project)

- Arca, M. Serkan, Ph.D., in progress, Geophysics
- Barker, Margaret, B.S., in progress
- Gandler, Greg, B.S., 2004
- Geauner, Scott, M.S., in progress
- Hennes, Andrew, M.S., 2004, Structural Geology
- Hagbo, Casey, M.S., 2003, Geophysics
- Manuel, Justin, M.S., 2006, Geophysics
- Peyton, Lynn, Ph.D., in progress, Geophysics
- Zhoa, Bo, M.S., 2003, Geophysics

Baylor University (seafloor electrical resistivity project)

• Amidu, Sikiru, Ph.D., in progress, Geophysics

California – Berkeley, University of (in association with LBNL)

- Elsen, Heather, Ph.D., in progress, Chemistry
- Kowalsky, Michael, Ph.D., 2003
- Pruess, Jacob, B.S., Chemical Engineering
- Wu, Gordon, B.S., in progress, Molecular and Cellular Biology
- Holzman, Ran, Ph.D. Engineering, in progress, AGU Student award

California – Santa Barbara, University of (NETL Methane Hydrate Research Fellow)

• Heintz, Monica, Ph.D., in progress, Earth Science

Carnegie-Mellon University (in association with NETL/ORD)

• Howard, Kris, B.S., 2002, Chemical Engineering

Clarkson University (hydrate model development project)

- Ji, Chuang, M.S., 2001
- White, Tim, M.S., 2003

Columbia University (in association with the GoM JIP)

- Cook, Ann, Ph.D., in progress, Geophysics
- Grabias, Bryan, B.S., in progress, Chemical Engineering (summer intern)

Colorado School of Mines (in association with LBNL)

- Gupta, Arvind, Ph.D., in progress
- Walsh, Matt, Ph.D., in progress, Chemical Engineering
- Peters, David, M.S., 2001

Colorado State University

• Bolton, Robert, B.S., in progress, Biology

Duquesne University (in association with NETL/ORD)

- Thomas, Dick, Ph.D., in progress, Chemistry
- Thomas, Laura, B.S., 2005, Chemistry

Florida State University (in association with CMRET project)

• Peeler, Kelly, M.S., in progress

Georgia Institute of Technology (in association with GoM JIP)

- Francisca, Franco, Post-doctoral, 2002-2004
- Lee, Changho, Post-doctoral, 2008
- Lee, Jong-Sub, Post-doctoral, 2004-2005
- Lee, Joo-Yong, Ph.D., 2007
- Martin, Ana Isabel, M.S., 2004
- Narsilio, Guillermo, Ph.D., 2005
- Yun, Tae-Sup, Ph.D., 2005, Post-doctoral until August 2007

Georgia Institute of Technology (in association with the CMRET project)

- Dobbs, Gary, Ph.D., in progress, Chemistry
- Hvozdara, L., Post-doctoral 2001-2002, Chemistry
- Janotta, Markus, Ph.D., 2003, Chemistry
- Pennington, Neil, M.S., 2003, Chemistry
- Vogt, Frank, Post-doctoral 2002-2003, Chemistry

Georgia Institute of Technology (DOE Contract DE-FC26-06NT42963: Methane Recovery from Hydrate-bearing Sediments)

- Jung, Jongwon, Ph.D., in progress
- Taboada-Serrano, Patricia, Post-doctorate
- Yun, Tae-Sup, Ph.D., 2005, Post-doctoral
- Jang, Jaewon, Ph.D., in progress
- Espinoza, Nicolas, Ph.D., in progress
- Shin, Hosung, Ph.D., in progress

Houston, University of (in association with the Westport project)

- Nanchary, Narender, M.S., 2003, Chemical Engineering
- Ogunlana, Damilola, Post-doctoral, Chemical Engineering
- Pitchumani, Ramanan, Post-doctoral, Chemical Engineering
- Sun, Xuefei, Ph.D., 2005, Chemical Engineering
- Phirani, Jyoti, Ph.D. in progress, Chemical Engineering

Idaho, University of

• Boyd, Stephanie, M.S., 2004, Environmental Science

Louisiana State University (in association with CMRET project)

• Hackworth, Matt, Ph.D., in progress.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

- Jain, Antone, M.S./Ph.D., in progress, Groundwater Hydrology
- MacMinn, Christopher, Ph.D., in progress, Mechanical Engineering

Mississippi, University of (in association with CMRET project)

- Giacomini, Laura, Ph.D., in progress, visiting scholar, Geology
- Geresi, Erika, visiting scholar, Geophysics
- Grover, Tarun, M.S., 2004
- Hodges, Tyler, M.S. 2003
- Kumar, Viren, M.S., 2003
- Macelloni, Leonardo, visiting scholar, Geophysics
- Strack, Emily, M.S., in progress, Geological Engineering

Mississippi State University (in association with CMRET project)

- Dearman, Jennifer, Ph.D., in progress, Microbiology
- Kothapalli, Chandra, M.S., 2002, Chemical Engineering
- Lee, May Shia, M.S., 2001, Chemical Engineering
- Woods, Charles, M.S., 2004, Chemical Engineering
- Zhang, Guochang, Post-doctoral, Microbiology

North Carolina, Chapel Hill, The University of (in association with CMRET project)

• Lapham, Laura, Ph.D., in progress

Oklahoma, University of (in association with Maurer Hot Ice project)

- Chikyala, Vikramaditya, M.S.
- Raghunathan, Ravi, Ph.D.
- Tran, Tung, Ph.D., in progress, Chemical Engineering

Oregon StateUniversity (in association with Idaho National Laboratory)

- Biggs, Brandon, Ph.D., in progress, Interdisciplinary Studies (COAS)
- Carini, Paul, Ph.D., in progress, (summer lab assistant)

Pennsylvania State University, The (in association with NETL/ORD)

• Lekse, Jonathan, B.S., 2004, Chemistry

Pittsburgh, University of (in association with NETL/ORD)

• Rosenbaum, Eilis, M.S., 2004, Chemistry, (now supporting NETL R&D w/ Parsons)

Prairie View A&M University

- Tambe, Jacob, M.S. Engineering, withdrew.
- Williams, Meeckral, B.S. Chem. Eng., graduated 2008.
- Cox, Jarvus, B.S. Electrical Eng., graduated 2008.
- Harrison, Latoya, B.S. Chem. Eng., in progress.
- Jones, Ashley M., B.S. Computer Eng. Tech., in progress.

Princeton University (in association with LBNL)

• Reiter, Paul, B.S., 2005

Rice University (in association with the Chevron JIP)

- Bhatnagar, Gauray, Ph.D. 2008, Chemical Engineering (now with Shell Oil Co.)
- Hubbard, L. Ashley, M.S. Earth Science, 2008
- O'Hayer, Walter, M.S. Earth Science, expected 2009
- Daigle, Hugh, Ph.D. Earth Science, in progress
- Stigall, Justin, M.S., Earth Science, in progress
- Jaiswal, Preyank, Ph.D, post-doc 2008
- Gu, Guangsheng, Ph.D. in progress, Chemical Engineering
- Chatterjee, Sayantan, Ph.D. in progress, Chemical Engineering
- Phirani, Jyoti, Ph.D. in progress, Chemical Engineering
- Hustoft, Steinar, visiting Ph.D. student 2008, University of Tromso, Norway

San Diego State University (in association with the Chevron JIP)

• Lindemann, Christie, M.S., 2005

Scripps Institute of Oceanography (*Scripps monitoring project, Chevron JIP* and others*)

- Fenwick, Rebecca, Ph.D., in progress, Geosciences Division*
- Hangsterfer, Alexandra, Ph.D., in progress, Chemical Oceanography*
- Solomon, Evan, Ph.D., Marine Geochemistry-Geosciences*
- Solem, Christian, M.S., Marine Geochemistry
- Yishai Weinstein, Post-doctoral Fellow

Southern Mississippi, University of (in association with CMRET project)

- Johnson, Jeff, M.S., in progress, Engineering
- Martin, Kevin, M.S., in progress, Engineering

Stanford University

- Bandyopadhyay, Kaushik, Ph.D., Seismic and Numerical modeling
- Sain, Ratnanabha, Ph.D., Seismic and Numerical modeling

Stony Brook University, New York (in association with BNL)

- Altraide, Ibibia, M.S., 2006, Materials Science
- Eaton, Michael, Ph.D., 2007.
- Fraczak, Timothy, B.E., in progress
- Horvat, Christine, B.S., in progress, Chemical and Molecular Engineering (also partially supported with DOE Office of Science Summer SULI program)
- Kaur, Harsimran, B.S., 2007, Chemical and Molecular Engineering
- Kerkar, Prasad, Ph.D., in progress, (also supported in MS program at UA-Fairbanks)
- Shi, Xai, B. 2007, Chemical and Molecular Engineering

Texas A&M University (several projects)

- De Beaukelaer, Sophie, M.S.
- Grover, Tarun, Ph.D., expected August 2008, Petroleum Engineering
- Milkov, Alexi, Ph.D., and Post-Doctoral Researcher, Geochemistry
- Ozgul, Ercin, M.S., 2002, Geochemistry
- Vardaro, Michael, M.S., Geophysics

University of Texas, Austin

- Alkin, Engin, M.S., in progress, Geophysics
- Christianson, Pete, B.S. in progress, Geophysics
- Hernandez, Jamie, M.S., in progress, Geophysics
- Behseresht, Javad, M.S. in progress, Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering
- Peng, Yao, PhD in progress, Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering
- Prodanović, Maša, Post-doctoral in progress, Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering

William and Mary, The College of (in association with the Naval Research Laboratory)

• Pohlman, J. W., Ph.D., 2007, Geochemistry

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (in association with CMRET project* and other)

- Cook, Mea, Post-doctoral, in progress
- Camilli, Rich, Post-doctoral, in progress*
- Pizzaro, Oscar, Post-doctoral, in progress*

Wyoming, The University of (in association with the Blake Ridge OBC seismic project)

- Gorman, Andrew, Ph.D., 2003, Geophysics
- Hornbach, Matt, Ph.D., 2004, Geophysics
- Nealon, Jeffrey, Ph.D., in progress, Geophysics

ADDITIONAL POST-DEGREE ASSIGNMENTS AT NATIONAL LABS

Brookhaven National Laboratory

- Servio, Philip, 2003
- Eaton, Michael, 2006, doctoral student
- Kerkar, Prasad, 2006, doctoral student

Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory

- Reiter, Paul, 2005
- Walsh, Matthew, Ph.D., in progress, Colorado School of Mines, Experimental hydrology and geomechanics
- Gupta, Arvind, Ph.D., 2007, Colorado School of Mines, Experimental hydrology
- Moridis, Nefeli, underdraduate, University of Texas, Data reduction
- Grover, Tarun, Ph.D., expected August 2008, Petroleum Engineering
- Boulis, Anastassios, M.S., in progress

National Energy Technology Lab

- Hao, Jan, in progress
- Link, Dirk, 2001
- Shofield, Daniel, in progress

Oak Ridge National Lab

- Jones, Camille, 2000, Materials Science
- Marshall, Simon, 2000-2001, Materials Science
- McCallum, Scott, M.S., post-M.S., 2003, Geology
- Peters, Philip
- Reistenberg, Dave, post-M.S., 2002-2005
- Szymick, Phillip, post-M.S., 2005-2007, Geology
- Ulrich, Shannon, post B.S., 2006-2007
- Zatsepina, Olga, 2003
- Taboada-Serrano, Patricia, in progress, post-doctoral

U.S. Geological Survey

- Dugan, Brandon, 2003-2004 [USGS Mendenhall postdoc]
- Pohlman, John, 2007-2009 [USGS Mendenhall postdoc]

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- Lapham, L., J. Chanton, C. Martens, H. Scheafer, R. Chapman, and J. Puhlman, 2003, Innovations in Sampling Pore Fluids From Deep-Sea Hydrate Sites, San Francisco, CA, EOS, Transaction, American Geophysical Union, Volume 84, Fall Meeting Supplement, Abstract OS52D-05, December 8-12.
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- Lapham, L., J. Chanton, C. Martens, J. Pohlman, and R. Chapman, 2005, In-situ light hydrocarbon concentrations and stable carbon isotope values in hydrate-bearing sediments of Cascadia Margin, Vancouver Island, Vienna, Austria, Second General Assembly European Geosciences Union, April 24-29.
- Lapham, L., J. Chanton, C. Martens, P. Higley, H. Jannasch, J. Woolsey, and K. Sleeper, 2007, Biogeochemical sensors: design and applications of the Pore Fluid Array for the Mississippi Canyon 118 Gas Hydrate Seafloor Observatory, Oxford, MS, Mid-South Area Engineering and Sciences Conference, University of Mississippi, May 17-18.
- Lapham, L., J. Chanton, C. Martens, P. Higley, H. Jannasch and J. Woolsey, 2007, Monitoring long term hydrate stability: in situ methane and the Pore Fluid Array (PFA), Oxford, MS, Gulf of Mexico Hydrates Research Consortium Annual Meeting.
- Lapham, L., 2007, *In situ* measurements of methane cycling in cold seep sediments containing gas hydrates and brines. Ph.D. Thesis, University of North Carolina.
- Lapham, L., J. Chanton, C. Martens, K. Sleeper and J. Robert Woolsey, 2008, "Microbial activity in surficial sediments overlying acoustic wipeout zones at a Gulf of Mexico cold seep," *Geochemistry, Geophysics, Geosystems*, Volume 9, No. 6, June 4.
- Solomon, E., M. Kastner, H. Jannasch, Y. Weinstein, G. Robertson, and A. Aubrey, 2004, Long-term continuous monitoring of fluid chemistry and flux at the Bush Hill gas hydrate field, Gulf of Mexico, using a new flowmeter, the MOSQUITO, American Geophysical Union, Fall Meeting, December 13-17.
- Solomon, E., M. Kastner, H. Jannasch, Y. Weinstein, and G. Robertson, 2005, Insights into the dynamics of in situ gas hydrate formation and dissociation at Bush Hill gas hydrate field, Gulf of Mexico, Trondheim, Norway, *Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference of Gas Hydrates*, Volume 3, p. 947-953.
- Solomon, E. A.; Spivack, A. J.; Kastner, M., Torres, M.; Borole, D. V.; Robertson, G.; Das, H. C., 2008. Hydrogeochemical and Structural Controls on Heterogeneous Gas Hydrate Distribution in the K-G Basin Offshore SE India. Proceedings of the 6th International Conference on Gas Hydrates (ICGH 2008), Vancouver, British Columbia, CANADA, July 6-10, 2008.

Section II: Publications Related to the Program's Major Field Projects

With private companies, state and local governments, universities, and research institutions

Gulf of Mexico Gas Hydrates Joint Industry Project (DE-FC26-01NT41330)

Chevron, ConocoPhillips, Halliburton Energy Services, Japan National Oil Co., Reliance Industries, Schlumberger Oilfield Services, Total, Georgia Institute of Technology, Minerals Management Service, Naval Research Lab, Scripps Institute of Oceanography, United States Geological Survey

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Coffin, R., L. Hamdan, R. Plummer, J. Smith, J. Gardner, R. Hagen, W. Wood, in press, "Analysis of Methane and Sulfate Flux in Methane-Charged Sediments from the Mississippi Canyon, Gulf of Mexico," *Marine and Petroleum Geology*, vol. 25, doi:10.1016/j.marpetgeo.2008.01.014.
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- Cooper, A., and P. Hart, 2003, High-resolution seismic-reflection investigation of the northern Gulf of Mexico gas-hydrate-stability zone, *Marine and Petroleum Geology*, Volume 19, p. 1275-1293.
- Dai, J., H. Xu, F. Snyder, and N. Dutta, 2004, Detection and estimation of gas hydrates using rock physics and seismic inversion: Examples from the northern deepwater Gulf of Mexico, *in* Taylor, C., and J. Kwan, eds., *Advances in the study of gas hydrates*, Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishers, p.117-139.
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- Francisca, F., J. Santamarina, and C. Ruppel, 2003, Gas hydrate in porous sediments, Experimental evidence for interparticle cementation, *Geophysical Research Letters*.
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- Hutchinson, D., P.E. Hart, C.D. Ruppel, F. Snyder, and B. Dugan, Seismic and thermal characterization of a bottom simulating reflector in the Northern Gulf of Mexico, in: T.S. Collett, A. Johnson, C. Knapp, and R. Boswell (Eds.), *Natural Gas Hydrates: Energy Reources and Potential and Associated Geologic Hazards*. AAPG Special Publication, in press, 2008.
- Hutchinson, D.R., Shelander, D., Dai, J., McConnell, D., Shedd, W., Frye, M, Ruppel, C., Boswell, R., Jones, E., Collett, T., Rose, K., Dugan, B., Wood, W., and Latham, T., in press, Site Selection for DOE/JIPGas Hydrate Drilling in the Northern Gulf of Mexico: Sixth International Conference on Gas Hydrates, Vancouver, BC., 7-10 July, 2008
- Hutchinson, D., C. Ruppel, H. Roberts, R. Carney, and M. Smith, 2005, in press, Gas hydrates in the Gulf of Mexico, *in* Holmes, C., <u>ed</u>., *Gulf of Mexico—Its Origin (History, Archaeology, and Geology)*, Volume 1, Texas A&M University Press.
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