

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

- Ph.D. (Agronomy and Soil Science), Cornell University, 1989
- M.Sc. (Agronomy and Soil Science), Cornell University, 1986

Academic Positions:

- Distinguished Professor, Associate and Assistant Professor of Soil Microbiology and Microbial Ecology, Department of Land, Air and Water Resources, University of California, Davis. 1989-2021
- Director of the Russell Ranch Sustainable Agricultural Facility: home of the Long Term Research on Agricultural Sustainability Experiment (<http://asi.ucdavis.edu/rr>) 2008-2020
- Chair of the International Agricultural Development Graduate Group 2012-2022

Research Interests:

- Biodiversity of carbon and nitrogen cycling organisms in soils under different farming management systems.
- Relationships between soil health and soil biodiversity and human health
- Biodegradation and bioremediation of contaminants in groundwater and soil systems.
- Impact of biochar on nutrient cycling and contaminant fate

Honors: National Academy of Sciences (2022); National Academy of Engineering (2022); Fellow Soil Science Society of America

Selected Publications:

Total >290 international peer-reviewed papers, book chapters; 2 edited books.

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- Tautges, N. and Scow, K., 2020. Pursuing agroecosystem resilience in a long-term Mediterranean agricultural experiment. In *Long-Term Farming Systems Research* (pp. 53-69). Academic Press.
- Wang, D., Felice, M.L. and Scow, K.M., 2020. Impacts and interactions of biochar and biosolids on agricultural soil microbial communities during dry and wet-dry cycles. *Applied Soil Ecology*, 152, p.103570.
- Dynarski, K.A., Bossio, D.A. and Scow, K.M., 2020. Dynamic Stability of Soil Carbon: Reassessing the "Permanence" of Soil Carbon Sequestration. *Frontiers in Environmental Science*.
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