

Yale Geology & Geophysics Alumni Reunion Nov 6-9, 2009







Our Reunion Chair: Elisabeth Vrba

Indispensible: G&G Chair's Assistant: Becky Pocock





















Sort of New faculty (2000-2004)















Very new faculty (2007-2010)



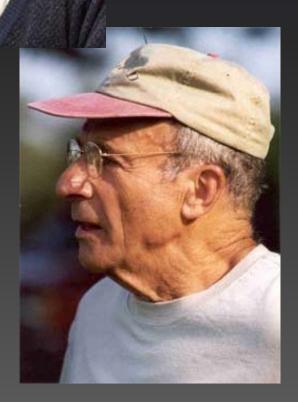




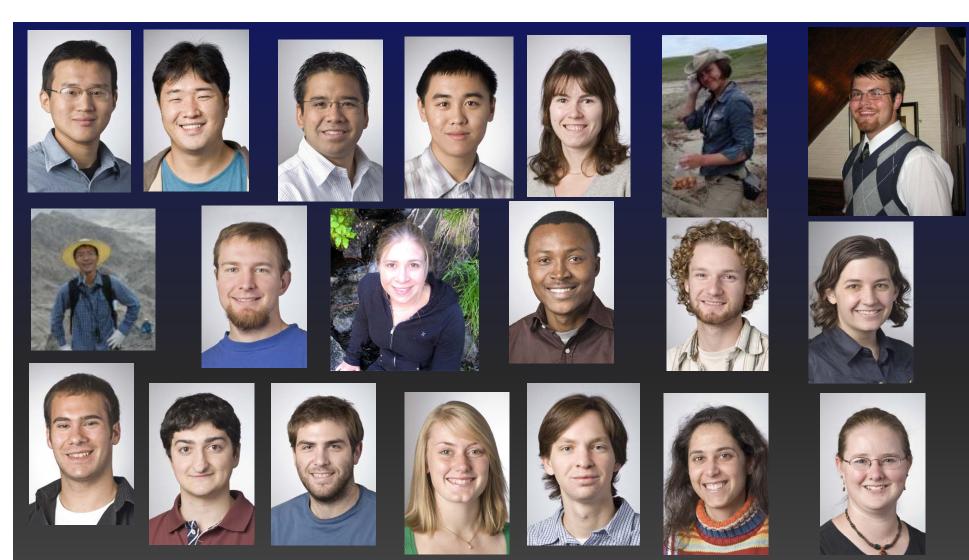
# **Newly minted Full Professors**



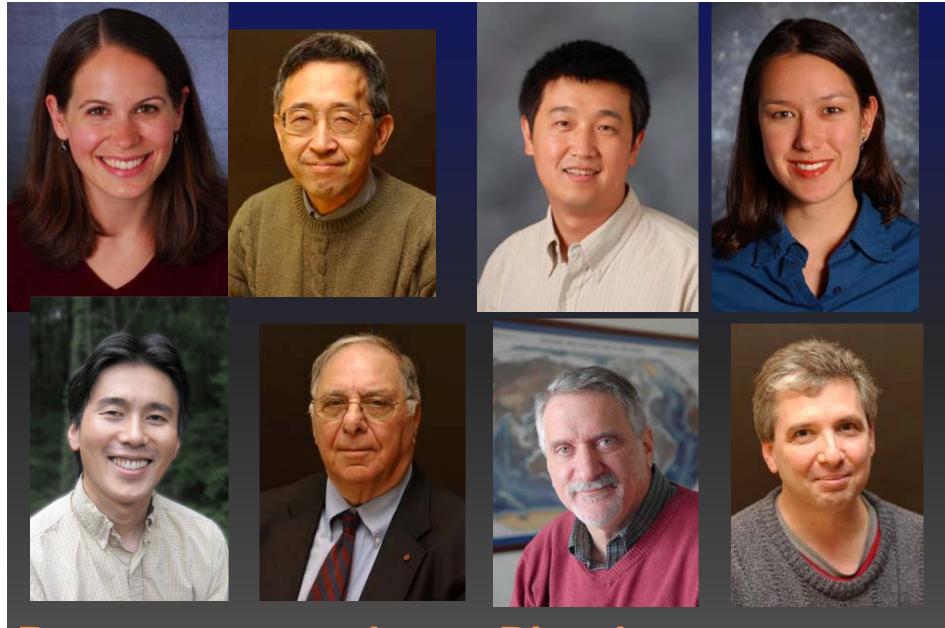








Successes in graduate recruiting Example: 2008 entering class: 20 in one year



Recent expansions: Physics & Chemistry of the Earth's Deep Interior



#### Atmosphere, ocean, and climate physics

### Recent expansions

Atmosphere, ocean geochemistry, and paleoclimate













R.K. Pachauri, YCEI Director



economics



Molecular biochemistry



anthropology



chemistry

# **YCEI Yale Climate & Energy Instiute**



law



engineering





Public health



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hydrology

## Yale Participating Units

- Faculty of Arts & Sciences
- Geology & Geophysics
- Chemistry
- Molecular Biophysics & Biochemistry
- Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
- Economics
- Political Science
- Anthropology
- Sociology
- Astronomy
- Physics

- School of Forestry & Environmental Studies
- School of Engineering & Applied Science
  - Mechanical Engineering
  - Chemical Engineering
- School of Epidemiology & Public Health
- School of Law
- School of Management
- School of Medicine
- School of Architecture

School of Engineering and Applied Science	Derek Briggs	James Salers
Lisa Pfefferle	Jeffery Park	Shimon Anisfeld
Marshall Long	Mark Brandon	Mark Ashton
Abbas Firoozabadi	Jacques Gauthier	Micheile L. Bell
Paul Fleury	David Bercovici	Graeme P. Berlyn
Menachem Elimelech	Leo Hickey	Ellen Brennan-Galvin
Kyle Vanderlick	Danny Rye	Marian Chertow
Daniel Rosner	David Evans	Lisa Curran
Mitchell Smooke	Brian Skinner	Oswald J. Schmitz
Robert Grober	Ruth Blake	Mary Evelyn Tucker
Alessandro Gomez	George Veronis	William Ellis
William Mitch	Chemistry	Bradford S. Gentry
Julie Zimmerman	Gary Brudvig	John Grim
Joseph Pignatello	Paul Anastas	Alan Brewster
Jordan Peccia	Robert Crabtree	Robert Repetto
Robert McGraw	Mark Johnson	Florencia Montagnini
Yehia Khaliliuan	Victor Batista	Anthony Leiserowitz
De La Mora	John Tully	Stephen R. Kellert
Phyliscs	Charles Schmuttenmaer	Lloyd C. Irland
Meg Urry	EEB	Arnulf Grubler
Tom Appelquist	Michael Donaghue	Tim Gregoire
Sean Barrett	Gunter Wagner	Gus Speth
Richard Easther	David Post	Fred Strebeigh
Jack Harris	Melinda Smith	Michael Dove
Andreas Heinz	David Skelly	John Wargo
Simon Mochrie	Paul Turner	Kalyanakrishnan Sivaramakrishnan
Peter Parker	Jeffrey R. Poweil	Epidemiology and Public Health
Voiker Werner	Astronomy	Durland Fish
Yoram Alhassid	Sabatino Sofia	James Childs
G&G	Jeffrey Kenney	Ted Holford
Ronaid Smith	Sarbani Basu	Yongtao Guan
John Wettlaufer	Pierre Demarque	Maria Diuk-Wasser
Hagit Affek	Law	Alison Galvani
Karl Turekian	Daniel Esty	Department of Near Eastern Languages and
Mark Pagani	FES	Civilizations
Steven Sherwood	Peter Raymond	Harvey Weiss
Alexey Fedorov	Robert Mendelsohn	Anthropology
Elisabeth Vrba	Xuhui Lee	Richard Briblescas
Zhengrong Wang	Rob Bailis	Office of Sustainability
Edward Bolton	Tom Graedel	Julie Newman
		MBB
		Scott Strobel

## **Funded Workshops**

- Incorporating Black Carbon Mitigation in Developing Countries into the International Climate Regime: Bringing Together Science, Policy and Implementation.
- The Impacts of Abrupt Climate Changes on Human Societies: Past and Future.
- Host, Vector, and Pathogen Responses to Climate Change.
- From process to proxy the mechanisms behind paleotemperature assessments.

## Funded Interdisciplinary Grants

- 1. Experimental studies of thermodynamics, kinetics and mechanics of carbonation of ultramafic rocks for CO<sub>2</sub> storage and the economic evaluat ion of their applications.
- 1. Late Holocene Paleoclimate Reconstruction and Long-Term Human Response in the Region of Timbuktu, Mali (West Africa): Interdisciplinary collaboration in the study of Lake Faguibine and the drought-afflicted populations.
- 1. Developing and Marketing Improved Cook-Stoves for Rural Bangladesh.
- 1. Global warming impacts on CT salt marshes ecosystems and consequent effects on salt marsh vulnerability to sea level rise.
- Land surface properties, regional climate feedbacks and urban adaptations.
- 1. Metabolic Flux Analysis for the Biosynthesis of Fuel Hydrocarbons.

#### **Other Activities**

- YCEI Seminar Series
- YCEI co-sponsoring COP15 side event
  - University-City collaboration on climate response
- YCEI Clean Energy Conference, April 23, 2010
- YCEI Postdoctoral Fellowships
- YCEI Student Congress

# Future Directions - Geology & Geophysics

#### Evolution of Earth's crust and surface

- tectonics, structural geology,
- stratigraphy, geochronology
- Tectonics in deep time
- Surface-climate interactions

#### Exchange between Earth's crust, surface and atmosphere:

- petrology, volcanology, sedimentology,
- natural resources,
- volatile exchange,
- carbon cycle, carbon sequestration.

#### The Biosphere and History of Life:

- Palentology and geomicrobiology,
- Deep time micropaleontology;
- Co-evolution of Earth and life;
- Interaction of life with solid Earth, ocean, atmospheres, and climate.