

## Air Quality Component--introduction

Bioaerosols, list compounds, emission factors move to processed based models

Recognize that system studies need to be conducted...

Information that certain management practices or technologies will be used as the basis for making sound decisions about environmental benefits, such as carbon credits.

Making sound decisions on reducing the impact of livestock production on the environment, improving sustainability by reducing the carbon footprint, and improving air quality.

## Problem Areas

### 1. Measure concentrations and quantify emissions

#### Objectives

a. Develop appropriate methods and protocols to measure concentrations and emissions from animal agriculture (Dungan & Leytem)

Todd, Cole—Bushland—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—Beef cattle, Dairy

Dungan, Leytem—Kimberly—endotoxins, bioaerosols, NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG, VOC—dairy

Trabue—Ames—VOC, Reduced S, PM—swine, poultry

Spies—Clay Center—GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S—beef cattle

Moore—Fayetteville—NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry

Ro—Florence—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry, swine

Miles—Mississippi State—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry

Silva, Loughrin—Bowling Green—PM, VOC—poultry, swine

b. Determine emission factors from various production practices (Dungan & Leytem)

Animal units, field application, etc

Todd, Cole—Bushland—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—Beef cattle, Dairy

Dungan, Leytem—Kimberly—endotoxins, NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG, VOC—dairy

Trabue—Ames—VOC, Reduced S, PM—swine, poultry

Spies, Varel—Clay Center—GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S—beef cattle

Moore—Fayetteville—NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry

Ro—Florence—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry, swine

Miles—Mississippi State—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry

#### Anticipated Products

- Scientifically sound methods for the research community to accurately measure airborne compounds
- Quantify spatial and temporal variations in emissions for commodity groups and other government agencies
- Special ARS session on emission factors for future EPA emissions conferences.
- Publications and fact sheets on the state of science of emission factors for delivery to stakeholders (extension, producers, action agencies, commodity groups, and industry personnel)

### 2. Develop and test abatement technologies and improved management practices

a. Evaluate impact of diet modification on emissions (Kerr)

Miller—Lincoln—H<sub>2</sub>S, VOC—beef

Todd, Cole—Bushland—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—Beef cattle  
Moore—Fayetteville—NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry  
Spies, Woodbury—Clay Center—GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S—beef cattle  
Kerr, Trabue—Ames—NH<sub>3</sub>, VOC, Reduced S—swine

b. Evaluate impact of animal/facilities management on emissions (Miles)

Kerr, Trabue—Ames—NH<sub>3</sub>, VOC, Reduced S—swine  
Miles, Brooks—Mississippi State—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG, bioaerosols—poultry  
Moore—Fayetteville—PM, endotoxin, NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry, swine  
Woodbury—Clay Center—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—beef  
Vanotti, Szogi, Ro—Florence—NH<sub>3</sub>—swine, poultry

c. Evaluate impact of manure handling, storage, & treatment on emissions (Szogi)

Vanotti, Szogi—Florence—NH<sub>3</sub>—swine, poultry  
Todd, Cole—Bushland—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—Beef cattle  
Miller—Lincoln—GHG—Beef cattle  
Moore—Fayetteville—NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry, swine  
Whitehead, Cotta—Peoria—microbes, H<sub>2</sub>S, GHG—swine  
Miles—Mississippi State—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry  
Dungan, Leytem—Kimberly—bioaerosols, NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG, VOC—dairy  
Varel—Clay Center—VOC, NH<sub>3</sub>, microbes, GHG—beef, swine  
Loughrin, Lovan—Bowling Green—VOC, GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>—swine, poultry

d. Evaluate impact of land application on emissions (Watts)

Watts—Auburn--GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry  
Miles—Mississippi State—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry  
Sistani, Lovan—Bowling Green—GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>—swine  
Pote, Moore—Fayetteville & Booneville—NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry  
Mooreman—Ames—microbes—swine  
Dungan, Leytem—Kimberly—bioaerosols—dairy

Anticipated Products

- Delivery of cost effective BMPs that reduce emissions to producers, extension, and action agencies
- Delivery of improved systems for the handling and storage of manure that increase manure value to producers, extension, and action agencies
- Delivery of peer-reviewed reports documenting the effectiveness of abatement technologies and practices that reduce emissions and enhance manure value to producers, extension, and action agencies

3. Model emissions based upon physical, chemical, and biological processes

a. Identify and verify existing process-based models (Todd)

Todd, Cole—Bushland—NH<sub>3</sub>—beef  
Ro—Florence—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—swine, poultry

b. Identify critical physical, chemical, and biological processes contributing to emissions  
(Loughrin)

Todd, Cole—Bushland—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—Beef cattle, Dairy

Dungan, Leytem—Kimberly—endotoxins, NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG, VOC—dairy

Trabue—Ames—VOC, Reduced S, PM—swine, poultry

Spies, Varel, Woodbury, Eigenberg—Clay Center—GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S—beef cattle

Moore—Fayetteville—NH<sub>3</sub>—poultry, swine

Ro, Szogi, Vinotti—Florence—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry, swine

Miles—Mississippi State—NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—poultry

Loughrin, Lovan—Bowling Green—VOC, GHG, NH<sub>3</sub>—swine, poultry

Whitehead, Cotta—Peoria—microbes, H<sub>2</sub>S, GHG—swine

Miller—Lincoln—VOC, microbes, NH<sub>3</sub>, GHG—Beef cattle

#### Anticipated Products

- Knowledge of fundamental processes and mechanisms controlling emissions from animal agriculture for use by other scientists and model developers
- Databases of input variables and emissions for evaluating process-based models for use by other scientists and model developers
- Scientific peer-reviewed manuscripts describing new knowledge of mechanisms affecting emissions available to the scientific community, action agencies, and extension