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Bio

BIO

Gorlé received her BSc (2002) and MSc (2005) degrees in Aerospace Engineering from the Delft University of Technology, and her PhD (2010) from the von Karman Institute for Fluid Dynamics in cooperation with the University of Antwerp. Afterwards she was a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Center for Turbulence Research at Stanford University and a Research Professor at the von Karman Institute funded by a Pegasus Marie Curie fellowship. Before joining the Civil & Environmental Engineering Department at Stanford she was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering & Engineering Mechanics at Columbia University.

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- BSc, Delft University of Technology , Aerospace Engineering (2002)
- MSc, Delft University of Technology , Aerospace Engineering (2005)
- PhD, Von Karman Institute for Fluid Dynamics , Environmental and Applied Fluid Dynamics (2010)

LINKS

- Wind Engineering Lab website: <https://we.stanford.edu>

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

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Teaching

COURSES

2019-20

- Seminar in Fluid Mechanics: ENGR 298 (Spr)
- The Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Fundamental Physics and Modeling: CEE 261A (Aut)
- Uncertainty Quantification: CEE 362A, ME 470 (Win)
- Wind Engineering for Sustainable Cities: CEE 261C (Spr)

2018-19

- The Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Fundamental Physics and Modeling: CEE 261A (Win)
- Wind Engineering for Sustainable Cities: CEE 261C (Spr)

2017-18

- The Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Fundamental Physics and Modeling: CEE 261A (Aut)
- Uncertainty Quantification: CEE 362A (Win)

2016-17

- Natural Ventilation of Buildings: CEE 161C (Spr)
- The Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Fundamental Physics and Modeling: CEE 261A (Aut)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Casey Fleeter

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Zengrong Hao, Giacomo Lamberti

Master's Program Advisor

Kate Borden, Nate Brinkerhoff, Megan Houlihan, Katie Lamb, Daniel Nelli, Jackson Parthasarathy, Corey Shono, Stefan Streckfus, Chunyue Wei

Doctoral (Program)

Yunjae Hwang, Themistoklis Vargiomezis, Peiyun Zhu

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Large eddy simulations of forced heat convection in a pin-fin array with a priori examination of an eddy-viscosity turbulence model** *INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF HEAT AND FLUID FLOW*
Hao, Z., Gorle, C.
2019; 77: 73–83
- **Computational urban flow predictions with Bayesian inference: Validation with field data** *BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT*

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- Sousa, J., Gorle, C.
2019; 154: 13–22
- **Epistemic uncertainty quantification for Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes modeling of separated flows over streamlined surfaces** *PHYSICS OF FLUIDS*
Gorle, C., Zeoli, S., Emory, M., Larsson, J., Iaccarino, G.
2019; 31 (3)
 - **Predictive large eddy simulations for urban flows: Challenges and opportunities** *BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT*
Garcia-Sanchez, C., van Beeck, J., Gorle, C.
2018; 139: 146–56
 - **Improving urban flow predictions through data assimilation** *BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT*
Sousa, J., Garcia-Sanchez, C., Gorle, C.
2018; 132: 282–90
 - **Uncertainty Quantification for modeling night-time ventilation in Stanford's Y2E2 building.** *Energy and Buildings*
Lamberti, G., Górlé, C.
2018; 168: 319-330
 - **Optimizing turbulent inflow conditions for large-eddy simulations of the atmospheric boundary layer.** *Journal of Wind Engineering and Industrial Aerodynamics*
Lamberti, G., Garcia-Sanchez, C., Sousa, J., Gorle, C.
2018; 177: 32-44
 - **Uncertainty quantification for microscale CFD simulations based on input from mesoscale codes.** *Journal of Wind Engineering and Industrial Aerodynamics*
Garcia-Sanchez, C., Górlé, C.
2018; 176: 87-97
 - **RAMS sensitivity to grid spacing and grid aspect ratio in Large-Eddy Simulations of the dry neutral Atmospheric Boundary Layer** *COMPUTERS & FLUIDS*
Ercolani, G., Gorle, C., Corbari, C., Mancini, M.
2017; 146: 59-73
 - **Quantifying inflow uncertainties in RANS simulations of urban pollutant dispersion** *Atmospheric Environment*
Garcia-Sanchez, C., Van Tendeloo, G., Gorle, C.
2017; 161: 263-273
 - **Thermal Modeling of Extreme Heat Flux Microchannel Coolers for GaN-on-SiC Semiconductor Devices** *JOURNAL OF ELECTRONIC PACKAGING*
Lee, H., Agonafer, D. D., Won, Y., Houshmand, F., Gorle, C., Asheghi, M., Goodson, K. E.
2016; 138 (1)
 - **RAMS and WRF sensitivity to grid spacing in large-eddy simulations of the dry convective boundary layer** *COMPUTERS & FLUIDS*
Ercolani, G., Gorle, C., Garcia-Sanchez, C., Corbari, C., Mancini, M.
2015; 123: 54-71
 - **Quantifying inflow and RANS turbulence model form uncertainties for wind engineering flows** *JOURNAL OF WIND ENGINEERING AND INDUSTRIAL AERODYNAMICS*
Gorle, C., Garcia-Sanchez, C., Iaccarino, G.
2015; 144: 202-212
 - **Quantifying inflow uncertainties for CFD simulations of the flow in downtown Oklahoma City** *BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT*
Garcia-Sanchez, C., Philips, D. A., Gorle, C.
2014; 78: 118-129
 - **The deviation from parallel shear flow as an indicator of linear eddy-viscosity model inaccuracy** *PHYSICS OF FLUIDS*
Gorle, C., Larsson, J., EMORY, M., Iaccarino, G.
2014; 26 (5)
 - **A framework for epistemic uncertainty quantification of turbulent scalar flux models for Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes simulations** *PHYSICS OF FLUIDS*
Gorle, C., Iaccarino, G.

2013; 25 (5)

- **A Comprehensive Modelling Approach for the Neutral Atmospheric Boundary Layer: Consistent Inflow Conditions, Wall Function and Turbulence Model** *BOUNDARY-LAYER METEOROLOGY*
Parente, A., Gorle, C., van Beeck, J., Benocci, C.
2011; 140 (3): 411-428
- **Improved kappa-epsilon model and wall function formulation for the RANS simulation of ABL flows** *5th International Symposium on Computational Wind Engineering (CWE2010)*
Parente, A., Gorle, C., van Beeck, J., Benocci, C.
ELSEVIER SCIENCE BV.2011: 267-78
- **Dispersion in the Wake of a Rectangular Building: Validation of Two Reynolds-Averaged Navier-Stokes Modelling Approaches** *BOUNDARY-LAYER METEOROLOGY*
Gorle, C., van Beeck, J., Rambaud, P.
2010; 137 (1): 115-133
- **Stack gas dispersion measurements with Large Scale-PIV, Aspiration Probes and Light Scattering Techniques and comparison with CFD** *ATMOSPHERIC ENVIRONMENT*
Nakiboglu, G., Gorle, C., Horvath, I., van Beeck, J., Blocken, B.
2009; 43 (21): 3396-3406
- **CFD modelling of small particle dispersion: The influence of the turbulence kinetic energy in the atmospheric boundary layer** *ATMOSPHERIC ENVIRONMENT*
Gorle, C., van Beeck, J., Rarnbaud, P., Van Tendeloo, G.
2009; 43 (3): 673-681
- **Flow analyses in the lower airways: Patient-specific model and boundary conditions** *MEDICAL ENGINEERING & PHYSICS*
De Backer, J. W., Vos, W. G., Gorle, C. D., Germonpre, P., Partoens, B., Wuyts, F. L., Parizel, P. M., De Backer, W.
2008; 30 (7): 872-879