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Professor Lepech's research focuses on the integration of sustainability indicators into engineering design, ranging from materials design, structural design, system design, to operations management. Such sustainability indicators include a comprehensive set of environmental, economic, and social costs. Recently his research has focused on the design of sustainable high performance fiber-reinforced cementitious composites (HPFRCCs) and fiber-reinforced polymers (FRPs), the impacts of sustainable materials on building and infrastructure design and operation, and the development of new life cycle assessment (LCA) applications for building systems, transportation systems, water systems, consumer products. Along with this he is studying the effects that slowly diffusing sustainable civil engineering innovations, and the social networks they diffuse through, can have on achieving long term sustainability goals.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Senior Fellow, Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- MBA, University of Michigan , Finance and Strategy (2008)
- PhD, University of Michigan , Civil and Environmental Engineering (2006)

Teaching

COURSES

2017-18

- Damage and Failure Mechanics of Structural Systems: CEE 305 (Spr)
- Engineering Economics and Sustainability: CEE 146S, ENGR 60 (Aut, Win, Spr, Sum)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: CEE 126X (Aut)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: CEE 126Y (Win)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: CEE 126Z (Spr)

- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: EARTH 126X (Aut)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: EARTH 126Y (Win)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: EARTH 126Z (Spr)
- Introduction to PHD Studies in Civil and Environmental Engineering: CEE 379 (Aut)
- Life Cycle Assessment for Complex Systems: CEE 226 (Aut)

2016-17

- Damage and Failure Mechanics of Structural Systems: CEE 305 (Spr)
- Engineering Economics and Sustainability: CEE 146S (Sum)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: CEE 126X (Aut)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: CEE 126Y (Win)
- Hard Earth: Stanford Graduate-Student Talks Exploring Tough Environmental Dilemmas: CEE 126Z, EARTH 126Z (Spr)
- Introduction to PHD Studies in Civil and Environmental Engineering: CEE 379 (Aut)
- Life Cycle Assessment for Complex Systems: CEE 226 (Aut)
- Stanford Sustainable Living Lab I: CEE 126A (Aut)
- Stanford Sustainable Living Lab II: CEE 126B (Win)

2015-16

- Damage and Failure Mechanics of Structural Systems: CEE 305 (Spr)
- Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures: CEE 182 (Win)
- Donald R. Watson Seminar in Construction Engineering and Management: CEE 258 (Aut)
- Introduction to PHD Studies in Civil and Environmental Engineering: CEE 379 (Aut)
- Life Cycle Assessment for Complex Systems: CEE 226 (Aut)

2014-15

- Damage and Failure Mechanics of Structural Systems: CEE 305 (Spr)
- Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures: CEE 182 (Win)
- Life Cycle Assessment for Complex Systems: CEE 226 (Aut)
- Sustainable Banking Seminar: CEE 244A (Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Isamar Rosa Plata

Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

John Basbagill

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Isamar Rosa Plata

Master's Program Advisor

Basma Altaf, Rebecca Harper, Kevin Palma

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Cradle-to-gate sustainable target value design: integrating life cycle assessment and construction management for buildings** *JOURNAL OF CLEANER PRODUCTION*
Russell-Smith, S. V., Lepech, M. D.
2015; 100: 107-115
- **Integrating durability-based service-life predictions with environmental impact assessments of natural fiber-reinforced composite materials** *RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND RECYCLING*
Miller, S. A., Srubar, W. V., Billington, S. L., Lepech, M. D.
2015; 99: 72-83
- **Static versus Time-Dependent Material Selection Charts and Application in Wood Flour Composites** *JOURNAL OF BIOBASED MATERIALS AND BIOENERGY*
Miller, S. A., Lepech, M. D., Billington, S. L.
2015; 9 (2): 273-283
- **Techno-Ecological Synergy: A Framework for Sustainable Engineering** *ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY*
Bakshi, B. R., Ziv, G., Lepech, M. D.
2015; 49 (3): 1752-1760
- **Impact of progressive sustainable target value assessment on building design decisions** *BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT*
Russell-Smith, S. V., Lepech, M. D., Fruchter, R., Littman, A.
2015; 85: 52-60
- **Sustainable target value design: integrating life cycle assessment and target value design to improve building energy and environmental performance** *JOURNAL OF CLEANER PRODUCTION*
Russell-Smith, S. V., Lepech, M. D., Fruchter, R., Meyer, Y. B.
2015; 88: 43-51
- **Incorporating spatiotemporal effects and moisture diffusivity into a multi-criteria materials selection methodology for wood-polymer composites** *CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING MATERIALS*
Srubar, W. V., Miller, S. A., Lepech, M. D., Billington, S. L.
2014; 71: 589-601
- **A multi-objective feedback approach for evaluating sequential conceptual building design decisions** *AUTOMATION IN CONSTRUCTION*
Basbagill, J. P., Flager, F. L., Lepech, M.
2014; 45: 136-150
- **Firm-level ecosystem service valuation using mechanistic biogeochemical modeling and functional substitutability** *ECOLOGICAL ECONOMICS*
Comello, S. D., Maltais-Landry, G., Schwegler, B. R., Lepech, M. D.
2014; 100: 63-73
- **Probabilistic design and management of environmentally sustainable repair and rehabilitation of reinforced concrete structures** *CEMENT & CONCRETE COMPOSITES*
Lepech, M. D., Geiker, M., Stang, H.
2014; 47: 19-31
- **Application of multi-criteria material selection techniques to constituent refinement in biobased composites** *MATERIALS & DESIGN*
Miller, S. A., Lepech, M. D., Billington, S. L.
2013; 52: 1043-1051
- **Behavior of Concrete and ECC Structures under Simulated Earthquake Motion** *JOURNAL OF STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING-ASCE*
Gencturk, B., Elnashai, A. S., Lepech, M. D., Billington, S.
2013; 139 (3): 389-399
- **Network-Level Pavement Asset Management System Integrated with Life-Cycle Analysis and Life-Cycle Optimization** *JOURNAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS*

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- Zhang, H., Keoleian, G. A., Lepech, M. D.
2013; 19 (1): 99-107
- **Application of life-cycle assessment to early stage building design for reduced embodied environmental impacts** *BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENT*
Basbagill, J., Flager, F., Lepech, M., Fischer, M.
2013; 60: 81-92
 - **Improvement in environmental performance of poly(beta-hydroxybutyrate)-co-(beta-hydroxyvalerate) composites through process modifications** *JOURNAL OF CLEANER PRODUCTION*
Miller, S. A., Billington, S. L., Lepech, M. D.
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 - **Durability of strain-hardening cement-based composites (SHCC)** *MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES*
Van Zijl, G. P., Wittmann, F. H., Oh, B. H., Kabele, P., Toledo Filho, R. D., Fairbairn, E. M., Slowik, V., Ogawa, A., Hoshiro, H., Mechtcherine, V., Altmann, F., Lepech, M. D.
2012; 45 (10): 1447-1463
 - **Cradle-to-Gate Life Cycle Assessment for a Cradle-to-Cradle Cycle: Biogas-to-Bioplastic (and Back)** *ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY*
Rostkowski, K. H., Criddle, C. S., Lepech, M. D.
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 - **Human Health Impact as a Boundary Selection Criterion in the Life Cycle Assessment of Pultruded Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composite Materials** *JOURNAL OF INDUSTRIAL ECOLOGY*
Basbagill, J. P., Lepech, M. D., Ali, S. M.
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 - **Project-Level Assessment of Environmental Impact: Ecosystem Services Approach to Sustainable Management and Development** *JOURNAL OF MANAGEMENT IN ENGINEERING*
Comello, S. D., Lepech, M. D., Schwegler, B. R.
2012; 28 (1): 5-12
 - **Multi-objective building envelope optimization for life-cycle cost and global warming potential** *9th European Conference on Product and Process Modelling*
Flager, F., Basbagill, J., Lepech, M., Fischer, M.
CRC PRESS-TAYLOR & FRANCIS GROUP.2012: 193–200
 - **Structural modeling of corroded reinforced concrete bridge columns** *6th International Conference on Bridge Maintenance, Safety and Management (IABMAS)*
Rao, A. S., Lepech, M. D., Kiremidjian, A. S.
CRC PRESS-TAYLOR & FRANCIS GROUP.2012: 1008–1014
 - **USING LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT METHODS TO GUIDE ARCHITECTURAL DECISION-MAKING FOR SUSTAINABLE PREFABRICATED MODULAR BUILDINGS** *JOURNAL OF GREEN BUILDING*
Faludi, J., Lepech, M. D., Loisos, G.
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 - **ECOLOGICAL PAYBACK TIME OF AN ENERGY-EFFICIENT MODULAR BUILDING** *JOURNAL OF GREEN BUILDING*
Faludi, J., Lepech, M.
2012; 7 (1): 100-119
 - **INTEGRATED PROBABILISTIC LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT AND DURABILITY DESIGN FOR SUSTAINABLE SHCC INFRASTRUCTURE** *2nd International RILEM Conference on Strain Hardening Cementitious Composites (SHCC2-Rio)*
Lepech, M. D., Stang, H., Geiker, M.
R I L E M PUBLICATIONS.2011: 157–164
 - **A Framework for Multiphysics Modeling of Natural Environments for Valuation of Privately Owned Ecosystem Services** *IEEE International Symposium on Sustainable Systems and Technology (ISSST)*
Comello, S. D., Lepech, M. D.
IEEE.2011
 - **Life-Cycle Optimization of Pavement Overlay Systems** *JOURNAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS*
Zhang, H., Keoleian, G. A., Lepech, M. D., Kendall, A.
2010; 16 (4): 310-322

- **Dynamic Life-Cycle Modeling of Pavement Overlay Systems: Capturing the Impacts of Users, Construction, and Roadway Deterioration** *JOURNAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS*
Zhang, H., Lepech, M. D., Keoleian, G. A., Qian, S., Li, V. C.
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- **Improving infrastructure sustainability using nanoparticle engineered cementitious composites** *International Conference on Advanced Concrete Materials (ACM)*
Lepech, M. D.
CRC PRESS-TAYLOR & FRANCIS GROUP.2010: 153–161
- **Time varying risk modeling of deteriorating bridge infrastructure for sustainable infrastructure design** *5th International Conference on Bridge Maintenance, Safety and Management (IABMAS)*
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Lepech, M. D., Li, V. C.
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- **Transition Zone Analysis and Design for Bridge Deck Link Slabs using Ductile Concrete** *ACI Structural Journal*
Qian, S., Lepech, M., Kim, Y., Y., Li, V., C.
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- **Sustainable Infrastructure Systems using Engineered Cementitious Composites**
Lepech, M., D.
2009
- **Treatment of Uncertainties in Life Cycle Assessment**
Baker, J., W., Lepech, M.
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- **Improving Infrastructure Sustainability using Nanoparticle Engineered Cementitious Composites**
Lepech, M., D.
2009
- **Autogenous Healing of Engineered Cementitious Composites Under Wet-Dry Cycles** *Journal of Cement and Concrete Research*
Yang, Y., Lepech, M., D., Yang, E., H., Li, V., C.
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- **Large Scale Processing of Engineered Cementitious Composites** *ACI Materials Journal*
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- **An integrated life cycle assessment and life cycle analysis model for pavement overlay systems** *1st International Symposium on Life-Cycle Civil Engineering*
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- **Integrated Structure and Materials Design for Sustainable Concrete Transportation Infrastructure**
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- **Guiding the design and application of new materials for enhancing sustainability performance: Framework and infrastructure application** *Symposium on Life-Cycle Analysis Tools for Green Materials and Process Selection held at the 2005 MRS Fall Meeting*
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- **Sustainable Infrastructure Engineering: Integrating Material and Structural Design with Life Cycle Analysis** *Advances in Cement and Concrete X: Sustainability*
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- **Life Cycle Modeling of Concrete Bridge Design: Comparison of Engineered Cementitious Composite Link Slabs and Conventional Steel Expansion Joints** *JOURNAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS*
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Lepech, M., Li, V., C.
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Lepech, M., Li, V., C., Keoleian, G.
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Lepech, M., Li, V., C.
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- **Crack Resistant Concrete Material for Transportation Construction** *Transportation Research Board 83rd Annual Meeting Compendium of Papers, Paper No. 04-4680.*
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