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Education

Ph.D. Civil (Environmental) Engineering, Northwestern University (1998)

M.S. Civil (Environmental) Engineering, Northwestern University (1993)

B.S. Education (Chemistry), Northwestern University (1990)

Professional Experience

Carnegie Mellon University

Director, Water QUEST Center

Professor

Associate Professor

Assistant Professor

Pittsburgh, PA

7/05 to present

7/08- present

7/05 to 7/08

7/99 to 7/05

Northwestern University

Visiting Assistant Professor (9 month term)

Evanston, IL

9/98 – 6/99

Department of Energy, Center for Risk Excellence

Environmental Engineering Intern. GS-11.

Argonne, IL

6/98 - 8/98

Evanston Township High School

Science Teacher (physics and chemistry)

Evanston, IL

9/91 – 6/92

Waverly Junior-Senior High School

Chemistry Teacher

Waverly, NY

9/90 – 8/91

Awards

- Achievement Rewards for College Scientists (ARCS) Foundation annual merit award and summer research stipend, 1993-1998.
- National Science Foundation Career Award, 2001.
- George Tallmann Ladd Award for outstanding research and professional accomplishments and potential, College of Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University, 2001-2002.
- Paul Christiano (E 1964, 1965, 1968) and Norene Christiano (MM 1964, 1971) Faculty Fellowship; Carnegie Mellon University, 2005-2006.
- Pennsylvania Water Environment Association Professional Research Award. 2007.
- Selected Participant Indo-U.S. Frontiers of Engineering Symposium, Infrastructure, 2008.

Professional Service

- National Research Council Committee on Water Quality in Southwestern Pennsylvania (2002-2004)
- American Chemical Society (ACS); Environmental Division; Chair, Book revenue committee (2002-2007); Member-at-Large (2004-2005)
- Association for Environmental Engineering and Science Professors (AEESP) Membership Committee (2001-2004) Elected Board Member (2007-2009)
- American Water Works Association (AWWA) Organic Contaminants Research Committee 2002-2004.
- Water Works Association of PA Dave Long Scholarship Selection Committee 2003-2004.
- American Association of University Women (AAUW) Selected Professions Fellowship Selection Committee 2003-2004.

Professional Affiliations

American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE); American Water Works Association (AWWA); Water Environment Federation (WEF); American Chemical Society (ACS)
American Society of Microbiology (ASM); Association for Environmental Engineering and Science Professors (AEESP); Association for Women in Science (AWIS); American Association for University Women (AAUW); Achievement Rewards for College Scientists (ARCS), Society of Women Engineers (SWE)

Journal Reviewer

Biodegradation; Biotechnology and Bioengineering; Environmental Engineering Science; Environmental Science and Technology; *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*; Journal of Soil and Sediment Contamination; ASCE Journal of Environmental Engineering; Management Science; Mathematical Biosciences, Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management.

Proposal Reviewer

- U.S. Department of Energy Environmental Management Science Program
- U.S. Department of Energy, Natural and Accelerated Bioremediation (NABiR) Program
- American Water Works Association Research Foundation (AWWARF)
- National Science Foundation , Hydrological Sciences Program
- National Science Foundation, Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT) program
- National Science Foundation Biocomplexity Competition
- National Science Foundation Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Program
- National Science Foundation Unsolicited Panel for Division of Bioengineering and Environmental Systems (BES)
- National Science Foundation Science and Technology Centers (STC) Program
- U.S. Civilian Research and Development Foundation Cooperative Grants Program
- U.S. Army Research Center – Chemical Science Division
- Canadian Science Foundation – Water Centers Program

Book Reviewer

McGraw-Hill Publishing
ACS Symposium Monograph Series

University Service

- Civil and Environmental Engineering Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- Civil and Environmental Engineering Graduate Curriculum Committee
- Faculty Search Committee – CEE Water Quality Area and CEE Systems Area

- Faculty Search Committee – Chair, CIT Molecular Microbiology Area
- Carnegie Institute of Technology (Engineering School) Dean's Review Committee
- Faculty Sponsor, Undergraduate Biomedical Engineering Society
- Meeting of the Minds Undergraduate Research Symposium Judge
- University Committee – CIT Dean's Search
- University Committee – Task Force on Advising
- University Committee – Ryan Teaching Award Selection Committee (Co-chair)
- University Committee – Vira I Heinz International Scholarship – Selection Committee
- University Committee – Mulach Scholarship Selection Committee
- Civil and Environmental Engineering Undergraduate Recruitment Committee (Chair)
- Civil and Environmental Engineering Strategic Planning Committee
- Civil and Environmental Engineering Facilities Committee

Outreach

- Pittsburgh Teachers Institute
- Society of Women Engineers at Carnegie Mellon University “Engineering Your Future” and High School Day
- Summer Achievement for Minority Scholars at Carnegie Mellon University
- RET: Research Experience for Teachers Program through NSF
- Pittsburgh Science Fair Judge

Publications

1. Rittmann, B.E. and J.M. VanBriesen (1996) “Microbiological Processes in Reactive Modeling”, in “Reviews in Mineralogy” (P.C. Lichtner, C.I. Steefel, and E.H. Oelkers, eds.), Vol. 34: *Reactive Transport in Porous Media*, p. 311. Mineralogical Society of America, 1996.
2. Tebes-Stevens, C., A.J. Valocchi, J.M. VanBriesen, and B.E. Rittmann (1998) “Multicomponent transport with coupled geochemical and microbiological reactions: model description and example simulations,” *Journal of Hydrology*, 209: 8-26.
3. Banaszak, J.E., J.M. VanBriesen, B.E. Rittmann and D.T. Reed (1998) “Mathematical Modeling of the Effects of Aerobic and Anaerobic Chelate Biodegradation on Actinide Speciation,” *Radiochimica Acta*, 82: 445-451.
4. VanBriesen, J.M. and B.E. Rittmann (1999), “Modeling speciation effects on biodegradation in mixed metal/chelate systems,” *Biodegradation* 10:315-330.
5. VanBriesen, J.M. and B.E. Rittmann (2000), “Mathematical description of microbiological reactions involving intermediates,” *Biotechnology and Bioengineering* 67:1:35-52.
6. VanBriesen, J.M. , B.E. Rittmann, L. Xun, D.C. Girvin, H. Bolton, Jr. (2000), “The rate controlling form of nitrilotriacetate for biodegradation by *Chelatobacter heintzii*,” *Environmental Science and Technology*, 34: 3346-3353.
7. VanBriesen, J. M. and B. E. Rittmann (2000) “Modeling recalcitrant intermediate formation during biodegradation,” In G. B. Wickrananayake, A. R. Gavaskar, and M. E. Kelley, editors, *Natural Attenuation Considerations and Case Studies: Remediation of Chlorinated and Recalcitrant Compounds*, Battelle Press, Columbus, Ohio, pp. 25 - 32
8. VanBriesen, J.M. (2001) “Thermodynamic Yield Predictions for Biodegradation through

Oxygenase Activation Reactions *Biodegradation* 12(4) 265-281.

9. Yuan, Z. and VanBriesen, J.M. (2002) "Yield prediction and stoichiometry of multi-step biodegradation reactions involving oxygenation," *Biotechnology and Bioengineering* 80:1: 100-113.
10. VanBriesen, J.M.. (2002) "Evaluation of methods to predict bacterial yield using thermodynamics," *Biodegradation*, 13:171-190.
11. Sidari FP and VanBriesen J. (2002) "Evaluation of a Chlorine Dioxide Secondary Disinfection System," *Water Engineering and Management*. 149(11):29-33.
12. Rittmann, B.E., Banaszak, J.E., VanBriesen, J.M., and Reed, D.T. (2002) "Mathematical modeling of precipitation and dissolution reactions in microbiological systems," *Biodegradation* 13(4): 239-251.
13. Ailamaki, A.; Faloutsos, C.; VanBriesen, J.M.; Small, M.; Fischbeck, P. (2003) "An environmental sensor network to determine drinking water quality and security," SIGMOD, Vol 34: No 2, p 47-52.
14. Sidari, F.P., Stout, J.E., VanBriesen, J.M., Bowman, A.M., Grubb, D., Neuner, A., Wagener, M.M., Yu, V.L. (2004) "Keeping Legionella out of water systems," *American Water Works Association Journal* 96(1): 111-119.
15. Karcher, S.C., Small, M.J., and VanBriesen, J.M., (2004) "Statistical method to evaluate the occurrence of PCB transformations in river sediments with application to Hudson River Data," *Environmental Science and Technology* 38:6760-6766.
16. Nowack, B. and VanBriesen, J.M. (editors) *Biogeochemistry of Chelating Agents*. ACS Books. ACS Symposium Series 910. Oxford University Press for the American Chemical Society, Washington DC 2005.
17. Nowack, B. and VanBriesen, J.M. "Chelating agents in the environment," in "Biogeochemistry of Chelating Agents" (B. Nowack and J.M. VanBriesen, eds.), ACS Symposium Series 910. Oxford University Press for the American Chemical Society, Washington DC 2005. p. 1-18.
18. Yuan, Z. and VanBriesen, J.M. "Analysis of biodegradation intermediates of ethylenediaminetetraacetate (EDTA) and nitrilotriacetate (NTA) by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC)," in "Biogeochemistry of Chelating Agents" (B. Nowack and J.M. VanBriesen, eds.), ACS Symposium Series 910. Oxford University Press for the American Chemical Society, Washington DC 2005. p. 139-148.
19. Xiao, Jinghua and J.M. Vanbriesen, (2006) "Expanded thermodynamic model for microbial yield prediction," *Biotechnology and Bioengineering*. 93:1:110-121.
20. Yuan, Zhiwen and VanBriesen, J.M. (2006) "Intermediate formation in biodegradation of EDTA and NTA," *Environmental Engineering Science*, 23:3: 533-544.

21. Escoriza, M., VanBriesen, J.M., Stewart, S., Maier, J., Treado, P. (2006) "Raman Spectroscopy and Chemical Imaging for quantification of filtered waterborne bacteria," *Journal of Microbiological Methods*, 66:1:63-72.
22. Wong-Chong, G.M., and VanBriesen, J.M., "Microbiological Technologies for Treatment of Cyanide," in *Cyanide in Water and Soil: Chemistry, Risk and Management* (D. Dzombak, R. Ghosh, and G. Wong-Chong, editors). CRC Press; Taylor and Francis Group. January 2006.
23. Weber, C.L., VanBriesen, J.M., and Small, M.J. (2006) "A Stochastic Regression Approach to Analyzing Thermodynamic Uncertainty in Chemical Speciation Modeling," *Environmental Science and Technology*, 40:12: 3872-3878.
24. Escoriza, M.F., VanBriesen, J.M., Stewart, S. and Maier, J., (2006) "Studying bacterial metabolic states using Raman spectroscopy," *Applied Spectroscopy*, 60, no. 9.
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26. Karcher, S., VanBriesen, J.M., and Small, M.J (2007) "Numerical Method to Elucidate Likely Target Positions of Chlorine Removal in Anaerobic Sediments undergoing Polychlorinated biphenyl dechlorination," *ASCE Journal of Environmental Engineering*, 133(3): 278-286.
27. Helbling, D.E. and J.M. VanBriesen (2007) "Free Chlorine Demand and Cell Survival of Microbial Suspensions," *Water Research*, 41(19) 4424-4434.
28. Escoriza, M.F. and VanBriesen, J.M. (2007) "Raman spectroscopic discrimination of cell response to chemical and physical inactivation," *Applied Spectroscopy* 61: 812-823.
29. Leskovec, J., Krause, A., Guestrin, C., Faloutsos, C., VanBriesen, J., Glance, N. (2007) "Cost-effective outbreak detection in networks," *The 13th International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD)*, San Jose, California. Aug 2007. *Best Student Paper Award*. P. 420-429
30. Isovitsch, S. L. and VanBriesen, J. M. (2007). "Spatial Analysis of Optimized Sensor Locations using GIS." *Proceedings of the World Environmental and Water Resources Congress 2007*, ASCE, Tampa, FL.
31. Isovitsch, S. L. and VanBriesen, J. M. (2007). "Integrating SCADA and GIS to Understand the Effectiveness of On-line Chlorine Boosters used in Response to Contamination Incidents within a Water Distribution Network." *Proceedings of the 2007 WEF Disinfection Specialty Conference*, Water Environment Federation, Pittsburgh, PA.
32. Thompson, S.L., Casman, E., Fischbeck, P., Small, M., and VanBriesen, J.M. (2007). "Vulnerability Assessment of a Drinking Water Distribution System." *Proceedings of the 2007 WEF Disinfection Specialty Conference*, Water Environment Federation, Pittsburgh, PA.
33. Thompson, S.L., Casman, E., Fischbeck, P., Small, M., and VanBriesen, J.M. (2007). "Vulnerability Assessment of a Drinking Water Distribution System: Implications for

Public Water Utilities." *Proceedings of the World Environmental and Water Resources Congress 2007*, ASCE, Tampa, FL.

34. Yuan, Z and VanBriesen, J.M. (2008) "Bacterial Growth Yields on EDTA, NTA, and their Biodegradation Intermediates," *Biodegradation* 19(2): 41-52.
35. Isovitsch, S. L. and VanBriesen, J. M. (2008) "Sensor placement and optimization criteria dependencies in a water distribution system." *ASCE Journal of Water Resources Planning & Management* 134(2): 186-196.
36. Xiao, Jinghua and J.M. VanBriesen (2008) "Expanded thermodynamic true yield prediction model: adjustment and evaluation," *Biodegradation* 19(1): 99-127.
37. Xu, Jianhua; Fischbeck, P., Small, M., VanBriesen, J., Casman, E. (2008), "Identifying sets of key nodes for placing sensors in dynamic water distribution networks," accepted and in press *ASCE Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management*.
38. Helbling, D.E., and J.M. VanBriesen (2008) "Continuous Monitoring of Residual Chlorine Concentrations in Response to Controlled Microbial Intrusions in a Laboratory-Scale Distribution System," *Water Research* 42(12): 3162-72.
39. Krause, A., Leskovec, J., Guestrin, C., VanBriesen, J., Faloutsos, C. (2008) "Efficient Sensor Placement Optimization for Securing Large Water Distribution Networks," *ASCE Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management*, 134(6): 516-526.
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43. Helbling, D.E. and J.M. VanBriesen, "Modeling residual chlorine response to a microbial contamination event in drinking water distribution systems," under revision for *ASCE Journal of Environmental Engineering*, February 2008.
44. Thompson, S.L., and J.M. VanBriesen, "Temporal Variability of Bacterial Diversity in a Drinking Water Distribution System," submitted to *Environmental Microbiology*.

45. Xu, J., Small, M., and VanBriesen, J., "Integrating location models with Bayesian Analysis to inform decision making: a case study in deploying sensors in water supply systems," submitted to *Decision Analysis*.

Published Abstracts

1. VanBriesen, J.M. and B.E. Rittmann (2000) "Modeling Biogeochemical Interactions in Co-Contaminant Systems," American Chemical Society 220th National Meeting Abstracts, August 2000, Washington DC.
2. Yuan, Z. and VanBriesen, J.M.(2002) "Yield Prediction and Modeling for Multi-Step biodegradation catalyzed by oxygenase enzymes," Abstracts of the American Society for Microbiology 102nd Annual Meeting, May 19-23, 2002.
3. Yuan, Z. and VanBriesen, J.M. (2002) "Analysis of intermediates of EDTA biodegradation by HPLC," American Chemical Society 224th National Meeting Abstracts, August 2002, Boston, MA.
4. Rittmann, B.E., VanBriesen, J.M., Schwartz, A. (2002) "Modeling Coupled Biogeochemical Processes," Association for Environmental Engineering and Science Professors Research and Education Conference, Meeting Abstracts, August 2002, Toronto, Canada.
5. Sidari, F.P., Stout, J.E. , VanBriesen, J.M., Bowman, A.M., Grubb, D., Neuner, A., Yu, V.L., (2002) "Chlorine Dioxide: A point of entry treatment technology for the control of Legionella in sensitive secondary distribution systems," American Water Works Association Water Quality Technology Conference Proceedings, November 2002, 1st Place in Poster Competition.
6. Yuan, Z. and J.M. VanBriesen. "Measuring Cell Yields on NTA, EDTA and Their Biodegradation Intermediates Using Batch Reactors," Abstracts of 226th ACS National Meeting, September 2003, New York, NY.
7. Escoriza, M., Stewart, S., Maier, J., VanBriesen, J.M., "Raman spectroscopy and digital imaging for identification and enumeration of bacteria in water," Abstracts of the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting. October 2004.
8. Kim, H-J, Dorn, V.L., VanBriesen, J.M., "The efficacy of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid (EDTA) against biofilm bacteria," Abstracts of the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting. October 2004.
9. VanBriesen, J.M., Blough, M., Brown, W., and Minkley, E., "Critical oxygen concentrations for biodegradation of PCBs," Abstracts of the 228th American Chemical Society National Meeting. August 2004. Extended abstract accepted and published by the Environmental Division.
10. Wang, C., VanBriesen, J.M., Brown, W.E., Minkley, E.G., Jr., "Microbial communities in two river sediments demonstrate distinct anaerobic PCB dechlorination patterns," Abstracts of the 228th American Chemical Society National Meeting. August 2004. Extended abstract accepted and published by the Environmental Division.

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12. Wang, C., Minkley, E., Jr., VanBriesen, J.M., Blough, M., Brown, W., "Characterization of the anaerobic dechlorinating microorganisms in two PCB contaminated river sediments," Abstracts of the 104th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology. May 2004.
13. J.Xu, M.Small, P.Fischbeck, J.VanBriesen, E. Casman, Optimization of sensors placement in water distribution systems, Society for Risk Analysis 2005 Annual Meeting, Dec.4-7, 2005, Orlando, FL.
14. VanBriesen, J.M., "Intermediate formation in the biodegradation of EDTA and NTA," presented at the International conference on Complexing Agents Science, Industry, Authorities in Ascona Switzerland, March 2007.
15. Helbling, D.E., and J.M. VanBriesen. "Real-Time Monitoring of Free Chlorine Response to Microbial Contamination in a Model Distribution System," ACS Conference, Boston, MA, August 20-22, 2007.
16. Thompson, S.L., and VanBriesen, J.M. "Microbial Diversity as a Water Quality Indicator in Drinking Water Distribution Systems." *Proceedings of 107th General Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology*, ASM, Toronto, ON, 2007.
17. VanBriesen, J.M., "CORON: Collaborative Ohio River Observatory Network," ASCE World Environmental and Water Resources Congress 2007, Tampa Florida.
18. Thompson, S.L., and VanBriesen, J.M. "Using Autochthonous Bacterial Populations as Biological Indicators in Drinking Water Distribution Systems." *Proceedings of 2007 Association for Environmental Engineering and Science Professors Conference*, AEESP, Blacksburg, VA, July 21, 2007.
19. Yu, Youngseob, S.L. Thompson, J.M. VanBriesen, E.G.Minkley and W.E. Brown, "Microbial diversity and community profiles in PCB contaminated sediments from Hudson and Grasse Rivers," *Proceedings of 107th General Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology*, ASM, Toronto, ON, 2007.

Presentations

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2. VanBriesen*, J.M., B.E. Rittmann, and A.J. Valocchi "Modeling of Coupled Processes in Subsurface Transport of Reactive Contaminants," presented at DOE Subsurface Science Program Co-Contaminant Chemistry Research Subprogram meeting, Gaithersburg MD, January 23-25, 1996.
3. VanBriesen, J.M. "Modeling Coupled Processes Involving Reactive Co-Contaminants,"

presented at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, February 13, 1996.

4. VanBriesen, J.M. "Modeling Chemical and Biological Reactions in Real-World Systems," presented at Environmental Health Engineering Seminar, Northwestern University, October 1996.
5. Banaszak*, J.E., J.M. VanBriesen, B.E. Rittmann, G.Joshi-Tope, and A.J. Francis, "Speciation Dependent Degradation of Citrate by *Pseudomonas fluorescens*." Presented at the 19th Annual Environmental Chemistry Workshop, Purdue University, October 12-13, 1996.
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7. VanBriesen*, J.M., J.E. Banaszak, J.Quinn, D.T. Reed, and B.E. Rittmann. "A Systematic Study of Coupled Chemical and Biological Reactions in the Aerobic Degradation of Nitrilotriacetic Acid by *Chelatobacter heintzii*." Presented at the *Symposium on the Influence of Coupled Processes on Contaminant Fate and Transport* at the Soil Science Society of America Annual Meeting, Anaheim CA, October 26-30, 1997.
8. Banaszak*, J.E., J.M. VanBriesen, B.E. Rittmann, and D.T. Reed, "Effects of Aerobic and Anaerobic Chelate Biodegradation on Actinide Speciation." Presented at *MIGRATION '97, Sixth International Conference on the Chemistry and Migration Behavior of Actinides and Fission Products in the Geosphere*, Sendai, Japan, October 26-31, 1997.
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11. VanBriesen*, J.M., B.E. Rittmann, H. Bolton, Jr., D.C. Girvin. "Model Analysis of Intermediate Formation in the Biodegradation of Nitrilotriacetic Acid by *Chelatobacter heintzii*," Presented at the 21th Annual Environmental Chemistry Workshop, University of Michigan, October 18, 1998.
12. VanBriesen, J.M., "Modeling Complex Biogeochemical Reactions: An exploration of controlling factors in the biodegradation of synthetic chelating agents" presented at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, January 11, 2000.
13. VanBriesen, J.M., and B.E. Rittmann, "Modeling Recalcitrant intermediate formation during biodegradation," 2nd International Conference on the Remediation of Chlorinated and Recalcitrant Compounds (Monterey, CA May 22-25, 2000).
14. VanBriesen, J.M., "Intermediate Formation in the Biodegradation of Anthropogenic Compounds," presented at Graduate seminar in Department of Biology, Duquesne

University , April 7, 2000.

15. VanBriesen, J.M. "Risk Issues in the U.S. Department of Energy," presented for graduate seminar in Engineering and Public Policy Program, Carnegie Mellon University, April 18, 2000.
16. VanBriesen, J.M., "Putting Graduate Research in Perspective," presented at Regional Duquesne University Chemistry Symposium, Invited Keynote Speaker. August 11, 2000.
17. VanBriesen, J.M. and B.E. Rittmann, "Modeling Biogeochemical Interactions in Co-Contaminant Systems," American Chemical Society (Washington, DC, August 21st, 2000)
18. VanBriesen, J.M., "Teaching and Research: What's the Connection," Presented to Research Experience for Teachers, at Johns Hopkins University, July 14, 2001.
19. VanBriesen, J.M., "Putting Graduate Research in Perspective," presented at Graduate Womens' Connecting Lunch, Carnegie Mellon University, Invited Guest Speaker. Fall 2001
20. VanBriesen, J.M. "Biodegradation of Recalcitrant Organics," Presented at graduate seminar in Environmental Engineering, Stanford University, December 3, 2001.
21. VanBriesen, J.M. "Biodegradation of Recalcitrant Organics," Presented at Environmental Science Seminar, Chatham College, January 16, 2002.
22. Yuan, Z. and VanBriesen*, J.M. "Yield Prediction and Modeling for Multi-Step biodegradation catalyzed by oxygenase enzymes," Abstracts of the American Society for Microbiology 102nd Annual Meeting, May 19-23, 2002, Salt Lake City, UT.
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26. Escoriza*, M.F., VanBriesen, J.M., Stewart, S., Maier, J., Dzombak, D., Treado, P. "Raman Chemical Imaging for Detection of Biological Agents in Water." University of Pittsburgh Science 2003. Improving the Human Condition. September 2003.
27. Yuan, Z. and J.M. VanBriesen*. "Measuring Cell Yields on NTA, EDTA and Their Biodegradation Intermediates Using Batch Reactors." American Chemical Society (ACS) National Meeting. September 2003, New York, NY.
28. VanBriesen, J.M.* "Advisors, Mentors, Friends." presented at Graduate Women's Connecting Lunch, Carnegie Mellon University, Invited Guest Speaker, November 18,

2003.

29. VanBriesen, J.M.* "Biodegradation of Chelating Agents," presented at Environmental Engineering Graduate Seminar, Carnegie Mellon University, April 2004.
30. VanBriesen, J.M.*, "Smart Women's Job Search: The two body problem," presented at Graduate Women's Connecting Lunch, Carnegie Mellon University, Invited Guest Speaker, April 2004.
31. Wang, C.*, Minkley, E., Jr., VanBriesen, J.M., Blough, M., Brown, W., "Characterization of the anaerobic dechlorinating microorganisms in two PCB contaminated river sediments," at the 104th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Microbiology. May 2004.
32. VanBriesen, J.M.* "Pittsburgh Water Quality Data," presented at "Water: Assets and Liabilities," a conference sponsored by the Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania. May 4, 2004
33. VanBriesen, J.M.*, Blough, M., Brown, W., and Minkley, E., "Critical oxygen concentrations for biodegradation of PCBs," Poster presentation at the 228th American Chemical Society National Meeting. August 2004.
34. Wang, C*, VanBriesen, J.M., Brown, W.E., Minkley, E.G., Jr., "Microbial communities in two river sediments demonstrate distinct anaerobic PCB dechlorination patterns," at the 228th American Chemical Society National Meeting. August 2004.
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38. VanBriesen, J.M. "Biodegradation of Chelating Agents," presented at Lehigh University, Graduate Seminar, February 2005.
39. VanBriesen, J.M. "Biodegradation of Polychlorinated Biphenyls – can we realize the potential," presented at Arizona State University, March 2005.
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