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EDUCATION:

- Jul 2001 - Jun 2004 **Bachelor of Science (B. Sc.)**
I. B. College, Panipat, India
- Jul 2004 - Jun 2006 **Master of Science (M. Sc.)**
Department of Physics, Kururkshetra University, India
- June 2012 **Ph. D. In Earth Sciences** (magna cum laude)
University of Hamburg, Germany
Thesis Title: “Weather Research and Forecasting Model with Chemistry (WRF-Chem) over South Asia”

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Feb 2021– present
 Project Scientist III, RAL, NCAR
- Feb 2018 – Jan 2021
 Project Scientist II, RAL, NCAR
- Mar 2016 – Feb 2018
 Project Scientist I, RAL, NCAR
- Oct 2015 – Feb 2016
 Post-doctoral Scientist, RAL, NCAR
- Aug 2015 – Sep 2015
 Post-doctoral Scientist, RAL and ACOM, NCAR
- Jan. 2015 – Aug. 2015
 Post-doctoral Scientist, ACOM, NCAR
- Jan. 2013 – Dec 2014
 Post-doctoral fellow, Advanced Study Program (ASP), NCAR
- Dec 2011 – Oct 2012
 Visiting Scientist, Max Planck Institute for Meteorology and Climate Service Center, Hamburg, Germany
- Jul 2008 – Jun 2012
 Senior Research Fellow, Aryabhata Research Institute of Observational Sciences, Nainital, India
- Jul 2006 – Jul 2008
 Junior Research Fellow, Aryabhata Research Institute of Observational Sciences, Nainital, India

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND TOOLS

In situ measurements

- In situ measurements of surface ozone, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, sulphur dioxide, black carbon, aerosol optical depth, aerosol size distribution, particulate matter and meteorological parameters

- Air-sample collection and their analysis using gas chromatography (for CO and greenhouse gases)
- Balloon-borne measurements of ozone and meteorological parameters

Satellite and Reanalysis Data Products

- MODIS retrieved fire and aerosol products
- OMI retrieved tropospheric column NO₂, ozone profiles and aerosol product
- MOPITT retrieved tropospheric CO products
- TES retrieved ozone and CO products
- AIRS retrieved temperature, tropopause pressure and water vapor products
- TRMM retrieved rainfall products
- CALIPSO retrieved aerosol profiles
- NCEP/NCAR reanalysis products

Modeling

- Weather Research and forecasting model coupled with Chemistry (WRF-Chem – regional chemistry transport model)
- Community Multi-scale Air Quality (CMAQ) Model
- Chemical data assimilation, WRF-CMAQ, WRF-Chem, and GSI
- Model for Prediction Across Scales (MPAS)
- NCAR Master Mechanism (box model)
- Air trajectory models (METEX and HYSPLIT)
- Optical properties of aerosols and clouds (OPAC – aerosol composition model)
- SBDART (A one dimensional model of radiative transfer)

SCIENTIFIC/TECHNICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Founder and co-chair of the WMO and IGAC sponsored MAP-AQ activity (<https://www2.acom.ucar.edu/map-aq>)
- Lead developer of an operational air quality forecasting system for New Delhi.
- Lead developer of an operational air quality forecasting system for CONUS.
- Lead developer of dust modules in MPAS
- Lead developer of the CMAQ-GSI chemical data assimilation system
- Chemical weather forecasting in support of FRAPPE and FIREX-AQ field campaigns.
- Future projection of air quality in South Asia
- Studied the role of regional and distant sources in controlling surface ozone variations at Nainital
- Identified the impact of north Indian agricultural biomass burning on surface ozone, black carbon, AOD and radiation budget at Nainital
- Set-up the WRF-Chem model for the first time over the South Asian region and conducted detailed meteorological and chemistry evaluations
- Source contribution analysis of CO and BC in South Asia
- Studied the impact of a dust storm on regional scale aerosol optical properties, radiation budget and tropospheric chemistry in northern India
- Updated F-TUV photolysis scheme of the WRF-Chem model to include the effects of dust aerosols on photolysis rate calculation in WRF-Chem (**This update is available in official version of WRF-Chem since version 3.5.1**)
- Added heterogeneous chemistry occurring on the surface of dust particles in WRF-Chem
- Implementation of source, sector and region-specific BC and CO tracers in WRF-Chem

AWARDS AND HONORS

- NCAR Special recognition award for the development of Delhi air quality forecasting system
- NCAR Special recognition award for participation in FRAPPE field campaign
- Advanced Study Program (ASP) Postdoctoral Fellowship
- ASP Graduate Student Visitor Program Fellowship
- 1st position in university in M. Sc. (**Jindal Jubilee Gold Model**).
- Nominated for NCAR Education and Outreach award

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Professional reviewer for peer-reviewed journals
 - Scientific Reports
 - Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics (ACP)
 - Geoscientific Model Development (GMD)
 - Journal of Geophysical Research (JGR) - Atmospheres
 - Geophysical Research Letters (GRL)
 - Atmospheric Environment
 - Aeolian Research
 - Advances in Space Research
 - Atmospheric Pollution Research
 - Urban Climate
 - Environmental Science and Pollution Research
 - International Journal of Remote Sensing
 - Journal of Atmospheric Chemistry
 - Geohealth
 - Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology
 - Earth System Data Science
 - Proceedings of National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America
 - Remote Sensing
 - Atmosphere
 - Environmental Pollution
- Professional reviewer for funding agencies
 - NSF panel and single-proposal reviewer
 - NASA proposal reviewer
 - Pazi foundation proposal reviewer
 - NASA Postdoctoral Program reviewer
- Internal reviewer for publications and proposals in NCAR.
- Member of UCAR innovation council.
- Member of ASP seminar committee at NCAR.
- Representative of various (computer, canteen, and library) committees in ARIES.

COMPUTING EXPERIENCE

- Programming Languages: IDL, NCL, FORTRAN, and C
- Operating Systems: Windows, Linux, Mac, and Unix
- File Handling: ASCII, NetCDF, HDF, HDF-EOS, and binary

GRANTS AND RESEARCH AWARDS (External)

Period	My Role	Title	Agency	Amount (USD)
2020-2023	PI	Constraining the Deposition of Light Absorbing Particles in High Mountain Asia (HMA) via Assimilation of Two Decades of NASA Observations of Atmospheric Composition	NASA	\$867,158
2020-2023	Co-I	Role of soil moisture on the Earth's radiative balance through modulations of the dust direct and indirect effects	NASA	\$450,000
2020-2023	Co-PI	Remote-Sensing of Surface-Level Ozone Sensitivity to Nitrogen Oxides and Volatile Organic Compounds	NASA	\$717,304
2020	PI	Implementing an Advanced Dust Emission scheme in the Weather Research and Forecasting model coupled with Chemistry (WRF-Chem)	Formation Environmental, LLC	\$102,273
2019-2022	Co-PI	AQ-WATCH: Air Quality-Worldwide Analysis and Forecasting of Atmospheric Composition for Health	European Commission	\$2,243,412
2019-2022	PI	A novel method for improving fine particulate matter air quality forecasts during wildfires	NOAA	\$589,714
2019-2022	PI	Quantification and Attribution of Past (2005-2018) Air Quality Trends over the Contiguous United States (CONUS) via Assimilation of NASA Atmospheric Composition	NASA	\$600,000
2018-2020	Co-PI	Enhancing Decision-Making Activity in the Area of Air Quality in Delhi	MOES	\$360,000
2019	PI	Crowd-Sourced Environment Sensing and Terrain Analysis using Mobile Devices	Creare	\$45,634
2019	PI	Quantify Inter-state Transport of Air Pollutants in India	WRI	\$25,000
2018-2021	Co-I	Multi-scale Chemical Forecasting and Analysis for FIREChem	NASA	\$605,617
2016-2019	PI (June 2018 – Dec 2019), Co-I (June 2016 -	A novel ensemble design for PM _{2.5} Probabilistic predictions	NOAA	\$449,249
2016-2019	PI (Mar 2019- June 2020), Co-PI (Jan 2018 – Feb 2019)	Evaluation and Recommendation of State-of-the-Art Source Term Estimation Models for Methane Emission Applications	Exxon Mobil	\$300,000
2015-2017	PI (Jul 2018– Jan 2019), Co-I (Oct 2015 – Jun 2018)	Chemical data assimilation and analog-based uncertainty quantification to improve decision-making in public health and air quality	NASA	\$1,416,586
Total Funding				\$8,771,947.00

STUDENT SUPERVISION (NCAR Graduate Student Visitor Program)

S. N.	Student Name	Student's Host Institute
1.	Chandan Sarangi (2013)	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India
2.	Piyush Bhardwaj (2015)	Aryabhata Research Institute of Observational Sciences (ARIES), Nainital, India
3.	Aishwarya Raman (2016)	The University of Arizona, Tucson, USA
4.	Boris Mifka (2017)	University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
5.	Mauro Morichetti (2017)	University of Polytechnic of Marche, Ancona, Italy
6.	Abhishek Mishra (2018)	Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Mohali, India
7.	Xiaokang Wu (2018)	Texas A&M University, Texas, USA
8.	Maryam Golbazi (2019)	University of Delaware, Delaware, USA

Sponsored and Hosted NCAR visiting scientists

S. N.	Student Name	Student's Host Institute
1.	VijayKumar Nair (2014)	Space Physical Laboratory, Trivandrum, India
2.	Sachin D Ghude (2016)	Indian Institute for Tropical Meteorology (IITM), India
3.	Ashish Sharma (2017)	University of Notre Dame, Indiana, USA

CONFERENCE/MEETING/SESSION ORGANIZATION

1. Organizer and Scientific Steering Committee member for the “International Workshop on Chemistry-Climate Interactions (IWCCI)”, Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune, India, 12-15 March 2019.
2. Organizer of the “Future role of Large-Eddy Simulation (LES) models for Air Quality Issues”, National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO, USA, 9 August 2018.
3. Organizer and Scientific Steering Committee member for the “Fundamentals of Atmospheric Chemistry and Aerosol Modeling Workshop 2018”, National Center for Atmospheric Research, Boulder, CO, USA, 13-15 August 2018.
4. Convener and co-chair of the session “Multiscale Analysis of Emissions and Observations for Air Quality Forecasting”, American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, USA, 9-13 December 2019.
5. Convener and co-chair of the session “Aerosols and Air Quality over South Asia and the Hindu Kush-Himalayas”, American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting, Washington, DC, USA, 10-14 December 2018.
6. Convener and co-chair of the session “Monitoring, Analysis, and Prediction of Air Quality for Urban to Regional and Global Scales”, American Geophysical Union (AGU) Fall Meeting, San Francisco, California, USA, 9-13 December 2019.
7. Organizer and Scientific Steering Committee member for the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) organized “Seamless Prediction of the Air Pollution for Africa: from Regional to Urban”, Pretoria, South Africa, 3-6 December 2017.
8. Organizer of the “Monitoring, Analysis, and Prediction of Air Quality (MAP-AQ) side meeting event”, International Global Atmospheric Chemistry (IGAC) meeting, 2016, Takamatsu, Japan, 25-29 September 2018.
9. Organizer of the “Monitoring, Analysis, and Prediction of Air Quality (MAP-AQ) side meeting event”, International Global Atmospheric Chemistry (IGAC) meeting, Breckenridge, Colorado, USA, 26-30 September 2016.

PUBLICATIONS

THESIS

1. **R. Kumar**: Weather Research and Forecasting Model with Chemistry (WRF-Chem) over South Asia, 116, Reports on Earth System Science, ISSN 1614-1199, Max Planck Institute for Meteorology, Hamburg, Germany.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **R. Kumar**, M. Naja, S. Venkataramani, and O. Wild (2010), Variations in surface ozone at Nainital: A high-altitude site in the central Himalayas, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 115, D16302, doi:[10.1029/2009JD013715](https://doi.org/10.1029/2009JD013715).
2. **R. Kumar**, M. Naja, S. K. Satheesh, N. Ojha, H. Joshi, T. Sarangi, P. Pant, U. C. Dumka, P. Hegde, and S. Venkataramani (2011), Influences of the springtime northern Indian biomass burning over the central Himalayas, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 116, D19302, doi:[10.1029/2010JD015509](https://doi.org/10.1029/2010JD015509).
3. **R. Kumar**, Naja, M., Pfister, G. G., Barth, M. C., and Brasseur, G. P.: Simulations over South Asia using the Weather Research and Forecasting model with Chemistry (WRF-Chem): set-up and meteorological evaluation (2012), *Geosci. Model Dev.*, 5, 321-343, doi:10.5194/gmd-5-321-2012.
4. **R. Kumar**, Naja, M., Pfister, G. G., Barth, M. C., Wiedinmyer, C., and Brasseur, G. P.: Simulations over South Asia using the Weather Research and Forecasting model with Chemistry (WRF-Chem): chemistry evaluation and initial results (2012), *Geosci. Model Dev.*, 5, 619-648, doi:10.5194/gmd-5-619-2012.
5. **R. Kumar**, M. Naja, G. G. Pfister, M. C. Barth, and G. P. Brasseur (2013), Source attribution of carbon monoxide in India and surrounding regions during wintertime, *J. Geophys. Res. Atmos.*, 118, 1981–1995, doi:[10.1002/jgrd.50134](https://doi.org/10.1002/jgrd.50134).
6. **R. Kumar**, Barth, M. C., Pfister, G. G., Naja, M., and Brasseur, G. P. (2014), WRF-Chem simulations of a typical pre-monsoon dust storm in northern India: influences on aerosol optical properties and radiation budget, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 14, 2431-2446, doi:10.5194/acp-14-2431-2014.
7. **R. Kumar**, M. C. Barth, S. Madronich, M. Naja, G. R. Carmichael, G. G. Pfister, C. Knote, G. P. Brasseur, N. Ojha, and T. Sarangi (2014), Effects of dust aerosols on tropospheric chemistry during a typical pre-monsoon season dust storm in northern India, *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 14, 6813-6834, doi:10.5194/acp-14-6813-2014.
8. **R. Kumar**, M. C. Barth, V. S. Nair, G. G. Pfister, S. S. Babu, S. K. Satheesh, K. K. Moorthy, G. R. Carmichael, Z. Lu and D. G. Streets (2015), Sources of black carbon aerosols in South Asia and surrounding regions during the Integrated Campaign for Aerosols, Gases and Radiation Budget (ICARB), *Atmos. Chem. Phys.*, 15, 5415-5428, doi:10.5194/acp-15-5415-2015.
9. **R. Kumar**, M. C. Barth, G. G. Pfister, V. S. Nair, S. D. Ghude, N. Ojha (2015), What controls the seasonal cycle of black carbon aerosols in India? *J. Geophys. Res.*, 120, 7788-7812, doi: 10.1002/2015JD023298.
10. **R. Kumar**, M. C. Barth, G. G. Pfister, L. Delle Monache, J-F. Lamarque, S. Archer-Nicholls, S. Tilmes, S. D. Ghude, C. Wiedinmyer, M. Naja, and S. Walters (2018), How will air quality change in South Asia by 2050?, *JGR – Atmospheres*, doi: 10.1002/2017jd027357.
11. **R. Kumar**, V.-H. Peuch, J. H. Crawford, G. P. Brasseur (2018), Five steps to improve air quality forecasts, *Nature*, 561, 27-29, doi: 10.1038/d41586-018-06150-5.
12. **R. Kumar**, L. Delle Monache, J. Bresch, P. E. Saide, Y. Tang, Z. Liu, A. M. da Silva, S. Alessandrini, G. G. Pfister, D. Edwards, P. Lee, I. Djalalova (2018), Towards improving short-term predictions of fine particulate matter over the United States via assimilation of

- satellite aerosol optical depth retrievals, *J. Geophys. Res. – Atmos.*, 124 (5), 2753-2773, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2018JD029009>.
13. **R. Kumar**, J. A. Lee, L. Delle Monache, and S. Alessandrini (2019), Effect of meteorological variability on fine particulate matter simulations over the contiguous United States, *JGR – Atmospheres*, 124 (10), 5669-5694, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2018JD029637>.
 14. **R. Kumar**, S. Ghude, M. Biswas, C. Jena, S. Alessandrini, S. Debnath, S. Kulkarni, S. Sperati, V. Soni, R. Nanjundiah, M. N. Rajeevan (2020), Enhancing accuracy of air quality and temperature forecasts during paddy crop-residue burning season in Delhi via chemical data assimilation, 125 (17), *JGR-Atmospheres*, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2020JD033019>
 15. **R. Kumar**, S. Alessandrini, A. Hodzic, J. Lee (2020), A novel ensemble design for probabilistic predictions of fine particulate matter over the contiguous United States (CONUS), 125 (16), *JGR-Atmospheres*, <https://doi.org/10.1029/2020JD032554>.
 16. **R. Kumar**, Douglas A. Mitchell, Daniel F. Steinhoff, Pablo Saide, Branko Kosovic, Nicole Downey, Doug Blewitt, Luca Delle Monache, Evaluating the Mobile Flux Plane (MFP) Method to Estimate Methane Emissions using Large Eddy Simulations (LES), accepted for publication in *JGR-Atmospheres*.
 17. U. C. Dumka, K. K. Moorthy, **R. Kumar**, P. Hegde, R. Sagar, P. Pant, N. Singh and S. S. Babu, “Characteristics of Aerosol Black Carbon Mass Concentration over a High Altitude location in the Central Himalayas from multi-year measurements”, *Atmospheric Research*, 96 (4), Pages 510-521, doi: 10.1016/j.atmosres.2009.12.010, 2010.
 18. N. Ojha, N., M. Naja, K. P. Singh, T. Sarangi, **R. Kumar**, S. Lal, M. G. Lawrence, T. M. Butler, and H. C. Chandola (2012), Variabilities in ozone at a semi-urban site in the Indo-Gangetic Plain region: Association with the meteorology and regional processes, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 117, D20301, doi:[10.1029/2012JD017716](https://doi.org/10.1029/2012JD017716).
 19. Ghude, S. D., G. G. Pfister, C. Jena, R.J. van der A, L. K. Emmons, and **R. Kumar**, (2012), Satellite constraints of nitrogen oxide (NO_x) emissions from India based on OMI observations and WRF-Chem simulations, *Geophys. Res. Lett.* 40, doi: [10.1029/2012GL053926](https://doi.org/10.1029/2012GL053926).
 20. S. Dipu, T. V. Prabha, G. Pandithurai, J. Dudhia, G. Pfister, **R. Kumar**, B. N. Goswami, (2013), Impact of elevated aerosol layer on the cloud macrophysical properties prior to monsoon onset, *Atmos. Environ.*, 70, 454-467.
 21. T. Sarangi, M. Naja, N. Ojha, **R. Kumar**, S. Lal and H. C. Chandola, Variability in Meteorological Parameters and Trace Gases over the Central Himalayas: Observations and Model Simulations, *Vayumandal*, 38, 10-25.
 22. T. Sarangi, M. Naja, N. Ojha, **R. Kumar**, S. Lal, S. Venkataramani, A. Kumar, R. Sagar, H. Chandola, (2013), First simultaneous measurements of ozone, CO and NO_y at a high altitude regional representative site in the central Himalayas, *J. Geophys. Res.*, 119, 1-17, doi: 10.1002/2013JD020631
 23. N. Ojha, M. Naja, T. Sarangi, **R. Kumar**, P. Bhardwaj, S. Lal, S. Venkataramani, R. Sagar, A. Kumar, H. C. Chandola (2014), On the Processes Influencing the Vertical distribution of ozone over the central Himalayas: Analysis of Yearlong ozonesonde observations, *Atmos. Environ.*, 88, 201-211.
 24. P. Mahapatra, Sipra Panda, P. P. Walvekar, **R. Kumar**, Trupti Das, B. R. Gurjar (2014), Seasonal trends, meteorological impacts and health risks associated with atmospheric concentrations of gaseous pollutants at an Indian coastal city, *Environ. Sci. Pollu. & Res.*, 19, 11418-32, doi: 10.1007/s11356-014-3078-2.
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28. H. Joshi, M. Naja, K. P. Singh, **R. Kumar**, P. Bhardwaj, S. S. Babu, S. K. Satheesh, K. K. Moorthy, H. C. Chandola (2016), Investigations of Aerosol Black Carbon from a Semi-urban Site in the Indo-Gangetic Plain Region, *Atmos. Environ.*, 125B, 346-359.
29. D. E. Surendran, S. D. Ghude, G. Beig, L. K. Emmons, C. Jena, **R. Kumar**, G. G. Pfister, D. M. Chate (2015), Simulations over South Asia using Hemispheric Transport of Air Pollution version-2 (HTAP-v2) emission inventory and Model for Ozone and Related chemical Tracers (MOZART-4): Initial Results, *Atmos. Environ.*, 122, doi: 10.1016/j.atmosenv.2015.08.023.
30. T. Sarangi, M. Naja, S. Lal, S. Venkataramani, P. Bhardwaj, N. Ojha, **R. Kumar**, H. C. Chandola (2016), First observations of light non-methane hydrocarbons (C₂-C₅) over a high-altitude site in the central Himalayas, *Atmos. Environ.*, 125, 450-460, doi: 10.1016/j.atmosenv.2015.10.024.
31. P. Bhardwaj, M. Naja, **R. Kumar**, H. C. Chandola (2016), Seasonal, interannual and longterm variabilities in biomass burning activity over South Asia, *Environ. Sci. Poll. Res.*, 23, 5, 4397-4410, doi:10.1007/s11356-015-5629-6.
32. S. D. Ghude, D. M. Chate, C. Jena, G. Beig, **R. Kumar**, M. C. Barth, G. G. Pfister and P. Rao (2016), Premature mortality in India due to PM_{2.5} and ozone exposure, *Geophys. Res. Lett.*, 43, 4650-4658, doi:[10.1002/2016GL068949](https://doi.org/10.1002/2016GL068949).
33. S. Archer-Nicholls, E. M. Carter, **R. Kumar**, Q. Xiao, Y. Liu, J. J. Frostad, M. H. Forouzanfar, A. Cohen, M. Brauer, J. Baumgartner and C. Wideinmyer (2016), The Regional Impacts of Cooking and Heating Emissions on Ambient Air Quality and disease Burden in China, *Environ. Sci. & Tech.*, 50 (17), doi: 10.1021/acs.est.6b02533
34. S. D. Ghude, C. K. Jena, G. Beig, **R. Kumar**, S. H. Kulkarni and D. M. Chate (2016), Impact of emission mitigation on ozone-induced wheat and rice damage in India, *Current Science*, 110 (8), 1452-1458, doi: 10.18520/cs/v110/i8/1452-1458.
35. S. Tiwari, **R. Kumar**, P. Tunved, S. Singh, and A. S. Panicker (2016), Significant cooling effect on the surface due to soot particles over Brahmaputra River Valley region, India: An impact on regional climate, *Science of the Total Environment*, 15, 562-504, doi: 10.1016/j.scitotenv.2016.03.157.
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