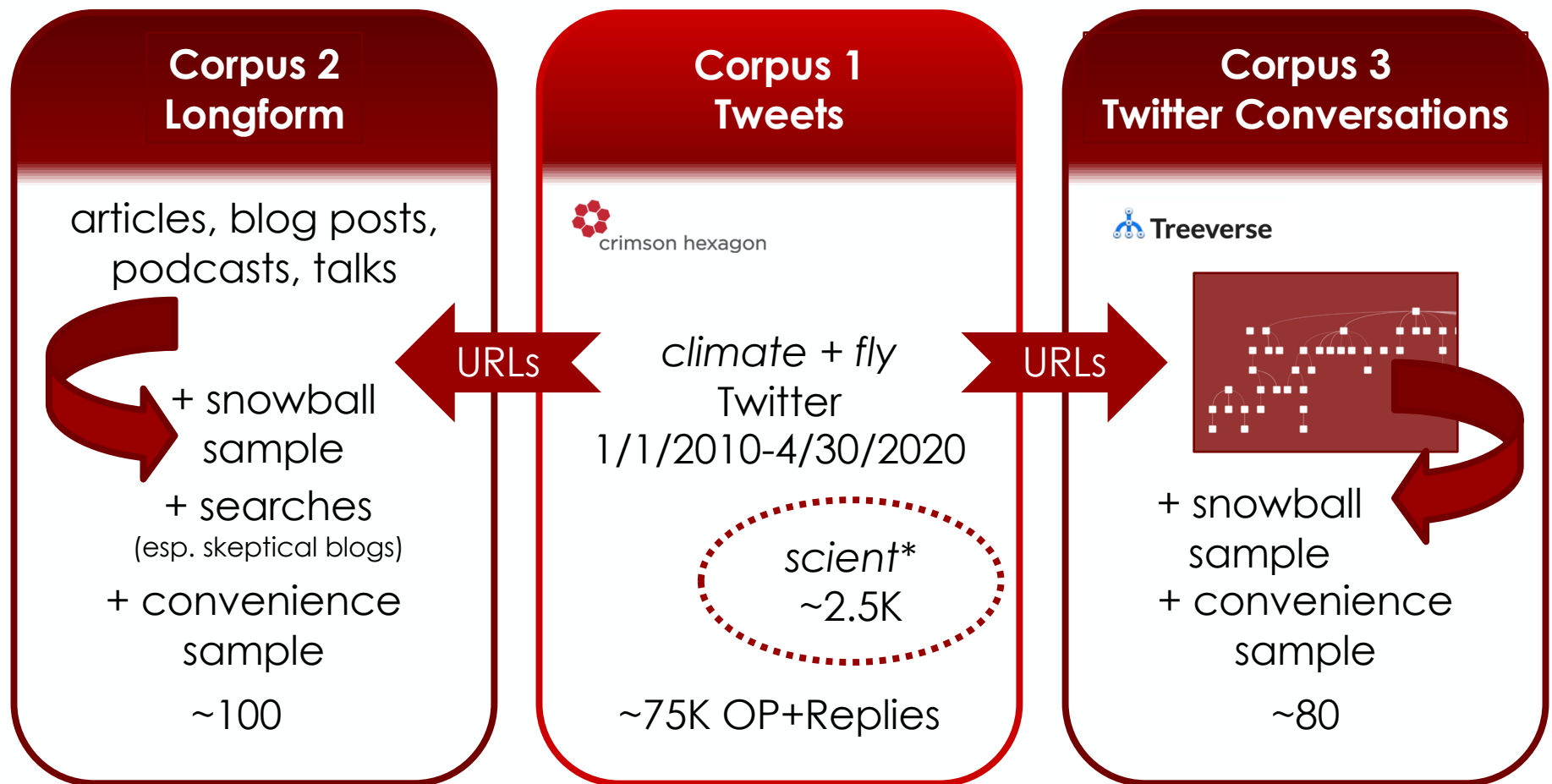


Data sources



Skeptics' conclusions

Climate scientists do not walk the talk. This shows:

1. Resolve inconsistency in the direction of the walk: they don't believe what they're saying.	
1.1 (Rare)	They do not credit anthropogenic global warming (AGW). <i>If climate scientists thought it [AGW] was true, they wouldn't fly in jets/take limos to conferences.</i>
1.2 Don't believe	They don't believe AGW is an emergency. <i>Why do any climate scientists still fly? It's almost as if they don't really believe that there's a CO2 climate crisis.</i>
1.3 No emergency	From 1.2, we can conclude that AGW is not an emergency. <i>There is no climate emergency. Climate scientists fly all over the place which they would never do if the threat were real.</i>
1.4 Self-interested	Their talk can be explained as an attempt to preserve their AGW grant money. <i>Listen to the SCIENTISTS who receive HUGE government grants to fly around the world and have great extravagant get togethers in exotic locales just to bolster CLIMATE CHANGE theories. They are THE scientists. The ones who disagree are not getting YOUR tax dollars nor free trips.</i>
1.5 Hoaxers	[Which fades into:] Their talk can be explained by their complicity in the AGW hoax. <i>Terrific Acting. Hypocrites. Climate Scientists, Politicians, Actors fly all over the World spewing CO2 into the Oceans. Climate Change is a Hoax. Its a Ponzi Scheme. Biggest Hypocrites.</i>

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Skeptics' conclusions

Climate scientists do not walk the talk. This shows:

2. Resolve inconsistency in the direction of the talk: they don't keep their actions in line with their beliefs.	
2.1 Hypocrites	They are hypocrites. <i>That's all the Big Climate Change Politicians, Scientists and actors do..... they all fly in big planes and drive big cars, biggest hypocrites on our planet.</i> <i>The haughty, self-important Prof. XXX XXXXX, like so many other noisy AGW advocates are hypocrites, HYPOCRITES, HYPOCRITES! [emphasis in the original]</i>
2.2 Elitists	They are a typical arrogant elite, not like us regular folk. <i>celebs & scientists fly around the world to latest climate meetings but we must live in mud huts. #SCUM</i> <i>But then how would the climate scientists arrive in style? You can't fly coach & then ride around on limos while you're at the climate conference! How peasant-like.</i>
2.3 Double standards	[Closely related:] They apply a different rule to themselves than they want to impose on us. <i>What felt awkward: the interview or burning fossil fuel to fly there and back? I'm guessing that under the New World Climate Order, only scientists, activists, journalists, politicians, and bureaucrats will be allowed such a luxury.</i> <i>Actually living a low carbon lifestyle is what the peons are supposed to do, not the elites. Guess who decides who the elites are?</i>

Skeptics' conclusions

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3. As a result of 2 and/or 3,

3.1 Not credible

They don't deserve to be believed.

Im sick of this climate change hoax I wonder if the scientist will fly on jets to their destination to study the pollution they just expelled. If they walk to France I will think about their stupid planet warming claims.

How can anyone take seriously anything any climate scientist says when you people don't practise what you preach?

My take - climate scientists are hypocrites. If you study nature and find overwhelming evidence of human-driven AGW, you're not allowed to tell others about reality unless you never fly again.

4. Accept the pragmatic inconsistency.

4.1 (Infrequent)

They believe AGW is an emergency, but aren't successful in changing their behavior. A fortiori, the policy they propose is difficult/impossible for us all.

It's the irony of do as we say, not as we do. They tow their boats with polluting diesels, celebs fly in etc. It's proof that what they are suggesting won't work. Banning air travel will not help solve climate change. Scientists need to travel, equipment needs transporting etc

Fly Less



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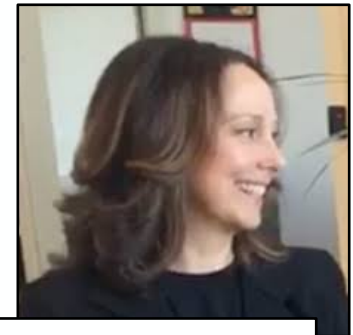
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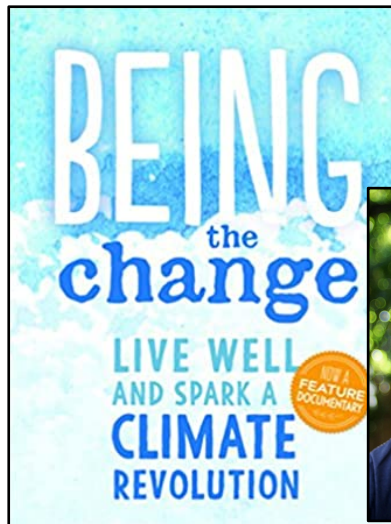
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2. Academic flying is significant

2% (or more) of global emissions—and rising—and no substitutions—and not regulated by int'l conventions.

A large portion of individual & institutional emissions:

- Kalmus: 2/3s of his total emissions before he quit
- UBC study: academic flying is equivalent to 66% of all on-campus emissions.



Unequally (unjustly) distributed, both generally and within the academy: a small number of people are responsible for a large proportion of flights.

A marker of prestige: making it embarrassing to defend as 'essential,' & a more powerful symbol if given up.

Structural Changers against Flying Less

1. Making (and replying) to “flying less” arguments wastes time and distracts attention from more important things.

Though air travel accounts for only a paltry 2% of global emissions, whether or not climate scientists should fly consumes far more than 2% of my Twitter timeline....Focusing on individual choices around air travel and beef consumption heightens the risk of losing sight of the gorilla in the room: civilization's reliance on fossil fuels for energy and transport overall, which accounts for roughly two-thirds of global carbon emissions. We need systemic changes that will reduce everyone's carbon footprint, whether or not they care.

I do worry that this whole conversation is also a distraction because the more we talk about the relative merits of individual action versus more systemic and political action, the more we aren't talking about the questions that are maybe more important.

I don't know much with 100% certainty, but this I do know: climate scientists could stop flying tomorrow, and it would have exactly zero effect on the policy debate. The argument over flying is a distraction.

Are you playing the 'hypocrite' card here? It can be incredibly distracting... there's an emergency. Shaming individuals is negative and unhelpful. How about putting your energy into something that helps change for the better?

This is about the failure to indict the true centers of decision-making and power. Why would we ever consider climate scientists an appropriate target for our outrage and action, when multinational corporations and gutless political leaders are making out like racketeers from heating the planet? Oil companies, such as Chevron, ExxonMobil and Royal Dutch Shell have generated multi-billion-dollar profits in the first quarter of 2018 alone. Moreover, actual elected leaders are trafficking in science denialism and propaganda in public institutions, wherein the existence of snowballs discredits climate warming and rocks falling into the ocean cause sea level rise. These are the exact targets for where our public outrage and grief should land.

When you emphasize individual actions it takes the onus/blame off the corporations doing the actual extracting.

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Structural Changers against Flying Less

2. The makers of "flying less" arguments show themselves to be cowards, co-opted by denialists.

There is an attempt being made by them to deflect attention away from finding policy solutions to global warming towards promoting individual behaviour changes that affect people's diets, travel choices and other personal behaviour. This is a deflection campaign and a lot of well-meaning people have been taken in by it. We should also be aware how the forces of denial are exploiting the lifestyle change movement to get their supporters to argue with each other. It takes pressure off attempts to regulate the fossil fuel industry. This approach is a softer form of denial and in many ways it is more pernicious.

Having lost the scientific argument on climate, fossil fuel PR machine would logically now want to (a) convince us that we (not industry) are the cause of the problem & (b) scare those on the fence into thinking they'll have to sacrifice their lifestyle (food, travel). And they might seek to amplify arguments/viewpoints/suggestions that project onto this framing. #JustSayin

It's a hill away from the main battle lines and they want us there rather than facing economic climate solutions head on which will take resolve and compromise from both sides of the political spectrum. Climate deniers would rather have us as far away from that as possible.

I see so much moral grandstanding in the climate action space, and it just obscures a richer and more meaningful conversation...Grandstanding is performative. And it aims at personal-choice carbon reduction navel-gazing and collective shaming. It's easier, frankly, than indicting the centers of economic power for their complicity and inaction.