

## **Vita**

Chittiappa Muthanna, a proud 'kodava', was born on New Years Day, 1975, in Bangalore, India. His parents, always open to new experiences, took him to Africa, where he completed his secondary school at the International School of Lusaka, Zambia in 1991. A year later, he decided to cross the Atlantic and enrolled at Virginia Tech, and obtained his Bachelors degree in Aerospace Engineering in 1996. With visions of building wind tunnels floating through his mind, he decided to pursue his Masters degree in the field of experimental fluid dynamics here at Virginia Tech.