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## EDUCATION

### University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, USA

- Ph.D. (in progress) - Genetics  
• Adviser: Prof. Robert Schmitz  
• Focus: Epigenomics, Gene Regulation

Aug 2018 – Present

### University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, Colorado, USA

- B.A. - Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
• Magna Cum Laude  
• Honors Thesis: Transposable Element Abundance and Variability in 28 Different Species in the Family Solanaceae  
• Adviser: Prof. Nolan Kane  
• GPA: 3.6

Aug 2011 – Dec 2015

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Boyce Thompson Institute, Ithaca NY

- Bioinformatician I  
• Supervisor: Prof. Zhangjun Fei  
• Projects: Genome annotation, Variant calling, Data Analysis of Cucurbits

May 2017 – Jul 2018

### Cannabis Genomics Initiative, Boulder CO

- Consultant  
• Supervisor: Daniella Vergara  
• Projects: Identification of Y chromosome, Repeat Library Creation, Genome Assembly

Jan 2016 – May 2016

### University of Colorado Boulder

- Lab Technician, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
• Supervisor: Prof. Nolan Kane  
• Projects: Genomic Analysis, Transposable Element Annotation, Alternative splicing in sunflowers

Jan 2016 – Sep 2016

- Undergraduate Research Student, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
• Supervisor: Prof. Nolan Kane

May 2013 – Dec 2015

## PUBLICATIONS

### JOURNALS

- [2] CS Smith, S Tittes, JP Mendieta, E Collier-zans, H Rowe, LH Rieseberg, NC Kane (2018) Genetics of alternative splicing evolution during sunflower domestication. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*
- [1] D Vergara, H Baker, K Clancy, KG Keepers, JP Mendieta, CS Pauli, S Tittes, KH White, NC Kane (2016) Genetic and genomic tools for *Cannabis sativa*. *Critical Reviews in Plant Sciences*

### SCIENTIFIC PRESENTATIONS

- [3] “Transposable Element Abundance in the Iochromanae,” Evolution, Austin 2016
- [2] “An Introduction to Scripting Languages in Biology,” EBIO Department, CU Boulder 2015
- [1] “Why Undergraduate Research is Worth Doing,” Undergraduate Outreach Program, CU Boulder 2014

## AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program Grant (UROP) 2015  
\$2200
- Howard Hughes Medical Institute Grant (HHMI) 2014  
\$2400
- Biological Science Initiative Grant 2013  
\$2400

## TEACHING

### TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Genomics  
Introductory course on genomics focused on teaching undergraduate students the basics of NGS data analysis.

Fall 2015

## GENOMIC RESOURCES

### GENOMES

- [5] H.W. Harden, S Tittes, JP Mendieta, S Smith, D Gates, NC Kane (2016) *Iochroma lehmannii* Chloroplast, complete genome [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC\\_030167.1](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC_030167.1)
- [4] S.D Wong, S Tittes, JP Mendieta, S Smith, D Gates, NC Kane (2016) *Iochroma salpoanums* Chloroplast, complete genome [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC\\_030168.1](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC_030168.1)
- [3] J.A -West-Roberts, S Tittes, JP Mendieta, L Riesberg, NC Kane (2016) *Helianthus argophyllus* Chloroplast, complete genome [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC\\_030275.1](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC_030275.1)
- [2] E.G. Monroe, S Tittes, KG Keepers, JP Mendieta, L Riesberg, NC Kane (2016) *Helianthus Debilis* Chloroplast, complete genome [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC\\_030173.1](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC_030173.1)
- [1] K White, K Keepers, S Tittes, JP Mendieta, NC Kane (2016) *Cannabis sativa* Mitochondian, complete genome [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC\\_029855.1](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/nuccore/NC_029855.1)

**PROFESSIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS  
& ACTIVITIES**

**Athens Science Observer**

Athens, GA 30605

- Editor, Writer

2018 – Present

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