Leo Zeitler

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Education

PhD Candidate Population Genomics

10/2020-current

Institute of Plant Sciences, University of Bern, Switzerland Advisors: Dr. Kimberly Gilbert & Prof. Dr. Christian Parisod

M.Sc. Crop Sciences

09/2016-03/2019

University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany

Thesis: Loss of genetic diversity in doubled-haploid lines from European maize land-

Advisors: Prof. Jeffrey Ross-Ibarra, Dr. Markus Stetter & Prof. Karl Schmid

B.Sc. Agricultural Sciences

04/2013-11/2016

University of Hohenheim, Stuttgart, Germany

Thesis: Sequence analysis of putative domestication genes in Amaranth

Advisors: Prof. Karl Schmid

High School/Abitur 2003-2011

Johannes Kepler Gymnasium, Stuttgart

Work Experience

Research Internship

04/2019-10/2020

Bomblies Lab, Plant Evolutionary Genetics, Institute for Molecular Plant Biology, Department of Biology, ETH Zurich — Zurich, Switzerland

Research internship

04/2018-10/2018

Ross-Ibarra Lab, Department of Plant Sciences and Center for Population Biology, University of California Davis — Davis, CA, USA

Student assistant 09/2015-03/2018

Institute of Plant Breeding, Seed Science and Population Genetics, University of Hohenheim — Stuttgart, Germany

Internship - Plant Breeding

08/2017-10/2017

Betaseed Inc. (KWS) — Kimberly, ID, USA

Internship – Plant Breeding

06/2014-10/2014

PZO Oberlimpurg — Schwäbisch Hall, Germany

Publications

Published

- 1. Zeitler, L., Ross-Ibarra, J., and Stetter, M.G. (2020). Selective Loss of Diversity in Doubled-Haploid Lines from European Maize Landraces. G3: Genes, Genomes, Genetics 10, 2497-2506. DOI:10.1534/g3.120.401196
- 2. Stetter, M.G., Zeitler, L., Steinhaus, A., Kroener, K., Biljecki, M., and Schmid, K.J. (2016). Crossing Methods and Cultivation Conditions for Rapid Production of

Segregating Populations in Three Grain Amaranth Species. Front. Plant Sci. 7. DOI:10.3389/fpls.2016.00816

Grants & Awards

- KWS Master Scholarship (2016-2018)
- Herzog Carl Scholarship (2018)
- Travel grant from Baden-Württembergische Ministerium für Wissenschaft, Forschung und Kunst (2018)
- 3rd Poster Prize at ELLS Student Conference, Wageningen, 2018
- Best student research group project of the Agricultural Faculty, 4. Humboldt reloaded-Jahrestagung, 2015

Interest & Skills

Genetics

population genetics (diversity, domestication, adaptation, genome dynamics), quantitative genetics (GWAS, mixed models)

Bioinformatics

Statistical analysis (R, SAS), python, population genetics and bioinformatics using R and command line tools (plink, vcftools, BLAST, beagle, GATK, samtools), simulations using SLiM, bash scripting, cluster computing (slurm, LSF), galaxy, LATEX, emacs, MacOS, GNU/Linux

Wet-Lab

DNA extraction, plant cultivation

Languages

German · Mother tongue English · Advanced

References

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