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## Education

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2001–2006 Ph.D., Genetics and Genomics, Duke University, Durham, NC. Advisor: Dr. Fred S Dietrich  
1995–1999 B.S., Computer Science, Duke University, Durham, NC

## Academic appointments:

2017– Professor, Dept of Microbiology & Plant Pathology. University of California Riverside.  
2014–2017 Associate Professor (with tenure), Dept of Microbiology & Plant Pathology. University of California Riverside.  
2009–2014 Assistant Professor, Dept of Plant Pathology & Microbiology. University of California Riverside.  
2006–2009 Postdoctoral Research Fellow. Miller Institute for Basic Research.  
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## Honors and Awards:

2020 Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science  
2020 Fellow, Mycological Society of America  
2020 Fellow, American Academy of Microbiology, American Society for Microbiology  
2019–2025 CIFAR Fellow in program 'Fungal Kingdom: Threats & Opportunities'  
2019 Rosie Perez Memorial Seminar, North Carolina State University  
2017 Whetzel-Westcott-Dimock Special Lecturer, Cornell University  
2015 Kavli Fellow, Kavli Frontiers of Science  
2014 C. J. Alexopoulos Prize, Mycological Society of America  
2006–2009 Miller Institute for Basic Research in Science, Postdoctoral Research Fellowship  
2003–2006 National Science Foundation, Graduate Research Fellowship

## Publications:

### Peer Reviewed Publications

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1. **Stajich**, J. E. 2014. Top 5 real wolves of wall street. <http://nautil.us/issue/10/mergers--acquisitions/top-5-real-wolves-of-wall-street>. "Moldy Monopolies" and "Creepy Crawly Conglomerate" in the "Mergers & Acquisitions" issue.

### Software and other Products

BioPerl - <http://bioperl.org> - Core developer

Github <http://github.com/hyphaltip> - individual projects  
 Github <http://github.com/stajichlab> - lab projects  
 Protocols.io Protocols <https://www.protocols.io/researchers/jason-stajich> - public protocols  
 Github <http://github.com/1KFG> - 1000 Fungal genomes project  
 Github <http://github.com/zygolife> - ZyGoLife NSF project and associated phylogenomics  
 Website: <http://1000.fungalgenomes.org> - 1KFG project  
 Website: <http://herptilemicrobiomes.org> - NSF URoL Herptile Microbiomes  
 Website: <http://zygolife.org> - NSF ZygoLife  
 Website: <http://dynamiterice.org> - NSF Rice Transposable Element project  
 Website: <http://fungalgenomes.org/blog> - "The Hyphal Tip" A Blog I write about Fungal Genomics  
 Website & Database (Collaboration): <http://fungidb.org>

## Grant Support:

### Ongoing support

2017-2026	National Institutes of Health. R01-AI127548 "Evolved Heterogeneity contributes to chronic fungal lung infections" Role: Senior Personnel. PI: D Hogan (Dartmouth)
2017-2022	National Institutes of Health. R01-AI130128 "Evolution of <i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i> virulence" Role: Senior Personnel. PI: RA Cramer, Jr (Dartmouth)
2019-2022	National Institutes of Health. R15-GM132869 "Understanding The Mechanisms Of Spatial Protein Quality Control In A Model Filamentous Fungus" Role: Senior Personnel. PI: Egans, M (U Arkansas)
2019-2022	Univ of California-Office of the President "Investigating fundamental gaps in Valley Fever research" Role: Co-PI. PI: Anita Sil (UCSF) and Co-PIs at UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Merced, UC San Diego
2019-2025	Canadian Institute For Advanced Research. Fellowship "Fungal Kingdom: Threats and Opportunities" Role: CIFAR Fellow. PI/Directors: L Cowen and J Heitman
2020-2023	Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation "New Tools for Advancing Model Systems in Aquatic Symbiosis" Role: Co-PI. PI: Lillian Fritz-Laylin (U Mass-Amherst). With Co-PI Tim James (U Michigan)
2020-2022	California Conservation Genomics Project (subproject) "Landscape and Population Genomics of the lichen <i>Acarospora socialis</i> in California" Role: PI.
2020-2023	California Department of Agriculture / Glassywinged Sharptshooter Board "CRISPR-mediated genome modification of <i>Homalodisca vitripennis</i> for the genetic control of Pierce's disease" Role: Co-PI. PI Peter Atkinson, UCR
2020-2025	USDA-NIFA, Emergency Citrus Disease Research and Extension "CAP: Combining Cultural And Genetic Approaches For Grove Success To Unravel And Enhance Resistance/Tolerance To Huanglongbing." Role: Co-PI. PI Caroline Roper, UCR
2021-2023	Canadian Institute For Advanced Research. Catalyst Award "Exploring the extended phenotypes of BdDV-1, a DNA mycovirus associated with enzootic strains of amphibian chytridiomycosis" Role: Co-PI. PI: Tim James, U Michigan; Co-PI: Lillian Fritz-Laylin, U Mass Amherst; Co-PI

2022-2024 Mat Fisher, Imperial College (UK)  
Canadian Institute For Advanced Research. Catalyst Award  
“Discovering and describing fungi from deep biosphere environments”  
Role: PI. Co-PI: Tim James, U Michigan

2022-2026 National Science Foundation. EF-2125066.  
“Collaborative Research: MIM: Gut-inhabiting fungi influence structure and function of herptile microbiomes through horizontal gene transfer and novel metabolic function”  
Role: PI. Collaborative linked award with 3 other PIs: J Spatafora & K McPhail (Oregon State), D Walker (Middle Tennessee State) <https://herptilemicrobiomes.org/>

2022-2026 National Science Foundation. IOS-2134912  
“Research-PGR: Impact of transposable element bursts on the rice genome and epigenome.”  
Role: Co-I. PI: SR Wessler (UC Riverside). Co-I: R Schmitz (U Georgia), K Ostivek (UC Riverside), J Burnette (UC Riverside)

2022-2026 National Science Foundation. DBI-2215705  
“Research Infrastructure: MRI: Acquisition of a Big Data HPC Cluster for Interdisciplinary Research and Training.”  
Role: Co-I. PI: Thomas Girke (UC Riverside). Co-I: Wenxiu Ma, Mark Alber, Adam Godzik (UC Riverside)

2022-2027 National Science Foundation. IOS-2141858  
“CAREER: Dissecting the molecular regulation of septin-mediated plant invasion by the blast fungus *Magnaporthe oryzae*”  
Role: Senior Personnel. PI: Martin Egan (U Arkansas)

**Completed support**

2010-2013 Burroughs Wellcome Fund.  
“FungiDB: A Pan Fungal Genome Database”.  
Role: Co-I. PI: DS Roos (U Pennsylvania)

2011-2012 UC Riverside, Chancellor’s Strategic Investment Funds.  
“Coelomomyces Genomics for Mosquito Vector Control”  
Role: Co-I. PI: B Federici. Co-I: A Ray (UC Riverside)

2013-2014 UC Riverside, Office of Research Strategic Investment Funds.  
“High-throughput synthetic biology for natural products discovery”  
Role: Co-I. PI: K Borkovich. Co-I: C Larive (UC Riverside)

2013-2014 National Institutes of Health - 1-R03-AI105636-01.  
“Annotation of *Cryptococcus* genomes by comprehensive curation of published literature”  
Role: PI. Co-I G Sherlock (Stanford)

2011-2014 Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.  
“MoBe DAC: A data coordinating center for the Sloan Indoor Environment Metagenomic Project - Fungal resources”.  
Role: PI. Linked grants with F Meyer (U Chicago/ANL), R Knight (U Colorado), M Sogin (Marine Biological Lab).

2014-2015 National Science Foundation. DBI-1429826.  
“MRI: Acquisition of a Big Data Compute Cluster for Interdisciplinary Research” Role: Co PI. PI T Girke. Co-Is J Bailey-Serres, M Allen, and S Lonardi (UCR)

2014-2017 National Institutes of Health - 1-R01-GM108492-01.  
“Dynamics of bacterial-fungal interactions in chronic lung infections”  
Role: Co-I. PI: D Hogan (Dartmouth)

2011-2016 W.M. Keck Foundation. (No Cost Extension thru 2018)  
”New Active Transposable Elements for Mosquito Genetics.”  
Role: Co-I. PI: SR Wessler (UC Riverside). Co-I: P Atkinson (UC Riverside).

2017 Burroughs Wellcome Fund.  
”Meeting grant to support Fungal Cell Wall (FCW2017) Conference in Ensenada, Mexico”

2016-2019	<p>Role: PI.</p> <p>National Science Foundation. DEB-1557110. (No Cost Ext thru 04/2020)</p> <p>“Collaborative Research: Phylogenomics and evolutionary history of the anaerobic fungal group, Neocallimastigomycota”</p>
2011-2017	<p>Role: PI. Collaborative linked award PI: N Youssef (Oklahoma State)</p> <p>National Science Foundation. IOS-1027542. (No Cost Ext thru 02/2021)</p> <p>“CPGS: Genome-wide impact of <i>mPing</i> transposition on rice phenotypic diversity.”</p> <p>Role: Co-I. PI: SR Wessler (UC Riverside).</p> <p><a href="http://dynamiterice.org">http://dynamiterice.org</a></p>
2015-2018	<p>National Science Foundation. GO Life DEB-1441715. (No Cost Ext thru 08/2020)</p> <p>“Collaborative Research: The Zygomycetes Genealogy of Life (ZyGoLife)- the conundrum of Kingdom Fungi”</p> <p>Role: PI. Collaborative linked award with 3 other PIs and 12 collaborating labs: J Spatafora (Oregon State), TY James (U Michigan), R Robertson (Arizona State)</p> <p><a href="http://zygolife.org">http://zygolife.org</a></p>
2017-2020	<p>Univ of California-Office of the President, MRPI.</p> <p>“UC Valley Fever Research Initiative”</p>
2019-2020	<p>Role: Co-PI. PI: Anita Sil (UCSF) and Co-PIs at UC Berkeley, UC Merced, UC San Diego</p> <p>City of Hope / Univ of California-Riverside</p> <p>“Antifungal drug resistance in Southern California: Discovery of novel mechanisms by genomics and proteomics.”</p>
2020-2021	<p>Role: PI with Co-PIs M Kalkum and S Dadwal at City of Hope Hospital</p> <p>Canadian Institute For Advanced Research</p> <p>“Pilot investigation of avian-origin <i>Aspergillus fumigatus</i> infections in the United States”</p>
2020	<p>Role: PI. Co-PI: David Blehert, National Wildlife Health Center, USGS</p> <p>Burroughs Wellcome Fund.</p> <p>”Meeting grant to support 2022 Fungal Cellular and Molecular Biology Gordon Research Conference”</p>
2020-2021	<p>Role: PI.</p> <p>USDA-ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE</p> <p>“Tracking seasonal changes of endophytic communities in <i>Fusarium</i> dieback - Invasive shot hole borers host trees in California.”</p>
2022	<p>Role: Co-I. PI Akif Eskalen, UC Davis</p> <p>National Science Foundation. MCB-2227426</p> <p>”Meeting grant to support Fungal Cellular and Molecular Biology Gordon Research Conference 2022”</p> <p>Role: PI.</p>

## Service:

### University and Departmental

2020-2022	Division Chair, Riverside Division of the University of California Academic Senate
2018–2020	Chair, UC Riverside Graduate Council and member of Senate Executive Council
2017-2018	Member, UC Riverside Graduate Council
2015–2020	Director, Microbiology Graduate Program (except Sabbatical 2016-17)
2014–2015, 2018–2020	Graduate Advisor, Microbiology Graduate Program
2015–2016, 2017–2018	Admissions Advisor, Microbiology Graduate Program

### Editorial Boards

2021–	Editorial Board, Annual Reviews of Microbiology
2019–	Associate Editor, Genome Biology & Evolution
2019–	Associate Editor, Mycologia

2018– Senior Editor, Microbial Resource Announcements  
 2018– Associate Editor, Genetics  
 2016– Editorial Board, Current Opinion in Microbiology  
 2015–2019 Associate Editor, Microbial Genomics  
 2014– Associate Editor, Fungal Genetics & Biology  
 2013,2015 Guest Associate Editor, PLoS Genetics  
 2013 Guest Associate Editor, Mycologia  
 2011–2016 Faculty Member in Microbial Genetics & Genomics, Faculty of 1000  
 2010–2015 Editorial Board, Eukaryotic Cell.  
 2009–2016 Section Editor, PLoS One.  
 2007–2016 Academic Editor, PLoS One.

### **Professional Service**

2021– Scientific Advisory Board, Sincarne.  
 2018–2022 Co-Chair (2020, moved to 2022) of Cellular and Molecular Fungal Biology, Gordon Research Conference; Co-Vice Chair (2018).  
 2017–2020 Karling Lecture Committee, Mycologia Society of America (Chair 2019-2020)  
 2018-2021 Councilor for Cell Biology & Physiology. Mycological Society of America.  
 2014–2018 Neurospora Policy Committee, Co-Organized 2016 Neurospora conference  
 2013–2019 Fungal Genetics Policy Committee  
 2012– Scientific advisory board, Plant Microbe Interactions - DOE Science Focus Area, Oak Ridge National Laboratory  
 2012–2018 Scientific advisory board, WormBase  
 2012–2015 Scientific advisory board, Ensembl Genomes  
 2010–2012 Councilor for Genetics & Molecular Biology, Mycological Society of America  
 2009–2010 Advisory Board for Genomic Encyclopedia of Fungi, Joint Genome Institute, US Department of Energy.  
 2009–2010 Pan-Fungal Database Steering Committee for Burroughs Wellcome Fund.  
 2007–2009 Scientific advisory board NSF Computer Science Education Revitalization (PI Owen Astrachan, Duke University)  
 2005–2008 Scientific advisory committee Information Technology and Computing infrastructure, National Center for Evolutionary Synthesis (NESCent).  
 2005–2011 President and Board Member [2005–2014], Open Bioinformatics Foundation <http://www.open-bio.org/>  
 2001–2015 Co-Project leader, BioPerl. <http://www.bioperl.org/>

### **Membership in Professional Societies:**

2015– American Association for the Advancement of Science  
 2007– Mycological Society of America  
 2007– American Society for Microbiology, Fellow (2020)  
 2004– Genetics Society of America  
 2004– Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution  
 2002– Open Bioinformatics Foundation  
 2002– International Society for Computational Biology

### **Graduate Students:**

2009–2013 PhD student, Divya Sain. Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics.  
 Current: Bioinformatics Scientist at Ambry Genetics.  
 2010–2012 MS student, Yi (Zoe) Zhou. Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics.  
 Current: Biostatistician at dMed Biopharmaceutical Co.  
 2010–2014 PhD student, Yizhou Wang. Plant Biology.



Current: Research Bioinformatician and Associate Director at Applied Genomics, Computation & Translational Core, Cedars-Sinai.

2011–2015 PhD student, Steven Ahrendt. Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics.  
Current: Data Scientist at DOE Joint Genome Institute.

2016–2019 PhD Student, Derreck Carter-House. Plant Pathology.  
Current: Research Scientist, Clear Labs

2015–2021 MS Student, Sawyer Masonjones. Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics

2015–2021 PhD Student, Nuttapon Pombubpa. Plant Pathology.  
Current: Assistant Professor, Chulalongkorn, Bangkok, THAILAND

2016–2022 PhD Student, Jesús Peña, Microbiology

2017– PhD Student, Tania Kurbessoian, Microbiology

2017– PhD Student, Julia Adams, Plant Biology

2020– PhD Student, Talieh Ostovar, Evolutionary Biology, San Diego State - UCR Joint Doctoral Program

2021– PhD Student, Mark Yacoub, Microbiology

2021– PhD Student, Cheng-Hung Tsai, Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics

2022– PhD Student, Jessica Wu-Woods, Microbiology

2022– PhD Student, Leila Shadmani, Microbiology

### Postdoctoral Fellows:

2010–2011 John Abramyan, Ph.D.  
Current: Assistant Professor, Univ of Michigan-Dearborn

2011–2014 Sofia Robb, Ph.D.  
Current: Genomics Scientist at Stowers Institute.

2012–2014 Brad Cavinder, Ph.D.  
Current: Research Associate at Michigan State University

2012–2015 Peng Liu, Ph.D.  
Current: Research Associate, Yangzhou University, CHINA

2013–2019 Jinfeng Chen, Ph.D.  
Current: Assistant Professor, Institute of Zoology of Chinese Academy of Science; 1st position: Staff Scientist, City of Hope, CA.

2013–2015 Ousmane Cissé, Ph.D. - Swiss National Science Foundation Fellow.  
Current: Staff Scientist at Critical Care Department, NIH Clinical Center.

2014–2015 Rodrigo Olarte, Ph.D.  
Current: NSF Postdoctoral Fellow at Univ of Minnesota.

2017–19 Yan Wang, Ph.D.  
Current: Assistant Professor, University of Toronto-Scarborough.

2019–2021 Lotus Lofgren, Ph.D.  
Current: Postdoctoral Researcher, Duke University.

2020–2021 Ying Sun, Ph.D.  
Current: Postdoctoral Researcher at Salk Institute

2020– Cassie Ettinger, Ph.D.

2020– Kelsey Aadland, Ph.D.

2023– Claudia Coleine, Ph.D. - Marie Curie Fellow.

### Visitors:

2010–2013 (4, 2-3 month vists) Anastasia Gioti, PhD, Dept of Evolution Biology, Uppsala University, SWE-DEN

2010 Suzanne Joneson, PhD, Department of Biology, University of Idaho

2011 Edgar Medina Tovar, MSc Mycology and Phytopathology Lab, Universidad de Los Andes, Bogota, COLOMBIA

2012 Andrii Gryganski, PhD, Visiting Researcher, Duke University  
 2013–2014 Venkatesh Muktali, PhD, FungiDB Project, Visiting Research Fellow, Oregon State University  
 2014 Raúl Castanera Andrés, Visiting Graduate Student, Universidad Pública de Navarra, Pamplona, SPAIN  
 2015 Natalie Vande Pol, Visiting Graduate Student (Bonito Lab), Michigan State University  
 2015–2016 Zhinquan Song, Visiting Graduate Student (Guangyi Wang Lab), Tianjin University, CHINA  
 2015 John Yinka Odebode, Visiting Graduate Student on a West African Research Association Fellowship, University of Lagos, NIGERIA.  
 2015 Marco Marconi, Visiting Graduate Student, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, Madrid, SPAIN  
 2015–2016 Claudia Coleine, Visiting Graduate Student, Università degli Studi della Tuscia, Viterbo, ITALY  
 2017 Jane Lind Nybo, Visiting Graduate Student, Technical University of Denmark, Copenhagen, DENMARK  
 2019 Guillermo Vidal-Diez de Ulzurrun, Visiting Postdoc scientist, IMB, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan  
 2019–2020 Felipe Salgado, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL.  
 2020–2021 Omar Valencia, Volunteer.  
 2021–2022 Jaehyuk Choi, Incheon National University, SOUTH KOREA.  
 2022–2023 Xinzhan Liu, Institute of Microbiology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, CHINA.

### Staff:

2011–2012 Daniel Borcharding, Programmer (FungiDB).  
 Current: Senior Software Build Engineer, Apple, Inc.  
 2011–2013 Raghuraman Ramamurthy, Programmer (FungiDB).  
 Current: Lead Bioinformatician - Natera.  
 2012–2014 Edward Liaw, Programmer (FungiDB).  
 Current: Bioinformatics Engineer - Twist Bioscience.  
 2012–2014 Greg Gu, Programm (FungiDB).  
 Current: Chief Engineer - PH Engineering Corp.  
 2013–2014 Venkatesh Muktali, Bioinformatics Scientist (FungiDB).  
 Current: Biotech and Healthcare Product Management - Twist Bioscience.  
 2017–2018 Jericho Ortanez, Junior Specialist. Current: Graduate Student, UC Riverside.  
 2021 Omar Valencia, Junior Specialist.  
 2022– Sadikshya Sharma, Assistant Specialist.

### Teaching:

2010,2012 BIO5C - Introductory Ecology & Evolution  
 2011 BIO20 - The Dynamic Genome - Research module for *Neurospora* research  
 2011,2013 GEN240B - Tools for Bioinformatics and Genome Analysis  
 2015 MCBL124 - Microbial Pathogenesis  
 2011–2016 MCBL211 - Microbial Ecology  
 2012–2015 MCBL202 - Microbial Pathogenesis & Physiology  
 2012–Present GEN220 - Computational Analysis of High Throughput Biological Data <http://biodataprog.github.io/>  
 2016–2020 BIO119 - Introduction to Genomics and Bioinformatics

### Undergraduate Researchers:

2010– Sponsor for summer research students in MARCU, STEM, and CAMP programs at UCR.  
 2010–2012 Jessica De Anda, UCR. STEM grant participant (2010); MARC USTAR student 2010-12. Current: Career Development Coordinator at UC Berkeley School of Buisiness  
 2010–2011 Annie Nguyen, UCR.

2011–2012 Carlos Rojas Torres, UCR. CAMP (2011); lab researcher. Current: Gilead Pharmaceuticals.  
2011 Ramy Wissa, UCR. Pre-MARC USTAR Summer student.  
2011–2012 Lorena Rivera, UCR. Pre-MARC USTAR student (2011); lab researcher, CNAS Dean's Fellow  
Summer Undergraduate Research (Summer 2012)  
2012–2014 Erum Khan, UCR.  
2012–2014 Sapphire Ear, UCR. Current: MD student at UCSF  
2012–2014 Megna Tiwari, UCR. Current: PhD student at Univ of Georgia  
2013–2014 Dylan McVay, UCR.  
2013–2016 Na Jeong, UCR, Summer RISE Scholar (2013) and lab researcher  
2014 Spencer Swansen, Summer NSF REU student (Seattle Pacific University)  
2015–2017 Justin Shen, UCR.  
2015–2016 Serena Choi, UCR.  
2015–2017 Dillon McDonald, UCR Summer HSI-STEM (2015) and lab researcher. Current: DO Student,  
Western University of Health Sciences in Oregon  
2015 Christina Uriarte, UCR. Pre-MARC USTAR student.  
2015–2017 Jericho Ortanez, UCR. Current: PhD student UCR Microbiology  
2015–2016 Leandra Ibrahim, UCR.  
2015–2017 Deane Kim, UCR.  
2016–2017 Georgiy Smirnov, UCR.  
2016–2018 Meng (Josh) Chung, UCR. Current: Dentistry Student  
2017–2019 Estefania Caldera, UCR.  
2018 Lily Bautista, UCR.  
2018–2020 Renata Haro, UCR.  
2018–2020 Skylar McDonald, UCR.  
2019 Saisuki Putumbaka, The College of New Jersey, Summer REU student. Current: PhD student  
at Univ of Georgia  
2019–2020 Nicole Leung, UCR.  
2020–2021 Dionne Martin, UCR - won IIGB Undergraduate Research Award. Next: PhD student at Univ  
of Georgia

### **Thesis/Dissertation committees:**

2011 Sourav Roy, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics  
Yi Zhou, MS, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics ★  
2012 Andrew Defries, PhD, Plant Sciences  
2013 Gilbert Uribe, MS, Plant Pathology  
Divya Sain, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics ★  
2014 Yizhou Wang, PhD, Plant Sciences ★  
Zhigang Wu, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics  
2015 Presha Shah, PhD, Biochemistry  
Ming Wang, PhD, Plant Pathology  
Steven Ahrendt, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics ★  
Ilva Cabrera, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics  
Jinfeng Lu, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics  
James Ricci, MS, Entomology  
2016 Ryan Arvidson, PhD, Biochemistry  
Francis Na, MS, Microbiology  
Jishu Ha, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics  
Arit Gosh, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics  
Kelsey Gano, PhD, Microbiology  
Kun Liu, PhD, Plant Biology  
2017 Raissa Green, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics

	Amelia Lindsey, PhD, Entomology
	Patrick Schriener, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics
	Eric Smith, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics
	Katherine Picard, PhD, Univ Prog in Genetics & Genomics (Duke University)
	Eric Gordon, PhD, Entomology
2018	Cynthia Dick, PhD, EEOB
	Dan Vanderpool, PhD, Biology (University of Montana)
	Steven Bolaris, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics △
2019	Joseph Carrillo, PhD, Plant Pathology △
	Dinusha Maheepala Mudalige, PhD, Plant Biology
	Aaron Robinson, PhD, Biology (University of New Mexico)
	Courtney Collins, PhD, Plant Biology
	Edgar Medina, PhD, Univ Prog in Genetics & Genomics (Duke University)
	Lluvia Vargas, PhD, Microbiología (CICESE, MEXICO)
	Derreck Carter-House, PhD, Plant Pathology ★
	Nathan Robinett, Evolutionary Biology, Joint Doctoral Prog. SDSU-UCR ○
2020	Andrea Vu, PhD, Plant Pathology
	Nichole Ginnan, PhD, Plant Pathology
	Alex Rajewski, PhD, Plant Biology
2021	Nuttapon Pombubpa, PhD, Plant Pathology ★
	Caleb Hubbard, PhD, Medical and Veterinary Entomology
	Sawyer Masonjones, MS, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics ★
	Markus Hiltunen, PhD, Evolutionary Biology, Uppsala University (external opponent)
2022	Yi Huang, PhD, Plant Biology
	Jesús Peña, PhD, Microbiology ★
	Hannah Schulman, PhD, Microbiology
	Christopher Fiscus, PhD, Genetics, Genomics & Bioinformatics
	Celia Xi, PhD, Plant Biology
ongoing	Julia Adams, Plant Biology ★
	Tania Kurbessoian, Microbiology ★
	Beth Peacock, Plant Pathology
	Glen Morrison, Plant Biology
	Yi Huang, Plant Biology
	Christopher Ficus, GGB
	Glen Morrison, Plant Biology
	Talieh Ostovar, Program in Evolutionary Biology SDSU-UCR ★
	Fabiola Pulido-Chavez, Plant Pathology
	Dylan Enright, Microbiology
	Sarah Thorwall, Chemical and Environmental Engineering
	Samantha (Smith) Standring, Entomology
	Jericho Ortáñez, Microbiology
	Peggy Brady, EEOB
	Isaac Diaz, Genetics, Genomics, & Bioinformatics
	Aidan Shands, Plant Pathology
	Tamsen Dunn, Program in Evolutionary Biology SDSU-UCR
	Angela Buehlman, Plant Biology
	Colin Todd, Plant Biology
	Mark Yacoub, Microbiology ★
	Jessica Maccaro, Entomology

★ Stajich is Dissertation advisor or △ co-advisor / substitute ○ Withdrawn from program

## Invited Seminars and conference presentations (2015–Present)

- 2022
  - CIFAR Fungal Kingdom: Threats & Opportunities, Presenter for Feb and March Meetings (Virtual)
  - Keynote speaker, Bark Beetle Mycobiome Research community meeting (Virtual)
  - Department Seminar, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UCSD (Virtual)
  - Mycological Society of Japan Annual Meeting (Virtual)
- 2021
  - CIFAR Fungal Kingdom: Threats & Opportunities, Presenter for Feb and March Meetings
  - University of Georgia, Guest lecture for undergraduate seminar course "Genome Biology Across the Tree of Life" (Virtual)
  - Rochester Institute of Technology, Georgia Gosnell Seminar Series (Virtual)
  - University of Delaware, Microbiology Graduate Program (Virtual)
  - Canadian Fungal Network Conference, Plenary Speaker (Virtual)
  - Botany / Mycological Society of America 2021 meeting (Virtual)
- 2020
  - Microbiology and Infectious Disease Grad Student retreat speaker, Univ Texas Health Sciences, Houston, TX (postponed)
- 2019
  - Phylogenomics Workshop, Cesky Krumlov, Czech Republic
  - Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN
  - Rosie Perez Memorial Seminar, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
  - University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
  - California State University, Northridge, CA
- 2018
  - UC Riverside Data Science Series. Riverside, CA
  - University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE
  - Creighton University, Omaha, NE
  - Marine Fungi Workshop. Marine Biological Lab, Woods Hole, MA.
  - 11th International Mycological Congress. San Juan, Puerto Rico
  - CIFAR workshop "Microbial Pathogens in the Fungal Kingdom". Toronto, Ontario, CANADA
- 2017
  - Oregon State University. Corvallis, OR
  - 29th Fungal Genetics Conference. *Plenary Speaker*. Pacific Grove, CA.
  - Oomycete Molecular Genetics Network. *Plenary Speaker*. Pacific Grove, CA
  - Population Genomics of Oomycete and Fungal Pathogens. Ascona, Switzerland
  - American Society for Microbiology Microbe Meeting. New Orleans, LA
  - FASEB Microbial Pathogenesis. Aspen, CO.
  - Mycological Society of America 2017 Meeting. Athens, GA
  - American Academy of Microbiology Colloquium on Fungal Pathogenesis. Washington, DC
  - Fungal Cell Wall Conference. Ensenada, Mexico
  - Whetzel-Westcott-Dimock Special Lecturer, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

September 19, 2022