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### **Benefits:**

- More cost/time efficient than PCR
- Increase proportion of endogenous DNA
- Heterospecific capture possible
- Multiplex multiple samples/dilute probes





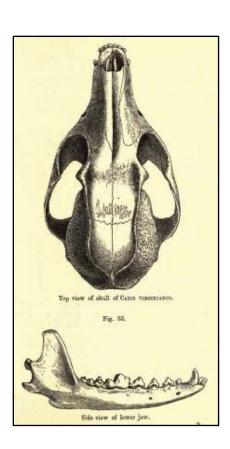






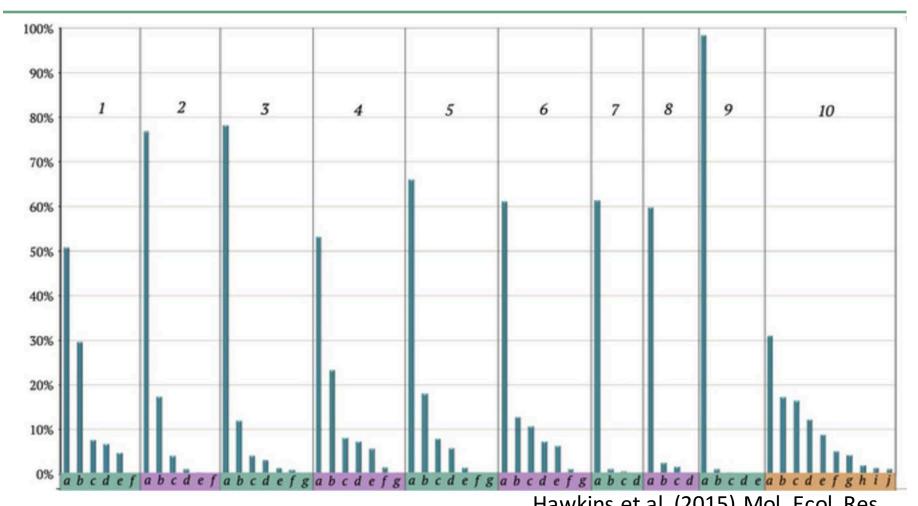
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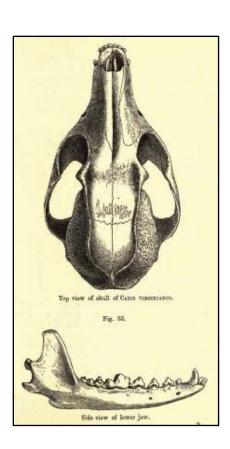
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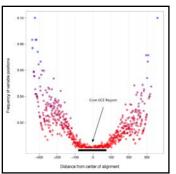




Project: Phylogenomics of the Phalangeridae

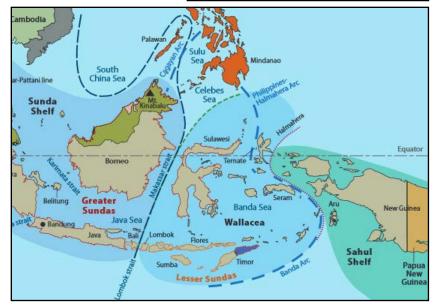
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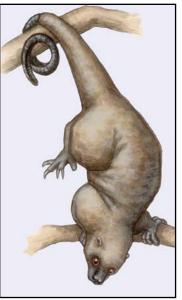
### Lillian Parker, Kristofer Helgen, Jesús Maldonado











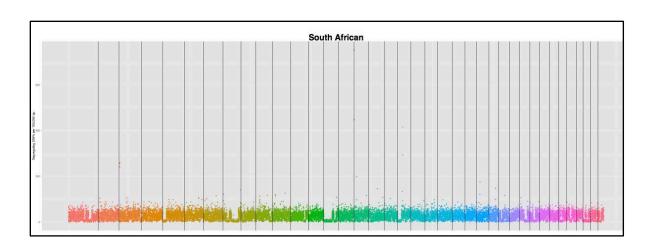






# Design custom SNPs

- Use **genome reference** to design SNP bait set
  - Use heterozygous sites in single genome or multiple individuals
- Can also design probes from RADseq data
- Custom script by Michael Campana (CampanaM@si.edu)







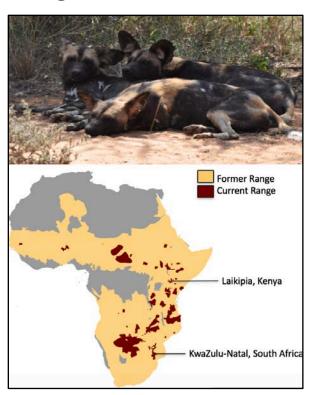
# Project: Population Genomics of African Wild Dogs Markers: Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms

Michael Campana, Robert Fleischer, Kristofer Helgen, et al.

- Sequenced genomes for 2 individuals
- Designed custom SNP baits (~20K) from genome alignment
- 32 extant Kenyan wild dogs
- 17 historic wild dogs













## **Applications:**

- Diet analysis
- Disease ecology (ectoparasite, host and pathogens)
- Environmental DNA (metagenomics)



Project: Recreating Paleoecosystems using eDNA from



**Archeological Sites** 

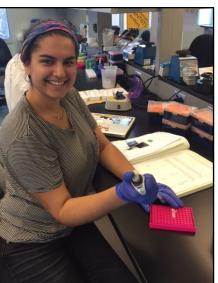
Markers: Mitochondrial genes (COI, Cytb)

Sabrina Shirazi, Courtney Hofman, Torben Rick and Jesús Maldonado

- Baits designed from mtDNA sequences of birds and mammals
- Extract DNA from soil at archeological sites
- Applying method to samples from Santa Cruz Island









Project: EctoBaits

Markers: Published genes for species ID

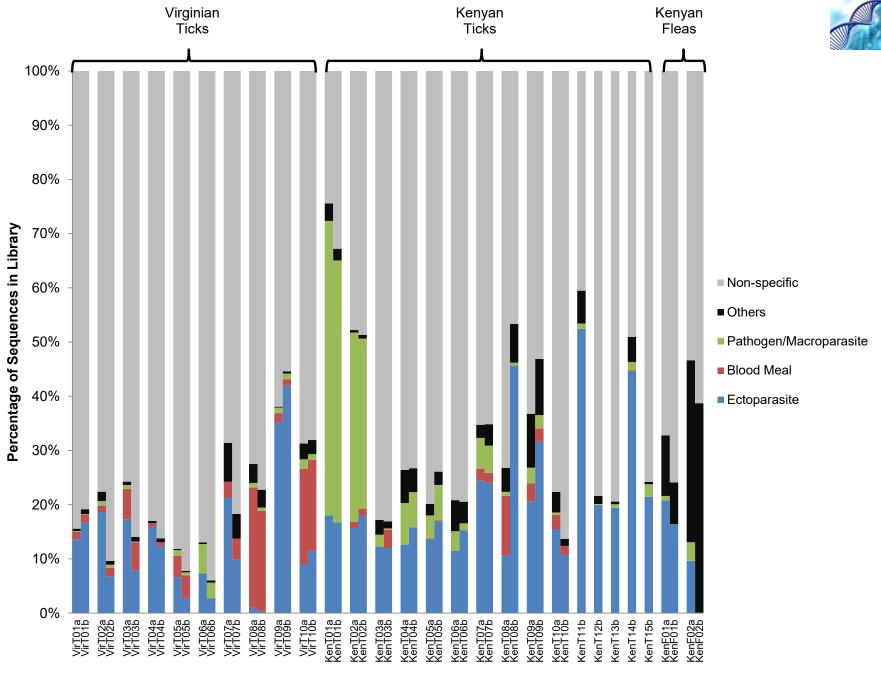
Michael Campana, Lauren Henson, Jesús Maldonado, Robert Fleisher et al.

- DNA extracted from ectoparasite
- Probe set with baits for ectoparasite, blood meal, and pathogen
- Metagenomicanalysis
- Applications for disease ecology



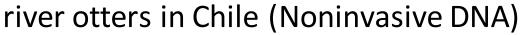








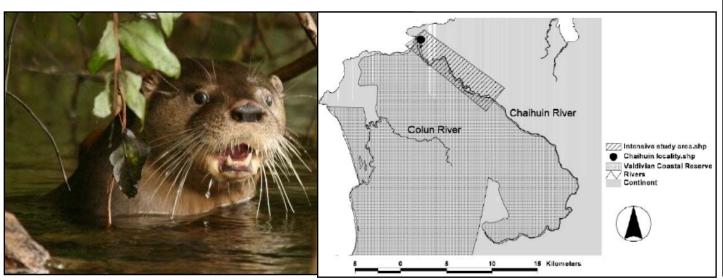
Project: Assessing the impact of invasive mink on Southern



Markers: Mitochondrial genomes

Lilly Parker, Jesús Maldonado, et al.

- Introduced mink and endangered otter, habitat overlap
- Designing baits to capture mitochondrial genomes for all Lontra species
- Apply capture technique to DNA extracted from scats









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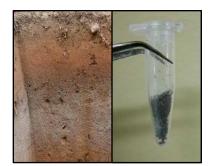


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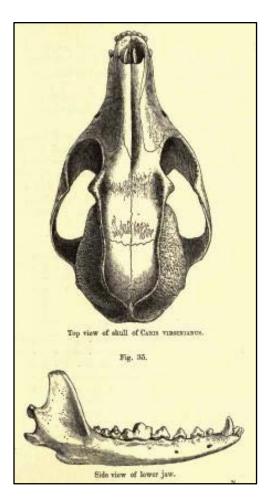
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#### Susette Castañeda Rico and Jesús Maldonado

- Range from southern Canada to Venezuela and Colombia
- 16 described subspecies
- Sample 7 subspecies and investigate history in Mexico and Central America









# Project: Conservation genomics of the Mariana crow Markers: Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms

Nandadevi Cortes-Rodriguez, Michael Campana, Robert Fleischer

- Mariana Crow found only on Guam and Rota Islands
- Conservation concern: threatened by loss of habitat and predation by brown tree snake
- Designed custom SNPs from de novo assembled genome
- Capture & sequence SNPs from many individuals
- Genetic diversity, population structure, sex ratios, Ne



