# Sarah Stevens

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Education

University of Wisconsin - Madison

PhD Candidate - Microbiology Doctoral Training Program - 2012-Present
SciMed GRS Fellow

University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign Bachelor of Science - Molecular and Cellular Biology - **2007-2011** Minor in Informatics James Scholar Honors

#### Research

University of Wisconsin - Madison, McMahon Lab

Graduate Research Assistant - 2012-Present

Obtaining and classifying reference genomes (composite genomes from metagenomes and single-cell genomes) for unculturable but common freshwater bacteria and understanding how the related populations change through time using our metagenomic time series.

University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign, Metcalf Lab

Visiting Researcher - 2011-2012

Assembled genomes from isolates belonging to the archaeal genus *Methanosarcina* and analyzed shared genomic content of members of this genus.

University of Illinois Urbana - Champaign, Whitaker Lab

Undergraduate Research Assistant - 2010-2011

Studied insertion sequences in Sulfolobus islandicus in an independent project, Culturing archaea, organized sample/culture database, cleaned-up and prepped lab equipment.

## **Organizations**

Molecular Microbial Ecology and Evolution (MoMiEE) focus group

 $Co ext{-}Chair$  - 2014-Present

MoMiEE provides an opportunity for researchers to discuss new computational tools and learn bioinformatics skills together. In addition, I lead python study group for those interesting in learning python.

Software Carpentry

Instructor - 2015-Present

Data Carpentry Genomics Hack-a-thon

Contributor - Mar. 23-25, 2015

DOE Joint Genome Institute

Intern/Affiliate - Jan. 2015-Mar. 2015

## Teaching

McMahon Git Workshop Instructor - July 2015

Software Carpentry Workshop - University of Wisconsin - Madison *Helper* - Jan. 13-16 2015, Jun. 3-4, 2015

Bioinformatics Basics: Microbial Ecology and Evolution - Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy Intersession Instructor - Jan. 2015

Microbiology 304: Biology of Microorganisms Laboratory - University of Wisconsin - Madison Teaching Assistant/Instructor - Fall 2013

### **Presentations**

Stevens, S. L. R., Bendall, M. L., Chan, L.-K., Malfatti, S., Schwientek, P., Tremblay, J., ... Mcmahon, K. D. Malmstrom, R. R. Genome-wide Selective Sweeps in Natural Bacterial Populations Revealed by Time-series Metagenomics (Oral Presentation). 15th International Symposium on Microbial Ecology. August 24, 2014. Seoul, South Korea. https://goo.gl/6iunz0

Stevens, S. L. R., Bendall, M. L., ... Mcmahon, K. D. Malmstrom, R. R. Dynamics of Sequence-Discrete Bacterial Populations Inferred Using Metagenomes (Poster Presentation). 15th International Symposium on Microbial Ecology. August 24, 2014. Seoul, South Korea. https://goo.gl/qsYL32

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**Stevens, S. L. R.**, Bendall, M. L., ... Mcmahon, K. D. Malmstrom, R. R. Dynamics of Sequence-Discrete Bacterial Populations Inferred Using Metagenomes (Poster Presentation). DOE Joint Genome Institute User Meeting 2014. Walnut Creek, CA. https://goo.gl/6iunz0

Stevens, S. L. R. and K. D. Malmstrom. Complementing Metagenomes with Single Amplified Genomes (Poster Presentation). Raper Symposium 2013. University of Wisconsin - Madison.

### **Publications**

Bendall, M. L.\*, **Stevens, S. L. R.**\*, Chan, L.-K., Malfatti, S., Schwientek, P., Tremblay, J., . . . Malmstrom, R. R. (*in review at ISMEJ*). Genome-wide selective sweeps and gene-specific sweeps in natural bacterial populations. \*Equal contributors

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