Andrew Morris

NSF Graduate Research Fellow

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Education

2022 PhD Biology, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

2017 MS Soil Science, Penn State University, State College, PA

2014 BS Plant Sciences, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Experience

2017-present NSF Graduate Research Fellow, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

- o Identified members of the soil microbiome that decrease greenhouse gas emissions.
- o Analyzed marker gene and metagenomic data using random forest, multiple regression, and principal component analyses.
- Wrote manuscripts and presentations using R Markdown and LATEX.
- Awarded multiple grants and fellowships to fund my research.
- Authored six peer-reviewed scientific papers.

2015–2017 Graduate Research Assistant, Penn State University, State College, PA

- o Demonstrated a strategy to reduce the impact of agriculture on climate change.
- Analyzed a complex experimental design using mixed-effect models with nesting.
- o Collaborated with a team of over 14 people including scientists, technicians, educators, and farmers.
- o Communicated technical concepts to diverse audiences ranging from field-based teaching in glacial ecosystems in Alaska and Peru to farmer field days in central Pennsylvania.

2015 Research Assistant, University of Delaware, Newark, DE

- O Designed and built experimental rice paddies to study the effects of arsenic on rice, which is a major global health challenge.
- O Developed an affordable strategy to reduce arsenic contamination in rice.
- o Led an educational field day for middle school students of color who had never been on a farm. The students learned where their food comes from and grew their own rice plants.

Awards

2017-2021 University of Oregon

- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Award
- Elma Hendricks Scholarship

- Oregon ARCS Foundation Scholar
- William R. Sistrom Memorial Scholarship

2015-2017 Penn State University

- Distinguished Master's Thesis Award
- Annie's Sustainable Agriculture Scholarship
- o Scarlet Graduate Fellowship in Watershed Stew- o Katherine Mabis McKenna Fellowship Award ardship Award

2010-2014 Cornell University and Ithaca College

Hatch/Multistate Grant

Flora Brown Award

Skills

Typesetting R Markdown, LATEX, Jupyter

Computing HPC, Slurm, Unix

Coding R, Python, Bash
Collaboration git, Github, Slack, Zoom

Publications

- 2021 Morris, AH, Isbell, SA, Saha, D and Kaye, JP. Mitigating nitrogen pollution with undersown legume-grass cover crop mixtures in winter cereals. *Journal of Environmental Quality*. https://doi.org/10.1002/jeq2.20193
- 2021 Isbell SA, Bradley BA, **Morris AH**, Wallace JM, Kaye JP. Nitrogen dynamics in grain cropping systems integrating multiple ecologically based management strategies. *Ecosphere*. https://doi.org/10.1002/ecs2.3380
- 2020 Meyer KM, **Morris AH**, Webster K, Klein AM, Kroeger ME, Meredith LK, ..., Bohannan BJM. Belowground changes to community structure alter methane-cycling dynamics in Amazonia. *Environment International*. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envint.2020.106131
- 2020 Meyer KM, Hopple AM, Klein AM, **Morris AH**, Bridgham SD, Bohannan BJM. Community structure ecosystem function relationships in the Congo Basin methane cycle depend on the physiological scale of function. *Molecular Ecology*. https://doi.org/10.1111/mec.15442
- 2020 Morris, AH, Meyer, KM, and Bohannan, BJM. Linking microbial communities to ecosystem functions: what we can learn from genotype–phenotype mapping in organisms. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences.* https://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2019.0244

Presentations

- 2019 Morris, A. H., Meyer, K. M., Bohannan, B. J. M. Linking microbial communities to ecosystem functions: what we can learn from genotype-phenotype mapping in organisms. Achievement Rewards for College Scientists Annual Luncheon. Portland, OR.
- 2017 **Morris, A. H.**, Isbell, S., Kaye, J. Improving nitrogen retention of agroecosystems using interseeded cover crops. Ecological Society of America Meeting. Portland, OR.
- 2017 **Morris, A. H.**, Isbell, S., Kaye, J. Mitigating nitrogen pollution by interseeding cover crops into spelt. Sustainable Agriculture Cropping Systems Symposium. State College, PA.
- 2016 Morris, A. H., Kaye, J. P. Managing Inter-Seeded Cover Crops and Tillage to Decrease Nitrate Leaching and Nitrous Oxide Emissions from Agricultural Soils. Soil Science Society of America Meeting. Phoenix, Arizona.
- 2016 Morris, A. H., Isbell, S., Kaye, J. Kemanian, A. Managing cover crops and tillage to decrease nitrogen pollution from organically managed soils in Pennsylvania. Sustainable Agriculture Cropping Systems Symposium. State College, PA.
- 2016 Morris, A. H. Greenhouse gases in the Reduced-Tillage Organic Systems Experiment (ROSE). ROSE Annual Advisory Board Meeting. Pine Grove Mills, PA.

Teaching

- 2018 Faculty, Juneau Icefield Research Program: Geobotany and Ecology
- 2017–2018 Teaching Assistant, University of Oregon: Cells; Genetics and Molecular Biology; Ecology and Evolution
 - 2017 Guest Instructor, Penn State University: Impacts of Changing Hydrology on Ecosystem Services in Glacial Systems
 - 2017 Teaching Assistant, Penn State University: Soil Science