Amy K. Webster

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EDUCATION

Duke University

August 2015 - present
PhD candidate, Genetics and Genomics

Durham, NC

Research Advisor: Ryan Baugh NSF Graduate Research Fellow

University of Georgia

August 2011 - May 2015 Athens, GA

Bachelor of Science, Genetics

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics

Cumulative GPA: 3.97/4.00, summa cum laude with highest honors

Research Advisors: Kelly Dawe, Daniel Promislow

Goldwater Scholar

PUBLICATIONS

Webster AK, Jordan JM, Hibshman JD, Chitrakar R, Baugh LR. 2018. Transgenerational Effects of Extended Dauer Diapause on Starvation Survival and Gene Expression Plasticity in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. *GENETICS*. 210(1), 263-274.

- Chosen as a September 2018 Highlight in GENETICS
- Selected for the Marcy Speer Best Scientific Paper Award
- Hibshman JD, Doan AE, Moore BT, Kaplan REW, Hung A, **Webster AK**, Bhatt DP, Chitrakar R, Hirschey MD, Baugh LR. 2017. *daf-16*/FoxO promotes gluconeogenesis and trehalose synthesis during starvation to support survival. *eLife*. 6.
- Burton NO, Furuta T, **Webster AK**, Kaplan RE, Baugh LR, Arur S, Horvitz HR. 2017. Insulin-like signaling to the maternal germline controls progeny response to osmotic stress. *Nature Cell Biology*. 19(3), 252-257.
- **Webster AK**, Cieszewski R, Promislow DEL. 2014. The Role of Age-Structure in the Optimal Germination Fraction of Seeds. *Mathematical And Computational Forestry & Natural-Resource Sciences (MCFNS)*, 6(1), 26-35 (10).

SELECTED AWARDS

- NSF Graduate Research Program Fellowship (2015-2020)
- Marcy Speer Best Scientific Paper Award (2018)
- Preparing Future Faculty Program (2018-2019)
- Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis Award One genetics major chosen (2015)
- Cynthia Kenyon Outstanding Undergraduate Award One genetics major chosen (2015)
- Joy P. Williams Science Award One of two honors students (2015)
- Goldwater Scholarship (2014)

PRESENTATIONS

Talks

- Duke Epigenetics and Epigenomics Program Seminar (2017): "Proximal and transgenerational effects of long-term dauer diapause in C. elegans"
- Duke Development, Cell and Molecular Biology Department Seminar (2017): "Transgenerational effects of long-term dauer arrest in *C. elegans*"
- Duke Genetics Department Retreat (2017): "Regulation of gene expression during starvation in *C. elegans*"
- Duke Genetics Student Seminar (2017): "Transgenerational effects of dauer arrest in C. elegans"

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- CURO Symposium at University of Georgia (2015): "Molecular and Genetic Analysis of the Ab10 Meiotic Drive Haplotype in Maize and Teosinte"
- CURO Symposium at the University of Georgia (2014): "Breaking Mendel's Laws: The Role of Abnormal Chromosome 10 in Meiotic Drive"

Posters

- Population, Evolutionary, and Quantitative Genetics Conference, Madison, Wisconsin (2018): "Ancestral life history and natural genetic variation shape starvation survival in *C. elegans*"
- International C. elegans Conference (2017): "Transgenerational effects of long-term dauer arrest"
- Aging, Metabolism, Stress, Pathogenesis, and Small RNAs in C. elegans Conference at the University
 of Wisconsin-Madison (2016): "Understanding persistent effects of L1 arrest, dauer arrest, and dietary
 restriction in the context of a fluctuating environment"
- Plant Center Retreat (2014): "Abnormal Chromosome 10 Exhibits Meiotic Drive in Zea mays parviglumis"
- CURO Symposium at the University of Georgia (2014): "Breaking Mendel's Laws: The Role of Abnormal Chromosome 10 in Meiotic Drive"
- Summer Undergraduate Research Experience Symposium at Emory University (2012):
 "Characterization of sig-1-mediated Transgene Desilencing in C. elegans"

MENTORING AND OUTREACH

- Mentor two undergraduates on research projects in lab (2017)
- Duke Outreach in Genetics and Genomics (DOinGG), Member (2015 present)
 - SciTech Expo NC Museum of Natural Science (2018)
 - Duke Alumni Weekend (2016, 2018)
 - Creekside Elementary Science Night (2018)
 - o NC Elementary Science Olympiad (2017)
 - "Lean In" Women in Science NC School of Science and Math (2017)
 - o DNA Day 5K (2016, 2017)
 - Little River Elementary Science Night (2016)
 - o Campout Carnival at Duke (2015, 2016)
 - Museum of Life and Science (2016)
- Duke Genetics Retreat Committee, Member (2017)
- Duke Genetics Recruitment Committee, Member (2015-2016)
- MathCOUNTS Outreach, Member (2011-2012), Head Coach (2012-2014), Executive Board (2014-2015)
- Journal of Young Investigators, Associate Editor (2012-2013), Biology Research Editor (2013-2015)