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PROFESSIONAL DATA

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Degrees

Ph.D. / 2020 · Ecology · Colorado State University · Fort Collins, CO
Thesis: Evolutionary and ecological processes in microparasite communities of bats
Supervisor: Prof. Colleen Webb
M.S. / 2015 · Ecology · Colorado State University · Fort Collins, CO
Thesis: Spatial, demographic, and phylogenetic patterns of *Bartonella* diversity in bats
Supervisor: Prof. Colleen Webb
B.S. / 2011 · Ecology and Evolution · University of Pittsburgh · Pittsburgh, PA
B.A. / 2011 · Environmental Studies · University of Pittsburgh · Pittsburgh, PA
magna cum laude

Postdoctoral Training

2020–2022 · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health · Baltimore, MD
Member: [Infectious Disease Dynamics](#) · [Bat One Health](#)
Supervisor: Prof. Emily Gurley

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Faculty Research Associate · Department of Epidemiology (2023 – present)

Postdoctoral Fellow · Department of Epidemiology (2020–2022)

CDC Division of Vector-Borne Diseases

Research Fellow · Bacterial Diseases Branch (2015–2017)

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles (Peer Reviewed)

*Corresponding author, †Equal contribution, ‡Student advisee

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- [28] Szentiványi T, **McKee C**, Jones G, Foster JT. Trends in bacterial pathogens of bats: global distribution and knowledge gaps. *Transboundary and Emerging Diseases*. 2023; 9285855. DOI: [10.1155/2023/9285855](https://doi.org/10.1155/2023/9285855)
- [27] Seidlova V, Straková P, Kejřková R, Nemcova M, Bartonička T, Salát J, Dufková L, Šikutová S, Mendel J, **McKee C**, Zukal J, Pikula J, Rudolf I. Detection of *Leptospira* species in bat cadavers, Czech and Slovak Republics. *Emerging Microbes & Infections*. 2022; 11(1): 2211–2213. DOI: [10.1080/22221751.2022.2117095](https://doi.org/10.1080/22221751.2022.2117095)
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- [25] Goodrich I, **McKee C**, Margos G, Kosoy M. Molecular characterization of a novel relapsing fever *Borrelia* species from the desert cottontail (*Sylvilagus audubonii*) in New Mexico, USA. *Journal of Wildlife Diseases*. 2022; 58(3): 646–651. DOI: [10.7589/JWD-D-21-00148](https://doi.org/10.7589/JWD-D-21-00148)
- [24] **McKee CD**[†], Islam A[†], Rahman MZ, Khan SU, Rahman M, Satter SM, Islam A, Yinda CK, Epstein JH, Daszak P, Munster VJ. Nipah virus detection at bat roosts after spillover events, Bangladesh, 2012–2019. *Emerging Infectious Diseases*. 2022; 28(7): 1384–1392. DOI: [10.3201/eid2807.212614](https://doi.org/10.3201/eid2807.212614)
- [23] Rice BL[†], Lessler J[†], **McKee C**[†], Metcalf CJE[†]. Why do some coronaviruses become pandemic threats when others do not? *PLOS Biology*. 2022; 20(5): e3001652. DOI: [10.1371/journal.pbio.3001652](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3001652)
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- [18] **McKee CD**^{*}, Islam A, Luby SP, Salje H, Hudson PJ, Plowright RK, Gurley ES. The ecology of Nipah virus in Bangladesh: a nexus of land-use change and opportunistic feeding behavior in bats. *Viruses*. 2021; 13(2): 169. DOI: [10.3390/v13020169](https://doi.org/10.3390/v13020169)
- [17] **McKee C**^{*}, Bai Y, Webb C, Kosoy M. Bats are key hosts in the radiation of mammal-

associated *Bartonella* bacteria. *Infection, Genetics and Evolution*. 2021; 89: 104719. DOI: [10.1016/j.meegid.2021.104719](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.meegid.2021.104719)

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Preprints

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HONORS AND AWARDS

Vice President for Research Fellowship · Colorado State University (\$4000, 2018)

Department of Biology Travel Awards · Colorado State University (\$2000/year, 2014 & 2017)

Sharon E. and David E. Kabes Scholarship · Colorado State University (\$1150, 2015)
GDPE Research Grant · Colorado State University (\$2000, 2014)
Department of Biology Graduate Fellowship · Colorado State University (\$1000, 2013)
Phi Beta Kappa · University of Pittsburgh (2011)

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

Investigating the ecology of Nipah and other bat-borne viruses at the human-animal interface in Bangladesh · Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences · Bethesda, MD (2024)
Investigating Nipah virus spillover at the human-animal interface in Bangladesh · Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine · Ithaca, NY (2023)
Global change, infectious disease, and public health: the need for ecological interventions · WHO GOARN/RCCE Collective Service · Virtual (2022)

Campus or Departmental Talks

Investigating the ecology of Nipah and other bat-borne viruses at the human-animal interface in Bangladesh · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health · Baltimore, MD (2023)
[Bad roommates? Inferring bacterial interactions in coinfecting individuals](#) · Colorado State University Vice President Office of Research Symposium · Fort Collins, CO (2018)

Scientific Meetings

Oral Presentations

Empowering researchers through Publish-Review-Curate workflows · Society for Scholarly Publishing · Boston, MA (2024)
Superspreading of SARS-CoV-2: a systematic review and meta-analysis · American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene · Chicago, IL (2023)
Comprehensive time tree analysis identifies bats as key to the radiation of mammal-associated *Bartonella* bacteria · Evolution · Providence, RI (2019)
Timing the diversification of a mammal parasite, *Bartonella* · Ecological Society of America · New Orleans, LA (2018)
Timing the diversification of a mammal parasite, *Bartonella* · Front Range Student Ecology Symposium · Fort Collins, CO (2018)
Long-term monitoring of *Bartonella* spp. bacteria in a captive colony of fruit bats and experimental evidence of bat flies as vectors of bartonella · Ecological Society of America · Portland, OR (2017)
Long-term monitoring of *Bartonella* spp. bacteria in a captive colony of fruit bats and experimental evidence of bat flies as vectors of bartonella · International Symposium on Infectious Diseases of Bats · Fort Collins, CO (2017)

Host phylogenetic distance and ectoparasite overlap predict *Bartonella* sharing in European bats · Front Range Student Ecology Symposium · Fort Collins, CO (2017)

Phylogeography of *Bartonella* bacteria in *Eidolon* spp. fruit bats across Africa · Ecological Society of America · Baltimore, MD (2015)

Phylogeography of *Bartonella* in *Eidolon* fruit bats across Africa · Front Range Student Ecology Symposium · Fort Collins, CO (2015)

Poster Presentations

Nipah virus detection at bat roosts following spillover events in Bangladesh, 2012–2019 · International Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases · Atlanta, GA (2022)

Manipulating vector transmission reveals local processes in bacterial communities of bats · Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease · Princeton, NJ (2019) · **Poster award**

Dispersal of hosts and vectors predicts bacterial community structure across an island chain · Front Range Student Ecology Symposium · Fort Collins, CO (2019) · **Poster award**

Timing the diversification of a mammal parasite, *Bartonella* · Colorado State University Graduate Student Showcase · Fort Collins, CO (2017)

Linking patterns of bacterial parasite diversity across host and vector communities · Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease · Santa Barbara, CA (2017)

Phylogeography of *Bartonella* bacteria in *Eidolon* spp. fruit bats across Africa · Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease · Athens, GA (2015)

Large-scale patterns of *Bartonella* prevalence and diversity in African fruit bats · Ecological Society of America · Sacramento, CA (2014)

Large-scale patterns of *Bartonella* prevalence and diversity in African fruit bats · Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease · Fort Collins, CO (2014)

A novel method of isolating multi-locus sequence data for characterizing *Bartonella* diversity in bats · Front Range Student Ecology Symposium · Fort Collins, CO (2014)

EDITORIAL AND OTHER PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES

Journal Peer Review: Acta Chiropterologica · Acta Tropica · BMJ · Current Zoology · Frontiers in Microbiology · Frontiers in Veterinary Science · Infection, Genetics and Evolution · Journal of Animal Ecology · Journal of Medical Entomology · Journal of Zoological Systematics and Evolutionary Research · Microbial Ecology · Microbial Pathogenesis · Molecular Ecology · mSphere · Nature Microbiology · Parasitology Research · Pathogens and Global Health · PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases · PLOS ONE · The European Zoological Journal · The Lancet Planetary Health · The Science of Nature · Scientific Reports · Systematic Biology · Tropical Biomedicine · Veterinary Microbiology · Viruses · Zoonoses and Public Health

Research Grant Review: Netherlands Organization for Health Research and Development (ZonMw), Infectious Disease Control Program

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Academic Service

Organizer · JHSPH Infectious Disease Dynamics Group Meeting (2021–2023)

Volunteer & Vice President · Front Range Student Ecology Symposium (2014–2019)

Community Service

Exam Writer · Disease Detectives, Maryland Science Olympiad (2021–2022)

Moderator · Rocky Mountain Regional Middle School Science Bowl (2018 & 2019)

Judge · O’Dea Elementary School Science Fair (2015)

Society Memberships

Member · North American Society for Bat Research (2021–present)

Member · American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (2021 & 2023)

Member · Society for the Study of Evolution (2019 & 2021)

Member · American Society of Naturalists (2019)

Member & Volunteer · Ecological Society of America (2014–2019)

PRACTICE ACTIVITIES

Presentations to Policymakers, Communities, and Other Stakeholders

[USAMM R Shiny Visualization](#) · Developed tool for visualizing estimated county-to-county animal shipments in the US · Presented to stakeholders at USDA APHIS (2015)

Media Dissemination

[2019 Novel Coronavirus Research Compendium \(NCRC\)](#) · Curated and wrote public-facing summaries and assessments of research articles on the Ecology & Spillover of SARS-CoV-2 and related coronaviruses (2020–2021)

Media Coverage

[Nipah virus: Of Fruit and Bats](#) · [Interview](#) with *This Podcast Will Kill You* (2024)

[Disease on the Wing](#) · YouTube video produced by *The Scientist Magazine* (2014)

[Lurking in the Shadows](#) · Feature article in *The Scientist Magazine* (2014)

SOFTWARE AND TEMPLATES

Software & Tools

The Flexible Epidemic Modeling Pipeline (*flepiMoP*) · A software suite for simulating a wide range of compartmental models of infectious disease transmission [[Available on GitHub](#)]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant · Colorado State University · Fort Collins, CO (2015 & 2019)

Department of Biology · Supervisor: Prof. Colleen Webb

Data analysis and modeling of livestock movement and pathogen spread

Guest Researcher · CDC Division of Vector-Borne Diseases · Fort Collins, CO (2014–2019)

Bacterial Diseases Branch · Supervisor: Dr. Michael Kosoy

Molecular detection and phylogenetic analysis of bacterial pathogens in wildlife; experimental infection of rodents and fleas with bacterial pathogens

Field Assistant & Field Research Specialist · Emory University · Atlanta, GA (2010 & 2013)

Department of Psychology · Supervisors: Prof. Donna Maney, Prof. Brent Horton

Behavioral assays and tissue sampling of wild birds in Maine

Laboratory Technician · W.L. Gore & Associates · Newark, DE (2011–2013)

Industrial Products Division, New Product Development

Prototype development and performance testing for new filtration products

Field Technician · University of California, Santa Cruz · Santa Cruz, CA (2011)

Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology · Supervisor: Prof. Marm Kilpatrick

Blood sampling from wild birds for West Nile virus surveillance in Washington, DC area

**CURRICULUM VITAE
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PART II**

TEACHING

Research Advisees

Master's Students

Chan, Elias · Master of Health Science, Epidemiology · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (2024 – present)

Niu, Yannan · Master of Health Science, Epidemiology · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (2023 – 2024)

Garcia, Andrés · Master of Health Science, Epidemiology · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (2023 – 2024)

Jackson, Jules · Master of Science, Epidemiology · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (2022–2023)

Endres, Kelly · Master of Science in Public Health, Research Assistant · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (2021–2022)

Undergraduate Students

Lazarus, Paul · Research Assistant · Colorado State University (2018)

Cannella, Alexis · Research Assistant · Colorado State University (2016–2017)

Doyle, Jake · Research Assistant · Colorado State University (2014–2015)

Leming, Madison · Research Assistant · Colorado State University (2014–2015)

Classroom Instruction – Instructor of Record

Johns Hopkins University

[Introduction to R for Public Health Researchers](#) (140.604.79) · Summer Institute 2024 (enrollment: 16)

The One Health Approach to Epidemiology and Global Public Health (340.610.81) · Spring 4th Term 2024 (enrollment: 44)

[Introduction to R for Public Health Researchers](#) (140.604.73) · Winter Institute 2024 (enrollment: 27) · **Excellence in Teaching award**

[Introduction to R for Public Health Researchers](#) (140.604.79) · Summer Institute 2023 (enrollment: 35) · **Excellence in Teaching award**

The One Health Approach to Epidemiology and Global Public Health (340.610.81) · Spring 4th Term 2023 (enrollment: 35)

Classroom Instruction – Teaching Assistant

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Topics in Infectious Disease Epidemiology (340.668.89) · Teaching Assistant (2022)

The One Health Approach to Epidemiology and Global Public Health (340.610.81) · Teaching Assistant (2021 & 2022)

Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases (340.627.01) · Teaching Assistant (2020 & 2021)

Colorado State University

Molecular and General Genetics (BZ 350) · Teaching Assistant & Recitation Instructor (2014, 2018 & 2019)

Introduction to Evolution (BZ 220) · Teaching Assistant (2018)

Ecology (LIFE 320) · Teaching Assistant (2017)

Ornithology (BZ 335) · Teaching Assistant & Laboratory Instructor (2014 & 2015)

Attributes of Living Systems (LIFE 102) · Teaching Assistant & Laboratory Instructor (2013)

Short Courses & Workshops

Coordinator & Content Developer · Applied Modeling in Public Health workshop · Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (2022 – present)

Content Developer & Co-Instructor · Zombiecology: Workshop on Disease Ecology · National Science Olympiad · Colorado State University (2018)

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PART III**

RESEARCH GRANT PARTICIPATION

Current Support

Project Title: Ecology of Nipah Virus in Bangladesh (58-3022-3-029)

Dates: 09/01/2023 – 08/31/2026

Sponsoring Agency: USDA/ARS

Principal Investigator: Emily Gurley

Main Grant Objective: Provide support for field work, data analysis, and writing manuscripts; draft protocols for approval, collate and analyze data coming from the field and the laboratory, and lead development of manuscripts for publication

Role: Research Associate

Project Title: Safety and Healthcare Epidemiology Prevention Research Development (SHEP-heRD) (75D30121F00005)

Dates: 09/03/2021 – 09/02/2024

Sponsoring Agency: Centers for Disease Control

Principal Investigator: Shaun Truelove

Main Grant Objective: Lead recruitment and logistics for Applied Modeling in Public Health workshop series; assist with workshop content and Coursera course development; participate in model development for forecasts and scenario projections of COVID-19, influenza, and RSV cases and hospitalizations

Role: Research Associate

Project Title: Solving Opportunities for Spillover (SOS): Frequency and Mechanisms of Cross-species Transmission of Henipaviruses in Bangladesh (1U01AI168287-01A1)

Dates: 01/03/2023 – 01/02/2028

Sponsoring Agency: NIH/NIAID

Principal Investigator: Emily Gurley

Main Grant Objective: Provide support for field work, data analysis, and writing manuscripts; draft protocols for approval, collate and analyze data coming from the field and the laboratory, and lead development of manuscripts for publication

Role: Research Associate

Past Support

Project Title: Preventing emergence and spillover of bat pathogens in high risk global hotspots (G166-19-W7329)

Dates: 10/01/2018 – 09/30/2022

Sponsoring Agency: DARPA/Montana State University

Principal Investigator: Raina Plowright (Project Director), Emily Gurley (Site PI)

Main Grant Objective: Work with the team in Bangladesh to develop and implement protocols to sample bats, including identifying roosts best suited for sampling, ensuring protocols are aligned

with broad aims of this grant, and that work is delivered on time; real-time analysis of virus detection data

Role: Postdoctoral Fellow

Project Title: COVID-19 Technical Lead in the Implementation of the Strategic Preparedness (202548990)

Dates: 08/03/2022 – 11/03/2022

Sponsoring Agency: World Health Organization

Principal Investigator: Emily Gurley

Main Grant Objective: Support COVID-19 technical lead to improve evidence-based guidance by completing a systematic review of COVID-19 superspreading

Role: Postdoctoral Fellow

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Personal Statement

I am an infectious disease ecologist interested in zoonotic pathogens and their dynamics within host populations and at the human-animal interface. Overall, my research sits firmly within One Health, seeking to understand disease emergence at the intersection between public health, animal ecology, and environmental change. I use a combination of fieldwork, statistical modeling, molecular genetics, and phylogenetics to investigate pathogen persistence in animal reservoirs, evolution of host specificity, and ecological drivers of pathogen spillover.

Keywords

disease ecology, epidemiology, data science, zoonoses, One Health, phylogenetics, evolution

Skills

Bioinformatics and Phylogenetics: Multiple sequence alignment (CLUSTAL, MAFFT), maximum likelihood (MEGA, IQ-Tree, RAxML) and Bayesian (MrBayes) phylogenetic inference, inference of population genetic structure (STRUCTURE) and recombination (ClonalFrame, SplitsTree), cophylogeny (ParaFit, PACo), ancestral state reconstruction and phylodynamics (BEAST)

Computing and Data Visualization: High proficiency in R for data manipulation, statistical analysis, and visualization (base and tidyverse, ggplot2, igraph), generating reports with R Markdown, and interactive web pages with Shiny; experience with git, L^AT_EX, and Python (NumPy, Pandas, seaborn)

Modeling: Proficient in deterministic and stochastic models for infectious disease dynamics and hierarchical Bayesian modeling (JAGS)