Daijiang Li

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Curriculum Vitae

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"Go for the messes – that's where the action is." – Steven Weinberg

EDUCATION OBJECTIVE: Ph.D degree in EEB

2008-Present

Master of Science (MSc.) in Restoration Ecology, School of Life Sciences, Sun Yat-Sen University (SYSU), GRE scores (Jun 2010): Verbal 610 (88%), Quantitative 800 (94%), Analytical 3.0 (10%), ibt-TOEFL scores (Sep 2010): 106/120.

2004-2008

Bachelor of Science (BSc.) in Ecology, School of Life Sciences, Yunnan University (YNU), Over all GPA: 84.4/100, Major GPA (Ecology-related courses)87/100.

HONORS

2010 Education Scholarship for Graduate Student (Fellowship), SYSU, China.

2009 Education Scholarship for Graduate Student (Fellowship), SYSU, China.

2009 Excellent prize of presentation in English, SYSU, China.

2008 **Second Award of National Scholarship**, YNU, China.

2007 Second Award of Donglu Scholarship, YNU, China.

2006 **Second Award of Donglu Scholarship**, YNU, China.

EXPERIENCE

Research

Jun.2009-Present **Independent research**, I am using the litter-bag method to characterize leaf litter decomposition rates on soil surface with varying degrees of evenness, in the context of increasing dominance of climbing plants in tropical forests,

- Explore relationships between leaf litter evenness and decomposition rates
- Understand consequences of increasing dominance of climbing plants in tropical forests for regional carbon cycling.

Jan.2010-Sep.2010 Coauthor of a National Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) grant proposal, The role of plant functional group identity and diversity in resisting exotic plant species invasion, No.31030015, ¥1,900,000,

- Learned how to write grant proposals
- Learned how to apply grants.

Jul.2009-present

Core member in a Natural Science Foundation of Guangdong Province, The mechanisms of native invasion in the context of global change,

- Enlarged the definition of biological invasion
- Explored differences of resource utilization efficiency between non-native and native invaders.

Mar.2009present Group member in a Guangdong Province Forest Science Project, Restoration of forests which have been damaged by the snow storm of 2008,

- Chose the position of experimental plots
- Conducted vegetation survey in experimental plots
- Accelerated restoration of damaged forest ecosystem by several measures.

Apr.2009-Jun.2009 **Group member in a NSFC project**, *The restoration of degraded watershed ecosystem of the Pearl River*,

• Applied ecological theories to practice of restoration.

- Apr.2009 **Group member in translating and publishing the Chinese version of the book**Brian Walker and David Salt, Resilience Thinking: Sustaining Ecosystems and People
 in a Changing World. Island Press, USA. ISBN: 9781597260930
- Dec.2008 Group member in a Danxia Mountain Project funded by China's application for the world natural heritage, Identify characteristics of the Danxia Mountain's ecosystem and biological diversity,
 - Identified and recorded organisms in experimental plots
 - Analyzed data and wrote research report.
- Nov.2008- Group member in a Popular Scientific Writing Project about Global Change, Global Change Have you felt it?, Wrote a chapter about five past mass extinctions and the situation of extinction nowadays in the book.
 - Jul.2007 Ecological Internship, Yunnan Province (A global biodiversity hotspot), China,
 - Been familiar with ecological research stations
 - Learned how to identify plant species.
 - 2006 Leader of a four-people group in water quality monitoring of Dian Lake, YNU.

ACADEMIA

- Jul.2010 Low Carbon Development Symposium of Guangzhou, Guangzhou, China.
- Nov.2009 23^{rd} New Phytologist Symposium: Carbon Cycling in Tropical Ecosystems, Guangzhou, China, Organized by New Phytologist Trust.
- Jul. 2009 National Summer School of Biodiversity for Postgraduates & ACCENT (The European Network of Excellence in Atmospheric Composition Change) Workshop, Guangzhou, China.

TEACHING

Sep.2010- Teaching Assistant for Restoration Ecology, School of Life sciences, SYSU.

Publication

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION

Bosun Wang, Shaolin Peng, **Daijiang Li**, Ting Zhou. Research progress on *Merremia boisiana*. Chinese Journal of Ecology, 2009, 28(11):2360-2365. (In Chinese with an English abstract)

Manuscripts in Preparation

Daijiang Li, Shaolin Peng. Increased dominance of climbing plants influences litter decomposition process. *in prep*.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functioning, Community Dynamics, Species Abundance, Species Invasion, Global Change Biology, Statistical Learning

Computer Skills

R, SPSS, Meta-Win, LATEX, JabRef, EndNote, Microsoft Office