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## *Curriculum vitae*

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## Education

- 2016–2022 PhD in Computational Biology at Cornell University.  
Advisors: Dr. Andrew G. Clark and Dr. Philipp W. Messer.  
Thesis: The inference of selective sweep parameters from their genomic footprint.
- 2013–2015 M.Sc. in Genetics at Federal University of Rio de Janeiro.  
Advisor: Dr. Carlos G. Schrago.  
Thesis: Strategies to estimate with precision the divergence time of placental mammals using the morphological clock.
- 2009–2013 B.Sc. in Genetics at Federal University of Rio de Janeiro.  
Advisor: Dr. Carlos G. Schrago.  
Thesis: Performance of Bayesian skyline plots to estimate the demographic history of structured populations.

## Publications

- Caldas, I. V.**, Clark, A. G., & Messer, P. W. (2022). Inference of selective sweep parameters through supervised learning. *bioRxiv*. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.07.19.500702>
- Caldas, I. V.**, Kelley, L. H., Ahmed-Braimah, Y. H., & Maine, E. M. (2022). Smalldisco, a pipeline for sirna discovery and 3' tail identification. *bioRxiv*. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.07.15.500275>
- Caldas, I. V.** & Schrago, C. G. (2019). Data partitioning and correction for ascertainment bias reduce the uncertainty of placental mammal divergence times inferred from the morphological clock. *Ecology and Evolution*, 9(4), 2255–2262. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ece3.4921>
- Duneau, D., Sun, H., Revah, J., San Miguel, K., Kuerth, H. D., **Caldas, I. V.**, Messer, P. W., Scott, J. G., & Buchon, N. (2018). Signatures of insecticide selection in the genome of *Drosophila melanogaster*. *G3: Genes, Genomes, Genetics*, 8(11), 3469–3480. <https://doi.org/10.1534/g3.118.200537>
- Wei, K. H.-C., Lower, S. E., **Caldas, I. V.**, Sless, T. J. S., Barbash, D. A., & Clark, A. G. (2018). Variable rates of simple satellite gains across the *Drosophila* phylogeny. *Molecular Biology and Evolution*, 35(4), 925–941. <https://doi.org/10.1093/molbev/msy005>
- Flynn, J. M., **Caldas, I. V.**, Cristescu, M. E., & Clark, A. G. (2017). Selection constrains high rates of tandem repetitive DNA mutation in *Daphnia pulex*. *Genetics*, 207(2), 697–710. <https://doi.org/10.1534/genetics.117.300146>

## Selected conference presentations

- 2021 Great Lakes Annual Meeting of Evolutionary Genomics (GLAM).  
Talk: A machine learning approach to estimate the strength and mode of hard and soft selective sweeps.
- 2021 Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution (SMBE).  
Talk: Inferring parameters of selective sweeps through supervised learning.
- 2021 Probabilistic Modeling in Genomics (ProbGen).  
Talk: Inferring parameters of selective sweeps in *Drosophila melanogaster* through supervised learning.
- 2020 Population, Evolutionary and Quantitative Genetics (PEQG).  
Poster: Inferring parameters of selective sweeps in *Plasmodium falciparum* through supervised learning.
- 2019 Evolution.  
Poster: Inferring parameters of selective sweeps in *Plasmodium falciparum* through supervised learning.
- 2017 Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution (SMBE).  
Poster: Tandem short repetitive DNA recapitulates the evolutionary history in *Drosophila*.
- 2015 Evolution.  
Poster: Data partitioning improves the morphological clock of placental mammals.

## Awards and scholarships

- 2021 Graduate Student Excellence Award, SMBE.
- 2016 Presidential Life Sciences Scholarship, Cornell University.
- 2013 Master's Research Scholarship, National Council for Scientific and Technological Development of Brazil (CNPq).

## Professional society memberships

- 2017–present Genetics Society of America (GSA).
- 2015–present Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE).
- 2015–present Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution (SMBE).

## Further training

### *Leadership training*

- 2020–2021 Co-facilitated the Graduate Student Survival Skills class, Cornell University.
- 2019 Future Professors Institute: Advancing Diversity in the Academy, Cornell University.
- 2017 Intergroup Dialogue Project, Cornell University.

### *Scientific workshops*

- 2019 SLiM Workshop, Cornell University.
- 2018 Search for Selection, The National Institute for Mathematical and Biological Synthesis.
- 2017 High Performance Computing on Stampede 2, Cornell University.
- 2015 Applied Bayesian Modeling, Osvaldo Cruz Foundation.
- 2014 Paleobiological and Phylogenetic Approaches to Macroevolution, National Evolutionary Synthesis Center.