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INTERESTS

Lorenzo Prendini curates the collections of Arachnida and Myriapoda at the AMNH. His research addresses the systematics, biogeography, and evolution of scorpions and lesser known arachnids, especially whip spiders (Amblypygi), camel spiders (Solifugae) and whip scorpions (Schizomida and Thelyphonida), using a combination of morphological, genomic, and distributional data, and diverse analytical tools. Current research focuses on integrating phylogenomics and comparative morphology to reconstruct the scorpion Tree of Life; integrative systematic revisions of scorpions in Africa, Asia, Australasia, and the New World; phylogeny and revisionary systematics of camel spiders, whip scorpions and whip spiders; testing adaptational and biogeographical hypotheses in Africa, Asia and the New World using scorpions as a model system; arachnid venoms and defense secretions; and the ecology, behavior and conservation of arachnids. The search for new and little-known arachnids has taken Prendini and his research group to 75 countries and territories on all continents except Antarctica. Besides arachnids, Prendini is interested in the evolution of insect-plant associations and in systematic theory and practice.

EDUCATION

2001	Ph.D.	Zoology	University of Cape Town, South Africa
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APPOINTMENTS

2012-	Curator, Division of Invertebrate Zoology, AMNH
2008–	Professor, Richard Gilder Graduate School of Comparative Biology, AMNH
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2006–	Research Associate, National Museum of Namibia
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2003–	Adjunct Professor, Department of Biology (Ecology, Evolution and Behavior), CUNY
2002-2007	Assistant Curator, Division of Invertebrate Zoology, AMNH

PUBLICATIONS

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2018–2019	Botswana International University of Science and Technology (BIUST) - Research Initiation Grant: 'Identification and characterization of novel molecules with potential biomedical applications from scorpion (Arachnida) and centipede (Chilopoda) venom' (USD 18,970), Collaborator with Tharina Bird (PI).
2017 2020	National Science Foundation (NSF) - DER 1655050: (Living Fossile: Integrating Phylogenomics and

- 2017–2020 National Science Foundation (NSF) DEB 1655050: 'Living Fossils: Integrating Phylogenomics and Comparative Morphology to Assemble the Scorpion Tree of Life' (USD 808,499), PI
- DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Short-Term Research Grant: 'Biogeographical Origins and Diversification of the Cave Millipede Family Sinocallipodidae Zhang, 1993 (Sinocallipodidea, Callipodida, Diplopoda)' (USD 5,655), Collaborator with Stephanie F. Loria (PI), Danilo Harms and Nguyen Duc Anh
- 2017–2018 National Geographic Society (NGS) Expedition Grant WW-214R-17: 'Exploring Unknown Arachnid Diversity in the Caves of an Ancient Tepui' (USD 18,100), Co-PI, with Pío Colmenares (PI)
- South African National Research Foundation (NRF) Foundational Biodiversity Information Programme (FBIP): 'BioGaps: Filling Biodiversity Information Gaps to Support Development Decision Making in the Karoo' [https://www.sanbi.org/karoo-biogaps-project] (USD 68,855; AMNH budget: \$6,305 for fieldwork in South Africa and identification of materials collected plus USD 9,920 to support South African student to digitize 8,000 scorpion records in AMNH collection), Steering Committee Member and Taxon Lead with Domitilla Raimondo and Krystal Tolley (Co-PIs) and ca. 30 participants including ten Taxon Leads
- 2016 American Arachnological Society Herb Levi Memorial Fund for Arachnological Research: 'Understanding Patterns of Diversity in Tibetan Scorpions' (USD 1,660), Co-PI with Stephanie F. Loria (PI)

Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Constantine S. Niarchos Expedition Grant: 'Out of India' or 'Eurogondwana'? Testing Hypotheses for the Origins and Diversification of Asian Arachnida' (USD 17,788), PI with Stephanie F. Loria (Co-PI)

American Museum of Natural History - Explore21 Grant: 'Biodiversity Surveys in Poorly Explored Regions of Cuba: Developing New Research Collections and Collaborations. Part 2.' (USD 26,716), Co-PI with Susan Perkins (PI), George Amato, et al.

- 2015–2018 United States-Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF) Grant 2014046 'Diversity, Origins and Affinities of the Israeli Scorpion Fauna' (USD 135,000), PI with Eran Gefen (Co-PI)
- American Museum of Natural History Explore21 Grant: 'Biodiversity Surveys in Poorly Explored Regions of Cuba: Developing New Research Collections and Collaborations' (USD 82,210), Co-PI with Susan Perkins (PI), George Amato, Chris Raxworthy, Brian Smith, Ana-Luz Porzecanski, et al.

 National Geographic Society (NGS) Young Explorer's Grant 12127695609: 'Patterns of Diversity and Endemism of Indo-Pacific Island Scorpions' (\$5,000), Co-PI with Stephanie F. Loria (PI).
- 2013–2014 National Science Foundation (NSF) DEC 1310855 (Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant): 'Dissertation Research: Patterns of Diversity and Endemism in South-East Asian scorpions: Systematics and Biogeography of Chaerilidae' (USD 20,766), PI with Stephanie F. Loria (Co-PI).
- 2012–2014 JRS Biodiversity Foundation: 'Improvement and Integration of Arachnid Biodiversity Information in South Africa' [http://jrsbiodiversity.org/grant/national-museum-bloemfontein] (USD 180,000), Co-PI with Bridgit Davis (PI). Leon Lotz and Burgert Muller
- 2012–2013 Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan Postdoctoral Fellowships Program: 'Molecular Systematics of Medically Important Scorpions (Family Buthidae) from Pakistan' (stipend and subsistence for 12 months in New York for postdoctoral fellow, H. Muhammad Tahir; USD 10,000 bench fees for Prendini)

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2012	Ben Gurion University of the Negev (BGU) - Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation: Award from Foreign Visiting Lecturers' Program: 'Systematics and Diversity of Scorpions, with Introduction to the Israeli Fauna' (USD 3,070 for travel expenses for fieldwork and intensive course at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Sde Boqer, in 2013)
	Israel Taxonomy Initiative: 'Systematics and Diversity of Scorpions, with Introduction to the Israeli Fauna' (USD 3,020 for airfare to/from Israel, accommodation and per diem for 2 weeks, vehicle for fieldwork, teaching aids for four-day course in 2013)
	Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan - Visiting Scholar Program: Travel grant (USD 1,500 for travel to lecture and conduct workshop at University of Sargodha, Punjab, and visit collections at Pakistan Museum of Natural History, Islamabad)
2011–2012	Mohammad bin Zayed (MBZ) Species Conservation Fund - Grant 11252329: 'Assessing the Conservation Status of Endangered Scorpions (Scorpionidae: <i>Opistophthalmus</i>) in the Western Cape Province, South Africa' (USD 20,000)
2011	Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Constantine S. Niarchos Expedition Grant: 'Expedition to Collect Eyeless, Depigmented Cave Scorpions (Pseudochactidae) from Xe Bang Fai River Cave, Laos, and Phong Nha Cave, Vietnam' (USD 5,490)
2009–2010	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A DEC 0910147 (Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant): 'Dissertation Research: Revision of the New World scorpion genus <i>Centruroides</i> Marx, 1890: Systematics and Biogeography' (USD 14,847), PI with Lauren A. Esposito (Co-PI)
	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A DEC 0910091 (Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant): 'Dissertation Research: The Liochelidae of the Indo-Pacific Region: Systematics and Biogeography' (USD 14,750), PI with Lionel Monod (Co-PI)
2009	Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Constantine S. Niarchos Expedition Grant: 'Expedition to the Sperrgebiet (Diamond Area I), Namibia' (USD 6,000)
2008–2010	Secretario Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación (SENACYT), Panama: 'Investigación sobre la diversidad, ecología y distribución de los alacranes de Panamá para dar respuesta al problema nacional del emponzoñamiento por alacranes' (AMNH component: USD 24,000), Co-PI with Diomedes Quintero (PI)
2008	Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Constantine S. Niarchos Expedition Grant: 'Expedition to Namibia' (USD 7,500)
2007–2011	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A DEB 0640219: 'Collaborative Research: Global Survey and Inventory of Solifugae' (USD 649,984), Co-PI with Paula E. Cushing (PI) [Prendini wrote the proposal]
2007	Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Constantine S. Niarchos Expedition Grant: 'Expedition to Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia and South Africa' (USD 7,500)
2006–2009	Australian Biological Resources Study: 'Revision and Phylogeny of the Australian scorpion genus <i>Urodacus</i> Peters (Scorpiones)' (AUD 181,135), Co-PI with E.S. Volschenk (PI), M.S. Harvey (Co-PI)
2006	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A DBI 0619559: 'Acquisition of a Variable Pressure SEM at the American Museum of Natural History' (USD 386,563), Major User with Angela Klaus (PI)
2004–2008	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A DEB 0413453: 'REVSYS: Revisionary Systematics of the North American Scorpion Family Vaejovidae' (USD 414,578), PI with W. David Sissom (Co-PI)
2004–2007	Richard Lounsbery Foundation: 'DNA barcoding of Leeches and Scorpions': (USD 325,000), Co-PI with R. DeSalle (PI) and M.E. Siddall (Co-PI)
2003–2004	Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Constantine S. Niarchos Expedition Grant: 'Expedition to Damaraland and Kaokoveld, Namibia' (USD 7,000)
2003	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A EAR 0228699 Supplement: 'Expedition to the Central Asian Countries of Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan' (USD 7,170), Co-PI with Ward C. Wheeler (PI) and Jonathan A. Coddington, Gustavo Hormiga and Petra Sierwald (Co-PIs)
2002–2006	National Science Foundation (NSF), U.S.A EAR 0228699: 'Assembling the Tree of Life: Phylogeny of Spiders' (USD 2,738,000), Co-PI with Ward C. Wheeler (PI) and Jonathan A. Coddington, Gustavo Hormiga and Petra Sierwald (Co-PIs)
2000	American Arachnological Society - Arachnology Research Fund: Travel Grant (USD 800)

GRANTS (contd.)

1999 American Museum of Natural History - Collections Study Grant (USD 1,000)

University of Michigan - Visiting Researcher, Program for the Promotion of International Partnerships

(airfare from Cape Town, board, lodging and research expenses in Ann Arbor)

1998 American Museum of Natural History - Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Fund (USD 1,500)

American Arachnological Society - Arachnology Research Fund: Travel Grant (USD 400)
Harvard University, Museum of Comparative Zoology - Ernst Mayr Grant (USD 1,500)

1997 American Museum of Natural History - Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Fund (USD 1,500)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

2000	The Skye Foundation and Charitable Trust Scholarship
1998, 1999	Foundation for Research Development, South Africa - Prestigious Bursary, Ph.D.
1997	Foundation for Research Development, South Africa - Prestigious Bursary, M.Sc.
1996, 1997	University of Cape Town - Myer Levinson (EMDIN) Scholarship
1996, 1997	University of Cape Town - S.A. College Croll Scholarship
1996	Foundation for Research Development, South Africa - M.Sc. Bursary
1995	Foundation for Research Development, South Africa - B.Sc. (Hons) Bursary
1992–1994	Foundation for Research Development, South Africa - B.Sc. Bursary
	The Premier Group Bursary
	Standard Bank of South Africa Scholarship

AWARDS AND HONORS

AWARDS AND II	UNUNG
2012	University of Sargodha, Pakistan
2003	Fellow (elected), Willi Hennig Society
2002	University of Cape Town - Purcell Memorial Prize: best dissertation in zoological subject (Ph.D.)
1999	6 th International Conference of the African Arachnological Society: best speaker
1996	5 th International Colloquium of the Research Group for the Study of African Arachnids: best speaker
1995	University of Cape Town - Purcell Memorial Prize: best dissertation in zoological subject (B.Sc.Hons)
	University of Cape Town - Wayne Rendell Memorial Award: most outstanding student (Zoology Honors)
	University of Cape Town - Zoological Society of Southern Africa Award: most outstanding student (Zoology Honors)
1994	University of the Witwatersrand - South African Breweries Gold Medal: outstanding performance in Biological Sciences (third year)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Certificate of Merit (Botany III)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Certificate of Merit (Zoology III)
	University of the Witwatersrand - John Twinch Memorial Prize (Botanical Ecology)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Peter Thompson Prize: best student (Plant Systematics II)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Zoological Society of Southern Africa Award: most outstanding student (Zoology III)
1993	University of the Witwatersrand - South African Breweries Silver Medal: outstanding performance in Biological Sciences (second year)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Certificate of Merit (Botany II)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Certificate of Merit (Zoology II)
	University of the Witwatersrand - Peter Thompson Prize: best plant collection (Plant Systematics I)

(Plant Systematics I)

University of the Witwatersrand - Tree Society of Southern Africa Prize: most outstanding student

AWARDS AND HONORS (contd.)

1992 Anglo-American Corporation Open Scholarship Book Prize

University of the Witwatersrand - South African Breweries Bronze Medal: outstanding performance

in Biological Sciences (first year)

University of the Witwatersrand - Certificate of Merit (Botany I)
University of the Witwatersrand - Certificate of Merit (Zoology I)

PATRONYMS

Amblypygi: †Kronocharon prendinii Engel & Grimaldi, 2014 [Cretaceous (ca. 99 Ma) Burmese amber]

Araneae: Penestomus prendinii Miller, Griswold & Haddad, 2010

Chilopoda: Paralamyctes prendinii Edgecombe, 2003

Scorpiones: Brachistosternus prendinii Ojanguren Affilastro, 2003

Microtityus prendinii Armas & Teruel, 2012

Pandinurus prendinii Rossi, 2015 = Pandinurus sudanicus (Hirst, 1911)

Vaejovis prendinii Santibañez-López & Francke, 2010

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Prendini, L. Scorpions in the Karoo. National Research Foundation, Foundational Biodiversity Information Program, Karoo BioGaps Project Steering Committee Meeting, South African National Biodiversity Institute, Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens, Cape Town, South Africa, 6–7 February 2018.

Prendini, L. Accelerating the Global Systematic Revision of Scorpions. Improving Accuracy and Efficiency with Integrative Taxonomy, Collaboration and Cyberinfrastructure. Systematics Association Biennial Meeting 'Systematics, The Science that Underpins Biology', Museum of Natural History, University of Oxford, U.K., 26–28 August 2015. P. 35 In: Abstracts booklet. [invited]

Prendini, L. The fascinating world of scorpions, with introduction to the scorpion fauna of Jordan. Dana Biosphere Reserve, Jordan, 9 September 2013.

Prendini, L. Living fossils: The fascinating world of scorpions. Columbia University Club, New York, NY, 24 April 2013. [public presentation]

Prendini, L. Living fossils: Systematics and evolution of scorpions. Department of Biology, Rutgers University, Newark, NJ, 26 March 2013.

Prendini, L. A tale with a sting: Scorpion systematics in southern Africa. Natural History Museum of Zimbabwe, Bulawayo, 30 January 2013. [public presentation, featured in *Morning Mirror Edition* 522, 28 January 2013]

Prendini, L. Scorpion Systematics: Promise and Pitfalls of DNA Barcoding. International Symposium on DNA Barcoding, University of Sargodha, Punjab, Pakistan, 15 May 2012. [plenary]

Prendini, L. Assembling the Scorpion Tree of Life: Towards a Global Systematic Revision of the Scorpions. American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, 30 April 2012.

Prendini, L. Assembling the Scorpion Tree of Life: Towards a Global Revision of the Order Scorpiones. 26th European Congress of Arachnology, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel, 4–7 September 2011. Abstract: P. 19 In: 26th European Congress of Arachnology. [plenary]

Prendini, L. Assembling the Scorpion Tree of Life: Towards a global revision of the Order Scorpiones/Ensamblando el Árbol de la Vida de los Escorpiones: Hacia una revisión global del Orden Scorpiones. Simposio 2, Arácnidos. XXI Congreso Venezolano de Entomología, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela, 19–24 July 2009. Abstract: P. 4 In: Arrivillaga, J., El Souki, M. & Herrera, B. (Eds.) *Libro de Memorias, Simposio de Arácnidos*. [plenary presentation in simultaneous English and Spanish versions]

Prendini, L. Assembling the Scorpion Tree of Life. The Tree of Life Institute, American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, 22–30 July 2008 (presentation on 22 July).

Prendini, L. and Volschenk, E.S. Dynamic homology and the evolution of scorpion trichobothriotaxy. Symposium: Scorpion Systematics. 17th International Congress of Arachnology, São Pedro, São Paulo, Brazil, 5–10 August 2007. Abstract: P. 43 In: Rheims, C.A., Machado, G., Brescovit, A.D., Gnaspini, P., Pinto-da-Rocha, R., Ruiz, G.S., and Santos, A.J. (Eds.) *Abstracts*, 17th *International Congress of Arachnology*. [invited]

Prendini, L. Burrowing scorpion systematics and the evolution of the southern African paleoenvironment. American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, 2 May 2007.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (contd.)

- **Prendini, L.** Southern African Burrowing Scorpions: Models for Systematics and Biogeography. Department of Biology, Villanova University, PA, 31 March 2005.
- **Prendini, L.** Towards a phylogenetic revision of the Order Scorpiones. Division of Invertebrate Zoology, American Museum of Natural History, New York, U.S.A., 31 January 2005.
- **Prendini, L.** Scorpions: Model Organisms for Systematics and Biogeography. American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, 16 June 2004.
- **Prendini, L.** Burrowing Scorpions: A Model for Systematics and Biogeography in southern Africa. Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Jena, Germany, 18 May 2004.
- **Prendini, L.** Burrowing Scorpions: A Model for Systematics and Biogeography in southern Africa. Zoologisches Museum der Universität Humboldt, Berlin, Germany, 13 May 2004.
- **Prendini, L.** Burrowing Scorpions: A Model for Systematics and Biogeography in southern Africa. African Biodiversity Molecules, Organisms and Ecosystems. 5th International Symposium on Tropical Biology, Museum Alexander Koenig, Bonn, 2–6 May 2004. Abstract: P. 113 In: 5th International Symposium on Tropical Biology Abstracts, Museum Alexander Koenig. [plenary]
- Bisulca, C., Kronthal, L., **Prendini, L.*** and Mercurio, R. Upgrading the arachnid and myriapod collections at the American Museum of Natural History. Major Systematic Entomology Facilities (MSEF) Meeting, Plant Protection Research Institute, Pretoria, South Africa, 4–5 December 2003. *Presenter.
- **Prendini, L.** A tale with a sting! Scorpion systematics in southern Africa. Department of Entomology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 29 September 2003.
- **Prendini, L.** A tale with a sting! Scorpion systematics in southern Africa. Department of Biology, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, 12 September 2002.
- **Prendini, L.** A tale with a sting! Scorpion systematics in southern Africa. Division of Earth and Planetary Sciences, American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, 9 August 2002.
- **Prendini, L.** Putting the sting into scorpion systematics: Species, higher taxa, morphology and molecules. American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, 8 May 2000.
- **Prendini, L.** A tale with a sting! Scorpion systematics in southern Africa. Percy FitzPatrick Institute, University of Cape Town, South Africa, 30 October 2000.
- **Prendini, L.** The role of molecular biology and student training in a Zoology Department. Department of Entomology, University of Pretoria, South Africa, 27 February 2000.
- **Prendini, L.**, Crowe, T.M. and Linder, H.P. Exemplars, groundplans, and the phylogeny of the superfamily Scorpionoidea. Systematics in South Africa: The Inaugural Conference of the Southern African Society for Systematic Biology, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, 18–22 January 1999. Abstract: P. 17 In: Systematics in South Africa Abstracts. [plenary]
- **Prendini, L.** Scorpion systematics: An overview of work in progress. Percy FitzPatrick Institute, University of Cape Town, South Africa, 26 October 1998.
- **Prendini, L.** Systematics, distribution and ecology of *Parabuthus*: An overview of current knowledge. Symposium, Scorpion toxins from southern Africa: from purification to mode of action. Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Katolieke Universiteit, Leuven, Belgium, 17 April 1998.
- **Prendini, L.** The role of substratum-specificity in the distribution and speciation of southern African arthropods. Department of Zoology, University of Cape Town, South Africa, 5 September 1995.

FIELDWORK

Personal Expeditions:

During six years of fieldwork in southern Africa (1995–2000), I collected ca. 8,000 scorpion specimens, material donated to museums in southern Africa, Europe and North America prior to my emigration from South Africa in 2001.

During my tenure at the AMNH (2002–2019), I have striven to enlarge the collections by conducting my own field expeditions, supporting the expeditions of current and former assistants, postdoctoral fellows, students, collaborators and volunteers (financially and logistically), acquiring collections and encouraging donations. I personally conducted 56 field expeditions, totaling ca. 155 weeks in the field, during which ca. 69,525 specimens and tissue samples of arachnids and myriapods were collected. I planned, financed, and led each expedition, arranged all logistics, permits, in-country collaborations, and student participation. Field trips in Djibouti, Kenya, Morocco, Oman, and southern Africa (e.g., the Namib, Kalahari, Kaokoveld, Richtersveld and Sperrgebiet) required proficiency in off-road driving with a 4x4, and complete self-sufficiency (all necessary fuel and water had to be brought, in addition to standard supplies).

FIELDWORK

Personal Expeditions (contd.):

2019 Egypt

Ethiopia

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Mauritania Morocco Oman

Yemen (Socotra)

2018 Eritrea

Ethiopia (twice) Kenya (twice)

Malawi, 6-day hike to summit of Mount Mulanje

Morocco South Africa

2017–2019 U.S.A. (NJ) 2017 Djibouti Oman

South Africa
Tunisia
South Africa

2016 South Africa 2015 Angola Namibia

South Africa
Tanzania
South Africa

2013 Israel

2014

Jordan

Malaysia (peninsular and Tioman Island)

Singapore South Africa Zimbabwe

2012 Laos (twice, first trip including 4-day kayak trip through Xe Bang Fai River Cave)

Pakistan South Africa U.S.A. (AZ, CA)

Vietnam (twice: first trip on mainland and Con Dao Islands; second trip on mainland)

2011 Botswana

Israel

South Africa

2010 Namibia

South Africa

2009 Namibia

Puerto Rico and Isla Mona

2009 South Africa

FIELDWORK

Personal Expeditions (contd.):

2009 U.S. Virgin Islands, incl. St. Croix, St. John, St. Thomas

Venezuela, including 2-day hike hike up Auyan Tepui

2008 Namibia

South Africa

2007 Malawi

Mozambique Namibia South Africa

U.S.A. (AZ, CA, NM)

2006 Namibia, including 5-day hike up Brandberg Massif (all supplies and water in 40 kg backpack)

South Africa

2005 Mexico (Baja California Peninsula, states: BC, BCS)

South Africa U.S.A. (CA, NV)

2004 South Africa

2003/2004 Namibia, including 5-day hike up Brandberg Massif (all supplies and water in 40 kg backpack)

2003 Argentina

Chile

Kazakhstan South Africa Uzbekistan

2002 Mexico (mainland states: Edo. Mex., HGO, MOR, OAX, PUE, SLP, TAMPS, VER)

U.S.A. (AZ, NM)

2001 Swaziland
2000 South Africa
1999 Namibia
South Africa

Trinidad and Tobago, including 2-day hike up Mt. El Tucuche (Trinidad)

1998 South Africa 1997 South Africa U.S.A. (TX)

1996/1997 Namibia1989–1996 (ann.) South Africa

Research Group Expeditions:

During the past 17 years (2002–2019), I organized, coordinated and financed ca. 130 expeditions and shorter fieldtrips by current and former assistants, postdoctoral fellows, students, collaborators and volunteers, which yielded ca. 47,130 specimens and tissue samples of arachnids and myriapods, in the U.S.A. (AZ, CA, FL, LA, MS, NM, NV, TX, UT), Mexico (all states except Sinaloa), Central America (Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, Nicaragua), South America (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, French Guiana, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela), the Caribbean (Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Bequia, Bonaire, Cuba, Curaçao, the Dominican Republic, Grenada, Jamaica, Martinique, Puerto Rico, Mona Island, Nevis, Providenciales, St. Kitts, St. Vincent, Turks and Caicos), Europe (Greece), the Middle East (Israel, Turkey, United Arab Emirates), Africa (Benin, Botswana, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Morocco, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania and Zimbabwe), Asia (Cambodia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Pakistan, Singapore, Thailand, Tibet, Uzbekistan and Vietnam) and Australia.

COLLECTIONS

Growth of Collections:

2007–2008 Arranged acquisition of scorpion and solifuge pitfall trap material from USGS San Diego, CA

2007 Arranged acquisition of Allan Langheinrich Collection of 20 Silurian *Proscorpius osborni* fossils for

AMNH Division of Paleontology:

2006–2009 Arranged acquisition of arachnid 'by-catch' from South African Reptile Conservation Assessment, for

AMNH Division of Invertebrate Zoology

2002- Added ca. 116,610 specimens to AMNH Arachnida and Myriapoda Collections from expeditions or

donations for ongoing collaborative projects on arachnids

Expanded AMCC scorpion tissue collection to include all arachnid orders, Chilopoda and Diplopoda; collection currently comprises ca. 15,530 tissue samples (lots) and associated voucher specimens,

acquired by personal collections and donations from colleagues

2002 Arranged acquisition of Alexis Harington Scorpion Collection (ca. 6,500 specimens) for AMNH

Division of Invertebrate Zoology

2001 Donated ca. 8,000 scorpions to the National Museum of Namibia, Windhoek; the Iziko South African

Museum, Cape Town; the AMNH, the California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco; and the

Zoologisches Institut und Zoologisches Museum (CENAK), Universität Hamburg, Germany

1999– Started and continue to enlarge world's only synoptic collection of scorpion tissues (frozen and fixed

in 95% ethanol) at the Ambrose Monell Collection for Molecular and Microbial Research (AMCC)

1994 Donated ca. 1,000 insects to Museum of Zoology, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa

Curation of Collections:

2008, 2011, 2014, 2018

Re-organized AMNH Arachnid and Myriapod Tissue Sample Collection

2003– Sorted, organized, and partially databased AMNH Arachnid and Myriapod Reprint Collection

2002- Ongoing curation and upgrade (rebottling, databasing, cataloguing, georeferencing) of AMNH

Arachnida and Myriapoda Collections

1995-2001, 2004, 2009, 2010, 2012-2015

Curated, sorted, identified and digitized African scorpion collections:

Albany Museum, Grahamstown, South Africa

Ditsong National Museum of Natural History, Pretoria, South Africa

Iziko South African Museum, Cape Town, South Africa KwaZulu-Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa

McGregor Museum, Kimberley, South Africa

National Collection of Arachnida, Agricultural Research Council, Plant Protection Research Institute,

Pretoria, South Africa

National Museum, Bloemfontein, South Africa

National Museums of Kenya, Nairobi

National Museum of Namibia, Windhoek

Natural History Museum of Zimbabwe, Bulawayo

AMNH Collections Management:

2018 A four-decade-old loan of several hundred Opiliones, scorpions and Solifugae, to the late Emilio

Maury at Museo Nacional Argentino de Ciencias Naturales, Buenos Aires, was recovered. Attempts are underway to recover many delinquent historical loans of AMNH material in the U.S. and abroad.

2012–2019 Hosted 56 visitors (73 visits) from 42 institutions in 19 countries to the following collections: to sort

and identify material in the following collections in accordance with their specialty: Acari; Amblypygi; Araneae; Chilopoda; Diplopoda; Opiliones; Palpigradi; Pseudoscorpiones; Ricinulei; Schizomida;

Scorpiones; Solifugae; Thelyphonida

COLLECTIONS

AMNH Collections Management (contd.):

2002-2019 Dispatched 220 loan requests from the Arachnida and Myriapoda Collections, totaling 25,710

specimens (Amblypygi, Araneae, Chilopoda, Diplopoda, Opiliones, Palpigradi, Ricinulei, Schizomida,

Scorpiones, Solifugae, Thelyphonida)

2002-2012 Hosted 36 visitors from 17 countries to sort and identify material in the following collections in

accordance with their specialty: Acari; Amblypygi; Chilopoda; Diplopoda; Opiliones;

Pseudoscorpiones; Schizomida; Scorpiones; Solifugae

Collections Visits and Loans:

Personally visited 28 collections, besides the AMNH (1995-):

Albany Museum, Grahamstown, South Africa

California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, CA

Ditsong National Museum of Natural History (former Transvaal Museum), Pretoria, South Africa

Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, IL

Forschungsinstitut und Natur-Museum Senckenberg, Frankfurt, Germany

Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

Institute of Fundamental Studies, Kandy, Sri Lanka

Iziko South African Museum, Cape Town

KwaZulu-Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg, South Africa

Manuel A. González-Sponga Collection, Caracas, Venezuela

McGregor Museum, Kimberley, South Africa

Musée Royal de l'Afrique Centrale, Tervuren, Belgium

Museum für Naturkunde, Universität Humboldt, Berlin, Germany

Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, France

Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

National Collection of Arachnida, Agricultural Research Council, Plant Protection Research Institute,

Pretoria, South Africa

National Museum of Namibia, Windhoek

National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

National Museum, Bloemfontein, South Africa

Natural History Museum of Zimbabwe, Bulawayo

Natural History Museum, London, UK

Naturalis: National Museum of Natural History, Leiden, The Netherlands

Oxford University Museum of Natural History, UK

Pakistan Museum of Natural History, Islamabad

Zoologisch Museum, Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands

University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras

Zoologisches Forschungsinstitut und Museum Alexander Koenig, Bonn, Germany

Zoologisches Institut und Zoologisches Museum (CENAK), Universität Hamburg, Germany

Borrowed material from another 11 museum collections not visited in person (1995–):

Florida State Collection of Arthropods, Gainesville

Göteborgs Naturhistoriska Museet, Göteborg, Sweden

Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum, Singapore

Kruger National Park Reference Collection, Skukuza, South Africa

Musée d'Histoire Naturelle, La-Chaux-de-Fond, Switzerland

Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle, Geneva, Switzerland

COLLECTIONS

Collections Visits and Loans (contd.):

National Museums of Kenya, Nairobi

Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet, Stockholm, Sweden

Zoological Museum, University of Copenhagen, Denmark Zoologisches Institut, Universität Wien, Vienna, Austria Zoologiska Institutionen, Lunds Universitet, Lund, Sweden

Six private collections studied (1995–):

Alexis Harington [deceased], University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa

John and Astri Leroy, Spider Club of Southern Africa, Roodepoort, South Africa

John Visser [deceased], Bellville, South Africa

Member, Zoological Society of Southern Africa

Julio Ferrer, Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet, Stockholm, Sweden

Martin R. Filmer [deceased], Spider Club of Southern Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa

W. David Sissom, West Texas A&M University, Canyon, TX

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2001-

Member, American Arachnological Society 2000-Member, International Society of Arachnology Member, Society of Systematic Biologists Member, Willi Hennig Society (elected Fellow, 2003) 1999-Member, South African Society of Systematic Biology Member, Entomological Society of Southern Africa 1996-

1995-Member, African Arachnological Society (former Research Group for the Study of African Arachnida)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2001-2006

2001

2016 Prof. Rahamimoff Travel Grants Panel, U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation 2014-IUCN Species Survival Commission, Spider and Scorpion Specialist Group 2012 External Evaluator of South African scientists, National Research Foundation, South Africa Referee, South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions 2011 Panel Judge, Thomas Say Award, Entomological Society of America 2008-2011 Council, Willi Hennig Society 2008, 2009 Panel Judge, Thomas Say Award, Entomological Society of America 2008 External Evaluator of South African scientists, National Research Foundation, South Africa 2007-2013 Executive Committee, International Society of Arachnology 2006 Zoological Society of London, workshop to evaluate invertebrate groups appropriate for IUCN Red List Index (sampled approach) 2003 DEB Biodiversity Surveys and Inventories Panel, National Science Foundation

IUCN Species Survival Commission, Southern African Invertebrates Specialist Group

Chair, 'Scorpiology' Symposium, 15th International Congress of Arachnology, Badplaas, South Africa

ASSOCIATE EDITOR OR EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER

2018-Editorial Board, Iranian Journal of Animal Biosystematics 2012-Editorial Board, European Journal of Taxonomy 2011-2014 Editorial Board, Journal of Biological Research 2010-Associate Editor, Arthropod Systematics and Phylogeny [Chelicerata, Pantopoda]

ASSOCIATE EDITOR OR EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER (contd.)

2010–2014 Editorial Board, ISRN International Journal of Zoology

2008- Associate Editor, American Museum Novitates; Bulletin of the American Museum of Natural History

2007–2015 Editorial Board, The Open Entomology Journal

2005– Associate Editor, ZOOTAXA [Amblypygi, Schizomida, Scorpiones, Solifugae, Thelyphonida]

2004–2019 Associate Editor, *Cladistics* [empirical systematics] 2004–2011 Editorial Board, *Journal of Afrotropical Zoology*

REVIEWER SERVICE

Grant Proposals and Reports:

Australian Biological Resources Study

British Ecological Society

Czech Science Foundation

German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)-National Research Foundation (NRF), South Africa Joint In-Country

Masters and Doctoral Scholarships,

Fondo para la Investigación Científica y Tecnológica (FONCyT), Argentina

Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique/Fund for Scientific Research (FRS/FNRS), Belgium

National Geographic Society: Expedition Grants

National Research Foundation, South Africa

National Science Foundation, U.S.A.:

Assembling the Tree of Life

Dimensions of Biodiversity

Biodiversity Surveys and Inventories

Career

Phylogenetic Systematics

Systematic Biology

Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research: Innovational Research Incentives Scheme

Rufford Small Grants Foundation

U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Peer-Reviewed Journals:

Acta Amazonica Biologia

Acta Oecologia Biota Colombiana
Acta Zoologica Biota Neotropica

African Entomology BMC Evolutionary Biology
African Invertebrates Canadian Journal of Zoology
Amazoniana Caribbean Journal of Science

American Museum Novitates Cimbebasia
Animal Biology Cladistics

Arachnologische Mitteilungen Comptes Rendus Biologie
Arachnology Conservation Biology

Arnoldia Zimbabwe Current Opinion in Insect Science

Arthropod Structure and Development Entomological News

BioInvasions Records Environmental Entomology
Biodiversity and Conservation European Journal of Taxonomy

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Peer-Reviewed Journals (contd.):

Fauna of Arabia Genetica

Frontiers in Zoology Insect Systematics and Evolution

International Journal of Modern Biological Research
International Journal of Tropical Insect Science
Invertebrate Systematics
Journal of Biogeography
International Journal of Arachnology
Journal of Arid Environments
Revista Mexicana de Biodiversidad

Journal of Ethology Rivista Italiana di Paleontologia e Stratigrafia

Journal of Genetics Revue Suisse de Zoologie

Journal of Insect Conservation Scientifica

Journal of Insect Science Scientific Reports, Nature

Journal of Medical Entomology Senckenbergiana biol.

Journal of Morphology Studies on Neotropical Fauna and Environment

Journal of Natural History

Systematic Biology

Journal of Threatened Taxa

Systematic Entomology

Living World: Journal of the Tripidad and Tabaga

Torrestrial Arthropod Paviowa

Living World: Journal of the Trinidad and Tobago

Field Naturalists Club

Texas Memorial Mus., Speleological Monographs

Molecular Ecology Texas Tech Univ., Occasional Papers of the Museum

Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution Transactions of the Royal Society of Edinburgh:

Natural History Magazine Earth and Environmental Science

North-Western Journal of Zoology Transactions of the Royal Society of South Africa

Organisms, Diversity and Evolution Turkish Journal of Zoology

Pakistan Journal of ZoologyPalaeontology ZooKeys

Palaeontologia Electronica Zoologica Scripta

Pan-Pacific Entomologist Zoological Journal of the Linnean Society

PeerJ Zoologischer Anzeiger

PLoS One Zoology
Proceedings, National Academy of Sciences, USA Zoosystema
Revista Ibérica Aracnología ZOOTAXA

Books and Chapters:

Biodiversity of Pantepui, the pristine 'Lost World' of the Neotropics (ed. V. Rull, Elsevier/Academic Press, 2018)

Stung! Arizona's Bark Scorpions: Victims, Venom and the Orphaning of an Antivenin [book proposal], University of Arizona Press (2015)

Springer Handbook of Toxinology (ed. Gopalakrishnakone, 2015)

The Evolution of 'Primary' Sexual Characters in Animals (Leonard & Cordoba-Aguilar, 2008)

The Biology of Opiliones (Pinto-da-Rocha, Machado & Giribet, 2007)

Methods and Tools in Biosciences and Medicine: Techniques in Molecular Evolution and Systematics

Proceedings of the 19th European Colloquium of Arachnology (Scharff & Toft, 2001)

Catalog of the Scorpions of the World (1758–1998) (Fet et al., 2000)

REVIEWER SERVICE (contd.)

Publications Aimed at Popular Audiences:

Scorpion by L.M. Pryke (Reaktion Books) (2016)

Ranger Rick [kids' magazine] (2013)

Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia (2009)

Arachnids of the World by J. Beccaloni (Natural History Museum) (2008)

Scorpions: On the Hunt [kids' book] (Capstone Press, Mankato, MN) (2008)

Natural History magazine (2001)

TEACHING

Postgraduate Teaching:

2014 AMNH, Richard Gilder Graduate School, Core Course in Systematics and Biogeography: contributed

materials for lectures on Species and Speciation

2012 AMNH, Richard Gilder Graduate School, Elective Course in Arthropod Diversity and Evolution:

invited lecture on 'Insect Relatives with Introduction to Chelicerata'

2013 Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Sede Boger, Israel: Israel Taxonomy Initiative: 'Systematics and

> Diversity of Scorpions, with Introduction to the Israeli Fauna': seven lectures ('The Fascinating World of Scorpions'; 'Collecting, Preserving and Documenting Scorpions for Systematics Research'; two lectures on 'Phylogeny and Classification of Scorpions'; 'Identification of Biological Taxa'; two lectures on 'Israeli Scorpion Fauna'); two afternoon practicals on how to identify scorpions and construct dichotomous identification keys, fieldwork on two nights (in rocky and sandy desert habitats); and final examination (http://taxonomy.tau.ac.il/.upload/Scorpion%20Diversity%20SYLLABUS.pdf).

AMNH, Richard Gilder Graduate School, Core Course in Systematic and Biogeography: lectures covering Classification, Taxonomy, Nomenclature, PhyloCode, DNA Barcoding, Species Concepts,

Reticulation, Phylogeography and Coalescence

2004-2007 Organizer, AMNH Systematics Seminar Series

2002 New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM: invited lecture on 'Arthropod Diversity and Evolution'

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant:

1995, 1996 University of Cape Town, South Africa: classes in Botany and Zoology

MENTORING

2008-2010

Postdoctoral Fellows:

2020 Frederick Schramm (funded by DAAD)

2018-2020 Ricardo Botero-Trujillo (funded by AMNH Postdoctoral Fellowship)

Stephanie F. Loria (funded by NSF DEB 1655050)

2013-2014 H. Muhammad Tahir (funded by HEC, Pakistan Postdoctoral Fellowship)

2009-2011 Carsten Kamenz (funded by AMNH Postdoctoral Fellowship)

2009 Patricia Carrera (funded by CONICET, Argentina)

2007-2009 Jose A. Ochoa Camara (funded by AMNH Postdoctoral Fellowship)

2004-2006 Camilo I. Mattoni (funded by AMNH Postdoctoral Fellowship) 2003-2006

Erich S. Volschenk (funded by AMNH Postdoctoral Fellowship)

Major Advisor, Ph.D.:

2011-2015 Stephanie Loria, Comparative Biology Ph.D. Program, Richard Gilder Graduate School, AMNH

2005-2012 Edmundo González Santillan, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior Program, City University of New York

(funded by NSF DEB 0413453)

2005-2011 Lionel Monod, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior Program, City University of New York (funded by

AMNH Graduate Student Fellowship)

2004-2011 Lauren Esposito, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior Program, City University of New York (funded by

CUNY AGEP and MAGNET Fellowships)

MENTORING (contd.)

Major Advisor, M.S.:

2016- Jayson Slovak, City University of New York

Ph.D. Committees:

2018–	Nayeli Gutierrez, Comparative Biology Ph.D. Program, Richard Gilder Graduate School, AMNH
2015–2019	Jeremy Frank, Comparative Biology Ph.D. Program, Richard Gilder Graduate School, AMNH
2013–2016	Bernardo Santos, Comparative Biology Ph.D. Program, Richard Gilder Graduate School, AMNH
2011–2012	Ansel Payne, Comparative Biology Ph.D. Program, Richard Gilder Graduate School, AMNH
2010–2011	Ed Stanley, Comparative Biology Ph.D. Program, Richard Gilder Graduate School, AMNH
2008–2014	Tharina Bird, Department of Entomology, Colorado State University
2004–2008	Joyce Fassbender, Ecology, Evolution and Behavior Program, City University of New York

M.S. Committees:

2015–2016 Jessica Azzinari, Department of Life, Earth and Environmental Sciences, West Texas A&M University

Samuel Mwangi, Department of Life, Earth and Environmental Sciences, West Texas A&M University

2007–2008 Sonia Maartens, Department of Entomology, University of Pretoria, South Africa

External Examiner, Ph.D. Dissertations:

Nusrat Majeed, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan
 Imtiaz Alam, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan
 Rabia Yaqoob, University of Sargodha, Pakistan

2002 Erich S. Volschenk, Curtin University of Technology, Perth, Australia

Visiting Ph.D. Students:

2017

2019 Miguel Medrano, Museu Nacional, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Jairo A. Moreno-González, Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil (FAPESP)

Andria de Paula Santos, Instituto Butantan, Brazil (FAPESP)

Catalina Romero, Universidad Nacional de Colombia

2018/2019 Aaron Goodman, California Academy of Sciences and San Francisco State University

2018 Shlomo Cain, University of Haifa, Oranim, Israel (BSF)

Callum Mclean, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK

Stephan Schaffrath, University of Cologne, Germany (Annette Kade Fellowship)

Jesus A. Cruz López, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Mexico

2016 Diego Barrales Alcalá, UNAM, Mexico

Ricardo Botero-Trujillo, Museo Argentino de Ciencias Naturales (MACN), Buenos Aires

Rebecca Godwin, Auburn University, AL

Dulce F. Piedra, UNAM, Mexico

Francisco J. Salgueiro Sepulveda, Facultad de Ciencias, UNAM, Mexico

2015, 2016, 2017 Gerardo Contreras-Felix, UNAM, Mexico

2015 Ingrid Catalina-Ortíz, Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Bastian Klussmann-Fricke, Rostock University, Germany (Annette Kade Fellowship)

2014, 2015 Gustavo de Miranda, Copenhagen Museum, Denmark

2014, 2016, 2017 Rodrigo Monjaraz-Ruedas, UNAM, Mexico

2014 Daniela Ramírez, UNAM, Mexico

2012 Rene Barba, Instituto de Ecología y Sistemática, Havana, Cuba

Roberta Engel, University of Connecticut, Storrs

David Vrech, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Argentina

MENTORING

Visiting Ph.D. Students (contd.):

2009, 2011, 2012, 2014

Carlos Santibañez-López, UNAM, Mexico

2009, 2010-2011, 2012

Tharina Bird, Colorado State University, Fort Collins

2009, 2010 Humberto Yamaguti, Universidade São Paulo, Brazil

2008, 2016 Fabio Akashi Hernandes, São Paulo State University, Brazil
 2007 Alexander V. Gromov, Institute of Zoology, Almaty, Kazakhstan
 2005–2006, 2008 Carsten Kamenz, Humboldt University (Annette Kade Fellowship)

2005, 2007 Andres Ojanguren Affilastro, MACN, Buenos Aires

2004, 2006 Valerio Vignoli, University of Siena, Italy (Theodore Roosevelt Fellowship)

2004 Christian Wirkner, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany (Annette Kade Fellowship)

Visiting M.S. Students:

2016 Samuel Mwangi, West Texas A&M University

2013–2014 Stephan Schaffrath, University of Cologne, Germany

2008 Alfonso Ballesteros Chavez, UNAM, Mexico 2003–2004 Christina Bisulca, University of Delaware

2002 Lionel Monod, University of Geneva, Switzerland

Undergraduate Interns:

2019, 2020 Lam Ngo, Sewanee, University of the South

Valentin Ehrenthal, University of Hamburg, Germany

2018, 2019 Massimiliano Roppo, Sapienza University, Rome, Italy

2018 Sasha Mendez, Rutgers University, NJ

2017 Tebogo Ledwaba, Ditsong National Museum of Natural History, Pretoria, South Africa - Foundational

Biodiversity Information Programme, South African National Research Foundation

2016–2018 Deborah Chin, Fairleigh Dickinson University, NJ

2016 Margaret Rubin, Oberlin College - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program

2015–2016 Diogo Casellato, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro and Baruch College - Brazil Scientific Mobility

Program, Institute for International Education

2010 Michelle Yun, York College, New York

2008 Angela Holuba, Barnard College, New York

Sylvia Johnson, Barnard College, New York

2007 Gena Esposito, University of Texas, El Paso

Sarah Schoenbrun, Brown University - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program

2005 Steve Webb, Muhlenberg College - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program

Samuel Mwangi, National Museums of Kenya, Nairobi

2004 Kanvaly Ben Bamba, Yale University - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program

Michelle McCoy, University of North Carolina - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)

Program

2002 Lauren Esposito, University of Texas, El Paso - Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)

Program

2003 Samara Maaliki, City University of New York - Undergraduate Mentoring in Evolutionary Biology

(UMEB) Program

MENTORING (contd.)

High-school Interns (New York area, unless otherwise indicated):

2019 Hrtwik Paul2018 Simon Au

Nathan Auyeung Amrita Banerji Agnes Oduro Aleyna Singer

2017 Sofia Castro, Lang Science Program

Tamar Cohen

2017 Geeta Sharma, Lang Science Program

2015, 2016 Chelsea Silva (Miami, FL)

2015 Billy Conlan

2013–2014 Eleanor Goetz, High School Science Research Mentoring Program (SRMP) in Biodiversity

Sasha Reiter, High School Science Research Mentoring Program (SRMP) in Biodiversity

2013 Massimiliano Roppo (Rome, Italy)

2011 Adam Getzler

2008 Michelle Bayefsky-Anand

2006–2007 JianHua Lin, High School Science Research Mentoring Program (SRMP) in Biodiversity

Qiao Rong Huang, High School Science Research Mentoring Program (SRMP) in Biodiversity

2004–2005 Connie Cai, High School Science Research Mentoring Program (SRMP) in Biodiversity

Melanie Ng, High School Science Research Mentoring Program (SRMP) in Biodiversity

2003–2004 Bernard Laszczower, After-School Centers in Exploration and New Discovery (ASCEND) Program

Boitumelo McCallum, After-School Centers in Exploration and New Discovery (ASCEND) Program

Brian Webster, AMNH After-School ProgramAdrian Tung, AMNH After-School Program

MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISION OF AMNH SUPPORT STAFF

Scientific Assistants and Collections Managers:

 2017–
 Pío Colmenares

 2014–2020
 Lou Sorkin

 2014–2016
 Michelle Locke

 2013–2014
 Pamela Horsley

 2011–2012
 Ofelia Delgado

 2007–2010
 Jeremy Huff

 2002–2007
 Randy Mercurio

Laboratory Technicians (2002-):

Kanvaly Bamba Yili Lim

Ligia Benavides Kenneth MacDonald
Rebecca Budinoff Monica Mosier
Diogo Casellato Diana Pietri
Deborah Chin Dana Price
Torsten Dikow Patricia Rubi

Tarang Sharma

Eleanor Goetz Allison Kerwin

ADMINISTRATION (COMMITTEE SERVICE)

American Museum of Natural History:

Entomology Curatorial Search Committee 2019 2018 Senate of the Scientific Staff, Appointments and Promotions Committee 2015 -Richard Gilder Graduate School, Academic Affairs and Fellowships Committee Richard Gilder Graduate School, Comparative Biology Program Policy Committee 2015 Senate of the Scientific Staff, Appointments and Promotions Committee 2013 Associate Chair, Ornithology Curatorial Search Committee, [second search] Senate of the Scientific Staff, Appointments and Promotions Committee 2012 Associate Chair, Ornithology Curatorial Search Committee [first search] 2011-2013 Constantine Niarchos Expedition Grants Proposal Evaluation Committee 2010-2012 Senate of the Scientific Staff, Executive Committee 2010 Invertebrate Zoology Curatorial Associate Search Committee 2009-Richard Gilder Graduate School, Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Fellowship Committee 2009-2013 Richard Gilder Graduate School, Academic Affairs and Fellowships Committee 2009-2010 Strategic Planning for Science Committee 2008-Richard Gilder Graduate School, Lerner Gray Fellowship Committee Senate of the Scientific Staff, Publications Committee 2008-2010 Senate of the Scientific Staff, Appointments and Promotions Committee 2008 Marine Systematist Curatorial Search Committee Senate of the Scientific Staff, Nominating Committee 2007-2008 Senate of the Scientific Staff, Executive Committee 2006 Grants and Fellowships Committee 2004-2009 Senate of the Scientific Staff, Library Committee 2004 Microbial Systematist Curatorial Search Committee [second search]

2003 Grants and Fellowships Committee

Microbial Systematist Curatorial Search Committee [first search]

City University of New York:

2008 Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Advisory Committee
 2005–2008 Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Executive Committee
 Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Admissions Committee

AMNH DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES (SELECTED)

2018 Behind-The-Scenes VIP tour

Presentation on Constantine Niarchos Expeditions (Laos and Vietnam; Pakistan), followed by tour of

Arachnida and Myriapoda Collections, for Maria Niarchos and family

2017 Museum Advisory Council Meeting (spider presentation and collections tours)

Patrons Circle Science-at-Work event (tour of arachnid collections)

2002–2012 Behind the Scenes Tours, Arachnida and Myriapoda Collections, Division of Invertebrate Zoology

Meeting with Maria Niarchos to inform about upcoming expedition to Laos and Vietnam

Patrons Circle Luncheons

Presentation on Constantine Niarchos Expedition to Namibia for Maria Niarchos and family

Science-at-Work Luncheons

PUBLIC EDUCATION, EXHIBITIONS AND OUTREACH

AMNH Volunteers Program (2002-):

Supervised training and operations with sorting, rebottling, labelling and databasing specimens and tissue samples, reorganising specimen collection, packing loans, sorting, filing and databasing reprint collection, isolating, amplifying, sequencing and editing DNA, recording measurements and setal counts, photography, and maintaining live arachnids:

> Jasmin Alim Abigail Carlton Debbie Alwill Gerbi Carreon Ofelia Delgado Suzanna Dodd Howard Fiedler James Klausen Carine Galvão Ann Hagar Tiffany Gentry Christian Liriano Eleanor Goetz Victoria Long Jeremy Huff Simone Longe Ilse Kaim Allyson Mellone Israel Na'aman Tom Sullivan Sulata Maity Susan Tosier Danielle Parsons Peg Werns Fabienne Paumet Isadora Williams Tom Gartner Asel Zhetigenova

Sandra Schnakenberg

AMNH Educational Outreach Activities Participated or Supervised (Selected):

2019	Biodiversity School Group, AMNH Museum Learning Experience, Arthropods
2018	AMNH Gottesman Center 'Tick Biology and Ecology of Lyme Disease' (presentation)
	AMNH Youth Programs, 7th grade, on invertebrates and field techniques, with B. Levine
	'Animal Encounter' with L. Morrell, Member Relations (presentation with specimens, live arthropods)
	'Don't Mind If I Don't Live' on spiders and fear, with A. Gold and C. Hayashi
	Facebook Live on arachnids and myriapods, AMNH social media
	Invertebrate Collections tour: J. Clark, Audubon B&G, New Orleans
	Invertebrate Collections tour: S. Esteves and Department of Education and Public Programs
2017	AMNH ID DAY (specimens, live arthropods)
	City As School, Urban Ecology (presentation with live arachnids)
	K-2 Science & Nature class, science and careers day (presentation)
	Lang Program student presentations
	Members' Open House (specimens, live arthropods with digital microscope)
	Milstein Science Series 'Amazing Amazon' (specimens, live arthropods with digital microscope)
	South African Agency for Science and Technology Advancement, national debate team winners' Museum visit (collections tour, live arachnids)
2016–2018	After School Program, Tree of Life (presentation, specimens, live arthropods)
	Youth Initiatives, Evolution Institute, middle and high school programs (presentations, tour of collections)

2002-2018 Family Party (live arachnids, myriapods, with digital microscope).

2016, 2017

2016

Science & Nature Program (presentation, Behind-The-Scenes tour of collections)

Holiday Party (live arachnids, myriapods, with digital microscope)

PUBLIC EDUCATION, EXHIBITIONS AND OUTREACH (contd.)

Public Lectures, South Africa:

1990–1994 African Wildlife Club, Johannesburg

Londolozi Private Game Reserve Johannesburg Zoological Gardens

South African Nature Conservation Centre, Johannesburg Wits Biological Society (BioSoc), University of the Witwatersrand

1990–1994 Witkoppen Wildflower Nursery

Public Demonstrations (spiders and scorpions), South Africa:

1990–1991 Bosmont Recreation Centre Environment Day

Bryanston Shopping Centre Nature Day

Earthlink Expo

Roodepoort Botanical Gardens (in association with Spider Club of Southern Africa)

Public Field Course (ecology, collection, preservation of arthropods), South Africa:

1992–1994 Melville Koppies Nature Reserve, Johannesburg (in association with Wits Zoology Museum)

Rangers Courses (identification of savanna arthropods), South Africa:

1990–1994 Londolozi Private Game Reserve

Sabi Sabi Private Game Reserve

Kids TV Programs (episodes on arachnids), South Africa:

1990–1992 Bush School (Londolozi Productions, South Africa): hosted episode 'Spiders and Scorpions'

Ekoboffins (Kinnor Productions, South Africa) Super Kidantics Series (K4TV News, South Africa)

Zapmag (Kinnor Productions, South Africa)

Websites:

2007–2011 The Arachnid Order Solifugae (http://www.solpugid.com): research and training for an NSF BS&I grant

2006- Arachnology @ AMNH (http://scorpion.amnh.org): research, collections and training in arachnology at

the AMNH (updated annually)

2004–2008 Revisionary Systematics of the North American Scorpion Family Vaejovidae (http://www.vaejovidae.com):

showcased research and training for an NSF REVSYS grant

Blogs:

Prepared to document activities for the South African National Research Foundation grant 'BioGaps: Filling Biodiversity Information Gaps to Support Development Decision Making in the Karoo':

2017 'BioGaps Digitiser Jets Off to New York'

(http://karoobiogapsproject.blogspot.co.za/2017/11/biogaps-digitiser-jets-off-to-new-york.html)

2017 'BioGaps Scorpions Fieldtrip' (http://karoobiogapsproject.blogspot.co.za/2017/06/biogaps-scorpions-fieldtrip.html)

AMNH Exhibitions and Related Media:

2018, 2019 Gilder Collections Core: Participated in four meetings with Exhibitions Department and outside

contractors concerning arachnid exhibit

2015 Spiders Alivel: Supervising Curator of exhibit; trained volunteers, hosted Media Preview and held

Behind-the-Scenes tours of exhibit which lead to several press releases; participated in interview with NPR about bats and spiders for Halloween (in conjunction with Nancy Simmons) which was conducted in the exhibit; selected media: AMNH: Spiders Alive! (http://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/spidersalive/about-the-exhibition); Thrillist: 'Do Spiders Still Scare the Cr*p Out of Me: An Investigation' (https://www.thrillist.com/entertainment/new-york/attending-the-spiders-alive-exhibit-at-the-american-natural-historymuseum-nyc); ReviewFix: 'Spiders Alive Review: Fun for the Whole (http://reviewfix.com/2015/07/spiders-alive-review-fun-for-the-whole-family; 'Spiders Alive! At the American Museum of Natural History: Creepy, crawly and very, very cool' (http://www.silive.com/entertainment/

recreation/index.ssf/2015/07/spiders alive at the american.html)

PUBLIC EDUCATION, EXHIBITIONS AND OUTREACH

AMNH Exhibitions and Related Media (contd.):

2012

Poison: Edited copy and verified content; Spiders Alive!: Edited copy and contributed images; participated in media preview of exhibit, and interviews with reporter for LiveScience.com and Science Writing Intern in AMNH Communications Department; selected media: AMNH Website: 'The Arachnid Collection Behind Spiders Alive!' (http://www.amnh.org/explore/news-blogs/research/the-arachnid-collection-behind-spiders-alive); Live Science: 'Beware, Arachnophobes: Half of Spiders Are Undiscovered' (http://www.livescience.com/21818-spiders-scoprions-exhibit.html)

2011

Creatures of Light: Planning meetings, provided images, answered questions and reviewed copy

Picturing Science: Museum Scientists and Imaging Technologies: Contributed images and reviewed copy on UV fluorescence, scanning electron microscopy and microCT; selected media featuring scorpion exhibit:

Scientific American: 'Art and Science Meet in Images of Museum Specimens and Artifacts' (http://www.scientificamerican.com/blog/post.cfm?id=art-and-science-meet-in-images-of-m-2011-06-18)

Live Science: 'Amazing Images Reveal the Art of Science' (http://www.livescience.com/14759-amazing-images-science-art-imaging-technologies.html)

'Science as Art: A Gallery' (http://www.livescience.com/14758-science-art-gallery-imaging.html)

Wired Science: 'Hidden Blades, Glowing Scorpions and Bug Genitalia: Great Science Images from the American Museum of Natural History' (http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2011/06/picturing-science-exhibit)

AMNH: 'Picturing Science: Museum Scientists and Imaging Technologies Photo Slideshow' (http://www.flickr.com//photos/amnh/sets/72157626899911609/show/) [2011–2012]

Rotunda (AMNH Member's Newsletter): 'Now on View: Picturing Science', 36(3): 3

Time Out New York: 'Picturing Science: Museum Scientists and Imaging Technologies' (http://newyork.timeout.com/arts-culture/museums/1594001/picturing-science-museum-scientists-and-imaging-technologies)

Folha.com: 'Microscopia produz obras de arte com estética científica' (http://www1.folha.uol.com.br/ciencia/943051-microscopia-produz-obras-de-arte-com-estetica-cientifica.shtml)

The New York Times: 'Specialized Windows on the Natural World':

http://www.nytimes.com/2011/07/12/science/12museum.html?_r=1

http://m.post-gazette.com/news/science/specialized-windows-on-the-natural-world-1159868

http://www.nytimes.com/slideshow/2011/07/11/science/12Museum-12.html

http://www.timesofoman.com/featuredetail.asp?fid=1068

The New York Photo Review.com: 'Making Strange: Picturing Science: Museum Scientists and Imaging Technologies' (http://www.nyphotoreview.com/ NYPR REVS/NYPR REV1764.html)

2004

Bugs! (IMAX film): Hosted Press Conference and Media Preview

National Center for Science Literacy, Education and Technology:

2008

Scholastic *SuperScience* 'Scorpions: Friend or Foe?' (Grades 3–6) by E. Carney, January 2008, pp. 10, 11 (http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3751918)

Scholastic *Science World* 'Scorpions: Friend or Foe?' (Grades 6–10) by E. Carney, January 2008, pp. 10, 11 (http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/article.jsp?id=3751917)

'Scorpions: friend or foe? Do scorpions deserve their bad reputation? One scientist finds out.' by E. Carney, January 2008 (http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_hb5019/is_4_19/ai_n29399348)

2006-2012

Young Naturalist Awards Competition: Reviewed essays

Interviews:

2016

Facebook Live - Inverse (https://www.facebook.com/naturalhistory/posts/10153458341886991)

2012

Arachne (Deutsche Arachnologische Gesellschaft) 6: 34–35: 'Interview mit Dr. Lorenzo Prendini, Kurator für Arachniden und Myriapoden im American Museum of Natural History' by C. Turiel.

AMNH.tv (http://www.amnh.org/explore/amnh.tv/(watch)/meet-the-scientists/profile-lorenzo-prendini) and YouTube (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PgsN6dSd3T0)

2011

CBS News (http://www.cbsnews.com/video/watch/?id=7383853n): 'In Search of Scorpions.' Also: AMNH Website (http://www.amnh.org/explore/news-blogs/news/scorpion-expert-featured-in-cbs-video2) 'Scorpion Expert Featured in CBS Video.'

Practical Reptile Keeping, August 2011: 55–59: Feature – Scorpions. 'Sting in the Tail: Professor Lorenzo Prendini discusses the world's scorpions' by V. Neblik.

PUBLIC EDUCATION, EXHIBITIONS AND OUTREACH

Interviews (contd.):

2010 The Forum Magazine of the American Tarantula Society 18(1): 6–15: 'Interview with Dr. Lorenzo

Prendini by P. MacDonald 2008/2009'.

2007 National Public Radio (http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=16493817): 'Fossil shows sea

scorpions stretched to 8 feet.' by J. Hamilton.

2001 Reader's Digest (South Africa)

1998, 2000 University of Cape Town Monday Paper (South Africa)

1995 Weekend Argus (Cape Town, South Africa)1993 Standard Bank AutoClub (South Africa)

1992 Radio 702 (South Africa)

1990 Randburg Sun (Johannesburg, South Africa)

Media Coverage (Selected):

2018 AMNH (https://www.amnh.org/explore/news-blogs/research-posts/the-giant-north-american-vinegaroon-it-s-actually-seven-different-species) 'The Giant North American Vinegaroon? It's Actually Seven Different Species.'

Live Science (https://www.livescience.com/61999-tarantula-spider-rescued-from-flood.html): 'Faced with

Drowning, This Giant Tarantula Goes Out on a Limb.'

Live Science (https://www.livescience.com/63226-nicole-kidman-rescues-tarantula.html): 'Nicole Kidman

Rescued a Tarantula from Drowning. Turns Out, the Spider Was Looking for Love.'

2017 California Academy of Sciences (http://www.calacademy.org/press/releases/three-new-%E2%80%9Cclub-

tailed%E2%80%9D-scorpions-join-the-tree-of-life): 'Three New 'Club-Tailed' Scorpions Join the Tree of Life.'

Also: EurekAlert! (https://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2017-07/caos-tn072117.php)

PhysOrg (https://phys.org/news/2017-07-club-tailed-scorpions-tree-life.html) ScienceDaily (https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/07/170724090753.htm)

Jersey Tribune (http://jerseytribune.com/2017/07/24/three-new-club-tailed-scorpions-join-the-tree-of-life)

Science News (http://www.sci-news.com/biology/three-new-species-club-tailed-scorpions-05083.html):

'Arachnologists Discover Three New Species of 'Club-Tailed' Scorpions.'

The New York Times (https://www.nytimes.com/2017/08/04/science/new-scorpions-species.html): 'Scorpions Are

Ancient, but Some Species Are New to Science.'

2016 AMNH (http://www.amnh.org/explore/news-blogs/research-posts/camel-spider-respiration-makes-them-potent-

predators): 'Respiration Makes Camel Spiders Potent Predators.' Also:

https://article.wn.com/view/2016/09/15/Respiration Makes Camel Spiders Potent Predators American Mu

AMNH (http://www.amnh.org/explore/news-blogs/research-posts/dna-study-suggests-scorpions-diversified-as-andes-

formed): 'DNA Study Suggests Scorpions Diversified as Andes Formed.'

AMNH (http://www.amnh.org/about-the-museum/press-center/scorpions-have-similar-tastes-in-burrow-architecture):

'Scorpions Have Similar Tastes in Burrow Architecture'. Also:

https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2016/06/160621143632.htm

https://phys.org/news/2016-06-scorpions-similar-burrow-architecture.html

http://esciencenews.com/sources/newswise.scinews/2016/06/21/scorpions.have.similar.tastes.burrow.architecture

Science News (http://www.upi.com/Science News/2016/06/21/Burrow-building-scorpions-have-consistenttastes/5281466538123): 'Burrow-building scorpions have consistent tastes.' IFL Science (http://www.iflscience.com/plants-and-animals/scorpions-similar-tastes-interior-burrow-design/page-2): 'Scorpions Have Similar Tastes In Interior Burrow Design.' PopSci (http://www.popsci.com/aluminum-casts-scorpionburrows): 'Different scorpion species share similar taste in interior design.' Live Science (http://www.livescience.com/55236-scorpions-burrows-revealed-in-3d.html): 'Scorpion Architects Build Lairs with Porches and Mating Rooms.' The Rainforest Site (http://blog.therainforestsite.com/cs-scorpion-burrows): 'Scorpions Everywhere Love to Build Burrows.'

LiveScience (http://www.livescience.com/53701-snake-loses-battle-against-spider-photo.html): 'Reptile Dysfunction: Snake Loses Wild Battle Against Spider.'

UnDark (http://undark.org/article/zika-and-the-folly-of-mosquito-specicide): 'The Allure and Folly of Specicide.'