Jared Croyle

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Education

B.S. in Molecular Environmental Biology - Data Science Minor, May 2025 University of California, Berkeley

Relevant Coursework:

General Genetics: Comprehensive study of gene regulation, manipulation, and genetic variation.

- Practical Genomics: Hands-on training in computational biology and bioinformatics techniques.
- Concepts in Computing with Data: Applied statistics using R and SQL for data analysis.

Research Experience

UC Berkeley Department of Environmental Science, Policy, & Management, Feb 2024 - Present EvoLab - Research Assistant - Supervised by Dr. Rosemary Gillespie

- Conducted research on adaptive radiation and evolution in Hawaiian spiders.
- Utilized methods in DNA extractions, sonication, sequencing, and library prep for whole genome sequences.
- Analyzed sequence data and created figures using MEGA11 and BEAST2.

UCR Department of Microbiology and Plant Pathology, June 2023 - August 2023

Stajich Lab - NSF-REU Participant - Supervised by Dr. Jason Stajich

Research project: "Taxonomically Distinct Coniochaeta, Filobasidium, Naganishia, and Curvibasidium Species Isolated from Moss Biocrusts"

- Cultured media and isolated fungal samples.
- Performed DNA extractions and utilized Sanger sequencing.
- Created figures using computational tools such as MAAFT and SnapGene.

Employment History

West Riverside Veterinary Hospital, Riverside, CA, June 2021 - May 2023 Veterinary Assistant

- Assisted veterinarian during immunologic, medical, surgical and diagnostic procedures.
- Took scans and x-rays of animals using proper restraint and methods.
- Administered anesthetics and managed emergencies related to disease, seizures, and conflict.

The Living Desert Zoo and Gardens, Palm Desert, CA, September 2016 - March 2020 Zookeeper's Assistant Volunteer

- Gained animal husbandry and breeding experience for desert animals from around the world.
- Leadership roles and participated in public outreach regarding conservation.

The Aquarium of the Pacific, Long Beach, CA, May 2018 - August 2019 Student Eco-Ambassador Intern

- Conducted field research with researchers and aquarists in Central and South America involving water quality and wildlife surveys.

Awards:

NSF-REU Research Award, Center for Plant Cell Biology at University of California, Riverside, 2023

Publications:

Peer Reviewed Publications

1. **Croyle**, J., Kelly, K., Liu, X., and Stajich, J. E. 2024. Draft genome sequence of endophytic fungus *Coniochaeta sp.* isolated from the Mojave Desert. **(In Preparation)**

2.

Presentations and Conferences:

2023, August. Taxonomically Distinct *Coniochaeta*, *Filobasidium*, *Naganishia*, and *Curvibasidium* Species Isolated from Moss Biocrusts. Poster presentation. University of California, Riverside CEPCEB.

Technical Skills:

Programming Languages: Python, R

Scripting Languages: BASH

Web Development: HTML5, CSS3

Operating systems: MacOS, Linux (Ubuntu)