

# Kirsten Gotting

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## Education

M.S. Genetics, University of Wisconsin Madison, Laboratory of Genetics 2019  
M.S. Biology, University of Oregon, Department of Biology 2014  
B.A. Biology, University of Oregon, Department of Biology 2013

## Research Experience

Graduate Researcher, Currie Lab, University of Wisconsin Madison 2018 - Present  
Sequenced, assembled and annotated 18 genomes of *Escovopsis* for comparative genomics.  
Performed field work to obtain increased sampling of *Escovopsis*  
Bioinformatics Intern, Sánchez Lab, Stowers Institute for Medical Research 2014  
Developed a self-documenting RNA-seq analysis pipeline for transcriptomics from non-model organisms.  
Created interactive data analysis applications.  
Undergraduate Research Assistant, Selker Lab, University of Oregon 2012  
Created *Neurospora crassa* mutants as part of a forward genetics screen selecting for defects in methylation.

## Employment

Bioinformaticist, Sánchez Lab, Stowers Institute for Medical Research 2014 – 2017  
Collaborated with scientists to analyze and interpret next generation sequencing data.  
Line/Lab Assistant, Zebrafish International Resource Center 2010 - 2013  
Worked to maintain and propagate zebrafish lines for shipping to research labs.

## Publications

Francoeur, C. B., Khadempour, L., Moreira-Soto, R.D., **Gotting, K.**, Book, A.J., Pinto-Tomás, A.A., Keefover-Ring, K., and Currie, C.R. "Bacteria contribute to plant secondary compound degradation in a generalist herbivore system." *mBio* (2020): 865212. In Review  
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Robb, S., **Gotting, K.**, Ross, E.J., and Sánchez Alvarado, A. (2015) "SmedGD 2.0: The Schmidtea mediterranea genome database." *genesis* 53, no. 8: 535-546.

## Mentoring

*University of Wisconsin Madison*

Hezekiah Gilles

Fall 2019 - Present

Soleil Young

Spring 2019 - Present

## Teaching Experience

*University of Wisconsin - Madison*

Teaching Assistant, **General Genetics 2**

Spring 2019

*Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory*

Teaching Assistant, **Programming for Biology**

2018, 2019, 2020\*\*

*University of Oregon*

Graduate Teaching Fellow, **Cells**

Fall 2013

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, **Evolution, Diversity & Ecology** Spring 2013

## Departmental Service

Genetics Diversity Committee	2020 - present
J.F. Crow Institute Evolution Coordinating Committee	2020 - present
-Diversity Committee Co-Chair	
Genetics Admissions Committee	2019
Genetics Graduate Student Committee	2018 - 2019
Genetics Retreat Committee	2018 - 2019

## Leadership

### *University of Wisconsin*

Co-chair, <b>ComBEE</b> (Computational Biology, Ecology, and Evolution)	2018 - Present
Organized monthly speaker series and coding working and learning groups.	
R Study Group Leader, <b>ComBEE</b>	Spring 2018
Led a coding study group to teach the R programming language.	

### *The Stowers Institute for Medical Research*

Organizer/Founder, <b>UO Data Working Group</b>	2014 - 2017
Organized and led a learning and working group for junior bioinformaticists.	

## Workshops and Courses

### *University of Wisconsin Madison Delta Program on Integrating Research, Teaching and Learning*

Fundamentals of Online Learning and Teaching	2020
Teaching college students on the autism spectrum	2018

## Outreach

### *Currie Lab Leaf-Cutter Ant Display Colony*

Organizer; Activity Leader, <b>UW-Madison Science Expeditions</b>	2018; 2019
Organizer and Activity Leader, <b>Wisconsin Science Festival</b>	2018

## Conferences Attended

Mycological Society of America	2019, 2020
Beneficial Microbe	2018
Madison Microbiome Meeting	2018
useR!	2016
North American Planarian Meeting	2015

## Presentations

### *The University of Wisconsin Madison*

Genomic diversification of the parasite *Escovopsis* across the evolutionary history of the fungus-growing ant-microbe symbiosis

UW-Madison Evolution Seminar Series <b>Talk</b>	2020
Mycological Society of America <b>Poster</b>	2020
Laboratory of Genetics Graduate Seminar Series <b>Talk</b>	2020
Beneficial Microbes**	2020
Kenneth B. Raper Symposium, Department of Bacteriology <b>Poster</b>	2019

### *The Stowers Institute for Medical Research*

Designing an RNA-seq Pipeline for Non-Model Organisms <b>Talk</b>	2014
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## Skills

### *Computational*

Linux/Unix  
Parallel Computing  
Git  
MySQL

### *Programming Languages*

R  
Python  
Bash

## *Data Analytics*

- Phylogenomics
- Comparative Genomics
- RNA-seq
- Genome Annotation
- Differential Isoform
- Gene Ontology Enrichment
- Motif Finding
- MudPIT Proteomics
- Bioconductor
- RShiny

## **Languages**

- English (native)
- Spanish (conversational)

## **Reference**

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\*\*denotes events cancelled due to COVID19