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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Duke University, Durham, NC

May, 2013

Dissertation: "Evolution of Mating Systems in Sphagnum peatmosses"

B.S. with distinction, Duke University, Durham, NC

May 2006

Honors Thesis: "Genetic relationships within *Sphagnum cribrosum* Lind. "wave form" and "normal form" in southeastern North Carolina using three anonymous nuclear genes."

Professional Appointments Assistant Professor

September 2017 to present

Biological Sciences Texas Tech University

Director E.L. Reed Herbarium (TTC)

September 2017 to present

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Plant Science and Conservation Research Center

Chicago Botanic Garden

Supervisor: Norman Wickett, Ph.D.

June 2013 to August 2017

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles (18 total, 7 first-author, h-index: 8) Google Scholar Profile

- P.G Wolf, T.A. Robison, M.G. Johnson, T. Robison, M.A. Sundue, W.L. Testo, and C.J Rothfels. 2018. Target Sequence Capture of Nuclear-Encoded Genes for Phylogenetic Analysis in Ferns Applications in Plant Science e01148. doi:10.1002/aps3.1148
- 2. H.R. Kates[†], **M.G. Johnson**[†], E.G. Gardner, N. Zyrega, and N.J. Wickett. 2018. Allele phasing has minimal impact on phylogenetic reconstruction from targeted nuclear gene sequences in a case study of *Artocarpus* (Moraceae) *American Journal of Botany* 105(3):404-416 *Invited Special Issue: Using and Navigating the Plant Tree of Life* doi:10.1002/ajb2.1068
- M.R. McKain[†], M.G. Johnson[†], S. Uribe-Convers[†], D. Eaton[†], and Y. Yang. 2018[?]. Practical considerations for plant phylogenomics. Applications in Plant Sciences 6(3):e01038. Invited Special Issue: Methods for Exploring the Plant Tree of Life doi:10.1002/aps3.1038
- R. Medina. M.G. Johnson, Y. Liu, N. Wilding, T.A. Hedderson, N.J. Wickett, and B. Goffinet. 2018. Evolutionary Dynamism in Bryophytes: Phylogenomic Inferences Confirm Rapid Radiation in the Moss Family Funariaceae. *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution* 120:240-247. doi:10.1016/j.ympev.2017.12.002.
- D.J. Weston, M.R. Turetsky, M.G. Johnson, G. Granath, Z. Lindo, L.R. Belyea, S.K. Rice, D.T. Hanson, K.A.M. Engelhardt, J. Schmutz, E. Dorrepaal, E.S. Euskirchen, H.K. Stenoien, P. Szovenyi, M. Jackson B.T. Piatkowski, W. Muchero,

- R.J. Norby, J.E. Kostka, J.B. Glass, H. Rydin, J. Limpens, E. Tuittila, K.K. Ulrich, A. Carrell, B.W. Benscoter, J. Chen, T.A. Oke, M.B. Nilsson, P. Ranjan, D. Jacobson, E.A. Lileskov, R.S. Clymo, and A.J. Shaw. 2018. The Sphagnome Project: Enabling Ecological and Evolutionary Insights through a Genus-Level Sequencing Project. *New Phytologist* 217 (1):16-25.
- M.G. Johnson, E.M. Gardner, Y. Liu, R. Medina, B. Goffinet, A.J.Shaw, N.J.C. Zerega, and N.J. Wickett. 2016. HybPiper: Extracting coding sequence and introns for phylogenetics from high-throughput sequencing reads using target enrichment. Applications in Plant Sciences. 4(7):1600016 doi:10.3732/apps.1600016.
- E.M. Gardner, M.G. Johnson, D. Ragone, N.J. Wickett, and N.J.C. Zerega. 2016. Low-coverage, whole-genome sequencing of Artocarpus camansi (Moraceae) for phylogenetic marker development and gene discovery. Applications in Plant Sciences 4(7):1600017. doi:10.3732/apps.1600017.
- 8. N. Brandley, **M.G. Johnson**, and S. Johnsen. 2016. Aposematic signals in North American black widows are more conspicuous to predators than to prey. *Behavioral Ecology*. 27(4):1104-1112. doi:10.1093/beheco/arw014
- 9. M.G. Johnson and A.J. Shaw. 2016. The effects of quantitative fecundity in the haploid stage on reproductive success and diploid fitness in the aquatic peat moss *Sphagnum macrophyllum*. *Heredity*. 116:523-530. doi:10.1038/hdy.2016.13.
- M.G. Johnson, C. Malley, A.J. Shaw, B. Goffinet, and N.J. Wickett. 2016. A
 phylotranscriptomic analysis of gene family expansion and evolution in the largest
 order of pleurocarpous mosses (Hypnales, Bryophyta). *Molecular Phylogenetics*and Evolution. 98:29-40. doi:10.1016/j.ympev.2016.01.008
- N. Devos, P. Szovenyi, D. Weston, C. Rothfels, M.G. Johnson. and A.J. Shaw. 2016. Analyses of transcriptome sequences reveal multiple ancient large-scale duplication events in the ancestor of Sphagnopsida (Bryophyta). New Phytologist 211(1):300-318. doi:10.1111/nph.13887.
- M.G. Johnson, K. Lang, P. Manos, G.H. Golet, and K.A. Schierenbeck. 2016.
 Evidence for genetic pollution of a California native tree, *Platanus racemosa*, via recent, ongoing introgressive hybridization with an introduced ornamental species." *Conservation Genetics*. 17(3):593-602. doi:10.1007/s10592-015-0808-z.
- M.G. Johnson and A.J. Shaw. 2015. Genetic diversity, sexual condition, and microhabitat preference determine mating patterns in Sphagnum (Sphagnaceae) peat-mosses. Biological Journal of the Linnean Society. 115(1):96-113. doi:10.1111/bij.12497
- M.G. Johnson, G. Granath, T. Tahvanainen, R. Pouliot, H. Stenoien, L. Rochefort, H. Rydin, and A.J. Shaw. 2015. Evolution of niche preference in *Sphagnum* peat mosses" *Evolution*. 69(1) 90-103. doi:10.1111/evo.12547
- E. Mikulaskova, M. Hajek, A. Veleba, M.G. Johnson, T. Tomas, and A.J. Shaw. 2015. Local adaptations in bryophytes revisited: the genetic structure of the calcium-tolerant peatmoss Sphagnum warnstorfii along geographic and pH gradients. Ecology and Evolution. 5(1) 229-242. doi:10.1002/ece3.1351
- A.J. Shaw, B. Shaw, M.G. Johnson, N. Devos, H. Stenoien, K.I. Flatberg, and B.E. Carter. 2015. Phylogenetic structure and biogeography of the Pacific Rim clade of Sphagnum subgen. Subsecunda: haploid and allopolyploid taxa. Biological Journal of the Linnean Society. 116(2): 295-311. doi:10.1111/bij.12586

- 17. A.J. Shaw, B. Shaw, M.G. Johnson, M. Higuchi, T. Arikawa, Y. Hirayama, and N. Devos. 2013. Origins, genetic structure, and systematics of the narrow endemic peatmosses (Sphagnum): S. triseriporum and S. calymmatophyllum (Sphagnaceae). American Journal of Botany. 100(6) 1202-1220. doi:10.3732/ajb.1200630
- 18. M.G. Johnson, B. Shaw, P. Zhou, and A.J. Shaw. 2012. Genetic analysis of the peatmoss Sphagnum cribrosum indicates indepent origins of an extreme infraspecific morphology shift. Biological Journal of the Linnean Society. 106(1):137-153. doi:10.1111/j.1095-8312.2012.01842.x
- 19. A.J. Shaw, K.I. Flatberg, P. Szovenyi, M. Ricca, M.G. Johnson, H. Stenoein, and B. Shaw. 2012. Systematics of the Sphagnum fimbriatum complex: phylogenetic relationships, morphological variation, and allopolyploidy. Systematic Botany. 37:36-50. doi:10.1600/036364412X616585
- 20. M. Ricca, P. Szovenyi, E. Temsch, M.G. Johnson, and A.J. Shaw. 2011. Interploidal hybridization and mating patterns in Sphagnum subsecundum complex. Molecular Ecology. 20(15): 3202-3218. doi:10.1111/j.1365-294X.2011.05170.x
- 21. M. Ramaliya*, M.G. Johnson, J. Heinrichs, J. Hentschel, M. von Konrat, P. Davison, B. Shaw, and A.J. Shaw. 2010. Morphologically cryptic biological species within the liverwort Frullania asagrayana. American Journal of Botany. 97:1707-1718. doi:10.3732/ajb.1000171

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AWARDS AND Fellowships

Harold Sanford Perry Prize (\$5,500)

May 2013

- Annual departmental cash award for the best dissertation in Plant Sciences.
- Students are nominated and selected by Duke Biology faculty.

Duke Biology Department Grant-in-Aid of Research (\$500) June 2012 E. Bayard Halsted Scholarship (\$19,836) August 2010 December 2009 Sigma Xi Grant-in-Aid of Research (\$1,000)

Presentations

Invited Seminars

One Set of Markers to Rule them All: Advances in Targeted Sequencing for Phylogenetics from Populations to Phyla April 2018

Witchita State University

Phylogenomic insights into the radiation of bryophytes.

Utah State University

October 2017

Phylotranscriptomic analysis reveals widespread gene duplication associated with the radiation of pleurocarpous mosses

XIX International Botanical Congress, Shenzhen, China

July 2017

Building a better tree and using it wisely: Phylogenomic approaches in non-model organisms

Chicago Plant Science Symposium, Field Museum

April 2017

Building a better tree and using it wisely: Phylogenomic approaches in non-model organisms

University of Connecticut Biology Forum

March 2017

Targeted Exon Sequencing in Non-Model Organisms: Best Practices for Probe Design and Data Analysis with HybPiper

PAG XXV, MycroArray Session

January 2017

Introns, Paralogs, and Ditching the Bootstrap: Targeted Sequencing with HybPiper University of Florida PopBio Seminar Series September 2016

Phylotransciptomic insights into the radiation of mosses

2nd International Symp. on Pleurocarpous Mosses. Bonn, Germany June 2016

Evolution of niche preferences in Sphagnum

New Phytologist Sphagnum genomics meeting, invited participant April 2016

Ecological genomics in peatlands: the rise of *Sphagnum* as a model system

University of Chicago Darwin's Weekly Seminar Series February 2016

Reconstructing the ancestral gene set of bryophytes from comparative transcriptomes PAG XXIV, Non-Seed Plant Section, San Diego, CA January 2016

Another abominable mystery: using phylogenomics to explore the radiation of mosses University of Wisconsin Biology Colloquium March 2015

Scaling evolution from genomes to ecosystem in peatmosses (Sphagnum)

NESCent Catalysis Meeting, invited participant

October 2014

What can phylogenetics teach us about peatland ecology?

Symposium: The evolution and ecology of aquatic bryophytes.

American Bryological and Lichenological Society Botany Conference, July 2014

Scientific Meetings

Botanical Society of America, Savannah, GA

July 2016

Colloquium Presentation: A re-evaluation of ancient horizontal transfer in bryophytes using comparative transcriptome data.

Botanical Society of America, Edmonton, AB

July 2015

Oral Paper: Phylotranscriptomic insights into the radiation of pleurocarpous mosses.

Botanical Society of America, Boise, ID

July 201

Oral Paper: Constructing phylogenetic datasets with bait-capture data without a genome: strategies and challenges.

Botanical Society of America, New Orleans, LA

July 2013

Oral Paper: The relationship between mating patterns, sexual condition, and microhabitat preference in Sphagnum

American Society of Human Genetics, San Francisco, CA November 2012 *Poster*: Comparison of phylogenetic and haplotype methods for the study of genotypephenotype association in genome-wide studies.

Botanical Society of America, Columbus, OH

July 2012

Poster: Evolution of microhabitat preference in Sphagnum

Evolution Meeting, Norman, OK

June 2011

Oral Paper: Fitness and fecundity variance in a natural Sphagnum population: potential for sexual selection?

TEACHING EXPERIENCE **Instructor**, Texas Tech University

2017 - present

Biology of Plants (BIOL 1401) Non-majors course

Phylogenetics (BIOL 6304)

Graduate course

Co-instructor, Northwestern University

2013-2016

Field and Lab Methods in Plant Biology and Conservation (PSC 450)

Phylogenetics and Genomics Section

Nyree Zerega, Course Coordinator

Guest Lectures

"Introduction to Phylogenetics"

January 2014, 2015, and 2016

Functional Genomics (BIOL 378, Northwestern University)

Norman Wickett, Instructor

"Species Trees: Methods and Considerations"

November 2012

Systematic Biology (BIO 556L, Duke University) David Swofford and Francois Lutzoni, Instructors

"Introduction to R"

October 2012

Practical Bioinformatics (BIO 313, Duke University)

Carrie Olson-Manning, Instructor

BIO 26L Organismal Diversity

Teaching Assistant, Duke University Biology Department

BIO 212L Microbiology

Spring 2009, Fall 2012, Spring 2013

Summer 2010

Professional Affiliations

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 Annals of Botany, American Journal of Botany, Biological Journal of the Linnaean Society, The Bryologist, Heredity, International Journal of Plant Sciences, Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution, Organismal Diversity and Evolution, Taxon.

Memberships

 American Bryological and Lichenological Society, American Society of Naturalists, Botanical Society of America (lifetime member)