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**Interests:** Ecology, evolution, mathematical biology, infectious disease dynamics, population genetics, comparative genomics, biodiversity & wildlife conservation.

## Education

<b>PhD</b>	Biology, Stanford University	2016–present
<b>BSc, MSc</b>	Dental Surgery, Karolinska Institutet	2007–2012
	<i>Minor</i> in Electrical Engineering, Royal Institute of Technology	GPA 3.9/4.0

## Positions

2016–pres. PhD Candidate, Department of Biology, Stanford University  
Advisors: Erin Mordecai and Dmitri Petrov

2016–2017 Director, Research Science Institute, Center for Excellence in Education  
and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

2015–2016 Research Associate, Department of Biology, Duke University (PI: Katia Koelle)

2014–2015 Research Trainee, Department of Biostatistics and Computational Biology,  
Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (PI: Franziska Michor)

2011–2013 Mentorship Director, Research Academy for Young Scientists

2010 Surgical Assistant, Department of Cranio-, Maxillofacial and Oral Surgery,  
Medical University of Vienna

2010–2012 Research Assistant, Department of Physiology and Pharmacology,  
Karolinska Institutet (PI: Camilla Svensson)

2007 Research Intern, Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences,  
Harvard Medical School, Brigham and Women’s Hospital (PI: Jeremy Wolfe)

2006 Research Intern, Department of Biosciences and Nutrition, Karolinska Institutet

## Awards

2017 Excellence in Teaching Award, Department of Biology, Stanford University

2007 Best Student of the Year Award (Valedictorian), Internationella Engelska Gymnasiet

2007 First prize, National Science Fair, Swedish Federation of Young Scientists

## Funding

2018 Environmental Venture Project Grant,  
Stanford Woods Institute for the Environment (\$50,000)

2018 The Bing Fellowship in Honor of Paul Ehrlich

2017 Stanford Biology EcoEvo Conference Travel Grant

2013 Google Women in Tech Conference and Travel Grant

- 2011 European Union Erasmus Mundus Scholarship
- 2010 Karolinska Institutet Summer Research Scholarship in Medical Sciences
- 2008 Swedish Federation of Young Scientists Fellowship  
to attend National Youth Science Forum at Australian National University
- 2007 Knut and Alice Wallenberg Fellowship  
to attend Research Science Institute at Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 2006 Karolinska Institutet Summer Research Scholarship in Biomedical Sciences

## Publications

### Peer Review

5. Leempoel K, Meyer J, Hebert T, **Nova N**, Hadly EA. Return of an apex predator to a suburban preserve triggers a rapid trophic cascade. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (in review). **bioRxiv preprint**
4. Hopkins SR, Sokolow SH, De Leo GA, Buck JC, Jones I, Kwong L, LeBoa C, Lund A, MacDonald A, **Nova N**, Olson SH, Peel AJ, Wood CL, Lafferty KD. Identifying win–wins for people and nature. *People and Nature* (in review).
3. Childs ML, **Nova N**, Colvin J, Mordecai EA. Mosquito and primate ecology predict human risk of yellow fever virus spillover in Brazil. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B* (in review). **bioRxiv preprint**
2. Sokolow SH, **Nova N**, Pepin K, Peel AJ, Manlove K, Cross P, Becker D, Plowright R, Pulliam J, McCallum H, De Leo GA. Ecological levers to prevent and manage zoonotic pathogen spillover. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B* (in review).
1. Smith JR, Hendershot JN, **Nova N**, Daily GC. The biogeography of ecoregions: Descriptive power across regions and taxa. *Journal of Biogeography* (in review).

### Abstract

Van Wert M, **Nova N**, Horowitz T, Wolfe J. 2008. What does performance on one visual search task tell you about performance on another? *Journal of Vision*. 8(6):312. doi:10.1167/8.6.312

### Book Chapter

Shocket MS, Anderson CB, Caldwell JM, Childs ML, MacDonald AJ, Howard ME, **Nova N**, Han S, Harris M, Mordecai EA. Environmental drivers of vector-borne diseases. *Population Biology of Vector-borne Diseases* (in review).

### Thesis

**Nova N**, Alstergren P, Svensson C. 2012. Chronic inflammation and pain: Assessment of c-Fos and ATF-3 as markers of spinal neuronal activity in a pain model of rheumatoid arthritis. *MSc Thesis, Karolinska Institutet*.

## Invited Talks

- 2019 Ecological Society of America (ESA) Annual Meeting, Louisville, KY
- 2015 30th Jubilee Symposium of Research Program in Biomedicine,  
Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2015 Research Experiences for Undergraduates in Mathematical Biology (guest speaker),  
National Science Foundation, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, NC

## Posters

- 2018 Conservation Asia, Society for Conservation Biology Asia,  
American University of Central Asia, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic
- 2018 Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, UK
- 2018 Stanford Global Health Research Convening, Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- 2017 Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases, University of California,  
Santa Barbara, CA
- 2015 Triangle Center for Evolutionary Medicine Symposium,  
The Solution Center in Research Triangle Park, Durham, NC
- 2010 Medical Sciences Symposium, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2006 Biomedical Sciences Symposium, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm, Sweden

## Teaching

- 2017 Teaching Assistant  
Fundamentals of Molecular Evolution, Stanford University
- 2017 Teaching Assistant  
Introduction to Research in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Stanford University