BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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(a) Education & Training

University of Wisconsin Madison, WI Plant Breeding Ph.D, 2021

Wageningen University Wageningen, NL Plant Science M.Sc. cum laude, 2014

Swarthmore College Swarthmore, PA Philosophy B.A., 2009

(b) Research & Professional Experience

2021 – present Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Wisconsin–Madison

2018 – present Research Fellow, Savanna Institute

(c) Publications

Most closely related

- 1. Brainard, S. H., Bustamante, J. A., Dawson, J. C., Spalding, E. P., and Goldman, I. L. (2021a). A digital image-based phenotyping platform for analyzing root shape attributes in carrot. *Frontiers in Plant Science*, 12:1171.
- 2. Brainard, S. H., Ellison, S. L., Simon, P. W., Dawson, J. C., and Goldman, I. L. (2021b). Genetic characterization of carrot root shape and size using genome-wide association analysis and genomic-estimated breeding values. *Theoretical and Applied Genetics*.

Other significant publications

- 3. Brainard, S. H. (2011). The impact of Indonesian agricultural policies on indigenous populations, natural resources and the economy. *U. Miami Inter-Am L. Rev*, 43(1):165–193.
- 4. Brainard, S. H., Wolz, K. J., Keeley, K., Rodrigues, A., and Selosse, F.-J. (2019). Overcoming Bottlenecks in the Midwest Hazelnut Industry: An Impact Investment Plan. https://www.savannainstitute.org/hazelnut-impact-investment-report/.

(d) Invited Talks

- 1. *Improving the efficiency of hazelnut breeding using genomic data*. North American Agroforestry Conference. Virtual conference. July 1, 2021.
- 2. *Improving the efficiency of hazelnut breeding using genetic information*. Upper Midwest Hazelnut Development Initiative Annual Conference. Virtual conference. March 5, 2021.
- 3. *Jump Starting a Midwest Hazelnut Industry*. Savanna Institute Perennial Farm Gathering. Hazel Green, WI. December 7, 2019.
- 4. Launching the Midwest Hazelnut Industry. Northern Nut Growers Association Annual Meeting. Iowa City, IA. July 28, 2019.
- 5. Prospects and Bottlenecks in the Midwestern Hazelnut Industry. Upper Midwest Hazelnut Development Initiative Annual Conference. Eau Claire, WI. March 9, 2019.

- 6. Using digital image-based phenotyping to investigating the genetic bases of root shape and market class in carrot. Vegetable Breeding Institute. Ithaca, NY. August 27, 2018.
- 7. Using digital image-based phenotyping to investigating the genetic bases of root shape and market class in carrot. 39th International Carrot Conference. Madison, WI. August 23, 2018.

(e) Synergistic Activities

- 1. Reviewer for Frontiers in Ecology And Evolution, Plant Breeding Reviews
- 2. Instructor for graduate-level courses in plant breeding and plant genetics: "Genetic Mapping" and "Selection Theory"
- 3. Mentor of graduate students in Horticulture and Chemistry PhD programs
- 4. Development of Java application for pre-processing Illumina sequence data: https://github.com/shbrainard/gbsTools

(f) Selected funding

- 1. Ekhagastitelsen (Co PI), 2017–2020 Market Class Genetics and the Development of Improved Carrot Germplasm for Organic Production Systems \$162,000
- 2. USDA-CGC (Co PI), 2019–2020 Digital Root Phenotyping and Genotyping of the USDA-NPGS Carrot Collection \$27,500
- 3. Arnold Arboretum Jewett Prize (Co PI), 2020–2021 *De novo assembly of a draft genome for the American hazelnut (Corylus americana)* \$10,000
- 4. Wisconsin Specialty Crop Block Grant Program (Co PI), 2022–2023 *Breeding Cold Hardy Chestnuts for Wisconsin* \$81,000