BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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(a) Research & Professional Experience

2023 – present USDA-AFRI Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Wisconsin–Madison

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2018 – present Tree Crop Breeder, Savanna Institute

2021 – 2023 Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Wisconsin–Madison

(b) Education & Training

University of Wisconsin Madison, WI Horticulture Ph.D, 2021 Wageningen University Wageningen, NL Plant Science M.Sc. *cum laude*, 2016

(c) Publications

Most closely related

- 1. **Scott H. Brainard**, Dean M. Sanders, Tomas Bruna, Shu Shengqiang, Julie C. Dawson, The first two chromosome-scale genome assemblies of American hazelnut enable comparative genomic analysis of the genus Corylus, *Plant Biotechnology Journal* (2023). https://doi.org/10.1111/pbi.14199.
- 2. **Scott H. Brainard**, Jason A. Fischbach, Lois C. Braun, Julie C. Dawson, Improving selection efficiency in C. americana × C. avellana interspecific hybrids through the development of an indel-based genetic map, *Acta Horticulturae* **Accepted** (2023). https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.02.05.527175.
- 3. Andrey Vega-Alfaro, **Scott H. Brainard**, Irwin L. Goldman, QTL mapping utilizing $F_{2:3}$ linkage mapping populations reveals regions of chromosomes 2 and 6 are significantly associated with root width in carrot, *Acta Horticulturae* **Under review** (2023).
- 4. Katharina Wigg, **Scott H. Brainard**, Nicholas Metz, Kevin Dorn, Irwin L. Goldman, Novel QTL associated with Rhizoctonia solani Kühn resistance identified in two table beet x sugar beet F_{2:3} populations using a new table beet reference genome, *Crop Science* **63**, 535-555 (2023). https://doi.org/10.1002/csc2.20865.
- Scott H. Brainard, Shelby L. Ellison, Philipp W. Simon, Julie C. Dawson, Irwin L. Goldman, Genetic characterization of carrot root shape and size using genome-wide association analysis and genomic-estimated breeding values, *Theoretical and Applied Genetics* 135, 605-622 (2022). https://doi.org/10.1007/s00122-021-03988-8.
- 6. **Scott H. Brainard**, Julian A. Bustamante, Julie C. Dawson, Edgar P. Spalding, Irwin L. Goldman, A digital image-based phenotyping platform for analyzing root shape attributes in carrot, *Frontiers in Plant Science* **12** (2021). https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2021.690031.

Other significant publications

7. Irwin L. Goldman, Andrey Vega-Alfaro, **Scott H. Brainard**, Cecilia McGregor, Madeline Oravec, Esther van der Knaap, Yanbing Wan, Form and contour: Breeding and genetics of

- organ shape from wild relatives to modern vegetable crops, *Frontiers in Plant Science* **14** (2023). https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2023.1257707.
- 8. **Scott H. Brainard**, Kevin J. Wolz, Keefe Keeley, Adrian Rodrigues, Francois-Jerome Selosse, Overcoming Bottlenecks in the Midwest Hazelnut Industry: An Impact Investment Plan, *Savanna Institute Report* (2019). https://www.savannainstitute.org/hazelnut-impact-investment-report/.
- 9. **Scott H. Brainard**, The impact of Indonesian agricultural policies on indigenous populations, natural resources and the economy, *U. Miami Inter-Am L. Rev* **43**, 165–193 (2011). http://www.jstor.org/stable/23339450.

(d) Invited Talks (last five years)

- 1. *Improving the efficiency of selecting for nut traits using genomic data*. 10th International Hazelnut Congress. Corvallis, Oregon. September 6, 2022.
- 2. Development of improved inter-specific hazelnut varieties for the Upper Midwestern United States. 6th European Agroforestry Conference. Nuoru, Sardinia. May 16, 2022.
- 3. *Improving the efficiency of selecting for nut traits using genomic data* (Daucus carota *subsp.* sativus). Upper Midwest Hazelnut Development Initiative Annual Conference. La Crosse, WI. March 5, 2022.
- 4. *The genetic control of market class in carrot* (Daucus carota *subsp.* sativus). Plant Animal Genome Conference XXIX. Virtual conference. January 8, 2022.
- 5. First chromosome-scale genome assemblies for Corylus americana. Plant Animal Genome Conference XXIX. Virtual conference. January 8, 2022.
- 6. *Improving the efficiency of hazelnut breeding using genomic data*. North American Agroforestry Conference. Virtual conference. July 1, 2021.
- 7. *Improving the efficiency of hazelnut breeding using genetic information*. Upper Midwest Hazelnut Development Initiative Annual Conference. Virtual conference. March 5, 2021.
- 8. *Launching the Midwest Hazelnut Industry*. Northern Nut Growers Association Annual Meeting. Iowa City, IA. July 28, 2019.
- 9. Prospects and Bottlenecks in the Midwestern Hazelnut Industry. Upper Midwest Hazelnut Development Initiative Annual Conference. Eau Claire, WI. March 9, 2019.
- 10. Using digital image-based phenotyping to investigate the genetic bases of root shape and market class in carrot. Vegetable Breeding Institute. Ithaca, NY. August 27, 2018.
- 11. Using digital image-based phenotyping to investigate the genetic bases of root shape and market class in carrot. 39th International Carrot Conference. Madison, WI. August 23, 2018.

(e) Professional organizations

- 1. National Association of Plant Breeders, 2021–present
- 2. International Society for Horticultural Science, 2022–present

(f) Synergistic Activities

- 1. Reviewer for Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution, Plant Breeding Reviews, Plant Methods, Frontiers in Genetics, Acta Horticulturae, Plant Genetic Resources
- 2. Lecturer in graduate-level courses for students in the Plant Breeding and Plant Genetics Program at the University of Wisconsin–Madison

- 3. Mentoring of graduate students in Horticulture (6) and Chemistry (1) PhD programs4. Co-Chair of 'Scaling Agroforestry–Nurseries and Germplasm Develoment' Working Group