



The Society of Systematic Biologists

2022 Members' Business Meeting



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See reports:

<https://github.com/systbiol/reports>

Election results for 2023 leadership

President-Elect: Corrie Moreau

Executive Vice President: Elizabeth Jockusch

Program Director: Alison Davis Rabosky

Graduate Student Representative: Rowan French

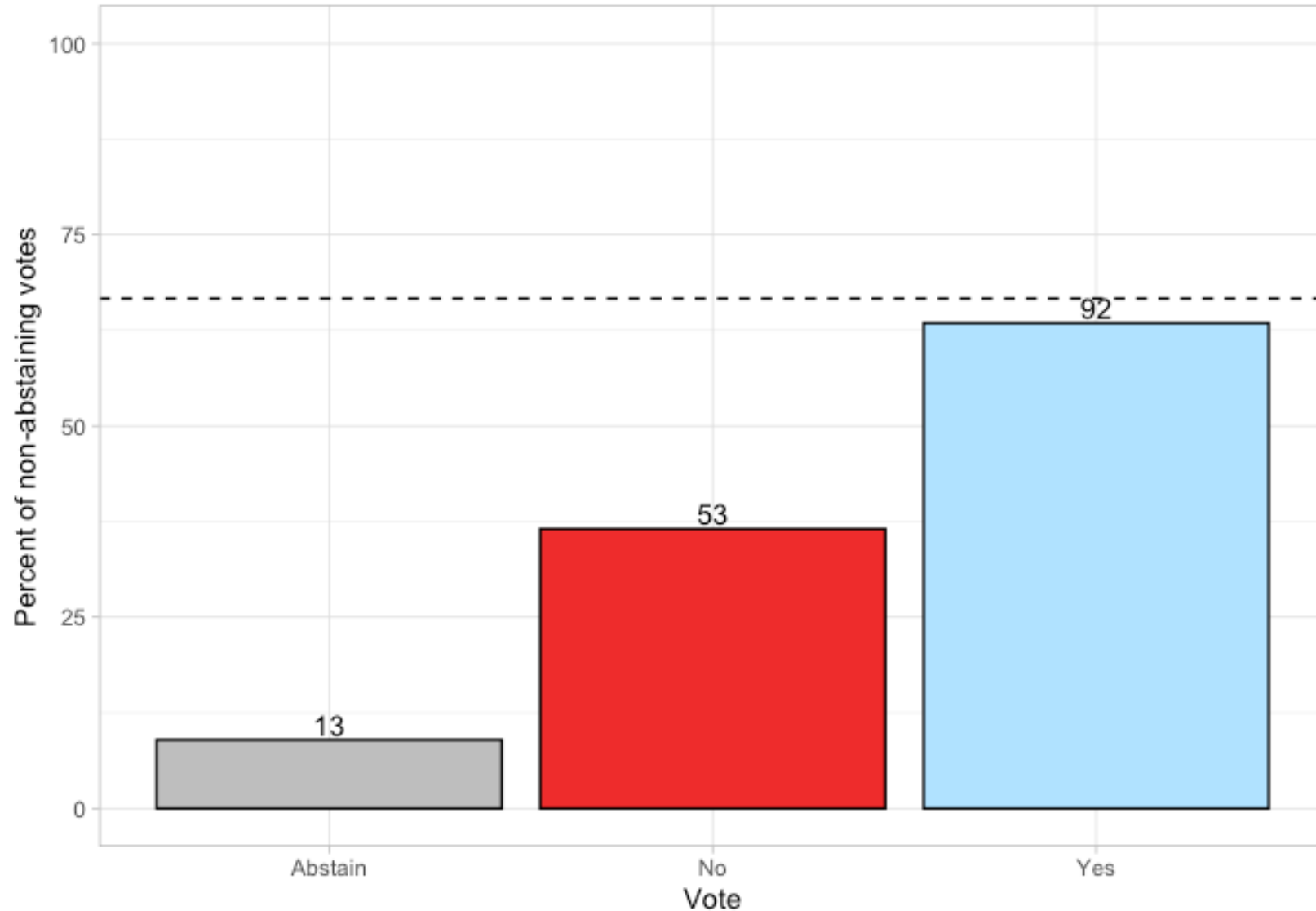
Council

- Anahí Espíndola
- Erin Manzitto-Tripp
- Jennifer Tate
- Robert Thomson
- Yalma Vargas

Change

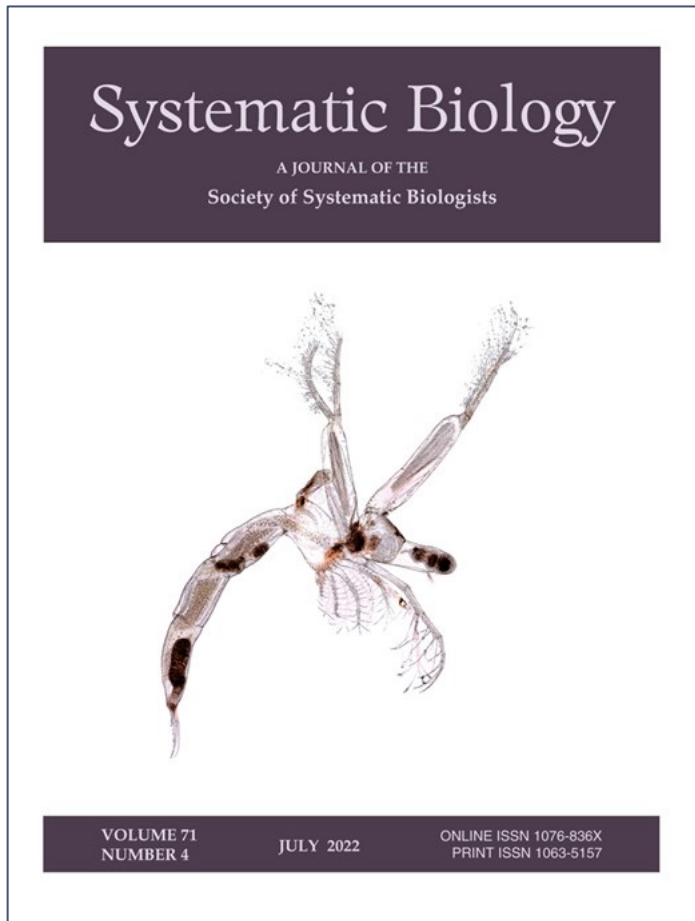
Ernst Mayr Award in Systematic Biology to

Outstanding Student Presentation Award in Systematic Biology?



SSB Satellite Meeting: January 2023 in Mexico City!





- Editor-in-Chief Bryan Carstens rotating out
- Editor-in-Chief Isabella Sanmartín rotating in
- Publishes cutting edge science in systematics: gene flow, species delimitation, phylogenetic method, mammals, snakes, dragonflies, roses, and much more
- #3 journal by impact factor in Evolutionary Biology
- Hybrid: open access if you pay (\$1643 for members)



- Started by Bryan Carstens
- Done in collaboration with The Ohio State U Libraries
- Two issues published so far
- *Very* open access
 - Free for anyone to read
 - Free for any SSB member to publish [forever]
- Everything from monographs to multispecies genomic analyses to teaching virtual phylogenetics workshops
- Upcoming issues on
 - Reticulate evolution
 - Diversity, equity, and inclusion in evolutionary biology and systematics
 - Species delimitation



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Awards

- \$115,866 in Graduate Student Research Awards
- \$59,558 in funding in Mini-ARTS (advancing revolutionary taxonomy and systematics)
- Watch for more opportunities to apply!
- Also ad hoc funding (one to work on online phylogenetics teaching materials). Have a systematics-related idea, need money – reach out!



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Diversity Committee

- NSF LEAPS proposal on leadership training
- McKinley survey on climate (see your email for details on access, watch talk tomorrow)
- Booth at upcoming SACNAS
- DEI-themed special issue of the *Bulletin*
- Working on 4-year DEI plan
- Open meetings of their committee



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Legacy Committee

- Newly formed
- Organizing SSB's history and website
- Working on articles to celebrate 75th year of *Systematic Biology*



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Questions:

- Evolution meetings are losing a lot of money this year; part is cost of virtual. What to do in future:
 - Continue hybrid during meeting
 - Separate out a separate virtual meeting (2 weeks? 6 months)?
- We have money to spend
 - How can we spend it to growth the society?
 - How can we spend it to support the field? (sustainability of software?)
- What concerns / ideas / questions do YOU have?