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EDUCATION The University of Wisconsin at Madison, Madison, Wisconsin USA

Ph.D., Statistical and Quantitative Genetics May 2014

Departments: Agronomy and Animal Science

Advisors: Professors Natalia de Leon and Daniel Gianola

M.S., Statistics May 2011

B.S., Mathematics and Geography May 2009

EMPLOYMENT Postdoctoral Research Associate

June 2014 - Present

Mentored by Professor Jeff Ross-Ibarra Department of Plant Sciences University of California, Davis

Visiting Scientist Jan - Apr 2014

Mentored by Professor Henner Simianer

Department of Animal Breeding and Genetics
Georg-August Universität, Göttingen, Germany

Research Assistant 2009 - 2014

Department of Agronomy

University of Wisconsin, Madison

Publications **Beissinger, T.M.**, Gholami, M., Erbe, M., Weigend, S., Weigend, A., de Leon, N., Gianola, D., Simianer, H. Using the variability of linkage disequilibrium between

subpopulations to scan for selection in a diverse panel of chickens. Submitted.

Beissinger, T.M., Rosa, J.G.M., Kaeppler, S.M., de Leon, N., Gianola, D. Defining window-boundaries for genomic analyses using smoothing spline techniques. Genetics Selection Evolution. *In Press*.

Lorenz, A. J., **Beissinger, T.M.**, Rodrigues, R., de Leon, N. Selection for silage yield and composition did not affect genomic diversity within the Wisconsin Quality Synthetic maize population. Genes Genomes Genetics. DOI: 10.1534/g3.114.015263.

Foerster, J.M., **Beissinger, T.M.**, de Leon, N., Kaeppler, S.M. 2015. Large effect QTL explain natural phenotypic variation for the developmental timing of vegetative phase change in maize ($Zea\ mays\ L$.). Theoretical and Applied Genetics. DOI: 10.1007/s00122-014-2451-3.

Beissinger, T.M., Hirsch, C.N., Vaillancourt, B., Deshpande, S., Barry, K., Buell, C. R., Kaeppler, S. M., Gianola, D., de Leon, N. 2014. A genome-wide scan for evidence of selection in a maize population under long-term artificial selection for ear number. Genetics. 196(3): 829-840.

Hirsch, C.N., Flint-Garcia, S.A., **Beissinger, T.M.**, Eichten, S.R., Deshpande, S., Barry, K., Springer, N.M., Buell, C.R., de Leon, N., Kappler, S.M. 2014. Insights into the effects of long-term artificial selection on seed size in maize. Genetics. 198(1): 409-421.

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Wu, X., Chuanyu, S., **Beissinger, T.M.**, Rosa, G., Weigel, K., de Leon, N., Gianola, D. 2012. Parallel Markov chain Monte Carlo - bridging the gap to high performance Bayesian computation in animal breeding and genetics. Genet Sel Evol. 44:29.

Wu, X., **Beissinger, T.M.**, Bauck, S., Woodward, B., Rosa, G., Weigel, K., de Leon, N., Gianola, D. 2011. A primer on high-throughput computing for genomic selection. Frontiers in Genetics. 2, 4.

SOFTWARE

GenWin: Spline Based Window Boundaries for Genomic Analyses

An R package for analyzing genetic data across distinct bins. http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/GenWin/index.html

Grants

2012, University of Wisconsin Graduate School. Awarded one year of funding and supplies to support dissertation research.

2012, DuPont-Pioneer and UW Associated Students of Madison. Co-authored grant to support the first University of Wisconsin Plant Sciences Symposium

2011, DuPont-Pioneer. Awarded funding to genotyping 240 samples with the Pioneer Public SNP array.

CONFERENCE, WEBINAR, AND DEPARTMENTAL PRESENTATIONS

Invited

Beissinger, T., Wang, L., Durvasula, A., Crosby, K., Hufford, M., and Ross-Ibarra, J. 57th Annual Maize Genetics Conference March, 2015

Beissinger, T. Plant and Animal Genome Conference 23 Genomic selection and genome-wide association studies workshop January 2015

Beissinger, T. Department of Animal Science, University of California, Davis August, 2014

Beissinger, T. Department of Animal Breeding and Genetics, Georg-August Universitat
February 2014

Beissinger, T. Center of Life and Food Sciences, Technische Universität Munchen

^{*} Selected as a highlighted article by the editorial board.

April 2014

Beissinger, T. Animal Science Department, University of Nebraska, Lincoln December, 2013

Beissinger, T., Hirsch, C., Buell, R.C., Kaeppler, S., Gianola, D., de Leon, N. Gordon Research Seminar in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics. Galveston, TX, February, 2013.

Contributed

Beissinger, T. Bay Area Population Genomics Meeting XI. Davis, CA, December, 2014.

Beissinger, T. Corn Breeding Webinar Series, hosted by Dr. Rex Bernardo at the University of Minnesota. December, 2012.

Beissinger, T., Hansey, C., Sekhon, R., Vaillancourt, B., Buell, C.R., Kaeppler, S., de Leon, N. North Central Regional Corn Breeding Research Meeting. Portland, OR, March, 2012.

Poster Abstracts

Beissinger, T. and Ross Ibarra, J. Plant and Animal Genome Conference 23. San Diego, CA, January 10-14, 2015.

Beissinger, T., Gianola, D., de Leon, N. Impact of Large-Scale Genomic Data on Statistical and Quantitative Genetics Conference. Seattle, WA, November 23-26, 2013.

Beissinger, T., Hirsch, C., Vaillancourt, B., Buell, R.C., Kaeppler, S., Gianola, D., de Leon, N. Maize Genetics Conference. St. Charles, Il, March 14-17, 2013.

Beissinger, T., Hirsch, C., Buell, R.C., Kaeppler, S., Gianola, D., de Leon, N. Gordon Research Seminar in Quantitative Genetics and Genomics. Galveston, TX, February 16-17, 2013.

Beissinger, T., Hansey, C., Foerster, J., Sekhon, R., Johnson, J., Muttoni, G., Vaillancourt, B., Buell, C.R., Kaeppler, S., de Leon, N. Maize Genetics Conference. Portland, OR, March 15-18, 2012.

Beissinger, T., de Leon, N., Kaeppler, S. Maize Genetics Conference. St Charles, IL, March 17-20, 2011.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Co-instructor

Intoduction to Linux and High Throughput Computing Fall 2010 University of Wisconsin, Madison Department of Animal Sciences

Teaching assistant

Biometrical Procedures in Plant Breeding Fall 2011, 2013 University of Wisconsin, Madison Department of Agronomy

Experimental Design Spring 2013
University of Wisconsin, Madison Department of Agronomy

Advanced Plant Breeding Spring 2012 University of Wisconsin, Madison Department of Agronomy

Tutoring

Statistics Fall 2010 - Spring 2011

Advanced Placement Statistics

Calculus Fall 2006- Spring 2007

Advanced Placement Calculus AB

Reviewed for PeerJ

BMC Evolutionary Biology

University of Washington, Seattle

AWARDS AND Monsanto fellowship recipient 2009-2014

Scholarship to attend Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics

Scholarship to attend TeraGrid Conference 2010

2012

2005

Pittspburgh, PA

Scholarship to attend Open Science Grid Summer School 2010

Madison, WI

Undergraduate deans list All semesters 2007-2009

Susan B. Hotchkiss memorial scholarship

ACADEMIC AND Monsanto Fellows Professional Development Program September 2012

PROFESSIONAL 17th Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics July 2012

DEVELOPMENT Monsanto Fellows Professional Development Program September 2011

Monsanto Fellows Professional Development Program

Monsanto Fellows Professional Development Program

September 2010

Monsanto Fellows Professional Development Program

September 2009

University of Wisconsin Plant Breeding Internship Summer 2008

LANGUAGES English: Mother tongue

Spansih: Basic abilities

Computer Software

Abilities R, Linux/Unix, SAS, Latex, Condor, Java, Perl

Linux workstation system administrator 2010 - 2014

Participated in Open Science Grid Summer School July 2010

STATISTICAL Bayesian analysis, estimation of functions from data, mixed models, mathematical

EXPERTISE statistics, statistical inference, linear regression and analysis of variance

MATHEMATICAL Real and complex analysis, combinatorics, topology, number theory, modern algebra,

Expertise cellular automata