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English (waiting for the TOEFL score)

# EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND ACADEMIC AWARDS

Master of Science (GPA: 4.19/ 4.30), Institute of Ecology and Evolutionary
Biology (M.S.), National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan
Thesis title: "Landscape effects on local species richness of woody specialists in
Subtropical Montane Cloud Forest of Taiwan" (6,394 words)
Advisor: Dr. David Zelený

Exchange student, Department of Biology, University of Oulu, Finland

Bachelor of Science (GPA: 4.09/ 4.30), Life Sciences, National Chung Hsing
University, Taichung, Taiwan

Academic Excellence Award (2017, 2018 & 2019)
Dean's Award (2017 & 2018)

### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

None to date

### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2022 - present

Theoretical Ecology Lab (Supervisor: Dr. Po-Ju, Ke)

Research Assistant

- Involved in the project "The temporal decay trajectory of plant-soil microbe interactions and its effects on plant community structure", and responsible for DNA extraction, library preparation, and bioinformatics analysis of next-generation sequencing as well as greenhouse experiment.
- Designed a new project investigating the soil microbe community of bird's nest fern (*Asplenium nidus*) to understand how the microbe community change along different ages of the host (bird nest's fern). Responsible for field sample collection, DNA extraction, library preparation, and bioinformatics analysis of next-generation sequencing as well as data analysis.
- Built a theoretical model to investigate how host-microbiome associations

differ from classic metacommunity systems due to host behavior.

# OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### 2020 - 2022

# **Vegetation Ecology Lab (Supervisor: Dr. David Zelený)**

Master Student

- Investigated how the landscape affects the local species richness of woody specialists in the subtropical montane cloud forest of Taiwan.
- Attained programming skills in geographic information systems (GIS).
- Understanded theory about numerical methods in community ecology and programming skills.
- Acquired fieldwork techniques of vegetation survey.
- Obtained knowledge of plant functional traits and experienced in empirical traits measurements and analysis.

### 2017 - 2020

# Phytobacteriology and Microbial Ecology Lab (Supervisor: Dr. Chia-Ching Chu)

Bachelor Direct Study

- Proposed and implemented an undergraduate research project (supported by the National Science and Technology Council) about an investigation of the gut bacterial community in the lychee stinkbug (*Tessaratoma papillosa*) and understanded how the gut bacterial community affects host fitness.
- Acquired basic knowledge about numerical methods in community ecology and basic programming skills

#### 08/2018

### Pasoh Forest Reserve, Malaysia

• Field survey and data analysis about the project relevant to seedling establishment, wild boar population monitoring, relationship between tree crown and buttress, termite mound distribution, and seed dispersal.

### 07/2017

### Dr. Cecilia Koo Botanic Conservation Center, Taiwan

Internship

Attained knowledge and techniques of ex-situ conservation of tropical plants.

### RESEARCH OUTPUT

## Conference

- **Y.-P. Tseng**, D. Zelený. Do subtropical montane cloud forests in Taiwan act as insular systems for woody species. 63rd International Biogeography Society 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference. Jun. 2-6, 2022. Vancouver, Canada [Virtual talk].
- **Y.-P. Tseng**, D. Zelený. Do subtropical montane cloud forests in Taiwan act as insular systems for woody species. 63rd International Symposium of the International Association for Vegetation Science. Sep. 20-23, 2021. Virtual event [Poster].
- **Y.-P. Tseng**, C.-J. Han, and C.-C. Chu. Investigation of the gut bacterial community in the lychee stinkbug (*Tessaratoma papillosa*). 9th International Conference of Clinical Plant Science. Dec. 1, 2018. Taichung, Taiwan [Poster].

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### RESEARCH GRANTS AND RELEVANT AWARDS

Young Scientist Poster Presentation Award, Second Prize
63rd International Symposium of the International Association for Vegetation
Science

2019 – 2020
"Investigation on the gut bacterial community of the lychee stinkbug
(Tessaratoma papillosa) and its effect on host fitness" (project number: 108-2813C-005-085-B), Undergraduate research fellowship, National Science and
Technology Council, Taiwan (\$ 1,560)

2018 Best Presentation Award

9th International Conference of Clinical Plant Science

## **ACEDEMIC REFEREES**

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