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Education

- 2010–2016 Ph.D., Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, University of California at Irvine
“Population and community consequences of ecological differences between the sexes”
Advisor: Kailen Mooney • Committee: Diane Campbell, Steve Frank, Steve Weller
- 2006–2010 B.S., Biology, Truman State University (Kirksville, Missouri)
with Departmental Honors & Minor in Mathematical Biology
Co-advisors: Stephanie Foré, Laura Fielden, & Hyun-Joo Kim

Academic & Research Appointments

- 2019– Postdoctoral Research Associate, Princeton University (beginning April 2019)
- 2016–2019 Postdoctoral Research Associate, ETH Zürich, Switzerland (ending March 2019)
- 2017– Science Committee member, COM(P)ADRE matrix population model databases
- 2015– Research Committee member, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
- 2012– Research Scientist, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
- 2011–2014 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow (NSF-GRFP)
- 2007 Resource Science Field Technician, Missouri Department of Conservation
(in collaboration with US Environmental Protection Agency, US Department of Agriculture, & Missouri Department of Natural Resources)
- 2005 Fisheries Field Technician, Missouri Department of Conservation

Publications (1st author/joint 1st author n = 5; *mentored undergraduate/graduate student, n = 6)

Published (Google Scholar Profile)

14. Galmán, A.*, **W.K. Petry**, L. Abdala-Roberts, A. Butrón, M. de la Fuente, M. Francisco, A. Kergunteuil, S. Rasmann, & X. Moreira (*in press*) Inducibility of chemical defences in young oak trees is stronger at high elevations.
13. Romero, G.Q., T. Gonçalves-Souza, P. Kratina, N.A.C. Marino, **W.K. Petry**, T. Sobral-Souza, & T. Roslin (2018) Climate predicts global patterns and redistribution of predation pressure. Nature Climate Change 8: 1087-1091.
DOI: 10.1038/s41558-018-0347-y
12. Abdala-Roberts, L., A. Galmán*, **W.K. Petry**, F. Covelo, M. de la Fuente, G. Glauser, and Xoaquín Moreira (2018) Interspecific variation in leaf functional and defensive traits in oak species and its underlying climatic drivers. PLoS ONE 13: e0202548.
DOI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0202548
11. **Petry, W.K.**, G.S. Kandlikar, N.J.B. Kraft, O. Godoy, & J.M. Levine (2018) A competition-defence trade-off both promotes and weakens coexistence in an annual plant community. Journal of Ecology 106: 1806-1818.

DOI: 10.1111/1365-2745.13028

>>> *Special Issue: Biotic controls of plant coexistence*

10. Moreira, X., **W.K. Petry**, K.A. Mooney, S. Rasmann, & L. Abdala-Roberts. (2018) Elevational gradients in plant defences and insect herbivory: Recent advances in the field and prospects for future research. *Ecography* 41: 1485-1496.

DOI: 10.1111/ecog.03184

>>> *Finalist for the 2017 Ecography E4 Award competition*

9. Roslin, T., B. Hardwick, V. Novotny, **W.K. Petry**, N. Andrew, A. Asmus, I.C. Barrio, Y. Basset, A.L. Boesing, T. Bonebrake, E.K. Cameron, W. Dáttilo, D.A. Donoso, P. Drozd, C.L. Gray, D.S. Hik, S. Hill, T. Hopkins, S. Huang, B. Koane, B. Laird-Hopkins, L. Laukkanen, O.T. Lewis, S. Milne, I. Mwesige, A. Nakamura, C.S. Nell, E. Nichols, A. Prokurat, K. Sam, N.M. Schmidt, A. Slade, V. Slade, T. Teder, S. van Nouhuys, V. Vandvik, A. Weissflog, V. Zhukovich, & E.M. Slade (2017) Higher predation risk for insect prey at low latitudes and elevations. *Science* 356: 742-744.

DOI: 10.1126/science.aaj1631

>>> *Co-wrote paper; contributed both data & statistical analyses*

8. CaraDonna, P.J., **W.K. Petry**, R.M. Brennan, J.L. Cunningham, J.L. Bronstein, N.M. Waser, & N.J. Sanders (2017) Interaction rewiring and the rapid turnover of plant-pollinator networks. *Ecology Letters* 20: 385-394.

DOI: 10.1111/ele.12740

7. **Petry, W.K.**, J.D. Soule, A.M. Iler, A. Chicas-Mosier*, D.W. Inouye, T.E.X. Miller, & K.A. Mooney. (2016) Sex-specific responses to climate change in plants alter population sex ratios and performance. *Science* 353: 69-71.

DOI: 10.1126/science.aaf2588

>>> *Selected for Science Perspective by Etterson & Mazer 2016 Science* DOI: 10.1126/science.aag1624>>> *Highlighted research in Nature (7 July 2016)* DOI: 10.1038/535011b>>> *Dryad featured data package for week of 10 October 2016* DOI: 10.5061/dryad.1cf8p

6. Moreira, X.[†], **W.K. Petry**[†], J. Hernández-Cumplido, S. Morelon, & B. Benrey. (2016) Plant defence responses to volatile alert signals are population-specific. *Oikos* 125: 950-956.

DOI: 10.1111/oik.02891

>>> [†]*Authors contributed equally & share first authorship*

5. Moreira, X., K.A. Mooney, S. Rasmann, **W.K. Petry**, A. Carrillo-Gavilán, R. Zas, & L. Sampedro. (2014) Trade-offs between constitutive and induced defences drive geographical and climatic clines in pine chemical defences. *Ecology Letters* 17: 537-546.

DOI: 10.1111/ele.12253

>>> *Featured cover article*

4. **Petry, W.K.**, K.I. Perry, A. Fremgen*, S.K. Rudeen*, M. Lopez*, J. Dryburgh*, & K.A. Mooney (2013) Mechanisms underlying plant sexual dimorphism in multi-trophic arthropod communities. *Ecology* 94: 2055-2065.

DOI: 10.1890/12-2170.1

3. Mooney, K.A., A. Fremgen*, & **W.K. Petry** (2012) Plant sex and induced responses independently influence herbivore performance, natural enemies and aphid-tending ants. Arthropod-Plant Interactions 6: 553-560.
DOI: 10.1007/s11829-012-9204-5
2. **Petry, W.K.**, K.I. Perry, & K.A. Mooney (2012) Influence of macronutrient imbalance on native ant interactions with aphids, aphid enemies, and host plant flowers in the field. Ecological Entomology 37: 175-183.
DOI: 10.1111/j.1365-2311.2012.01349.x
1. **Petry, W.K.**, S.A. Foré, L.J. Fielden, & H-J. Kim (2010) A quantitative comparison of two sample methods for collecting *Amblyomma americanum* and *Dermacentor variabilis* (Acari: Ixodidae) in Missouri. Experimental and Applied Acarology 52: 427-438.
DOI: 10.1007/s10493-010-9373-9

Media coverage

National Public Radio, interviewed for audio and print coverage of Roslin et al. 2017 Science "*Scientists Glued Fake Caterpillars On Plants Worldwide. Here's What Happened*" (aired 18 May 2017) [link]

BBC News, print story highlighting Petry et al. 2016 Science "*Climate change is disrupting the birds and the bees*" (published 9 August 2017) [link]

Popular Science magazine, print coverage of Roslin et al. 2017 Science "*These scientists made 2,879 tiny clay caterpillars and hid them all over the world*" (published 18 May 2017) [link]

Smithsonian Magazine, print coverage of Roslin et al. 2017 Science "*Sacrificing Fake Caterpillars in the Name of Science*" (published 23 May 2017) [link]

Sveriges Radio (Sweden), audio story on Roslin et al. 2017 Science "*Myrornas aptit håller jorden grön*" [translation: "*The ant's appetite keeps the Earth green*"] (aired 19 May 2017) [link – in Swedish]

Nature Podcast, audio highlight of Petry et al. 2016 Science (aired 7 July 2016) [link]

Science News magazine, interviewed for print coverage of Petry et al. 2016 Science "Warming alters mountain plant's sex ratios" (published 30 June 2016) [link]

Grants & Fellowships (total = \$978,772, *extramural = \$887,672)

- 2018-22 \$460,511* "Addressing the missing link: uniting demographic life history theory and pollination biology to understand the ecological consequences of pollinator declines," NSF-DEB (PIs: A.M. Iler & P.J. CaraDonna, **Senior personnel: W.K. Petry**)
Wrote 25% of grant; institutional rules limited PI status to faculty

2015–9	\$260,183*	“Demographic consequences of sexually dimorphic responses to ongoing and experimental climate change,” NSF-DEB (PI: K.A. Mooney, Senior personnel: W.K. Petry , T.E.X. Miller) <i>Wrote >75% of grant based on Ph.D. research; institutional rules limited PI status to faculty</i>
2015	\$3,000*	BIO-OCE REU Mentor-Student Travel Scholarship <i>To bring undergraduate student (Ana Chicas-Mosier) to Ecological Society of America Meeting & provide mentoring at the conference</i>
2015	\$2,500*	Langenheim Fellowship, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
2014	\$20,083*	Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, NSF-DEB (PI: K. Mooney, Co-PI: W.K. Petry)
2011–4	\$130,000*	Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation
2014	\$2,100	Mildred E. Mathias Graduate Student Research Grant, University of California Natural Reserve System
2014	\$3,000	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology Departmental Fellowship, University of California Irvine
2014	\$450*	Research Grant, American Alpine Club
2014	\$700*	Grant in Aid of Research (GIAR), Sigma Xi
2014	\$650*	Graduate Student Grant, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
2013	\$275*	Travel Grant, Ecological Society of America Plant Population Ecology section
2013	\$1,000	School of Biological Sciences Graduate Fellowship, University of California Irvine
2013	\$1,245*	John W. Marr Fund Research Grant, Colorado Native Plant Society
2013	\$800*	Graduate Student Grant, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
2012	\$275*	Travel Grant, Ecological Society of America Plant Population Ecology section
2012	\$400*	Research Grant, American Alpine Club
2012	\$500*	Snyder Graduate Student Grant, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
2011	\$500*	Kingsdale Graduate Grant, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory
2011	£375*	Hendry Bequest, Alpine Garden Society (~\$600)
2010	\$10,000	Graduate Dean Recruitment Award, University of California Irvine
2010	\$75,000*	NSF-IGERT Comparative Genomics Fellowship, University of Arizona <i>(award declined)</i>
2009	\$5,000*	NSF-REU fellowship, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory

Awards

2017	Plant Population Ecology Postdoctoral Excellence Award Plant Population Ecology Section of the Ecological Society of America & AoB PLANTS
2016	Early Career Award for Exceptional Presentation Evolutionary Demography Society

R package development

Creator/maintainer

littletrees (github) Little's 'Atlas of United States Trees' Species Range Maps
 ucnr Data Access Tools for the University of California Natural Reserve System
 documentEML Interactive Tools to Produce Ecological Metadata
 daltonist Color Identification and Colorblindness Accessibility Tools

Contributor

RCompadre (github) Utilities for working with the COMPADRE/COMADRE Database
 Rage (github) Miscellaneous Functions for COMADRE/COMPADRE Matrix Databases
 broom.mixed (github) Tidying methods for mixed models
 microclimloggers (github) Tools to parse and process various microclimate logger data formats

Presentations (*mentored [under]graduate co-author)

Invited research seminars

2018 Stanford University (USA), Mordecai Lab
 2017 Misión Biológica de Galicia—CSIC (Spain), Department of Forest Genetics & Ecology
 2017 University of Sheffield (UK), Department of Animal and Plant Sciences
 2016 University of Neuchâtel (Switzerland), Institute of Biology

Contributed conference talks

Petry, W.K., N.J.B. Kraft, G. Kandlikar, & J.M. Levine (2018) Spatial variation in seed consumption and apparent competition generate mosaics of plant diversity. Ecological Society of America, August 5-10, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.

Levine, J.M., S.P. Hart, J. HilleRisLambers, **W.K. Petry**, J. Usinowicz, & T. Crowther (2018) The population and community ecology of transient carbon accumulation in terrestrial ecosystems. Ecological Society of America, August 5-10, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.

Petry, W.K., N.J.B. Kraft, G. Kandlikar, O. Godoy, & J.M. Levine (2018) Coupling of population dynamics via shared resources and consumers reshuffles plant species diversity. Evolutionary Demography Society Meeting, January 8-10, Lyon, France.

Petry, W.K., N.J.B. Kraft, G. Kandlikar, O. Godoy, & J.M. Levine (2017) Apparent competition through granivores impacts plant coexistence. Ecological Society of America, August 6-11, Portland, Oregon, USA.

Petry, W.K., T.E.X. Miller, J.D. Soule, & K.A. Mooney (2016) Partitioning the linear and nonlinear effects of climate change on two-sex populations. Evolutionary Demography Society Meeting, October 2-5, Charlottesville, Virginia, USA.

Petry, W.K., T.E.X. Miller, J.D. Soule, & K.A. Mooney (2015) Intraspecific variation in response to climate drives population patterns and dynamics. Ecological Society of America, August 9-14, Baltimore, Maryland, USA. Part of organized session, "A Century of Structured Population Models in Ecology."

Petry, W.K., T.E.X. Miller, J.D. Soule, & K.A. Mooney (2014) Sexually dimorphic responses to climate variation: Demographic causes and consequences of climate-skewed sex ratios. Evolutionary Demography Society Meeting, November 10-12, Palo Alto, California, USA.

Petry, W.K., T.E.X. Miller, J.D. Soule, & K.A. Mooney (2013) Historical demography along a climatic gradient: Generating predictions of population responses to climate change in the montane dioecious herb *Valeriana edulis*. Ecological Society of America, August 4-9, Minneapolis,

Minnesota, USA. Part of organized session, "Informing and Evaluating Climate Change Adaptation Approaches Using Historic Ecological Data Records."

Petry, W.K., A.M. McKinney, D.W. Inouye, K.A. Mooney, & J.D. Soule (2012) Warming up to changing trait frequencies: Rapid, climate change-induced shifts in population sex ratios along an elevation gradient. Ecological Society of America, August 5-10, Portland, Oregon, USA.

Mooney, K.A., **W.K. Petry**, L. Abdala-Roberts, & X. Moreira (2012) Consequences of monarch damage and plant genotype for ant-aphid interactions on the common milkweed *Asclepias syriaca*. Ecological Society of America, August 5-10, Portland, Oregon, USA. Included in organized session, "The Chemical Ecology of Plant-Animal Mutualisms."

Petry, W.K. & K.A. Mooney (2011) Sex-biased and variable herbivory parallel clinal variation in plant sex ratios along an elevational gradient. Ecological Society of America, August 7-12, Austin, Texas, USA.

Petry, W.K., K.I. Perry, & K.A. Mooney (2010) Ant-aphid interactions are mediated by host plant sex and ant colony nutritional status. Ecological Society of America, August 1-6, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.

Petry, W.K., L.J. Fielden, S.A. Foré, & H-J. Kim (2009). Modeling the questing behavior of nymphal *Dermacentor variabilis* in response to environmental factors. Truman State University Student Research Conference, April 7, Kirksville, Missouri, USA.

Contributed conference posters

Chicas-Mosier, A.*, **W.K. Petry**, & K.A. Mooney (2015) Consequences of pollination neighborhood composition on mating success. Ecological Society of America, August 9-14, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.

Petry, W.K. & K.A. Mooney (2013) *Valeriana edulis*, a system for studying the mechanisms of plant genetic effects on arthropod communities in the context of climate change. Gordon Research Conference – Plant Herbivore Interaction, February 24-March 1, Ventura, California, USA.

Petry, W.K. & L.J. Fielden (2009) Modeling questing height in response to environmental variables in the tick, *Dermacentor variabilis*. National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Lacrosse, Wisconsin, USA.

Petry, W.K., T.A. Dallas, G. Mueller, S.A. Foré, L.J. Fielden (2008) Modeling questing height in response to environmental variables in the tick *Dermacentor variabilis*. Society for Vector Ecology, Ft. Collins, Colorado, USA.

Teaching (*field/lab course n = 5; †graduate-level n = 5)

Independent teaching & curriculum development

‡Plant Ecology (Fall 2018, ETH Zurich)

Organized and taught two-week module on herbivory

‡Ecology & Evolution: Term Paper (Fall 2017, ETH Zurich)

Supervised Masters student in a writing-intensive advanced topics course.

‡Quantitative Methods in Ecology & Evolution (Spring 2017, ETH Zurich)

Co-developed month-long module on the dynamics of structured populations, including building an interactive web application for teaching environmental sensitivity and life history trade-offs.

<https://ecodynamics.shinyapps.io/temperature/>

‡Climate Action Program Data Science Workshop (Spring 2016, UC Irvine)

Co-organized and co-taught 3-day interdisciplinary data science workshop for graduate students and postdocs

R Statistical Workshop (Summer 2014, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory)

Organized and taught two 2-hour workshops for undergraduates, graduate students, postdocs, and professors

*Experimental Design Workshop (Summer 2012 & 2014, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory)

Organized and presented field workshop to undergraduates

Invited guest lectures

*Science of Climate Mitigation and Adaptation (Spring 2017, Western State Colorado University)

Panelist discussing biological responses to climate change; M.S. program in Environmental Management

*Field Methods in Ecology (Summer 2013, Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory)

Designed and taught 2-day field module on population biology

*Quantitative Methods in Ecology and Evolution (Fall 2014, UC Irvine)

Organized and taught two 1.5-hour lessons on analysis of variance, follow-up testing, and planned comparisons of means

Center for Environmental Biology Internship (Spring 2015, UC Irvine)

Developed and taught 1-hour workshop on R statistical software

Teaching assistance

The Idiom & Practice of Science (Fall 2015, UC Irvine)

*Plant Diversity (Spring 2015, UC Irvine)

Global Change Biology (Winter 2015, UC Irvine)

*Quantitative Methods in Ecology and Evolution (Fall 2014, UC Irvine)

From Organisms to Ecosystems (Winter 2011, UC Irvine)

Course coordinator for 11 teaching assistants with ca. 800 students (Winter 2015)

*Limnology and Freshwater Biology (Spring 2011, UC Irvine)

*Field Methods in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (Fall 2010, UC Irvine)

*Introduction to Ecology (Fall 2009, Truman State University)

Student Mentoring & Community Outreach

Supervised graduate students

Ewa Merz (M.S. expected 2018, ETH Zürich)

Undergraduate mentoring

UC Irvine: 6 undergraduate students through the Undergraduate Research Training Program

Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory: 8 undergraduate students (3 NSF-REU fellows; 4 have gone on to graduate school)

Public participation in science

PlantShift – Public science program engaging high school & undergraduate students in field data collection, >250 volunteer hours (2013-2015)

K-12 education

Sedgwick Reserve & NatureTrack, guest scientist for visiting 10th grade students (2018)
Irvine Unified School District, science fair mentor (2010-2016)

Technical skills transfer

Humanitarian Open Street Map Team & Missing Maps (HOT OSM Zurich), mapper for disaster relief & international development (2017-present)

Academic & Scientific Service

Peer referee

The American Naturalist	Oecologia
Ecology (×2)	Environmental & Experimental Botany (×2)
Journal of Ecology (×3)	Écoscience
Journal of Animal Ecology (×2)	Biological Control
Ecology Letters	Perspectives in Plant Ecology Evolution and Systematics
Global Change Biology	Alpine Botany (×2)
Evolutionary Ecology	

Grant proposal review

Swiss National Science Foundation (ad hoc reviewer)

Committees & service positions

Assistant professor search committee, graduate representative (UC Irvine; 2011-2012)
Resulted in the hire of Sergio Rasmann

Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory

Research Committee Member—reviewed research applications & voted on Lab research policy (2016-present)
Organized weekly graduate student seminar (2011-2014)
Alumni Reunion field excursion organizer (2012-2013)
Consultation on research facility design (2011)
Photograph contributor to newsletter, 5 featured on the cover (2010-2013)

Professional society membership

Ecological Society of America (since 2010)
 Plant Population Ecology Section (since 2012)
 Natural History Section (since 2012)
Evolutionary Demography Society (since 2013)
Colorado Native Plant Society (2011-2015)
Orange County Society for Conservation Biology (2011-2013)

Advanced Coursework & Workshops

2018 Accelerating Field Research Using UAVs
 Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory (0.5-day workshop)

Instructor: Ian Breckheimer (Harvard University)

- 2016 Individual Stochasticity: An Introduction to Demographic Models and Analysis
4th Annual EvoDemoS (0.5-day workshop)

Instructor: Hal Caswell (University of Amsterdam)

- 2016 Analyzing Transient Population Dynamics
4th Annual EvoDemoS (0.5-day workshop)

Instructor: Iain Stott (Max Planck Odense Center, University of Southern Denmark)

- 2016 Predictive Modeling with Python
UC Irvine Data Science Initiative (1-day workshop)

- 2015 Philosophy of Biology
University of California, Irvine (10-week graduate course)

Instructor: Cailin O'Connor (UC Irvine)

- 2015 Software Carpentry – Shell, Python, & Git
UC Irvine Data Science Initiative (2-day workshop)

- 2014 IPMpack – an R package for Integral Projection Models
2nd Annual EvoDemoS (0.5-day workshop)

Instructors: Cory Merow (Smithsonian Environmental Research Center) & Rob Salguero-Gómez (University of Queensland)

- 2014 Linux & High Performance Computing
UC Irvine Data Science Initiative (1-day workshop)

Instructor: Harry Mangalam (UC Irvine)

- 2013 GIS: Geographic Information Systems
University of California, Irvine (10-week graduate course)

Instructors: LuAnna Dobson & Bradford Hawkins (UC Irvine)

- 2012 Models in Biology
University of California, Irvine (10-week graduate course)

Instructor: Steve Frank (UC Irvine)

- 2011 Quantitative Methods in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
University of California, Irvine (10-week graduate course)

Instructor: Diane Campbell (UC Irvine)

Skills

Population modeling: integral projection models (IPM), matrix population models, two-sex models, non-linear analysis, sensitivity/elasticity, life table response experiments (LTRE), transient dynamics, stochastic population modeling, analysis of individual stochasticity

Statistics: generalized linear mixed models, randomization/Monte-Carlo simulation, power analysis, optimization, bootstrapping, multivariate statistics, zero-inflated/hurdle models, multiple imputation

Programming: R [statistics, graphics, function writing, optimization, profiling, RMarkdown, Shiny, API], git/version control, shell, Linux computing clusters (HPC), Python

Spatial analysis: ArcGIS/QGIS/R, interpolation, spatial point pattern analysis, zonal statistics, geocoding, mapping, MaxEnt species distribution modeling, structure from motion

Natural languages: English (native), Spanish (upper intermediate proficiency)