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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Molecular & Cell Biology

University of California, Berkeley, Department of Molecular & Cell Biology

Advisor: Dr. Nipam Patel

Dissertation: Germline maintenance and regeneration in the amphipod crustacean, *Parhyale hawaiiensis*.

2009 – Dec. 2014

B.S. in Evolution, Ecology, & Biodiversity

University of California, Davis, Department of Evolution and Ecology

Advisor: Dr. Artyom Kopp

2004 – 2009

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Co-founder and Board member** (2015 – current) [Boston Open Science Laboratory \(BosLab\)](#), Somerville, MA.

- Worked with a small team of co-founders in a fast-paced start-up environment to incorporate a non-profit educational biotechnology community lab.
- Organized journal club, public seminar events, and educational workshops; co-developed curriculum for courses.
- Wrote and awarded a public outreach stipend grant (\$1200) for organizing a public engagement forum through an NSF-funded synthetic biology museum program.

**Visiting Scientist** (September 2016 – August 2017) Broad Institute, Cambridge, MA.

- Optimized and performed Quality Control on next-generation library construction, bacterial RNA enrichment, and lysis methods for single-cell RNA-sequencing.
- Developed Shell, python, and R scripts for identifying current issues with library construction.
- Conducted weekly meetings a team of lab members to strategically decide on future experiments to reach project goals.

**Scientific Communications instructor** (May – August 2016) Broad Institute, Cambridge, MA.

- Worked closely with program director and coordinator to develop weekly lesson plans to engage undergraduates in learning effective storytelling in science.
- Trained students on how to give constructive feedback in both written and oral form.
- Ran interactive class activities that allowed students to learn and apply effective PowerPoint slide design, organization of presentation, and delivery of presentation.

**Teaching Fellow** (August – December 2015) MCB60 lab course, Harvard University.

- Used strong organizational skills to run 3 weekly lab sections for 40+ total undergraduates.
- Managed the research activities of undergraduates by providing guidance in designing DNA constructs and engineering yeast to study genes relevant to the DNA damage and repair pathway.

- Presented weekly course reviews and facilitated discussion in section to help students conceptualize lecture material and develop their problem-solving skills.

**Junior Specialist** (Jan. – March 2015) Dr. Nipam Patel, Division of Molecular and Cell Biology, UC Berkeley.

- Collaborated on a project with a team of scientists based in U.S.A., Japan, and France, which resulted in becoming a co-author on a recent *Nature* publication.
- Trained lab members on various laboratory techniques including molecular cloning, *In situ* hybridization, antibody staining, microinjections, and animal husbandry.
- Managed important transgenic fly stocks, transgenic crustacean stocks, laboratory reagents, and inventory.
- Piloted experiments on a transgenic line of crustaceans, which I generated during my Ph.D., confirmed that target gene, *dpp* is misexpressed ubiquitously upon heatshock in transgenic embryos.

**Graduate Student Researcher** (2009 – December 2014) Dr. Nipam Patel, Division of Molecular and Cell Biology, UC Berkeley.

- Wrote two compelling research proposals for a California Institute of Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) predoctoral fellowship, which resulted in two years of funding for my dissertation research totaling \$70,000 for stipend and \$10,000 for research.
- Engineered TrpE fusion proteins for production of a polyclonal antibody made to a germline-specific protein, Vasa, for immunofluorescence experiments, contributing to a manuscript in preparation.
- Developed a dual color pulse-chase cell proliferation protocol which resulted in Identification of putative germline stem cells in a crustacean.
- Generated a transgenic line of crustaceans for investigating the role of bone morphogenetic signaling (BMP) signaling in germline maintenance and ultimately germline regeneration.
- Wrote scripts using Perl to analyze Next Generation sequencing data. Screened crustacean transcriptome to find additional germline gene candidates, which were verified via whole mount in situ hybridization.
- Successfully generated RNA-seq libraries from small tissue samples for transcriptomics analysis in stickleback fish.
- Mentored four undergraduates in essential molecular biology techniques, microscopy, scientific writing, and oral presentation skills.

**Teaching Assistant** (Summer 2012) Woods Hole Embryology Course, Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

- Assisted graduate students and postdoctoral researchers in a two-week module on arthropod research.
- Led demonstrations on fly and crustacean gonad dissections for entire class.

**Graduate Student Instructor** (Spring 2011) Genetics Laboratory (MCB 140L), UC Berkeley.

- Prepared and ran weekly lab sections involving molecular biology and working with various genetic models including yeast, nematode worms, and fruit flies.
- Instructed students in experimental approaches in Genetics using the scientific method.
- Supervised students to ensure proper laboratory technique and safety.

**Graduate Student Instructor** (Fall 2010) Genetics, Genomics, and Cell Biology (MCB 104), UC Berkeley.

- Taught students fundamental concepts in Genetics, Genomics, and Cell Biology. Ran multiple discussion sections.

**Undergraduate Researcher** (2006-2009) Dr. Artyom Kopp, Division of Evolution and Ecology, UC Davis.

- Conducted independent research on quantifying GSCs in two fly populations selected for normal and extended lifespan, resulting in a first author publication.

**Math-Biology trainee** (2008) Collaborative Learning at the Interface of Math and Biology (CLIMB), UC Davis.

- Collaborated with six other undergraduates to develop mathematical models to address problems in biology, resulting in a publication in *Journal of Theoretical Biology*.
- Modeled the spread of Wolbachia-infected mosquitos to determine the feasibility of using life-shortening strains of Wolbachia to prevent the spread of dengue fever.
- Learned and utilized Perl, R, and Matlab for research projects.

## **AWARDS**

California Institute of Regenerative Medicine (CIRM) predoctoral fellowship award, Jan. 2013- Dec. 2014.

Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology (SICB) conference best Division of Evolutionary Developmental Biology (DEDB) poster award, 2013.

NIH Genetics Training Grant fellow, University of California, Berkeley, 2009 – 2012.

Collaborative Learning at the Interface of Math and Biology (CLIMB) fellowship award, University of California, Davis, 2008.

President's Undergraduate Fellowship award, University of California, Davis, 2007.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

**Kaczmarczyk, A.N.** "DIY Biomedical Products and Citizen Science Labs." March 2016. Guest lecturer for Harvard Extension School course BIOT E-225: Biomedical Product Development.

**Kaczmarczyk, A.N.** "BosLab: DIYBio community Lab." February 2016. Invited speaker at BioChanges event #4 at MIT Media Lab in Cambridge, MA.

**Kaczmarczyk, A.N.** "Germline Regeneration in *Parhyale hawaiiensis*." 2014. Speaker at UC Berkeley Stem Cell retreat.

**Kaczmarczyk, A.N.**, Villa, L., Andrade-Lopez, J., "The Molecular mechanisms of germline replacement in *Parhyale hawaiiensis*." 2013. Poster presentation at Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology Conference.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Philip Barron Abitua, T. Blair Gainous, **Angela N. Kaczmarczyk**, Christopher J. Winchell, Clare Hudson, Kaori Kamata, Masashi Nakagawa, Motoyuki Tsuda, Takehiro G. Kusakabe, Michael Levine (2015) The pre-vertebrate origins of neurogenic placodes. *Nature*. 524(7566): 462-5.

Melinda S. Modrell\*, Christopher Winchell\*, Alivia L. Price, **Angela N. Kaczmarczyk**, Johanna Havemann, Carryn Barker, Ro C. Chaw, Elaine Kwan, Cassandra Extavour, Matthias Gerberding, and Nipam H. Patel: Germline replacement following ablation of the primordial germ cells in *Parhyale hawaiiensis*. \* co first authors. Manuscript in preparation.

Joshua G. Schraiber, **Angela N. Kaczmarczyk**, Ricky Kwok, Miran Park, Rachel Silverstein, Florentine U. Rutaganira, Taruna Aggarwal, Michael A. Schwemmer, Carole L. Hom, Richard K. Grosberg, Sebastian J. Schreiber (2012) Constraints on the use of lifespan-shortening *Wolbachia* to control dengue fever. *Journal of Theoretical Biology*. 297: 26-32.

**Angela N. Kaczmarczyk**, Artyom Kopp (2011) Germline stem cell maintenance as a proximate mechanism of life-history trade-offs? *BioEssays*. 33(1): 5-12.