

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER



**Emily Rauscher, Ph.D.**

**President's Postdoctoral Fellow**

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***“Atmospheric studies of extrasolar planets: a young, exciting, and rapidly growing field”***

While the planets within our solar system have been studied for hundreds of years, it was only 20 years ago that the first exoplanet was discovered, orbiting a nearby star. Yet within the typical lifetime of a undergraduate, there have been thousands of exoplanets detected, most within the last several years. Even more exciting, perhaps, is the development in the last 10 years of methods that are being used to directly measure atmospheric properties of these planets. The (relatively) easiest exoplanets to observe are the type known as "hot Jupiters", exotic planets that push our understanding of planetary science beyond the bounds of the solar system. I will describe my work on modeling the atmospheres of these strange worlds, along with some explanation of how my career path led me to where I am today.

## ABSTRACTS OF FACULTY RESEARCH TALKS

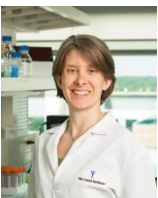
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**Jennifer Moore, Ph.D.**  
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**Natural Resource Management Program**  
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**Grand Valley State University**

*“How do landscapes affect gene flow and connectivity of threatened reptiles and amphibians?”*

Landscapes can have profound effects on the functional connectivity of wildlife populations. Human-mediated landscape change can impose barriers that impede gene flow and isolate populations, which can ultimately result in elevated extinction risk. The nascent field of landscape genetics is increasingly being applied to elucidate the landscape and environmental factors that affect processes like population dynamics, dispersal, and gene flow. This talk will focus on the application of landscape genetic techniques to understand the impacts of landscape change on threatened amphibians and reptiles from New Zealand (tuatara, *Sphenodon punctatus*), Alaska (boreal toads, *Bufo boreas*), and Michigan (eastern box turtles, *Terrapene carolina carolina*). Results from these case studies provide evidence that natural and human-altered landscapes can strongly affect wildlife movements and dispersal at multiple scales, which has implications for conservation management of at-risk species.



**Mary E. Winn, Ph.D.**  
**Core Manager**  
**Bioinformatics & Biostatistics Core**  
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*“Life at the intersection of biology, statistics, mathematics, and computer science”*

As data sets continue to grow in size and complexity the need for the interdisciplinary skills of a bioinformatician are in increasing demand. A successful bioinformatician will have an array of skills including the ability to manage, interpret, and analyze large data sets; familiarity with and the ability to apply relevant statistical and mathematical concepts; proficiency in a number of scripting languages; and detailed knowledge of a variety of biological disciplines. Because of this need for a broad skill set there are many paths to becoming a bioinformatician and many areas of specialization. The best bioinformaticians don't come from one discipline or another. They come from self-motivated, independent thinkers and problem-solvers for whom starting the day not knowing how to do something and figuring out how to do it is a way of life. Our group puts these skills to the test analyzing a variety of different types of data from next-generation sequencing data to quantitative imaging data and more.

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**Deanna van Dijk, Ph.D., Professor**  
**Geology, Geography & Environmental Studies, Calvin College**

*“Building our Knowledge of Michigan Coastal Dunes: A Few Grains at a Time”*

Described as the largest collection of freshwater dunes in the world, Michigan’s coastal dunes are well-loved and frequently visited but not well-researched. Research students and faculty from a handful of Michigan institutions have been piecing together an understanding of the dunes along the Lake Michigan coast. Studies of contemporary dune activity by Calvin College researchers include investigating dune characteristics, changes and influential variables; studying patterns of human impacts; and evaluating the effectiveness of management strategies. Research projects are diverse, ranging from short-term studies to multi-year data collection efforts, from single-investigator projects to 30+ researchers focusing on the same dune, and from investigations by PhD scientists to first-year undergraduate students. The projects and investigators share a common goal of advancing knowledge by asking and answering interesting questions about the dunes. Results include a better understanding of storm and seasonal influences on dune changes, information for dune managers about the effectiveness of their actions, and a growing list of additional questions to investigate. The multi-faceted research on Michigan coastal dunes illustrates the value of a community of scientists for building knowledge about a research topic.



**Clark Danderson, Ph.D., Professor**  
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*“The Arracacia Clade (Apiaceae): Attempting to Bring Order to a Disordered Complex”*

The *Arracacia* clade (Apiaceae: Apioideae) is a heterogeneous assemblage of 12 genera, comprising 111 species distributed in high montane temperate and sub-alpine habitats of meso- and South America. Recent molecular studies have indicated that some of the genera (i.e., *Arracacia*, *Coulterophytum*, and *Prionosciadium*) are polyphyletic. Initial cladistic analyses utilizing highly variable, fast-evolving nuclear ribosomal DNA (nrDNA) ITS sequence data were unable to adequately resolve the relationships among these taxa. To further resolve relationships in the clade, a study examining the utility of 20 non-coding chloroplast DNA (cpDNA) loci was performed using nine species representing disparate lineages, as well as intra- and intergeneric-level relationships based on the results of the aforementioned ITS analyses. The cpDNA regions investigated were chosen based on their utility at elucidating low-taxonomic level relationships as demonstrated in previous studies (i.e., Calviño et al., 2010; Miller et al., 2009; Shaw et al., 2005, 2007). To determine how many regions would be necessary to recover resolved phylogenies, a cost-benefit analysis involving the incremental inclusion of loci was performed. Regression analyses examined whether the total number of variable sites (potentially informative characters or PICs in Shaw et. al., 2005) are a good indicator of the total number of parsimony informative characters contained within a region. Additionally, regression analyses considered the effect of aligned sequence length on the total number of variable characters and the number of PI characters, and the relationship between indel length and homoplasy. This study demonstrated that many of the regions commonly used to resolve low-level relationships in angiosperms are not adequate in the *Arracacia* clade and that the combination of the five fastest-evolving non-coding cpDNA loci and nrDNA ITS provide similar resolution as using 20 non-coding cpDNA loci and ITS.

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| <b>1. Samantha Morsches, Grand Valley State University</b><br>(Co-Authors: David J. Janetski, Carl R. Ruetz III)<br><i>"Spatial patterns of fish communities in Lake Michigan tributaries"</i>                                   | <b>Aquatic Biology</b> |
| <b>2. Lydia DeJonge, Calvin College</b><br>(Co-Authors: Nicole L. Michmerhuizen, Margaret A. Van Winkle, Amanda B. Witte; Kumar Sinniah)<br><i>"A Biophysical Study of the Interaction between Insulin and G-Quadruplex DNA"</i> | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |
| <b>3. Abigail Leistra, Calvin College</b><br>(Co-Authors: Kayla Scholten, Lydia J. DeJonge, Kumar Sinniah)<br><i>"A Dynamic Force Spectroscopy Study of the Interaction Between G-Quadruplex DNA and Insulin"</i>                | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |
| <b>4. Margaret Van Winkle, Calvin College</b><br>(Co-Authors: Kumar Sinniah)<br><i>"A Microcalorimetry Study of the Interaction between Hexameric Insulin and G-Quadruplex DNA"</i>  | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |
| <b>5. Jedidiah Bell, Calvin College</b><br>(Co-Authors: Dr. Brendan Looyenga; Dr Larry Louters)<br><i>"BRET to Explore the Aggregation of GluT1"</i>   | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |
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| <b>7. Eve Gardner, Michigan State University</b><br>(Co-Authors: Eve Gardner, Witawas Handee, Min-Hao Kuo)<br><i>"Effect on Phospholipid Content from TAG Metabolism"</i>  | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |
| <b>8. Alyssa Shepard, Central Michigan University</b><br>(Co-Authors: Dr. Michelle Steinhilb; Alyssa Shepard)<br><i>"Examining the intracellular breakdown of toxic tau fragments: Optimizing Drosophila neuron culture"</i>     | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |
| <b>9. Taylor Hegg &amp; Matthew Hollowell, Calvin College</b><br>(Co-Authors: Susan Hromada, Alexandra Bognar, and Dr. David E. Benson)<br><i>"Formation, Function, and Biological Scope of Tyrosine-Cysteine Crosslinking"</i>  | <b>Biochemistry</b>    |

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- 10. Aimee Vos, Calvin College** **Biochemistry**  
(Co-Authors: Dr. Larry Louters, Dr. Brendan Looyenga, Dr. Eric Arnoys)  
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- 11. Evans Lodge, Calvin College** **Biochemistry**  
(Co-Authors: Jed Bell, Kathryn Wrobel, Dr. Larry Louters)  
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- 12. Sarah Glass, Kalamazoo College** **Biochemistry**  
(Co-Authors: Sarah M. Glass, Victoria M. Osorio, Michael J. Glista, Parker W. de Waal, Laura Lowe Furge)  
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- 13. Michael Brunner, Grand Valley State University** **Biochemistry**  
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- 14. Lauren Hillers, Hope College** **Biochemistry**  
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- 15. Miriam Rienstra, Calvin College** **Biochemistry**  
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- 16. Brandy Mullen, Hope College** **Biochemistry**  
(Co-Authors: Roudeland Metellus, Megan Munger, Luke Ragon, Dr. Micheal Pikaart)  
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- 17. Sean Cushman, Hope College** **Biochemistry**  
(Co-Authors: Abigail Schnell, Dr. Maria Burnatowska-Hledin)  
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- 18. Scott Kitzmiller, Alma College** **Biochemistry**  
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- 19. Rina Fujiwara, Kalamazoo College** **Biochemistry**  
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- 20. Sam Schuiteman, Calvin College** **Biochemistry**  
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**22. Anna Michmerhuizen, Calvin College** **Biochemistry**  
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**23. Charles Hyde, Aquinas College** **Biology**  
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**24. Courtney Glupker, Calvin College** **Biology**  
**(Co-Authors: Mark P. Schotanus, John L. Ubels)**  
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**26. Catherine Holmes, Cornerstone University** **Biology**  
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**28. Jared Grimmer, Kalamazoo College** **Biology**  
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**30. Caitlin Strikwerda, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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**31. Deirdre Courtney, Western Michigan University** **Biology**  
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- 32. Sara Stack, Kalamazoo College** **Biology**  
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- 33. Ayaka Abe, Kalamazoo College** **Biology**  
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- 34. Jodie DeVries, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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- 35. Jonathan Knott & David Postma, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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- 36. Megan Munger, Albion College** **Biology**  
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- 37. Abby Stapleton, Calvin College** **Biology**  
(Co-Authors: Randall J. DeJong, John T. Wertz)  
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- 38. Stacy Hooker, Monica Langeland & Dorthea Leisman, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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- 39. Tran Nguyen, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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- 40. Peter Boersma, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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- 41. Emily Holloway, Kalamazoo College** **Biology**  
(Co-Authors: Katie Bezold, Louis Muglia, MD, PhD)  
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- 42. Kaitlyn Greiner, Kalamazoo College** **Biology**  
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- 43. Miranda Ulmer, Hope College** **Biology**  
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- 44. Brittany Leonard, Hope College** **Biology**  
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- 45. Josiah Valk, Calvin College** **Biology**  
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- 46. Erika Steensma, Calvin College** **Biology**  
(Co-Authors: Dr. Daniel Michele)  
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- 47. Sophie Bennett & Heather Taylor, Grand Valley State University** **Biology**  
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