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Research Interests

Microbial ecology and evolution, symbiosis, plant-insect interactions, natural history

Education & Professional Preparation

Postdoctoral Researcher 9/2018 – Present
University of Texas at Austin
Advisor: Dr. Nancy A. Moran

Ph.D. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology 8/2012 – 5/2018
University of Colorado Boulder
Advisors: Dr. Noah Fierer and Dr. M. Deane Bowers

B.S. in General Biology 9/2005 – 6/2009
University of California, San Diego
Magna Cum Laude, with Distinction
Honors Thesis Advisor: Dr. Eric E. Allen

UC Education Abroad Program 10/2007 – 12/2007
Tropical Biology and Conservation
Monteverde Institute, Costa Rica

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Keiser, C.N., **Hammer, T.J.**, Pruitt, J.N. 2019. Social spider webs harbor largely consistent bacterial communities across broad spatial scales. *Biology Letters* (accepted).

Moran, N., Ochman, H., **Hammer, T.J.** 2019. Evolutionary and ecological consequences of gut microbial communities. *Annual Review of Ecology, Evolution, and Systematics* (in press).

Hammer, T.J., Moran, N. 2019. Links between metamorphosis and symbiosis in holometabolous insects. *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B* 374, 20190068.

Hammer, T.J., Sanders, J.N., Fierer, N. 2019. Not all animals need a microbiome. *FEMS Microbiology Letters* 366, fnz117.

Ravenscraft, A., Berry, M., **Hammer, T.J.**, Peay, K., Boggs, C. 2018. Structure and function of the bacterial and fungal gut microbiota of Neotropical butterflies. *Ecological Monographs* 89, e01346.

Hammer, T.J., Janzen, D.H., Hallwachs, W., Jaffe, S., Fierer, N. 2017. Caterpillars lack a resident gut microbiome. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 114, 9641-9646.

Hammer, T.J., Fierer, N., Hardwick, B., Simojoki, A., Slade, E., Taponen, J., Viljanen, H., Roslin, T. 2016. Treating cattle with antibiotics affects greenhouse gas emissions, and microbiota in dung and dung beetles. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B* 283, 20160150.

Barberán, A., **Hammer, T.J.**, Madden, A., Fierer, N. 2016. Microbes should be central to ecological education and outreach. *Journal of Microbiology & Biology Education* 17, 23-28.

Planet, P.J., Parker, D., Cohen, T.S., Smith, H., Leon, J.D., Ryan, C., **Hammer, T.J.**, Fierer, N., Chen, Emily I., Prince, A.S. 2016. Lambda interferon restructures the nasal microbiome and increases susceptibility to *Staphylococcus aureus* superinfection. *mBio* 7, e01939-15.

Hammer, T.J., Dickerson, J., Fierer, N. 2015. Evidence-based recommendations on storing and handling specimens for analyses of insect microbiota. *PeerJ* 3, e1190.

Hammer, T.J., Bowers, M.D. 2015. Gut microbes may facilitate insect herbivory of chemically defended plants. *Oecologia* 179, 1-14.

Hammer, T.J., Van Bael, S.A. 2015. An endophyte-rich diet increases ant predation on a specialist herbivorous insect. *Ecological Entomology* 40, 316-321.

Hammer, T.J., McMillan, W.O., Fierer, N. 2014. Metamorphosis of a butterfly-associated bacterial community. *PLoS One* 9, e86995.

Hammer, T.J., Hata, C., Nieh, J.C. 2009. Thermal learning in the honey bee, *Apis mellifera*. *Journal of Experimental Biology* 212, 3928-3934.

Submitted Manuscripts

Danielsson, R., Lucas, J., Dahlberg, J., Ramin, M., Agenäs, S., Bayat, A., Tapio, I., **Hammer, T.J.**, Roslin, T. Compound- and context-dependent effects of antibiotics on greenhouse gas emissions from livestock. Revised and resubmitted.

Major Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

USDA NIFA Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$164,850)	2019 – 2021
Texas Ecolab Program Research Grant (\$8,691)	2018
National Geographic Society Early Career Grant (\$5,415)	2018
CU Boulder / CIRES Graduate Student Research Award	2017 – 2018
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (\$132,000)	2014 – 2017
NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (\$16,113)	2016
Departmental Research Grants, CU Boulder (\$4,613)	2014, 2016
Grants Supporting Undergraduate Research, CU Boulder (\$4,789)	2015, 2016
Lewis and Clark Fund for Exploration and Field Research Grant (\$2,900)	2015
CU Boulder Chancellor's Fellowship	2012 – 2014
Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute Short-Term Fellowship	2011
Fulbright Grant, Max Planck Institute for Marine Microbiology	2009 – 2010
American Society for Microbiology Undergraduate Research Fellowship	2008 – 2009
Robins Scholarship for Undergraduate Research in Marine Sciences	2008 – 2009
Phi Beta Kappa Honors	2009
NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates Program at WHOI	2008
Amgen Scholars Summer Research Program at UC Berkeley	2007

Oral Presentations

Seminar, Dept. Entomology, Purdue University (Invited)	Upcoming (12/2019)
Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting (Invited)	2019

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Population Biology Seminar, Dept. Integrative Biology, UT Austin	2018
The Lepidopterists' Society Annual Meeting	2017
Yosemite Symbiosis Workshop	2017
Tropical Microbial Ecology Symposium, Smithsonian Trop. Res. Inst. (Invited)	2016
International Congress of Entomology (Invited)	2016
10 th International <i>Heliconius</i> Meeting	2015
European Congress of Entomology (Invited)	2014
Entomological Society of America Annual Meeting	2013
High Country Lepidopterists' Meeting	2013
Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute Fellows Symposium	2011
US-Germany Fulbright Scholars Conference	2010
American Society for Microbiology General Meeting	2009

Poster Presentations

Gordon Research Conference on Animal-Microbe Symbioses	2019
Meeting of the Guild of Rocky Mountain Ecologists & Evolutionary Biologists	2017
Gordon Research Conference on Animal-Microbe Symbioses	2017
International Society for Microbial Ecology	2016
Gordon Research Conference on Plant-Herbivore Interactions	2013
International Society for Microbial Ecology	2010

Teaching Experience

Courses Taught

Principles of Ecology, CU Boulder (Sole Instructor, Summer Term)	7/2018 – 8/2018
Insect Biology, CU Boulder (Lecture Co-Instructor & Lab TA)	8/2017 – 12/2017
Microbiology, CU Boulder (Lab TA)	1/2015 – 5/2015
Introductory Organismal and Evolutionary Biology, UCSD (TA)	4/2009 – 6/2009
Introductory Molecular and Cell Biology, UCSD (TA)	9/2008 – 12/2008

Guest Lectures

Insect Declines & Conservation (Biodiversity Course, UT Austin)	9/2019
Insect-Microbe Interactions (Lepidoptera Field Course, S.W. Research Stn.)	8/2017

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Host-Microbe Symbiosis (Microbial Ecology Course, CU Boulder) 10/2016

Pedagogical Training and Recognition

Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Teaching 5/2018

Graduate coursework in Science Education Teaching & Learning 8/2017 – 12/2017

Graduate coursework in Pedagogy for Future Faculty 1/2017 – 5/2017

Undergraduate Mentees

Nickole Villabona (Universidad de los Andes) 5/2019 – Present

Isabella Le (UT Austin) 10/2018 – Present

Alexia Martin (UT Austin) 10/2018 – Present

Lady Grant (Metro State University of Denver) 5/2018 – 6/2018

Jacob Dickerson (CU Boulder) 2/2013 – 6/2016

Kristen Vaccarello (CU Boulder) 4/2015 – 1/2016

Evelyn Beaury (CU Boulder) 10/2015 – 12/2015

Service

Professional Activities

Member of working groups for diversity, equity and inclusion at CU Boulder, UT Austin

Symposium co-chair for the 2020 International Congress of Entomology

Session presider, 2019 Ecology Society of America Annual Meeting

Discussion leader, 2019 Gordon Research Seminar on Animal-Microbe Symbioses

Lead organizer for weekly Brown Bag seminar series at CU Boulder

Public Outreach

“Explore UT” campus exhibition for Texas high school students 3/2019

Talk for the Alamo Area Beekeepers’ Association Meeting 3/2019

Pollination Exhibit at the San Antonio Rodeo’s Wildlife Expo 2/2019

“Teen Science Café”, CU Boulder Nat Hist Museum 4/2018

Talk for the CU Boulder “STEMinar” series 3/2018

Evolution Outreach Family Day, CU Boulder Natural History Museum 2/2018

Public research talks for the Portal, Arizona community 8/2016, 8/2017

“Family Science Day”, CU South Denver 2/2017, 5/2017

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BioBlitz with fourth graders, Denver Museum of Nature and Science	10/2016
"Moth Mania", CU Boulder Natural History Museum	9/2014, 9/2015, 9/2016
"Mysterious Microbes" Workshop, CU Boulder / CIRES	5/2016

Peer Review

Molecular Ecology (x 5), International Society for Microbial Ecology Journal (x 3), Proceedings of the Royal Society B (x 2), Oecologia (x 2), PLoS One (x 2), Current Biology, Ecology Letters, Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B, Functional Ecology, FEMS Microbiology Ecology, Frontiers in Microbiology, Ecological Entomology, Royal Society Open Science, Environmental Microbiology Reports, Scientific Reports, Insectes Sociaux, and BMC Microbiology.

References

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