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EDUCATION

2008-2012 **PhD**, Department of Forest Science, Faculty of Forestry, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

Thesis: Genomic and phenotypic architecture of a spruce hybrid zone (*Picea sitchensis x P. glauca*). *Advisor:* Dr. Sally N. Aitken

2002-2005 MSc, Department of Biology, Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada.

Thesis: Population genetic consequences of geographic disjunction in a prairie plant species isolated on Great Lake alvars. Advisor: Dr. Christopher G. Eckert

1997-2002 **BSc Honours**, Department of Biology, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB, Canada.

Thesis: The ecology of big bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii* Vitman) in Riding Mountain National Park. *Advisor:* Dr. Richard J. Staniforth

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, Fargo, ND, USA, 2015 - present

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Evolution and Ecology, University of California, Davis, CA, USA, 2014 – 2015, *Advisor*: Dr. Johanna Schmitt

• Local adaptation across environments: teasing apart the genetic basis of complex traits in model and non-model systems

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Biology, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, 2012 – 2014, *Advisor*: Dr. Janice E. K. Cooke

- TRIA Mountain Pine Beetle System Genomics:
 - Molecular and physiological characterization of pine responses to abiotic and biotic environment
 - O Identification and characterization of genes and processes that mediate pine-fungalmountain pine beetle interactions in novel habitats
- SMarTForests:
 - o Tree breeding tools for growth and wood quality in white spruce

Research Assistant, Cereal Research Centre, Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada, Winnipeg, MB, Canada, 2005-2007, *Advisors:* Dr. Daryl Somers & Dr. Jeannie Gilbert

• Molecular breeding for disease resistance, molecular mapping, quantitative genetics and plant pathology in wheat

- **Hamilton, J.A.**, Royauté, R., Wright, J. W., Hodgskiss, P., and F. T. Ledig (2017) Genetic conservation and management of the California endemic, Torrey pine (*Pinus torreyana* Parry): implications of genetic rescue in a genetically depauperate species. *Ecology and Evolution* 7: 7370-7381.
- Janes, J. and **J. A. Hamilton** (2017) Mixing it up: the role of hybridization in forest management and conservation under climate change. *Forests* 8 (7): 237 **Special Issue on New Insights into Climate Sensitivity of Forest Growth, Health, and Disturbance: Vulnerability, Resilience, and Change
- **Hamilton, J.A.,** El Kayal, W., Hart, A.^u, Runcie, D.E., Arango-Velez, A., and J. Cooke. (2016) Teasing apart the influence of photoperiod and temperature on growth cessation and dormancy in white spruce (*Picea glauca*). *Tree Physiology* 36 (11): 1432-1448.
- Stockwell, C.A., Kinnison, M.T., Hendry, A.P. and **J.A. Hamilton** (2016) Evolutionary Restoration Ecology *in* Foundations of Restoration Ecology, edited by Falk et al., Island Press.
- **Hamilton, J.A.**, Okado, M., Korves, T. & J. Schmitt. (2016) The role of climate adaptation in colonization success in *Arabidopsis thaliana in* <u>Invasion Genetics: The Baker and Stebbins Legacy</u>, edited by Barrett et al., Wiley-Blackwell
- Cullingham, C.I., Thiessen, C., Derocher, A., Paquet, P., Miller, J., **Hamilton, J.A.,** and D. W Coltman (2016) Population structure and dispersal of wolves in the Canadian Rocky Mountains. *Journal of Mammalogy* 97 (3): 839-851.
- Miller, J. M., and **J.A. Hamilton.** (2016) Interspecies hybridization merits consideration in the conservation toolbox: response to Kovach et al. 2016. *Conservation Biology* 30: 431-433.
- **Hamilton, J.A.,** and J. M. Miller. (2016) Adaptive introgression: a resource for management and genetic conservation in a changing climate. *Conservation Biology*. 30: 33-41.
- **Hamilton, J.A.**, Okado, M., Korves, T. & J. Schmitt. (2015) The role of climate adaptation in colonization success in *Arabidopsis thaliana*. *Molecular Ecology* 24: 2253-2263.

 *** Special Issue on Invasion Genetics: the Baker and Stebbins Legacy
- **Hamilton, J.A.,** de la Torre, A., and S. N. Aitken. (2015) Introgression across a three-species spruce hybrid complex facilitates adaptation to diverse climates. *Tree Genetics and Genomes* 11:1-14.
- **Hamilton, J.A.**, Lexer, C. and S.N. Aitken (2013) Genomic and phenotypic architecture of a spruce hybrid zone (*Picea sitchensis x P. glauca*). *Molecular Ecology* 22: 827-841.

 *** Special Issue on Evolutionary Ecological Genomics
- **Hamilton, J.A.**, Lexer, C. and S.N. Aitken (2013) Differential introgression reveals candidates for selection across a spruce (*Picea sitchensis x P.* glauca) hybrid zone. *New Phytologist* 197: 927-938.

Hamilton, J.A., & S.N. Aitken. (2013) Genetics and morphology of a spruce (*Picea sitchensis x P. glauca*) hybrid zone along a precipitation gradient. *American Journal of Botany* 100 (8): 1651-1671.

Gornish, E.S., **Hamilton, J.A.**, Barberan, A., Benito, B.M., Binzer, A., DeMeester, J.E., Gruwez, R., Moreira, B., Taheri, S., Tomiolo, S., Vinagre, C., Vuarin, P., and Weaver, J. (2013) Interdisciplinary climate change collaborations are essential for early-career scientists. *EOS: Transactions of the American Geophysical Union* 94 (16): 151.

Hamilton, J.A. and C.G. Eckert (2007) Population genetic consequences of geographic disjunction: a prairie plant species isolated on Great Lakes alvars. *Molecular Ecology* 16: 1649-1660.

SUBMITTED OR IN PREP

Portlas, Z. ^u and **J.A. Hamilton** (*In Prep*) The evolution of dispersal across a discontinuous landscape

Ciotir, C., Coughlan, J., **Hamilton, J.A.**, Eckert, C.G., and J. Freeland (*In Prep*) Contrasting patterns of phylogeography in disjunct populations of three plant species in the Great Lakes region.

El Kayal, W., **Hamilton, J.A.,** Gregoris, A.S., Ju, C., Allen, C, Gros-Louis, M-C, Pelgas, B., Sylvestre, P., Isabel, N., and J. Cooke (*In Prep*) Transcript profiling reveals the molecular phenotype that distinguishes early versus late time to bud set genotypes in a white spruce full-sib family.

NON PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Hamilton, J.A. (2009) Evaluation of genetic issues *in* Guidelines for Translocation of Plant Species at Risk in British Columbia, BC Ministry of the Environment, Victoria, BC.

GRANTS

- 2017 PI: Morton Arboretum: Ground-truthing ex situ conservation collections: population genetic structure in the rare, California endemic Torrey pine (*Pinus torreyana*) (\$15,900)
- 2017 PI: USDA-NACA: Intraspecific variation and possible effects on the utility of non-crop Asteraceae (\$13,000)
- 2017 PI: NIH INBRE/NDSU Bioinformatics Seed Grant: The impact of polyploidy and hybridization in evolutionary diversification (\$24,160)
- 2017 PI: USDA-Forest Service: Incorporating a climate-based adaptation approach for post-fire reforestation cold tolerance (\$5,000)
- 2016 PI: NSF-DEB RAPID: Evolution of reproductive barriers in long-lived conifers (\$14,752)
- 2016 PI: USDA-Forest Service: Ex-situ conservation for the rare Californian endemic Torrey Pine (*Pinus torreyana* Parry) (\$21,800)
- 2016 PI: NDSU Seed Grant: Mechanisms of local adaptation in divergent environments: the impact of polyploidy and hybridization in evolutionary diversification (\$5,000)
- 2016 Pacific Rim Tonewoods Genomic ancestry of spruce in the Nass River region (\$8,000)
- 2015 NDSU Department of Biological Sciences Faculty Travel Grant (\$500)
- 2015 NDSU College of Science and Math Faculty Travel Grant (\$625)

PROFESSIONAL WORKSHOPS AND COURSES ATTENDED

- 2017-18 GatewaysND Learner-Focused STEM Instructional Cohorts, Fargo, ND (selected participant)
- 2016 National Academies Special Topics Summer Institute on Course-based Undergraduate Research Experiences, Austin, TX (selected participant)
- 2015 NGS for evolutionary biologists: from basic scripting to variant calling, Rome, Italy (selected participant)
- 2014 Evolutionary Quantitative Genetics, National Institute for Mathematical and Biological Synthesis, Knoxville, TN (selected participant)
- 2013 Instructional Strategies for Student Learning and Assessing Student Learning, Edmonton, Alberta
- 2012 Ecological Consequences of Climate Change: Integrating Research Approaches Workshop, Donana National Park, Sevilla, Spain (selected participant)
- 2011 Visiting PhD Candidate Dr. C. Lexer, University of Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland
- 2010 Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics, University of Washington Courses: Computing for Statistical Genetics, MCMC for Genetics and Plant and Animal Association Mapping
- 2004 Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics, North Carolina State University Courses: Introduction to Regression and ANOVA, Principles of Quantitative Genetics

PRESENTATIONS (*presenter, ^ggraduate student, ^uundergraduate student)

Hamilton, J.A.*, Royauté, R., Wright, J. W., Hodgskiss, P., and F. T. Ledig (2017) Genetic conservation and management of the Californian endemic, Torrey pine (*Pinus torreyana* Parry): implications of genetic rescue in a long-lived species. Presentation at the Ecological Society of America, Portland, OR.

Yoko, Z.**g, and **J. A. Hamilton** (2017) How local is local: phenological and life history differences across the range of *Geum triflorum*. Poster presentation at the Ecological Society of America, Portland, OR. 3rd place in ESA Restoration poster competition

di Santo, L.* ^g, and **J. A. Hamilton** (2017) *Ex situ* collections to complement ongoing efforts for Torrey pine conservation. Presentation at the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara, CA.

Stadel, T. J.*^u, and **J. A. Hamilton** (2016) The importance of local adaptation in restoration: phenotypic variation between disjunct alvar and prairie populations of *Geum triflorum* in a common environment. Presentation at North American Congress in Conservation Biology, Madison, WI.

Hamilton, J.A.*, Wright, J. W. & F. T. Ledig (2016) Genetic conservation and management of the Californian endemic, Torrey pine (*Pinus torreyana* Parry). Presentation at North American Congress in Conservation Biology, Madison, WI.

- **Hamilton, J.A.***, Wright, J. W. & F. T. Ledig (2016) Genetic conservation and management of the Californian endemic, Torrey pine (*Pinus torreyana* Parry). Presentation at Gene Conservation of Tree Species: Banking on the Future, Chicago, IL.
- **Hamilton, J.A.***, Runcie, D., Anacker, B., Korves, T. & J. Schmitt (2015) Testing the climate pre-adaptation hypothesis: a proof of concept using *Arabidopsis thaliana*. Presentation at CSEE, Saskatoon, SK
- Hart, A.*^u, **Hamilton, J.A.**, El Kayal, W., & J. Cooke (2015) Cellular level changes that occur during white spruce growth cessation dormancy acquisition. Presentation at Botany, Edmonton, AB
- **Hamilton, J.A.** (2014) Planting the forests of the future: lessons from provenance trials. Presentation at Tahoe Forest Genetics Workshop, Tahoe, CA. **Invited Speaker**
- **Hamilton, J.A.***, El Kayal, W., Arango-Velez, A., & J. Cooke (2014) Environmental cues under climate change: teasing apart the influence of photoperiod and temperature during the development of dormancy in spruce (*Picea glauca*). Presentation at Ecological Society of America, Sacramento, CA, USA.
- **Hamilton, J.A.*** & S.N. Aitken (2013) Broad- and fine-scale genetic structure of a spruce (*Picea sitchensis x P. glauca*) hybrid zone spanning a climatic gradient. Presentation at Forest Genetics 2013, Whistler, BC, Canada.
- Cooke, J.*, El Kayal, W., **Hamilton, J.A**., Gregoris, A., Pelgas, B., Carles, S., and N. Isabel (2013) Apical bud formation and dormancy acquisition in white spruce. Presentation at Plant Dormancy Symposium, Auckland, New Zealand.
- Adriana Arango-Velez, **Hamilton, J.A.***, El Kayal W., Meents, M., Royko, D., & J. Cooke (2013) Fine-scale transcriptome reconfiguration in response to a climate-induced stress: testing the naïve host hypothesis. Poster presentation at IUFRO Tree Biotechnology, Asheville, NC, USA.
- Cooke, J.*, Arango, A., Cullingham, C., Meents, M., **Hamilton, J.A.**, Copeland, C., Dang, S., Boychuk, S., El Kayal, W., Galindo, L., & Coltman, D. W. (2013) Fighting the good fight: Factors affecting pine defenses against mountain pine beetle at the leading edge of the outbreak. Presentation at Plant & Animal Genome XXI, San Diego, CA.
- Ciotir, C.*, Coughlan, J., **Hamilton, J.A.**, Eckert, C.G. & J. Freeland (2013) Contrasting patterns of phylogeography in disjunct populations of four plant species in Ontario highlight the relevance of genetic novelty to conservation assessments. Presentation at Canadian Society of Ecology and Evolution, Kelowna, BC.
- **Hamilton, J.A.***, Lexer, C. & S.N. Aitken (2012) Differential introgression reveals candidates for selection across a spruce hybrid zone (*Picea sitchensis x P. glauca*). Presentation at 1st Joint Congress on Evolutionary Biology 2012, Ottawa, ON

Hamilton, J.A. (2012) Genomic and phenotypic architecture of a spruce hybrid zone (*Picea sitchensis x P. glauca*). Presentation at the University of British Columbia, Department of Forest Sciences seminar series, Vancouver, BC

Hamilton, J.A.*, Lexer, C. & S.N. Aitken (2011) Genomic architecture of reproductive isolation and species differences in a spruce hybrid zone (*Picea sitchensis* x *P. glauca*). Presentation at Canadian Society of Ecology and Evolution, Banff, AB**

**Featured special symposium "Genetics of Speciation and Evolution" (McNiven et al. 2011, *Molecular Ecology*, 20:5119-5122)

Hamilton, J.A.* & S.N. Aitken (2010) Sitka-white spruce (*Picea sitchensis x P.glauca*) hybrids as tools for investigating adaptation to climate. Poster presented at Evolution, Portland, Oregon, USA

Aitken, S.N.*, Lobo, N., **Hamilton, J.A**., de la Torre, A., & J.A. Holliday. (2010) Distribution of genetic variation relevant to adaptation to local climate across different geographic and taxonomic scales in *Picea*. Presentation at EvolTree, Madrid, Spain.

Hamilton, J.A.* & C.G. Eckert (2006) Population genetic consequences of geographic disjunction: a prairie plant species isolated on Great Lakes alvars. Poster presented at the Manitoba Association of Plant Biologists, Winnipeg, MB.

Hamilton, J.A.* & C.G. Eckert (2005) Conservation implications of geographic disjunction in a widespread prairie species isolated on Great Lakes alvars. Presentation at the Ontario Ecology & Ethology Colloquium, Ottawa, ON.

Hamilton, J.A. (2004) Conservation genetics of disjunct populations: genetic diversity in the allohexaploid, *Geum triflorum*. Presentation at Queen's University, Ecology Evolution & Behaviour seminar series. Kingston, ON.

Hamilton, J.A. (2002) The ecology of *Andropogon gerardii* (big bluestem) in Riding Mountain National Park. Presented at the Prairie University Biological Symposium, Calgary, AB.

INVITED SEMINARS

CPB/CBA Western Regional Meeting, Winnipeg, MB (2017) *Keynote speaker*

Minnesota Phenology Network Annual Meeting, Itasca, MN (2017) *Keynote speaker*

Torrey Pines State Reserve, La Jolla, CA (2017)

Torrey Pines Golf Course, La Jolla, CA (2017)

Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ (2017)

US Fish & Wildlife Service – Advanced Topics in Conservation Genetics Webinar (2016)

USGS Northern Prairie Research Station, Jamestown, ND (2016)

University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg, MB, Canada (2016)

Nature Conservancy of Canada – Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada (2016)

Pacific Rim Tonewoods, Bellingham, WA (2016)

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN (2016)

Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara, CA (2016)

North Dakota State University – ECS Greenbag Seminar (2016)

University of Minnesota – Duluth, MN (2015)

Northern Central Research Station USDA Forest Service – Grand Rapids, MN (2015)

University of California – Davis, CA (2015)

California State University, Sacramento, CA (2014)

North Dakota State University, ND (2014)

University of California - Merced, CA (2014)

University of Lethbridge, AB, Canada (2014)

University of Alberta, AB, Canada (2014)

University of Winnipeg, MB, Canada (2012)

University of British Columbia, BC, Canada (2012)

University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada (2011)

University of Fribourg, Fribourg, Switzerland (2011)

AWARDS (*All awards in Canadian funds, unless otherwise noted)

2016	Annual Alumnus Speaker Award – The University of Winnipeg
2016	Jim Pojar Award from the Bulkley Valley Research Centre (Nominated)
2011	Canadian Society for Ecology and Evolution Travel Award (\$500)
2011	UBC Four Year Doctoral Fellowship (\$16,000)
2010	Scholarship to Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics (\$1200*)
2010	2010 Faculty of Forestry Research Poster Event (\$100)
2010	UBC Four Year Doctoral Fellowship (\$16,000 – declined)
2008-2011	UBC Forestry Strategic Recruitment Fellowship (\$16,000)
2008-2010	NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship (\$105,000)
2005	Queen's Graduate Student Bursary (\$3,000)
2005	Queen's Conference Travel Award (\$400)
2004	Scholarship to Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics (\$800*)
2002-2004	Queen's Graduate Award (\$12,000)
2003	Queen's Graduate Student Bursary (\$2,800)
1997	Florence D. Methereal Scholarship (\$1,000)
1997	Public Works Employees Scholarship (\$350)
1997	University of Winnipeg Entrance Scholarship (\$800)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Professor	
General Ecology (North Dakota State University)	2017
Environment and Adaptation (North Dakota State University)	2016
Plant Physiology (North Dakota State University)	2016-2017
Genetic Analysis of Populations (University of Alberta – co-taught)	2014
Teaching Assistant	
Forest Plant Biology I & II (University of British Columbia)	2008-2010
Population and Evolutionary Ecology (Queen's University)	2003-2005
Plant Reproduction Biology Field Course (Queen's University)	2004
Introductory Biology of Organisms (Queen's University)	2003-2005
Conservation Biology (Queen's University)	2002-2003
Mendelian and Molecular Genetics (Queen's University)	2002-2003
Laboratory Demonstrator	
Principles of Ecology (University of Winnipeg)	2000-2002
Biology of Vascular Plants (University of Winnipeg)	2001-2002
Invited Guest Lecturer	

Conservation Biology (North Dakota State University)	2015
Population Biology Core (University of California – Davis)	2015
Plant Ecology (University of Alberta)	2013
Genetic Analysis of Populations (University of Alberta)	2013
Conservation Biology (Queen's University)	2004

SUPERVISORY EXPERIENCE

Graduate Students

Lionel Di Santo (PhD) 2016 – present Zebadiah Yoko (MS) 2017 - present

Undergraduate Students

Tyler Stadel 2015 - 2016

Aidan Resh 2015 - 2016

Andy Fuchs 2016 - 2017

Marissa Spear 2016 - 2017

Zoe Portlas 2015 - 2017

Alexis Pearson 2015 – 2017

Stephen Johnson 2016 – present

Zach Tarble 2016 – present

Liberty Nguyen 2017 - present

Mercedes Hoffner 2017 - present

Kalli-Jo Olson 2017 - present

Storm Nies 2017 - present

Samuel Hyland 2017 - present

Committee Member

Lauren Frazee (PhD - Rutgers, Ecology & Evolution)

Maria Gabriela Tobar Pinon (MS - NDSU, Plant Sciences)

Meredith Swanson (MS - NDSU, Plant Sciences)

Carlos Federico Velasquez Villegas (MS - NDSU, Plant Sciences)

MEDIA COVERAGE

- 2017 Sierra: Iconic and almost extinct (https://sierraclub.org/sierra/iconic-and-almost-extinct)
- 2017 The Spectrum: The trees they need a savin' (http://ndsuspectrum.com/trees-need-savin/)
- 2017 NDSU research helping save rare, iconic trees (https://www.ndsu.edu/news/view/detail/30166/)
- 2017 Minnesota Phenology Network Citizen Science Opportunity (http://mailchi.mp/c9ee5282c08d/c8b9i9aq3m)
- 2016 Prairie Public Radio NPR Wood for High End Guitars (http://www.prairiepublic.org/radio/mainstreet?post=68474)
- 2016 KVRR Morning News Live (http://www.kvrr.com/news/local-news/Using-Genetics-To-Make-The-Perfect-Guitar/42402662)
- 2016 NDSU scientist uses genetics to identify wood for high-end guitars (https://www.ndsu.edu/news/banner_stories/jillhamilton/)
- 2014 Interview on "The Modern Forest" blog (www.blogs.ubc.ca/aitkenlab)
- 2011 Profiled in Canadian Women in Science and Engineering Prairies (www.cwse-prairies.ca)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2017 present Associate Editor Plant Ecology and Diversity
- 2017 present NDSU Environment and Conservation Steering Committee
- 2017 present Dakota Women in Conservation
- 2017 present Co-Organizer: Behaviour Ecology & Evolution Research Seminars
- 2017 present Ecological Society of America: Restoration Ecology
- 2016 2017 NDSU Biological Sciences Seminar Series (Organizer)
- 2016 NSF Panelist
- 2015 present NDSU Conservation Biology Curriculum Committee
- 2015 present NDSU Biological Sciences Faculty Affairs Committee
- 2012-2014 Biology Postdoctoral Representative Departmental Council, University of Alberta
- Judge R.E. Peter Biology Conference 2013, PDF Research Day 2012, CSEE 2012 and 2015
- 2012 Undergraduate Diversity Mentoring Society of Evolutionary Biology
- Manuscript Review: Tree Genetics and Genomes (4), Molecular Ecology (6), New Phytologist (4), Global Change Biology (1), Functional Ecology (1), Journal of Evolutionary Biology (1), Journal of Applied Ecology (1), Heredity (2), Plant Biology (3), Ecology and Evolution (2), Restoration Ecology (1), Journal of Biogeography (1), Plant Genome (1), American Journal of Botany (3), Plant Species Biology (1), Silvae Genetica (1), PLoSONE (1), Acta Biologica Cracoviensia Series Botanica (1), Scientific Reviews (1), G3: Genes, Genomes, Genetics (1), Biology Letters (1)
- Ad hoc reviewer: NSF Plant Genome Research Program, NSF Division of Environmental Biology, NSF IOS - Integrative Ecological Physiology, Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, North American Congress in Conservation Biology Abstracts, AgreenSkills+ Fellowships (France)
- 2014 Top Reviewer for Molecular Ecology
- Memberships: Society for Conservation Biology, Canadian Society of Ecology and Evolution, Society for the Study of Evolution, Ecological Society of America, American Society of Naturalists, Manitoba Association of Plant Biologists