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Education

University of California, Berkeley

2013 - Current

PhD student, Department of Integrative Biology
(Advisors: Prof. Charles Marshall & Prof. Rosemary Gillespie)

Imperial College London

2012 - 2013

Masters of Research (MRes) in Biodiversity Informatics and Genomics (*Distinction*)

Thesis: Ecology rather than evolutionary relatedness predicts species invasiveness in the British flora (Supervisors: Prof. Vincent Savolainen, Prof. Mick Crawley FRS)

2009 - 2012

Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Zoology (*1st Class Hons.*)

Thesis: Spatial scale and the community phylogenetic patterns of Silwood Park plant and invertebrate communities (Supervisors: Prof. Andy Purvis, Dr. Will Pearse)

Awards, Scholarships, Grants

2014	Margaret C. Walker Grant for Systematic Entomology Integrative Biology Summer Research Grant, University of California, Berkeley
2013	Training and Travel Grant, British Ecological Society James Mill Pierce Fellowship, Harvard University (not taken up) Silwood Colours Award, Silwood Park Students' Union
2012	Imperial College London, Department of Life Sciences Convener's Prize (Population and Community Ecology): Awarded to top student of course Convener's Prize (Conservation and Biodiversity Field Course) Governor's Prize for Biology: Awarded to student with greatest overall merit Masters Student Bursary Rector's Scholarship Fund Scholarship
2006	Hongkong Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) / National Youth Achievement Award - Youth Environmental Award

Publications

- Marshall, C.R., **Lim, J.Y.** & Quental, T. (in prep) The effect of island ontogeny on macroevolutionary dynamics: A case study using the Hawaiian archipelago

- **Lim, J.Y.**, Mittelach, G. & Fine, P.V.A (submitted; *Glob. Ecol. Biog.*) The latitudinal gradient in the impact of herbivores on plant fitness
- **Lim, J.Y.**, Pearse, W. Luckett, K., Suttle, K.B. & Purvis, A. (in revision; *Oikos*) Spatial scale and the community phylogenetic patterns of Silwood Park plant and invertebrate communities
- Rominger, A.J.* , Goodman, K.R.* , **Lim, J.Y.***, Valdovinos, F.S.* , Armstrong, E., Bennett, G.M., Brewer, M.S., Cotoras, D.D., Ewing, C.P., Harte, J., Martinez, N., O'Grady, P., Percy, D., Price, D., Roderick, G.K., Shaw, K., Gruner, D.S. & Gillespie, R.G. (resubmitted; *Glob. Ecol. Biog.*) Community assembly on isolated islands: Macroecology meets evolution.
- **Lim, J.**, Crawley, M.J., De Vere, N., Rich, T. & Savolainen, V. (2014) A phylogenetic analysis of the British flora sheds light on the evolutionary and ecological factors driving plant invasions, *Ecology and Evolution*, [PDF].

* = Equal contribution

Teaching

Graduate Student Instructor, Integrative Biology, UC Berkeley, 2014

Origins: From the Big Bang to the Emergence of Humans (C13)

Teaching assistant, Imperial College London, 2012

Plant sampling techniques and community assembly processes, *Ecology and Evolution Field Course, BSc Biology*

Tutor, National Junior College, 2008 - 2009

Taught a wide range of topics including basic molecular and cell biology, ecology, biochemistry and systematics

Research experience

- 2013 **Graduate student researcher**, CalBug Project
 Essig Museum of Entomology, UC Berkeley
 Developing programs to reconcile and implementing quality control on crowd-source transcriptions from Calbug (<http://calbug.berkeley.edu/>), as part of the Notes from Nature project (www.notesfromnature.org)
 Developing novel programs for reconciling crowd-sourced transcriptions
 Building programming pipelines for quality control and assurance of crowd-sourced data into Essig museum's databases
- 2011 **Research assistant**, Coleoptera phylogenetics and systematics
 Natural History Museum, London
 12-week research assistantship working with Prof. Alfried Vogler & Dr. Martijn Timmermans
 Responsible for the handling, annotation, editing, sequence alignment and phylogenetic inference of large mitochondrial genome sequence datasets
- 2011 **Research assistant**, Behavioural ecology
 Imperial College London
 Research assistantship with Dr. Hannah Peck and Dr. Alex Lord
 Helped analyze video-capture data on native species behaviour at bird feeders in the presence of invasive parakeets
- 2010 **Research assistant**, Tropical field biology

Operation Wallaceae, Buton Island, Indonesia
4-week research assistantship with various researchers in the tropical and montane forests of Pulau Buton, Sulawesi, Indonesia
Involved in bat ecological surveys (e.g., harp trapping), bird censuses (e.g., point transects) and fig wasps surveys

Skills

- Extensive knowledge of the R environment and its use in phylogenetic and statistical analyses.
- Experienced with various methods of phylogenetic inference and date estimation.
- Self-taught programming in Python (completed an online edX course by MITx)
- Proficient in the management of relational databases such as MySQL
- Experience in molecular biology and sequencing techniques (e.g., cycle sequencing, PCR, DNA extraction)
- Trained in GIS and its use in software such as ArcGIS, but also in R
- Trained in programming in C.
- Experienced with various plant, invertebrate, bird, bat sampling and survey techniques (e.g., plant survey techniques, point transects, mist trapping, harp trapping)

Membership of Professional Bodies

Ecological Society of America, Member

International Biogeography Society, Member

British Ecological Society, Member

Sigma-Xi, Member

Conferences

Oral Presentations

- 2013 *Calbug: Digitizing California's arthropod collection - Reconciling crowd-sourced transcriptions*, iDigBio CITSCcribe Hackathon, Gainesville, Florida
Spatial scale and community phylogenetic patterns of Silwood plant and ground invertebrate communities, INTECOL, British Ecological Society, London
- 2009 *Climate change and the Icelandic glaciers, and other personal experiences*, Invited keynote speaker, HSBC / NYAA Youth Environmental Award Prize Ceremony
- 2005 *The importance of tropical forests*, Invited keynote speaker, Nanyang Girls School, Singapore

Posters

- 2014 *Evolutionary relatedness does not predict species invasiveness in the British flora*, ESA 2014, Sacramento, California
- 2013 *How does spatial scale affect community phylogenetic patterns?*, INTECOL, British Ecological Society, London

Workshops

- 2014 Hierarchical Bayesian Modelling, ESA 2014
- 2013 iDigBio CITSCcribe Hackathon, Gainesville, Florida

2012

GIS in R, University of Sheffield
C for Science, Silwood Park
The R Course, Silwood Park

Public Outreach

2014

Cal Day: Fun with fossils, UC Berkeley