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Education

- Doctor of Philosophy, University of Queensland, School of Biological Sciences. 2018-Present.
- Master of Science, Biological Oceanography, University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez, Department of Marine Sciences (UPRM-DMS). Degree awarded: January 2017. GPA 3.63/4.0.
- Bachelor of Science, Marine Biology, Minor in Psychology, Roger Williams University (RWU). Degree awarded: May 2013. GPA 3.25/4.0.
- Study Abroad, Bermuda Institute of Ocean Sciences, Classwork and Independent Research. Fall 2011.

Publications

- **Hammerman NM**, Rivera-Vicens RE, Galaska MP, Weil E, Appeldoorn RS, Alfaro M, Schizas NV (2017). Population connectivity of the plating coral, *Agaricia lamarcki* from southwest Puerto Rico. *Coral Reefs* 37, 183-191.
- Garcia-Hernandez JE, **Hammerman NM**, Cruz-Motta JJ, Schizas NV (2017). Endobiotic fauna inhabiting the calcareous sponge *Clathrina* sp. in southwest Puerto Rico. *Caribbean Journal of Science*. In press.
- **Hammerman NM**, Garcia-Hernandez JE (2016). The sponge *Xestospongia muta* offers shelter to the stony coral *Madracis auretenra* (Northwest Puerto Rico). *Marine Biodiversity* 47, 57-58.

Papers in Review

- Veglia AJ, **Hammerman NM**, Rivera- Rosaly CR, Lucas M, Galindo- Estronza A, Corgosinho PH, Schizas NV (2018). Characterizing population structure of coral-associated fauna from mesophotic and shallow habitats in the Caribbean. *Journal of the Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom*.

Papers in Preparation

- Species distributions along shallow and mesophotic habitats on the Guánica (Puerto Rico) continental shelf-edge.
- Monitoring the recovery of *Acropora cervicornis* and *A. prolifera* in the La Parguera Natural Reserve, southwest Puerto Rico.
- De novo transcriptome assembly of the mesophotic plating coral *Agaricia lamarcki* from Puerto Rico.

Presentations

- **Hammerman NM**, Rivera-Vicens RE, Galaska MP, Weil E, Appeldoorn RS, Alfaro M, Schizas NV. Population connectivity of the plating coral, *Agaricia lamarcki* from southwest Puerto Rico. UPRM-DMS Student Research Symposium, September 10, 2016, Mayagüez, Puerto Rico (talk)
- **Hammerman NM**, Rivera-Vicens RE, Weil E, Appeldoorn RS, Alfaro M, Schizas NV. Population structure of the coral, *Agaricia lamarcki* from SW Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands. The 13th International Coral Reef Symposium (ICRS), June 19-24, 2016, Honolulu, Hawaii (poster)
- **Hammerman NM**, Schizas NV, Weil E. Population connectivity of *Agaricia lamarcki* from mesophotic and shallow reefs between Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. *Evolution*, June 25-31, 2015, Guarujá, Brazil, (poster)
- **Hammerman NM**, Wysor B. DNA barcoding reveals increases in *Codium* (Ulvophyceae: Bryopsidales)

species richness for Caribbean and Pacific Panama. RWU Academic Showcase, May 20, 2013, Bristol, Rhode Island (talk)

- **Hammerman NM**, Wysor B. DNA barcoding reveals increases in *Codium* (Ulvophyceae: Bryopsidales) species richness for Caribbean and Pacific Panama. New England Algal Symposium, April 22-24, 2013, Mystic, Connecticut (talk)

Grants, Awards and Funding

- UQ Research Training Scholarship, 2018-2022
- Travel Grant for 2016 Evolution Programming Workshop, Leipzig, Germany
- Society of Systematic Biologists Travel Grant for 2015 Evolution Conference, Guarujá, Brazil
- UPRM-DMS Research Assistantship, Fall 2014 to Fall 2016
- UPRM SeaGrant CEED (PD-313), Fall 2014, Fall 2015 and Spring 2016
- RWU Achievement Scholarship, Fall 2009 to Spring 2013

Activities and Certifications

- Attended 2016 Evolution Programming Workshop, Leipzig, Germany
- Attended 2015 GBS-RADSeq Workshop, UPRM-DMS
- PADI Divemaster/Nitrox and AAUS Certified SCUBA Diver
- US Coast Guard certified boat operator
- UPRM-DMS small boat operator and Eco Tour Guide
- President of UPRM-DMS student body, Fall 2014- Fall 2016
- Organized the 2015 UPRM-DMS Student Research Symposium
- Organized the 2014 and 2015 UPRM-DMS Marine Science Days

Academic Referees

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