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## EDUCATION

### Griffith University

Ph.D. (Thesis submission by 20<sup>th</sup> of March, 2023)

- Thesis: What makes blue jellyfish, blue? Investigating endogenous and exogenous drivers of colour variation in jellyfish

### Universidade de São Paulo

M.Sc., Zoology 2018

- Dissertation: Delimitation and description of cryptic species: lessons from the systematics of *Aurelia* (Cnidaria, Scyphozoa)

### Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina

B.Sc., Biological Sciences (Honours) and Teaching Degree 2016

- Honours: Ecological succession of the benthic sessile community in harbour regions on the coast of Santa Catarina, Brazil

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Lawley JW, Gamero-Mora E, Maronna MM, Chiaverano LM, Stampar SN, Hopcroft RR, Collins AG, Morandini AC. 2022. Morphology is not always useful for diagnosis, and that's ok: Species hypotheses should not be bound to a class of data. Reply to Brown and Gibbons. *South African Journal of Science* 118(9/10): 1-3. doi:[10.17159/sajs.2022/14495](https://doi.org/10.17159/sajs.2022/14495)

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Lawley JW, Gamero-Mora E, Maronna MM, Chiaverano LM, Stampar SN, Hopcroft RR, Collins AG, Morandini AC. 2021. The importance of molecular characters when morphological variability hinders diagnosability: systematics of the moon jellyfish genus *Aurelia* (Cnidaria: Scyphozoa). *PeerJ* 9:e11954. doi:[10.7717/peerj.11954](https://doi.org/10.7717/peerj.11954)

Miglietta MP, Piraino S, Pruski S, Alpizar Gonzalez M, Castellanos-Iglesias S, Jeronimo-Aguilar S, Lawley JW, Maggioni D, Martell L, Matsumoto Y, Moncada A, Nagale P, Phongphattarawat S, Sheridan C, Soto Angel JJ, Sukhoputova A, Collin R. 2018. An integrative identification guide to the Hydrozoa (Cnidaria) of Bocas del Toro, Panama. *Neotropical Biodiversity* 4(1): 102–112. doi:[10.1080/23766808.2018.1488656](https://doi.org/10.1080/23766808.2018.1488656)

Lawley JW, Fonseca AC, Faria Júnior E, Lindner A. 2018. Occurrence of the non-indigenous brittle star *Ophiothela* cf. *mirabilis* Verrill, 1867 (Echinodermata, Ophiuroidea) in natural and anthropogenic habitats off Santa Catarina, Brazil. *Check List* 14(2): 453-459. doi:[10.15560/14.2.453](https://doi.org/10.15560/14.2.453)

Lawley JW, Faria Júnior E. 2018. First record of association between *Tamoya haplonema* (Cnidaria: Cubozoa) and stromateid fish, with a review on interactions between fish and cubozoan jellyfishes. *Plankton and Benthos Research* 13: 32-38. doi:[10.3800/pbr.13.32](https://doi.org/10.3800/pbr.13.32)

Lawley JW, Ames CL, Bentlage B, Yanagihara A, Goodwill R, Kayal E, Hurwitz K, Collins AG. 2016. Box jellyfish *Alatina alata* has a circumtropical distribution. *Biological Bulletin* 231(2):152-169. doi:[10.1086/690095](https://doi.org/10.1086/690095)

Lindner A (ed.), Oliveira AFS, Freire AS, Batista AA, Gregoletto BF, Girardis BW, Faria Júnior E, Longo GO, Lawley JW, Fontoura L, Santos MEA, et al.. 2014. Vida Marinha de Santa Catarina. Editora da UFSC 1<sup>st</sup> ed. 128 p. (2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 2016). ISBN:[978-85-328-0780-9](https://doi.org/978-85-328-0780-9)

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## WORKING PAPERS

Pigments in jellyfish (Cnidaria, Medusozoa) with Jamileh Javidpour, Anthony R. Carroll, Carmel McDougall and Kylie A. Pitt

Wnt-mediated morphogenesis is involved in rhizostomin pigment expression with Kylie A. Pitt, Anthony R. Carroll and Carmel McDougall

Macroevolutionary trends in Acraspeda (Cnidaria: Medusozoa) cnidae with Maximiliano M. Maronna (first author) et al.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Australian Marine Sciences Association Evolution	2022, 2021
Biodiversity Genomics	2020
International Conference for Young Marine Researchers	2020
International Jellyfish Bloom Symposium	2019, 2013
International Cassiopea Workshop	2018
Brazilian Zoology Conference	2018
Brazilian Marine Biology Conference	2013, 2011
Brazilian Genetics Conference	2012
Latin American Marine Sciences Conference	2011

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Systematics (and taxonomy), morphological variation and speciation, molecular biology, omics, bioinformatics, biogeography, macroevolution

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Top-Ten Marine Species (WoRMS)	2021
3MT Competition – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place (Griffith Sciences)	2021
Young Science Ambassador Award (Wonder of Science)	2020
Griffith University Postgraduate Research Scholarships	2019
Research Internship Abroad Fellowship (FAPESP – Brazil)	2017
Masters Research Fellowship (FAPESP – Brazil)	2016

Science Without Borders Fellowship (CNPq – Brazil)	2014
Honours Research Fellowship (CNPq – Brazil)	2013

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Griffith University

#### Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to Marine Science 2022, 2021, 2020
- Ecology 2020
- Zoology 2020
- Biological Systems 2022, 2021, 2020
- Marine Conservation and Resource Management 2019

### Universidade de São Paulo

#### Instructor

- Summer Course in Zoology 2018, 2017  
Systematics and Diversity of Medusozoa, Historical Biogeography, Introduction to Biostatistics, Introduction to Phylogenetic Systematics, Molecular Biology Applied to Zoology

#### Teaching Assistant

- Principles of Systematics and Biogeography 2017

### Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina

#### Teaching Assistant

- Invertebrate Zoology I 2013
- Biostatistics 2013
- Community Ecology 2012

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Field and laboratory experiments (animal collection and husbandry, measurement and monitoring of coastal and oceanographic features); Analytical chemistry procedures (protein extraction, purification and sequencing); Molecular biology techniques (DNA and RNA extractions, library preparation and sequencing); Bioinformatics and statistical computing (R, Python, Bash, Git and High Performance Computing); GIS (QGIS, ArcGIS and R)

## CERTIFICATIONS

### PADI

- Open Water Scuba Instructor 2015
- Nitrox Instructor 2015

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Universidade Federal de Santa Catarina – MAArE Project

- **Research Support:** Environmental monitoring of benthic exotic and invasive species (2015-2016)

## **Operation Wallacea**

- **Marine Survey Leader:** Engaging high school and university students in seagrass monitoring in the Greek Islands (2016)

### **SERVICE**

#### **Event Organisation**

- Summer Course in Zoology, Universidade de São Paulo (2017, 2018)
- Australian Marine Sciences Association Conference (2023)

#### **Conference Session Organisation**

- The next generation is here: genomic approaches in marine science - International Conference for Young Marine Researchers (2020)

#### **Departmental Service**

- HDR Student Representative, Griffith University Australian Rivers Institute (2020)
- Committee Member, Australian Marine Sciences Association - South East Queensland Branch (2020-2022)

#### **Reviewer**

*Thalassas: An International Journal of Marine Sciences, Annals of the Brazilian Academy of Sciences, Zootaxa, Marine Biodiversity*

### **AFFILIATIONS**

International Association for Biological Oceanography, Global Invertebrate Genomics Alliance, Australian Marine Sciences Association, Taxonomy Australia

### **REFERENCES**

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