

Kevin M. Bakker

Curriculum Vitae

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infectious diseases, environmental drivers, spatiotemporal population dynamics, statistical inference, mathematical modeling, seasonality, and immunization

Education and Appointments

- 2020–present **Assistant Research Scientist**, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI, Department of Epidemiology.
- 2018–2020 **NIH F32 Research Fellow**, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI, Department of Statistics.
- 2017–2018 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW, Glasgow, Scotland, Institute of Biodiversity, Animal Health and Comparative Medicine.
- 2013–2017 **Ph.D.**, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery & Engineering Certificate.
- 2012–2014 **Master of Science**, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.
- 2005–2006 **Bachelor of Science**, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, Zoology.
- 2000–2004 **Bachelor of Science**, MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, Human Biology.

Publications *In Prep or Submitted*

- [9] **Kevin M Bakker**. “Comparing VZV transmission and reactivation dynamics under multiple vaccination regimes” (available upon request)
- [8] **Kevin M Bakker**, Marisa E Eisenberg, Robert Woods, and Micaela E Martinez. “Seasonal transmission and viral reactivation: a case study of chickenpox & shingles”. (available upon request)
- [7] Abigail Collingwood and **Kevin M Bakker**. “Spatiotemporal dynamics of scrub typhus in Thailand from 2003-2018” (available upon request, ^Bakker lab member)

Refereed Publications

- [6] M Brock Fenton, Daniel G Streicker, Paul A Racey, Merlin D Tuttle, Rodrigo A Medellin, Mark J Daley, Sergio Recuenco, and **Kevin M Bakker**. “Knowledge gaps about rabies transmission from vampire bats to humans”. In: *Nature Ecology & Evolution* (2020), pp. 1–2.
- [5] **Kevin M Bakker**, Tonie E Rocke, Jorge E Osorio, Rachel C Abbott, Carlos Tello, Jorge E Carrera, William Valderrama, Carlos Shiva, Nestor Falcon, and Daniel G Streicker. “Fluorescent biomarkers demonstrate prospects for spreadable vaccines to control disease transmission in wild bats”. In: *Nature Ecology & Evolution* (2019), pp. 1–8.
- [4] **Kevin M Bakker**, Micaela Elvira Martinez-Bakker, Barbara Helm, and Tyler J Stevenson. “Digital epidemiology reveals global childhood disease seasonality and the effects of immunization”. In: *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 113.24 (2016), pp. 6689–6694.

- [3] *Micaela Martinez-Bakker, ***Kevin M Bakker**, Aaron A King, and Pejman Rohani. "Human Birth Seasonality: Latitudinal Gradient and Interplay with Childhood Disease Dynamics". In: *Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences* 281.1783 (2014), *Co-first authors.
- [2] Laura Alonso-Sáez, Alison S Waller, Daniel R Mende, **Kevin Bakker**, Hanna Farnelid, Patricia L Yager, Connie Lovejoy, Jean-Éric Tremblay, Marianne Potvin, Friederike Heinrich, et al. "Role for urea in nitrification by polar marine Archaea". In: *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 109.44 (2012), pp. 17989–17994.
- [1] Jean-François Ghiglione, Pierre E Galand, Thomas Pommier, Carlos Pedrós-Alió, Elizabeth W Maas, **Kevin Bakker**, Stefan Bertilson, David L Kirchman, Connie Lovejoy, Patricia L Yager, et al. "Pole-to-pole biogeography of surface and deep marine bacterial communities". In: *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 109.43 (2012), pp. 17633–17638.

Unrefereed Publications

- 2018 **'Tis the Season for Conception**, *The Conversation*, Micaela Martinez and **Kevin M Bakker**.
- 2013 **The Chukchi Sea**, *Biomes and Ecosystems: An Encyclopedia*, Salem Press, ed: Robert Warren Howarth.

Active Grants

- 2020 **\$202,645** Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
- 2020–2025 **\$6,000** University of Michigan Data Acquisition for Data Science
- 2020–2022 **\$85,000** University of Michigan Post Translational Scholars Program
- 2016–2019 **\$4,500** University of Michigan, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Grant (3 awards)

Previous Grants & Fellowships Awarded

- 2019–2020 **\$3,009** XSEDE Supercomputer Startup Funding (2 awards)
- 2018–2020 **\$184,818** NIH National Research Service Award F32AI134016
- 2016–2017 **\$47,400** University of Michigan Rackham Predoctoral Fellowship
- 2014–2017 **\$10,775** University of Michigan Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Grants (7 awards)
- 2013–2017 **\$9,250** University of Michigan Rackham Grants (6 awards)
- 2015 **\$4,000** University of Michigan, Michigan Institute for Computational Discovery and Engineering Fellowship
- 2015 **\$1,350** University of Washington Summer Institute in Statistics and Modeling in Infectious Diseases Summer Institute Grant

Media (hyperlinks)

- Fox News
- Slate Magazine
- LiveScience – Birth Seas
- LiveScience – Digital Epi
- Business Insider
- MedPageToday
- UMich – Biogeography
- Science
- The Pharmaceutical Journal
- AAAS Radio
- ResearchGate News
- ABC News
- Medical Economics
- UMich – Birth Seasonality
- Discovery News
- Boston Globe
- New Scientist
- Michigan Radio
- The Express
- UMich – Digital Epi
- UMich – Vampire Bats
- Digital Trends
- Medical Daily
- Daily Mail
- NBC News
- The Scotsman
- Photonics
- Freethink

National and International Conference Presentations

- 2020 **Bakker, K.M.** and D. Streicker. Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases. Montpellier, France *Cancelled - COVID-19*
- 2019 **Bakker, K.M.** and D. Streicker. Ecological Society of America. Louisville, KY
- 2017 **Bakker, K.M.** and M. Martinez. Jacques Monod: Open Questions in Disease Ecology and Evolution: From Basic Research to Evolutionary Medicine. Roscoff, France
- 2017 **Bakker, K.M.** and D. Streicker. Ecological Society of America. Portland, OR
- 2017 **Bakker, K.M.** and M. Martinez. Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases. Santa Barbara, CA
- 2016 **Bakker, K.M.**, M. Martinez-Bakker, B. Helm, and T.J. Stephenson. Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases. Ithaca, NY
- 2015 **Bakker, K.M.**, M. Martinez-Bakker, B. Helm, and T.J. Stephenson. British Ecological Society. Edinburgh, Scotland
- 2015 **Bakker, K.M.** and M. Pascual. Ecological Society of America. Baltimore, MD
- 2014 **Bakker, K.M.** and P. Rohani. Ecological Society of America. Sacramento, CA
- 2014 **Bakker, K.M.** and P. Rohani. Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases. Fort Collins, CO
- 2013 **Bakker, K.M.**, Martinez-Bakker, M., King, A.A., and P. Rohani. Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases. State College, PA

Invited Talks

- 2020 (*upcoming*) Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology. Berlin, Germany
- 2020 Epidemiology department, School of Public Health. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2019 MAC-EPID Workshop meeting, School of Public Health. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2019 School of Mathematics and Statistics. Glasgow, Scotland
- 2018 Complex Systems networks group. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2017 Disease ecology and wild immunology. Glasgow, Scotland
- 2017 Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology seminar speaker. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2016 Odum School of Ecology. Athens, GA
- 2015 Institute for Disease Modeling. Seattle, WA

Local and Other Presentations

- 2016 **Bakker, K.M.** *pomp* in R, a tutorial. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2016 **Bakker, K.M.**, M. Martinez-Bakker, B. Helm, and T.J. Stevenson. Michigan Institute of Computational Discovery and Engineering. Ann Arbor, MI

- 2016 **Bakker, K.M.** Modeling Infectious Diseases Across Scales. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2015 **Bakker, K.M.** and M. Pascual. Computational discovery in complex systems biology. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2015 **Bakker, K.M.**, E. Ionides, M. Eisenberg, and M. Pascual. Early career scientist symposium. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2014 **Bakker, K.M.** Student evaluation seminar talk. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2014 **Bakker, K.M.** 5 minute speed talk — recruitment weekend. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2014 **Bakker, K.M.** 5 minute speed talk — departmental seminar. Ann Arbor, MI
- 2014 **Bakker, K.M.** Theory group seminar talk. Ann Arbor, MI

Students Mentored

- 2018-2021 Clare Dougherty, Lab manager, independent study, UROP
- 2020-2021 Lior Latimer, UROP
- 2020-2021 Reiden Magdaleno, UROP
- 2020-2021 Samantha Schrodell, UROP
- 2020-2021 Ella McKenzie, UROP
- 2020-2021 Jillian Terrell, UROP
- 2020-2021 Xiazi Yuan, UROP
- 2019-2020 Abigail Collingwood, Masters Capstone
- 2019-2020 Juliette Kaplan, UROP
- 2019-2020 Cerys Rogers, UROP
- 2019-2020 Mahir Piyarali, UROP
- 2019 Erica Fossee, UROP
- 2018-2019 Victoria Minka, UROP, Independent study
- 2016-2019 Alyah Chmiel, Independent study, Lab manager
- 2016, 2019 Lauren Rollins, Independent study
- 2018 Ariana Mitchum, MRADS
- 2016-2018 Logan Austin, Independent study
- 2016-2017 Nathan Warriner, UROP & Independent study
- 2016-2017 Madeleine Schmitter, UROP
- 2016-2017 Molly Stachurski, UROP
- 2016 Aidan O'Connor, Independent study
- 2015 Emilia Iglesias, Independent study
- 2014 Tabea Schatz, Volunteer

Research Experience

- 09/2020–present **University of Michigan**, SARS-CoV-2 wastewater monitoring, COVID-19 immune response.
- 05/2018–08/2020 **University of Michigan**, Semi-transmissible vaccines, *panelPomp*, *spatPomp*, optical character recognition software.
- 09/2017–04/2018 **University of Glasgow**, Wildlife disease modeling, transferable vaccines, model validation with serological data.
- 12/2010–08/2017 **University of Michigan**, Disease modeling, statistical methods, and *pomp* (Partially observed Markov Process) model fitting with extensive coding experience with R, C++, and \LaTeX .

- 08/2007–10/2010 **University of Georgia**, Set up and ran CARD-MAR-FISH and DNA sequencing labs, 650+ hours on Fluorescent microscope, trained in PCR, qPCR, DNA extraction, and other microbial and molecular lab techniques.
- 07/2008 **Uppsala University, Sweden**, Learned MAR-FISH technique to identify bacterial activity and community structure.
- 05/2008–06/2008 **Interdisciplinary sea ice research course (MSL 695) in Barrow, Alaska**, Intensive course on data analysis and collection involving fieldwork, volunteered for an additional week to collect genetic samples of Ringed Seals.
- 11/2007–01/2008 & 11/2008–01/2009 **Antarctic research cruises aboard the Swedish Icebreaker Oden**, Research focus on the Southern Oceans bacterial community structure, collected organic matter through for DOM/POM analysis, DNA samples filtered for later extraction and 454 sequencing, respiration bottles filled for CO2 analysis, MAR-CARD-FISH samples produced from separate filtration process.
- 05/2006 **Bahamas summer study**, Marine fish, coral, and invertebrate identification/physiology, studied the behavior, reproduction, competition and feeding of marine organisms, sea urchin research project on the inverse relationship between test size and population density.
- 05/2005 **Ecology Lab–Kellogg Biological Station**, Research orientated course revolving around planning and implementing field experiments and conducting data analyses.
- 12/2005–01/2006 **Antarctic research cruise aboard the Russian Icebreaker M/S Orlova**, Southern Ocean circulation, chemistry, food webs, and organism interactions, research project on human interactions and their impact on the environment.
- 05/2003–06/2003 **Belize summer study**, Tropical and marine ecology, research project outlining human impact on the coastal ecosystem.

Service, Outreach, & Workshops

- 08/2015–12/2015 **University of Michigan**, Graduate Student Mentor: Mentored six new graduate student instructors.
- 08/2015 **Ecological Society of America**, Served as ESA student mentor for disease ecology.
- 07/2015 **University of Washington**, Summer Institute in Statistics and Modeling Infectious Disease (SISMID): Simulation based inference for epidemiological dynamics and spatial statistics.
- 07/2015 **Chumakov Institute of Poliomyelitis (Moscow, Russia)**, Visit, data collection, and developing collaborations with Russian polio researchers.
- 03/2015 **Dewitt Middle School (Dewitt, MI)**, Science outreach for 240 students via interactive learning on the scientific method, global demography, and disease ecology.
- 08/2014–07/2015 **University of Michigan**, President - Graduate students in Ecology & Evolutionary Biology (GREEBS). Activities included: organization of coffee-match, advanced R workshop, grad hacks workshop, and Professional development workshops with Robert Woods, Elizabeth Pringle, and Chelsea Wood.
- 04/2014 - 08/2014 **University of Michigan**, Coded all models from *Modeling Infectious Diseases* (ISBN: 9780691116174) in R programming language.
- 05/2014 **University of Michigan**, Qualifying exams preparation meeting, lead organizer, and speaker.
- 01/2012–06/2012 **University of Michigan**, Event Leader, 10th annual Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Disease conference and workshop.

Professional Societies

- 2015–present **British Ecological Society**.
- 2010–present **Ecological Society of America**.
- 2009–present **American Geophysical Union**.