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Education

- **PhD in Genetics** - 2013, Texas A&M University
- **MS in Botany** - 1997, Amravati University, India

Publications & Manuscripts

20. Fitzpatrick MC, **Chhatre VE**, Soolanayakanahally R, Keller SR (2021) Experimental support for genomic prediction of climate maladaptation using the machine learning approach Gradient Forests. **Molecular Ecology Resources**:21(8): 2749–2765 <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/1755-0998.13374> [**34 Citations**]
19. Fay S, Fay DS, **Chhatre VE** (2021) CRISPRcruncher: A Tool for Engineering Restriction Sites into Coding Regions. **MicroPublications Biology**. doi: <https://doi.org/10.17912/micropub.biology.000343>; **Software**: <https://crisprcruncher.io>. [**2 Citations**]
18. Yusifov A, **Chhatre VE**, Bruns DR *et al* (2021) Transcriptomic analysis of cardiac gene expression across the life course in male and female mice. *Physiological Reports*, 9, e14940. <https://doi.org/10.14814/phy2.14940> [**4 Citations**]
17. Yusifov A, **Chhatre VE**, Bruns DR *et al* (2021) Cardiac response to adrenergic stress differs by sex and across the lifespan. *GeroScience* 43: 1799–1813. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11357-021-00345-x> [**7 Citations**]
16. **Chhatre VE** (2020) Some Modest and Practical Advice for Undergraduate Researchers. **Bulletin of the Ecological Society of America**: Section on *Undergraduate Education*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/bes2.1745>. **Among top 10 most downloaded articles in this journal during 2019–2020.**
15. Gougherty AV, **Chhatre VE**, Fitzpatrick MC, Keller SR (2020). Contemporary Range Positions Predict the Range-Wide Pattern of Genetic Diversity in Balsam Poplar (*Populus balsamifera* L.). **Journal of Biogeography**; 00:1–12. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1111/jbi.13811> [**11 Citations**].
14. **Chhatre VE**, Fetter KC, Gougherty AV, Fitzpatrick MC, Soolanayakanahally RY, Zelesny RS Jr., Keller SR (2021). Climatic Niche Predicts the Landscape Structure of Locally Adaptive Standing Genetic Variation. *BiorXiv Preprint* dated October 24, 2019; <https://doi.org/10.1101/817411>. [**11 citations**]; Under revision at *Nature Communications Biology*.
13. **Forest Health and Biotechnology: Possibilities and Considerations**. National Academy of Sciences Consensus Report; Published January 8, 2019. The National Academies Press doi: <https://doi.org/10.17226/25221>. [**Downloads: ~4400, 36 Citations**].

12. **Chhatre VE**, Evans LM, DiFazio S, Keller SR (2018) Adaptive Introgression and Maintenance of a Trispecies Hybrid Complex in Range-Edge Populations of *Populus*. *Molecular Ecology* 27(23):4820–4838 <https://doi.org/10.1111/mec.14820>. | **[52 Citations]**
 - **Also see:** News & Views Perspectives article in *Molecular Ecology* highlighting this paper: Cronk & Suarez-Gonzalez, 2019 <https://doi.org/10.1111/mec.14927>
11. Keller SR, **Chhatre VE**, Fitzpatrick MC (2017) Influence of Range Position on Locally Adaptive Gene-Environment Associations in *Populus* Flowering Time Genes. *Journal of Heredity* (10.1093/jhered/esx098) (Sp. Issue: Local Adaptation) **[20 Citations]**.
10. **Chhatre VE** and Emerson, KJ. StrAuto: Automation and Parallelization of STRUCTURE Analysis. *BMC Bioinformatics* (2017) 18:192. (10.1186/s12859-017-1593-0) **[145 Citations]**.
9. Kazyak DC, Hilderbrand RH, King TL, Keller SR & **Chhatre VE** (2016) Hiding in Plain Sight: A Case for Cryptic Metapopulations in Brook Trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*). *PLoS ONE* 11(1): e0146295 (10.1371/journal.pone.0146295) **[21 Citations]**.
8. Westbrook JW* & **Chhatre VE*** et al. (2015) A consensus genetic map of *Pinus taeda* and *Pinus elliottii* and the extent of linkage disequilibrium in two genotype-phenotype discovery populations of *Pinus taeda*. *G3: Genes, Genomes and Genetics* 5(8):1685-1694. (10.1534/g3.115.019588)
 - * Joint first authors. **[36 Citations]**
7. **Chhatre VE** and Rajora OP (2014). Genetic divergence and signatures of natural selection in marginal populations of a keystone, long-lived conifer eastern white pine (*Pinus strobus* L.) from northern Ontario. *PLoS ONE* 9(5): e97291 (10.1371/journal.pone.0097291) **[35 Citations]**
6. **Chhatre VE**, Byram TD, Neale DB, Wegrzyn JL and Krutovsky KV (2013). Genetic structure and association mapping of adaptive and selective traits in East Texas loblolly pine (*Pinus taeda* L.) breeding populations. *Tree Genetics & Genomes* (10.1007/s11295-013-0624-x) **[50 citations]**
5. Grogan, K, **Chhatre VE** and Abbot P (2010). The cost of conflict in aphid societies. *Journal of Evolutionary Biology* 23(1): 185–193. (10.1111/j.1420-9101.2009.01892.x) **[7 citations]**
4. **Chhatre VE**, Morales MA and Abbot P (2009). Isolation and characterization of nine microsatellite loci in an ant-tended treehopper *Publilia concava*. *Molecular Ecology Resources* 9: 1185–1188. (10.1111/j.1755-0998.2009.02598.x)
3. Abbot P and **Chhatre VE** (2007). Kin structure provides no explanation for intruders in social aphids. *Molecular Ecology* 16(17): 3659–3670. (10.1111/j.1365-294X.2007.03404.x) **[14 citations]**
2. Wang X-R, **Chhatre VE**, Nilsson M-C, Song W, Zackrisson O and Szmidt AE (2003). Island population structure of Norway spruce (*Picea abies* L.) Karst. in northern Sweden. *International Journal of Plant Sciences* 164(5): 711–717. (10.1086/376811) **[21 citations]**

Computational Expertise

- **Scientific:** R, Python, population genomics tools and nextgen sequencing tools
- **Reproducibility & Publishing:** Git & GitHub, RMarkdown, L^AT_EX
- **Authorship** – **StrAuto v1.0** - Automation and Parallelization of STRUCTURE analysis. <https://strauto.popgen.org>. **[145 Citations]**.
- **Authorship** – **Distruct v2.3** - Modified Admixture Plotting Script (2018). Available from <http://distruct2.popgen.org>.

Teaching & Mentoring

Guest Instructor: University of Wyoming (Spring 2021–23)

MOLB-5700: Professional skills for Biomedical Researchers

Teaching 3 modules in using the R environment for data analysis, publication quality figures and reproducibility. <https://wyoibc.github.io/r4grads>

Primary Co-Instructor: University of Wyoming (Fall 2016–19)

MOLB-4485/5485 - Computers in Biology <http://molb4485.uwyo.online>

Undergrad Research Mentor

- **Samuel Fay, Sophomore – U Michigan, Major: Computer Sci:** Development of analytical tools in population genomics and molecular biology. Summer & Fall 2020.
- **Benjamin Romanjenko, Junior UG:** Bioinformatics tools for analysis of next generation sequencing data. (Wyoming Research Scholar 2019–20, Wyoming INBRE Summer Fellow 2019)
- **Cailin Deiter, B.S.:** Search for transcriptomic signatures of novel pathogens (**Currently:** Professional Research Assistant at Barbara-Davis Pediatrics Center, University of Colorado, Denver.)
- **Jelard Aquino, B.S.:** Analysis of RNAseq data (McNair Scholar, Fellowship with Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama; **Currently:** Bioinformatics PhD Student with Mira Han group at UNLV)
- **Asia Williams, B.S.:** Using R to analyze national immunization data (**Currently:** Dentistry Program at University of Iowa.

Primary Instructor: University of Vermont

PBIO104 - Plant Physiology – Spring 2016

Service

- **Advisory Board Member:** Advance Research Computing Center, Univ. Wyoming: 2022–
- **National Academy of Sciences Study Committee Member 2017–18:** “The Potential for Biotechnology to Address Forest Health”. <https://nas-sites.org/dels/studies/forest-biotech/>.
- **Graduate Advisory Committees**
 1. Jelard Aquino, Bioinformatics PhD Program, University of Nevada
 2. Aykhan Yusifov, Molecular Biology PhD Program, University of Wyoming
- **Grant Reviewer:** Reviewed grant application for CESAB (Center for the Synthesis & Analysis of Biodiversity, France) August 2018
- **Peer Reviewer:** Annals of Botany, Molecular Ecology, Evolutionary Applications, Nature Communications Biology, Heredity, New Phytologist, American Journal of Botany, Biological Invasions, BMC Genetics, BMC Genomics, BMC EVOB, PLoS ONE, Tree Genetics & Genomes, Frontiers of Plant Science, Frontiers of Genetics.
- **Moderator since 2010:** STRUCTURE software mailing list (<http://goo.gl/gKaB3C>).

Professional Appointments & Experience

9. **Research Geneticist, United States Forest Service** – Beginning Feb 2023.
8. **Senior Research Scientist, Wyoming INBRE Data Science Core** – June 2016 to Jan 2023.
Increase awareness of bioinformatics tools and high performance computing. Provide research and teaching support to statewide community.
7. **Postdoctoral Research, University of Vermont** – August 2014 - May 2016.
Population genomics of adaptation and introgressive hybridization in *Populus*.
6. **Postdoctoral Research, Appalachian Laboratory, UMCES**, March to July, 2014
Range-wide climate adaptation of balsam poplar
5. **Postdoctoral Research, USDA Forest Service, Saucier, MS**, Summer 2012 – Spring 2014
Construction of an integrated reference linkage map in *Pinus taeda* L.
4. **Doctoral Research, Texas A&M University**, Fall 2009 – Spring 2013
Population structure and association genetics of *Pinus taeda* L. from East Texas
Landscape genomics: Correlation of environmental variables with SNP variation in *Pinus taeda* L.
3. **Vanderbilt University**, Summer 2004 – Summer 2009
Ecology and evolution of gall-forming social aphids, Abbot Lab (4 years)
Zebrafish developmental genetics, Solnica-Krezel Lab (1 year)
2. **Dalhousie University**, Fall 2001 – Spring 2004
Central-marginal hypothesis testing with microsatellite genetic variation, Signatures of natural selection and genetic divergence in marginal populations of *Pinus strobus* L.
1. **Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Umeå**, Fall 2000 – Summer 2001
Island population establishment and genetic structure of *Picea abies* (L.) Karst. in northern Sweden
0. **Institute of Forest Genetics & Tree Breeding, India**, 1998 – 2000
Genetic diversity in Teak (*Tectona grandis* L.) from peninsular India

Selected Talks, Posters & Workshops

17. **Chhatre VE** (2022). Reproducible Data Science for Biologists - A Workshop at University of Wyoming. May-August, 2022. <https://ibc.uwoyonline/rds>.
16. **Chhatre VE** & Harrington, S. (2022) R Programming Language for Data Analysis and Publishing. 3 Modules in Graduate Course on Development of Skills for Biomedical Researchers. University of Wyoming, Spring 2022.
15. **Chhatre VE** & Harrington, S. (2021) Population Genomics Workshop, University of Wyoming. Fall 2021.
14. **Chhatre VE** 2020 & 2021. Wyoming INBRE Summer of Code – A Virtual Annual Summer Workshop Focussing on Learning Tools for Reproducible Data Analysis and Publishing. May through August. Latest website: <https://wyoibc.github.io/soc2021>

13. **Chhatre VE** 2020. Climate Change and the Health of North American Forests. Invited Sheridan Science Museum Lecture, Sheridan, Wyoming. December 9, 2020.
12. **Chhatre VE** 2020. Introduction to R Environment & Data Wrangling: Workshop for community college faculty and students in Wyoming, University of Wyoming, Casper. January 31 & February 1. <https://github.com/cryptic0/introR>.
11. **Chhatre VE**, Blouin NA 2019. Reproducible Methods in Research and Teaching: A Hands-On workshop delivered at the IDEa Western Regional Meeting, Las Vegas Nevada, USA on October 7, 2019.
10. **Chhatre VE**, Fetter KC & Keller SR *et al* 2018. Is standing genetic variation for local adaptation concentrated in rear edge populations? A test of range limit theory in *Populus balsamifera*. Selected talk at the Joint Evolution Societies Meeting, Montpellier France August 2018.
9. **Chhatre VE** & Blouin NA 2017. Data Visualization in R. A Workshop at IDEA/NIH Western Regional Meeting, Jackson Wyoming October 18, 2017.
8. **Chhatre VE** & Blouin N. 2017. Bioinformatics Data Analysis Workshop, July 17-18, University of Wyoming at Casper
7. **Chhatre VE** 2017 The Genomics Revolution. **Invited Public Lecture**, Science Museum, Sheridan College, Wyoming. April 5, 2017.
6. **Chhatre VE** & Blouin N 2017 Data analysis and visualization in R: Phenological onset of spring. Workshop on bioinformatics, Sheridan College, Wyoming. April 4, 2017.
5. **Chhatre VE** & **Blouin N** 2016 A workshop on introduction to linux and phylogenetic data analysis for undergraduates. University of Wyoming. June 14, 2016.
4. **Chhatre VE**: A bioinformatics workshop on introduction to Unix and NGS data analysis. January 12, 2016. University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY.
3. **Chhatre VE**, Fetter KC, Fitzpatrick MC, Keller SR (2015) Are rear edge populations a concern for climate mitigation? Harnessing genome scans for understanding climate adaptation in range-wide populations of a widely-distributed boreal tree *Populus balsamifera* **Invited Talk**: Ecological Society of America, Baltimore MD. August 12, SYMP10: Genetics and Climate Change.
2. **Chhatre VE**, Fitzpatrick M, Keller SR (2015). Understanding Climate Adaptation through Genome-Wide Patterns of Differentiation and Local Selection in *Populus balsamifera*. How Important Are Peripheral Populations? **Invited Talk**: Plant & Animal Genome XXIII, January 10, 2015.
1. **Chhatre VE**, Resende, M.F. Jr., Muñoz, P., Peter, G.F., Davis, J.M., Kirst, M., Echt, C.S., Krutovsky, K.V. and Nelson, CD (2013). An integrated linkage map of loblolly pine and its application in QTL mapping in a multi-parent, pedigree-structured population. Forest Tree Workshop, Plant & Animal Genome Conference XXI, Jan. 12–16, 2013, San Diego, CA. **Invited Talk**