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Areas of expertise



Research

Experience

Microbially-Mediated
Plant Invasion in the
Galapagos

2016

Creation of Research Cluster
Galapagos

Biological Remediation of
Explosive Residues

2013

Soil symbionts as filters & the
environmental consequences:
Mycorrhizal Fungi in the
Galapagos
Islands, Ecuador

2009

Functional Links Between
Aboveground Changes And
Belowground Activity With
Land Use In The Americas: Soil
Biodiversity And Food Security.
Acronym: AMFOODS -IAI CRN
II-014

2007

Arbuscular
Mycorrhizal Fungi
in Agricultural
Fields in Ecuador

2001



Junior Scientist
Assistant Professor

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Teaching &
Research Assistant
EEB Grad Student
Indiana University
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Co-Pi Ecuador
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Areas of interest:

- Skills:
New ways of knowledge production and decision-making: Transdisciplinary Research:
 - Building a Research Agenda for Conservation and Sustainability.
 - Science Clusters
- Research question:
How local communities of soil symbionts lead the distribution and abundance of key plant species; how this knowledge could influence the management of farmland and natural areas conservation? **Which science based evidences are useful to determine effective interventions to guide policy and practice?**

Awards

2007
Faculty Development
Scholarship
Fulbright – Laspau,
Ecuador

2016
Junior Scientist 2016
Matilde Hidalgo Award
Secretaria Nacional de Educación Superior,
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