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Aplysina aerophoba (Nardo, 1833), surface detail.
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If people continue to inform Christine Schönberg of changes (corrections, new arrivals, changes of circumstances or leaving sponge sciences), this list can be updated and published once per year, creating an overview over time that will show the evolution of the community of sponge scientists over time. Christine is listed below and will also post her address change via PoriferaList (JISCMail) if applicable.

Entries in black: Active sponge scientists, who have confirmed their entries in this list or were entered by their supervisors. People are listed here regardless of the percentage of time spent working on sponges (although by far most stated that they work 100% of their time on sponges) and regardless of their career status (data include amateurs, students, early to late career sponge workers and active retirees).

Entries in grey: People who did not update their data within 5 years or people who are not presently actively contributing to sponge science, but would like to stay connected. See last column for comments.

Problematic information is displayed in **red**.

To provide a measure of currentness, **the last column** states when displayed information was entered/updated or last checked. People who do not provide updates within 5 years of that date will be assumed as inactive in sponge science and thereafter listed in grey or deleted from the list.

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Count	Last name	First name	Middle name(s)	Research interest	Postal address	Email	Internet	Information entered or checked in year/further information
1	Abdul Wahab	Muhammad	Azmi	Ecology, population dynamics, growth, reproduction, larval behaviours and settlement, systematics, environmental factors	Australian Institute of Marine Science, Darwin, AUSTRALIA	muhammad.abdulwahab@my.jcu.edu.au; m.abdulwahab@aims.gov.au	https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=Wi7aRugAAAAJ&hl=en ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Muhammad_Azmi_Abdul_Wahab ; https://au.linkedin.com/pub/muhammad-abdul-wahab/8a/9b0/421	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
2	Abed-Navandi	Daniel	-	Sponge captive maintenance, propagation, ecology	Haus des Meeres Aquarium Vienna and University Vienna, Dpt. Marine Biology, 1060 Vienna, AUSTRIA	daniel.abed@haus-des-meeres.at	www.haus-des-meeres.at	Dec. 2019
3	Achlatis	Michelle	-	Sponge bioerosion, physiological response of <i>Cliona</i> sponges to climate change, symbiosis in sponges	California Academy of Sciences, 55 Music Concourse Drive, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, CA 94118, USA	machlatis@calacademy.org	NA	Dec. 2019
4	Afoullouss	Sam	-	Chemistry of deep-sea sponges	School of Chemistry and Zoology, NUI Galway, IRELAND	S.AFOULLOUSS1@nuigalway.ie	NA	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate; entered by Olivier Thomas
5	Ahmed	Mohamed	Abdelghany	Marine ecology and taxonomy, sponge diversity, mapping marine habitats in the Red Sea	Red Sea Marine Parks, B.O. box 363, Hurghada, EGYPT	mabdelghany@hotmail.com	NA	Feb. 2021
6	Akpiri	Rachael	Ununuma	Genotoxicity, biomonitoring, environmental assessment	School of Biosciences, College of Life and Environmental Sciences, University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2TT, UK	RUA337@student.bham.ac.uk	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Rachael_Akpiri https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Rachael_Akpiri	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, email no longer works
7	Almeida	Danilo	Souza	Homoscleromorpha taxonomy	Museu Nacional, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, São Cristóvão, Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	dan.saaff@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/5166470549250592	Dec. 2020; PhD candidate finishing master's degree this year. Actually I'm working with Homoscleromorpha integrative taxonomy, with emphasis in the Genus <i>Plakortis</i> and <i>Plakinastrella</i> . In my PhD I plan to study the Family Plakinidae phylogeny based on molecular and morphological characters.
8	Alvarez de Glasby	Belinda	-	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges, Si cycling	Oceans Institute of the University of Western Australia, Australian Institute of Marine Science and CSIRO, Fairway Entry 4, Crawley, WA 6009, AUSTRALIA	Belinda.glasby@gmail.com; belinda.alvarez_de_glasby@biol.lu.se	http://portal.research.lu.se/portal/en/persons/belinda-alvarez-de-glasby(9ac670e6-f029-492e-a6b4-ac8e61e65c7b).html ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=yVyJ-OoAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Belinda_Alvarez-de-Glasby	Nov. 2017; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
9	Araya	Juan	Francisco	Hexactinellida, taxonomy and systematics	Departamento de Investigación y Postgrado, Universidad de Atacama, Copayapu 485, Copiapó, Región de Atacama, CHILE	jfaraya@u.uchile.cl	https://www.flickr.com/people/drilus/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Juan-Francisco_Araya ; https://atacama.academia.edu/JuanFranciscoAraya	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
10	Archer	Stephanie	-	Ecology, sponge-primary producer interactions, ecosystem services	Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium (LUMCON), 8124 Highway 56, Chauvin LA 70344, USA	sarcher@lumcon.edu; skraftarcher@gmail.com	http://www.stephaniekarcher.com ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=pSv8vDwAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Stephanie_Archer3	Jan. 2021; Assistant Professor

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11	Arpad	David	-	Sponge bioerosion, Paleogene and Neogene <i>Entobia</i> isp., fossil spicules	H-3300, Eger, Faiskola u. 6, HUNGARY	coralga@yahoo.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Arpad_David	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
12	Ascer	Liv	-	Sponge physiology	Laboratório de Biologia Celular de Invertebrados Marinhos, Universidade de São Paulo, São Paulo, BRAZIL	liv.ascer@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2019; PhD candidate with Marcio Custódio
13	Ashok	Arathy	Mol	Coral reef sponges, distribution, abundance, ecology, taxonomy	Suganthi Devadason Marine Research Institute (SDMRI), 44 Beach Road, Tuticorin, INDIA	arathyashok63@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Arathy_Ashok	Dec. 2018; PhD candidate
14	Azevedo	Fernanda	-	Systematics and biogeography of Calcarea, integrative taxonomy of Calcarea & Demospongiae, biodiversity, macroecology and conservation in the Western Atlantic	Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Biology Institute, 373, Av. Carlos Chagas Filho, 21941-902, Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	nandaporifera@gmail.com	https://instagram.com/biogeomar?igshid=1g9bhy27c83nc ; https://www.facebook.com/pg/Programa-Biogeomar-123580252376847/about/?ref=page_internal	Mar. 2020; Environmental Analyst (Apice-Petrobras); Coordinator of the BioGeoMar Program (Boticario Foundation); collaborating Researcher/Professor (UFRJ)
15	Bakran-Petricioli	Tatjana	-	Biodiversity and ecology of Porifera in the Adriatic Sea (in general, but especially in marine caves)	University of Zagreb, Faculty of Science, Department of Biology, Rooseveltov trg 6, HR-10000 Zagreb, CROATIA	tatjana.bakran-petricioli@zg.t-com.hr; tbakran@biol.pmf.hr	http://www.pmf.unizg.hr/biol/tatjana.bakran-petricioli ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Tatjana_Bakran-Petricioli ; https://scholar.google.hr/citations?user=suJC_CkAAAJ&hl=hr ; http://bib.irb.hr/lista-radova?autor=164976	Dec. 2019; Associate Professor (Marine Biology, Marine Ecology)
16	Bannister	Raymond	-	Salmon farming, environmental protection	Environment Tasmania, AUSTRALIA	raymond.bannister@imr.no	NA	No contact since 2016; location ascertained through word-of mouth, but email no longer works; does not sound as if Ray is working on sponges now
17	Baquiran	Jake	Ivan Perez	Sponge-microbe symbiosis and effect of global change to sponge holobiont using molecular techniques and bioinformatics	Marine Science Institute, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City 1101, PHILIPPINES	jbbaquiran@up.edu.ph	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jake_Ivan_Baquiran2	Dec. 2018
18	Battershill	Chris	-	Ecology, taxonomy, biodiversity, conservation, environmental effects	School of Science, University of Waikato, Tauranga 3110, NEW ZEALAND	cbatters@waikato.ac.nz	http://www.waikato.ac.nz/eri/about/people/cbatters ; http://www.waikato.ac.nz/research/expertise/staff/ChrisBattershill.shtml	No contact since 2015; details may not all be accurate anymore, but email confirmed via the Waikato University webpage: https://www.waikato.ac.nz/staff-profiles/people/cbatters
19	Bayer	Kristina	-	Sponge microbe associations	GEOMAR Helmholtz-Zentrum für Ozeanforschung Kiel, RU Marine Symbioses, Hohenbergstr. 2, 24105 Kiel, GERMANY	kbayer@geomar.de	http://www.geomar.de/en/staff/fb3/ms/kbayer/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Kristina_Bayer ; http://scholar.google.de/citations?user=EBPrz2gAAAJ&hl=de&oi=ao	Dec. 2019
20	Becerro	Mikel	A.	Benthic ecology, biotic interactions, biodiversity, conservation, resilience	Center for Advanced Studies (CEAB-CSIC), Acc Cala S Francesc 14, 17300 Blanes (Girona), SPAIN	mikel.becerro@csic.es	www.thebiteslab.com	Jan. 2020. Senior Researcher. He moved away from sponge science to a broader marine biodiversity focus, but still interested in sponges
21	Beepat	Sandeep	Shivram	Ecology, distribution, Porifera systematics, macro and microbial association of sponges, physiology, impacts of climate change and proteomics	School of Biological Sciences, Victoria University of Wellington, NEW ZEALAND	sann_1205@hotmail.com	http://uom.academia.edu/SandeepBeepat or https://mu.linkedin.com/pub/sandeep-beepat/39/171/543	Dec. 2020; PhD candidate

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22	Behringer	Donald	-	Sponge ecology, sponge community restoration and ecology	University of Florida, Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, 7922 NW 71st Street, Gainesville, FL 32653, USA	behringer@ufl.edu	behringerlab.com	Dec. 2019
23	Bell	James	J.	Ecology, molecular ecology, conservation, climate change impacts	Victoria University of Wellington, School of Biological Sciences, Po Box 600, Wellington, NEW ZEALAND	james.bell@vuw.ac.nz	http://www.victoria.ac.nz/sbs/research/marine-biology-research/sponge-marine-ecology/	Confirmed by Christine Schönberg Feb. 2021 on University webpage: https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/search?q=bell
24	Bell Colin	Lori	J.	Biogeography of Indo-Pacific sponges, Palau	Coral Reef Research Foundation, PO Box 1765, PW 96940, PALAU	crrfpalau@gmail.com	http://coralreefpalau.org	Jan. 2018; Coral Reef Research Foundation's (CRRF) sponge collection (5,000 specimens) from the tropical Indo-Pacific is now held at Calif. Academy of Sciences. Splendid Sponges of Palau V.1 is online: http://coralreefpalau.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Splendid-Sponges-of-Palau.pdf
25	Ben Mustapha	Karim	-	Marine ecology, sponge diversity, taxonomy, remote sensing, mapping marine habitats	28 rue 2 mars 1934. INSTM, Salammbou. 2025 Tunis, TUNISIA	Karim.benmustapha@instm.rnrt.tn; kbmtok@yahoo.com.au	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Karim_Ben_Mustapha2	Dec. 2019
26	Beresi	Matilde	Sylvia	Palaeontology, taxonomy, paleoecology, paleoenvironments, Cambrian, Ordovician, Paleozoic	IANIGLA, CCT CONICET Mendoza, Avda. A.Ruiz Leal s/n 5500 Mendoza, ARGENTINA	mberesi@mendoza-conicet.gob.ar	http://www.mendoza-conicet.gov.ar/institutos ; http://www.mendoza-conicet.gov.ar/portal/ianigla/paginas/index/paleontologia ; http://personal.mendoza-conicet.gov.ar/mberesi/ ; http://personal.mendoza-conicet.gov.ar/mberesi/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Matilde_Beresi ; https://www.linkedin.com/profile/edit?trk=spm_pio	Feb. 2021
27	Berman	Jade	-	Biogeography, ecology and physiology of sponges, in particular in relation to conservation and management, Antarctic sponges	Ulster Wildlife, McClelland House, 10 Heron Road, Belfast, BT3 9LE, Northern Ireland, UK	jadeberman@hotmail.com	https://uk.linkedin.com/in/jade-berman-04007833	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
28	Bertolino	Marco	-	Morphology, taxonomy, ecology, fossil and ancient sponge communities, siliceous sponge spicules dissolution	Università degli Studi di Genova, Dipartimento di Scienze della Terra dell'Ambiente e della Vita (DISTAV), C.so Europa, 26, 16132 Genova, ITALY	marco.bertolino75@gmail.com; marco.bertolino@edu.unige.it	https://scholar.google.co.uk/citations?hl=it&user=KRYmJ98AAAAA ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Marco_Bertolino ; https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=it.pineggiando.app&hl=it	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
29	Berumen	Michael	-	Reef ecology, movement ecology, biodiversity, connectivity; main interest: fishes	Red Sea Research Center, Building 2, Office 3221, King Abdullah University of Science and Technology, Thuwal, 23955, SAUDI ARABIA	michael.berumen@kaust.edu.sa	http://reefecology.kaust.edu.sa ; http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=rCoZB0sAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Michael_Berumen2	Dec. 2019
30	Biggs	Brendan	C.	Tropical sponge ecology, environmental assessment	Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Water Resource Management, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, FL 32399, USA	Brendan.Biggs@DEP.State.FL.US	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Brendan_Biggs ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/brendan-biggs-09aa8069	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate

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31	Bispo	André	-	Integrative taxonomy and molecular systematics of sponges (mainly Haplosclerida)	Museu Nacional - Depto. Invertebrados, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, 20940-040, Rio de Janeiro, RJ - BRAZIL	afelipebispo@gmail.com	http://scholar.google.com.br/citations?user=Z1fu-74AAAAAJ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Andre_Bispo ; http://www.researcherid.com/rid/A-2155-2014 ; http://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.url?authorid=56089220500	Dec. 2019
32	Bond	Calhoun	-	Morphology, development, behavior, ecology	Greensboro College, 815 W. Market St., Greensboro, NC 27401 USA	bondc@greensboro.edu	https://calbond.greensboro.edu	Nov. 2017; Sponge motility and locomotion: its role in development & morphogenesis, behavior & ecology
33	Botting	Joseph	P.	Early phylogeny and evolution, based on the fossil record	Chatsworth, Spa Road, Llandrindod LD1 5EY, UK; also affiliated to the Nanjing Institute of Geology and Palaeontology, CHINA and to Amgueddfa Cymru - National Museum Wales UK	acutipuerilis@yahoo.co.uk	http://scholar.google.co.uk/citations?user=9bH8QUAAAAJ&hl=en	Dec. 2019; Independent Scientist/Amateur
34	Boury-Esnault	Nicole	-	Phylogeny, evolution, systematics, database, distribution, integrative taxonomy	Université Aix-Marseille, CNRS-IMBE, Station marine d'Endoume rue de la Batterie des Lions, 13007-Marseille, FRANCE	nicole.boury-esnault@orange.fr	NA	Jan. 2017; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
35	Brago	José	Feliciano	Natural products chemistry, bioactivity	Institute of Chemistry (IQ), Universidade de Brasília (UnB), Brasília, DF, 70297-400, BRAZIL	josbrang@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/4569220072493357 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jose_Brago_anegas	Jan. 2020; worked on sponges as a graduate student, currently not active in the sponge world but would like to stay connected
36	Buaruang	Jamrearn	-	Sponge-derived fungi, biodiversity of sponges	Division of Environmental Science, Faculty of Science Ramkhamhaeng University Huamark, Bangkok 10240, THAILAND	jbuaruang@ru.ac.th; jbuaruang@ru.mail.go.th	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jamrearn_Buaruang2	Dec. 2019
37	Busutil	Linnet	-	Ecology, taxonomy	Instituto de Ciencias del Mar, La Habana, CUBA	linnet@icimar.cu; linnet.busutil@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Linnet_Busutil	Dec. 2019
38	Butler	Mark	J.	Ecology and restoration of shallow-water Caribbean sponges	Department of Biological Sciences, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia 23529 USA	mbutler@odu.edu	http://ww2.odu.edu/~mbutler/	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
39	Cajado	Bruno	-	Evolution and development, reproduction	Federal University of Bahia - Sala 15-A, 2o Andar - Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Salvador Bahia, BRAZIL	cajadobruno96@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/9893381177614951 ; http://lebr-ufba.wixsite.com/lebr-ufba/equipe	Dec. 2019; Master's student with Emilio Lanna
40	Calcinai	Barbara	-	Taxonomy, ecology, bioerosion	DiSVA Polytechnic University of Marche Via Breccia Bianca 60131 Ancona, ITALY	b.calcinai@staff.univpm.it	www.disva.univpm.it/ ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Barbara_Calcinai	Dec. 2019
41	Campana	Sara	-	Host-microbe symbiosis, molecular ecology, metabolism and energetics, microbiology	University of Amsterdam (UvA), Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics (IBED), Department of Aquatic Ecology and Ecotoxicology, Science Park 904, 1095 XH, Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS	s.campana@uva.nl	http://www.uva.nl/en/profile/c/a/s.campana/s.campana.html	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate with Jasper de Goeij
42	Cao	Xupeng	-	Biosilicification, associated microorganisms	Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences, CHINA	c_x_p@dicp.ac.cn	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Xupeng_Cao	Jan. 2017

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43	Carballo	Jose Luis	-	Taxonomy, systematics, biology and ecology of coral reef sponges, mainly of boring sponges	Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Instituto de Ciencias del Mar y Limnología, Avenida Joel Montes Camarena s/n. 82100 Mazatlán, PO Box 811, 82040 MEXICO	jcarballo@ola.icmyl.unam.mx	https://scholar.google.com.mx/citations?user=eeQzN8AAAAJ&hl=es ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jose_Luis_Carballo ; http://mzt.icmyl.unam.mx/uam/Columns.aspx?id=40&title=Ecolog%C3%ADa+del+bentos ; http://www.icmyl.unam.mx/mazatlan/es/quienes_somos/personal_academico/juan-jose-luis-carballo-cenizo	Feb. 2021; mainly working on the Pacific coast; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
44	Cárdenas	César	Alarcón	Ecology, environmental factors, competition, symbiosis, interaction	Instituto Antártico Chileno (INACH), Departamento Científico, Plaza Muñoz Gamero 1055, Punta Arenas 6200965, CHILE	ccardenas@inach.cl	http://www.inach.cl/cesar-cardenas/ ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=QhUuTAAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Cesar_Cardenas2	Dec. 2019; I am interested in sponge ecology. Recently am studying responses of high latitude sponges to global warming and its effect at molecular/physiological, community and ecosystem level.
45	Cárdenas	Paco	-	Sponge evolution/systematics and sponge natural products	Pharmacognosy, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Biosciences, Uppsala University, SWEDEN	paco.cardenas@farmbio.uu.se; cardenas_paco@YAHOO.FR	https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=IY8rz1AAAAJ&hl=en ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Paco_Cardenas	Dec. 2020; Paco is using various sources of data such as morphology, genetics, biogeography, ecology and now biochemistry. I focus on Tetractinellida species (suborders Astrophorina and Spirophorina); taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
46	Cardone	Frine	-	Morphology, taxonomy, faunistics, distributions, ecology, applied use, aquaculture, environmental factors	University of Bari, Biology Department, Via Orabona 4, 70125 Bari, ITALY	frine.cardone@uniba.it	NA	Dec. 2019
47	Carraro	João	Luis	Ecology, sponge Interactions, taxonomy and biogeography	Laboratory of Porifera Taxonomy, Invertebrates Department – National Museum - Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, 20940-040 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	joao.porifera@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/7819375813155667	Dec. 2018; info from Gisele Lôbo-Hajdu: Postdoc. Not presently linked to a sponge research group, but remaining interested.
48	Carvalho	Francisca	-	Taxonomy, phylogeny and biogeography of desma-bearing sponges	Department of Natural History, University Museum of Bergen, PB7800 5020 Bergen, NORWAY	Francisca.Carvalho@uib.no; franciscamccarvalho@gmail.com	http://www.uib.no/en/persons/Francisca.Carvalho ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Francisca_Carvalho4	Jan. 2021
49	Castello Branco	Cristiana	-	Taxonomy, systematics and biogeography of deep-sea sponges	Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History, Department of Invertebrate Zoology (MRC-163), 10th and Constitution Ave NW, Washington, D.C. 20560, USA	cristianacbranco@gmail.com	https://castellobranco.wixsite.com/deepseasponges	Dec. 2019; Postdoc
50	Castritsi-Catharios	Jane	-	Ecology, biogeography, taxonomy	79 C, M.Mpotsari str., 14561 Kifissia, GREECE	cathario@biol.uoa.gr; cathario@uth.gr; lyeco@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/I_Castritsi-Catharios	Dec. 2019; retired but still very active (currently leading a program concerning production of collagen from commercial sponges). We have also recently published regarding two new species for the science, in collaboration with my colleague E. Kefalas.

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51	Cavalcanti	Fernanda	F.	Calcarea: morphology, taxonomy, phylogeny, growth, survival, mortality, bioinvasion, population genetics and larval recruitment	Departamento de Zoologia/ Instituto de Biologia/ Universidade Federal da Bahia, Rua Barão de Jeremoabo s/n - Campus de Ondina CEP 40170-115, Salvador - Bahia, BRAZIL	fernanda.cavalcanti@ufba.br; fernanda.porifera@gmail.com	NA	Feb. 2021
52	Cedro	Victor	-	Taxonomy, ecology and biogeography of marine demosponges	Instituto Federal de Alagoas/IFAL (Campus Piranhas), Av. Sergipe 1477, Piranhas - AL, PO box 57460-000, BRAZIL	cedro33@gmail.com	lattes.cnpq.br/4509809531856421	Dec. 2018
53	Cerrano	Carlo	-	Ecology, biology, biomineralogy (biomineralization, bioerosion, sediment incorporation)	Dipartimento di Scienze della Vita e dell'Ambiente - DiSVA - Università Politecnica delle Marche Via Breccia Bianche-60131 Ancona, ITALY	c.cerrano@staff.univpm.it	http://scholar.google.it/citations?user=hMS-qSUA AAAJ&hl=en&email_for_op=cerrano%40dipteris.unige.it&invitation_id=1105271846948839593 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Carlo_Cerrano http://www.disva.univpm.it/content/zoology?language=en ; http://www.mmmpa.eu/ ;	Dec. 2019
54	Četković	Helena	-	Functional analyses of sponge genes/proteins, studies of coding and regulatory sequences structure and evolution, molecular biodiversity, evolution	Ruder Bošković Institute, Laboratory for molecular biology, Bijenička cesta 54, 10 000 Zagreb, CROATIA	cetkovic@irb.hr	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Helena_Cetkovic ; http://www.irb.hr/eng/People/Helena-Cetkovic	Dec. 2019
55	Chagas	Cleslei	-	Calcareous sponges, morphology, taxonomy, bioinvasion, larval recruitment	Federal University of Bahia- Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Salvador, Bahia, BRAZIL.	cleslei.chagas@ufba.br; Chagascleslei@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/5488699003628565 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Cleslei_Chagas	Jan. 2017; PhD candidate
56	Chaves Fonnegra	Andia	-	Ecology, reproductive biology, population genetics	Florida Atlantic University, Wilkes Honors College/Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, 5600 US 1 North, Ft. Pierce, FL 34946, USA	andiachaves@gmail.com; andia.chaves@fau.edu	https://www.linkedin.com/in/andia-chaves-fonnegra-phd-28302620/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Andia_Chaves_Fonnegra ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=CN2Vfx4AAAAJ&hl=en ; http://andiacfonnegra.weebly.com/	Dec. 2019; Assistant Professor
57	Fonseca	Evelyn	Santa Mônica	Calcareaous sponges, morphology, taxonomy	Federal University of Bahia- Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Salvador, Bahia, BRAZIL.	evelyn_smfonseca@hotmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/3478042083402522	March 2019; MSc
58	Chernogor	Lubov	I.	Cell cultures, biotechnology, cellular biology, biosilica, biomineralization, microbiology, sponge microbes, sponge diseases	Limnological Institute of the Siberian Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, 3 Ulan-Batorskaya, Irkutsk 664033, RUSSIA	lchernogor@mail.ru	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lubov_Chernogor	Feb. 2021
59	Chu	Jackson	W.F.	Macroecology, functional biogeography, vulnerable marine ecosystems	Memorial University, Department of Ocean Sciences, 0 Marine Lab Road, St. John's, NL, A1C 5S7, CANADA	jchu@mun.ca; jwfchu@gmail.com	http://www.jacksonwfcchu.com	Dec. 2018; Postdoc
60	Clarence-Smith	William	Gervase	History of the processing, marketing, & consumption of commercial sponges	History, SOAS, Thornhaugh St, London, WC1N 0XG, UK	wc2@soas.ac.uk	https://www.soas.ac.uk/staff/staff30773.php	Jan. 2019

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61	Colin	Lori	J. Bell	Biogeography of Indo-Pacific sponges, Palau	Coral Reef Research Foundation, Box 1765, Koror, PW 96940, PALAU	crrfpalau@gmail.com	http://coralreefpalau.org	Jan. 2018; Coral Reef Research Foundation's (CRRF) sponge collection (5,000 specimens) from the tropical Indo-Pacific is now held at Calif. Academy of Sciences. Splendid Sponges of Palau: http://coralreefpalau.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Splendid-Sponges-of-Palau.pdf
62	Collins	Allen	G.	Phylogeny and systematics of deep water sponges	NOAA's National Systematics Lab and Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History, 10th and Constitution Ave NW, Washington, DC 20560-0163, USA	collinsa@si.edu	https://naturalhistory.si.edu/staff/allen-collins ; https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/about/national-systematics ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=5OHqzOAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://orcid.org/0000-0002-3664-9691 ; https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=1000143	Dec. 2019; main focus medusozoan biodiversity
63	Comendador	Joseph	Elliz B.	Ecology, systematics, and taxonomy	Sponge Section - Zoology Division, National Museum of the Philippines, Padre Burgos street, Manila 1000, PHILIPPINES	joseph.comendador@gmail.com	www.nationalmuseum.gov.ph	Feb. 2021
64	Conaco	Cecilia	-	Transcriptomics, metagenomics, evolution and development, ecology, biodiversity	Marine Science Institute, University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City 1101 PHILIPPINES	cconaco@msi.upd.edu.ph	http://msi.upd.edu.ph/~conacoc/	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
65	Cóndor Luján	Báslavi	Marisbel	Taxonomy and ecology of sponges from South America and the Antarctic, particularly of calcareous sponges	Universidad Científica del Sur, Facultad de Ciencias Veterinarias y Biológicas, Carrera de Biología Marina, Carretera Panamericana Sur Km 19, Villa El Salvador, Lima, PERU	baslavic@gmail.com, bcondor@cientifica.edu.pe	Internet: https://dina.concytec.gob.pe/appDirectorioCTI/VerDatosInvestigador.do?id_investigador=19180 ; http://lattes.cnpq.br/3644578290705985	Dec. 2019
66	Corriero	Giuseppe	-	Morphology, taxonomy, ecology, applied use, reproduction, aquaculture, environmental factors, distribution	University of Bari, Biology Department, Via Orabona 4, 70125 Bari, ITALY	giuseppe.corriero@uniba.it	NA	Dec. 2019
67	Costa	Gabriele	-	Morphology, taxonomy, ecology and ancient sponge communities in the coralligenous	Dipartimento di Scienze della Terra dell'Ambiente e della Vita (DISTAV), Corso Europa 26, 16132 Genova (GE), ITALY	gabriele.costa@edu.unige.it; gabrielec1987@gmail.com	NA	Feb. 2021; Postdoc
68	Cristobo	Javier	-	Taxonomy and ecology, Antarctic and deep-sea sponges	Instituto Español de Oceanografía, Centro Oceanográfico de Gijón, Avda. Principe de Asturias 70bis, 33212, Gijón, SPAIN	javier.cristobo@ieo.es	http://nautiluslive.org/people/javier-cristobo ; http://www.ieo.es ; http://www.deepseasponges.org	Nov. 2017
69	Cruz Barraza	José	Antonio	Morphological and molecular systematics (taxonomy and phylogeny), ecology, evolution, molecular ecology, biogeography	Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Instituto de Ciencias del Mar y Limnología, Avenida Joel Montes Camarena s/n, PO Box 811, 82100 Mazatlán, 82040 MEXICO	joseantonio@ola.icmyl.unam.mx	https://scholar.google.es/citations?user=zhNQgb4AAAJ&hl=es&oi=ao ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jose_Cruz-Barraza	Jan. 2020
70	Cruz-Rivera	Edwin	-	Chemical ecology, sponges as hosts, symbionts, competitors and prey	University of the Virgin Islands, Department of Biological Sciences #2 John Brewers Bay, St. Thomas, VI 00802, USA	edwin.cruzrivera@uvi.edu	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Edwin_Cruz-Rivera ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=uofaouYAAAAJ&hl=en	May 2017
71	Cubeddu	Tiziana	-	Sponge morphology, histology, distribution, mariculture, biomaterial	Università degli Studi di Sassari, Dipartimento di Medicina Veterinaria, Settore Anatomia Patologica, Via Vienna 2, 07100 Sassari, ITALY	tcubeddu@uniss.it	NA	Dec. 2019

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72	Custódio	Márcio	Reis	Physiology, cell biology, symbiosis (microorganisms) of invertebrates and Porifera	University of São Paulo, Department of Physiology, Rua do Matão, Travessa 14, no. 101, CEP 05508-090, São Paulo (SP), BRAZIL	mcust@usp.br	http://www.researcherid.com/rid/B-4981-2008 ; http://orcid.org/0000-0002-7075-0478	Feb. 2021; Assistant Professor
73	Dailianis	Thanos	-	Taxonomy, connectivity, environmental factors, aquaculture, biotechnology	Hellenic Centre for Marine Research, PO Box 2214, 71003 Heraklion Crete, GREECE	thanosd@hcmr.gr	https://imbbc.hcmr.gr/user/thanosd/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Thanos_Dailianis	Jan. 2021; Associate Researcher
74	De Bakker	Didier	-	The ecology of the different excavating sponge species and their effect as bioeroders on Caribbean reefs.	Institute for Marine Resources and Ecosystem Studies (IMARES, WUR); Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ), THE NETHERLANDS	didierdebakker@gmail.com	linkedin.com/in/didierdebakker/en	Dec. 2019
75	Das	Rocktim	Ramen	Coral reef and sponge ecology, remote sensing applications in marine environments, coral reef health	Okinawa-ken, Chutou-gun, Nishihara-Cho, Aza-Senbaru-59, Ryukyu Daigaku, Sebaru-ryu, Nansetou, C-307, 903-0213, JAPAN	asomorlora@gmail.com	https://www.linkedin.com/in/rocktim-ramen-das-81832a98/	Feb. 2021; PhD candidate
76	DeBiasse	Melissa	-	Phylogeography, population genetics, phylogenetics, species delimitation, evolutionary ecology and physiology, local adaptation, transcriptomics and genomics	University of California Merced, Merced, California 95343, USA	melissa.debiasse@gmail.com	www.melissadebiasse.weebly.com	Feb. 2021; Project Scientist
77	De Caralt	Sònia	-	Canopy-forming algae	University of Girona and Centre d'Estudis Avançats de Blanes (CEAB-CSIC), Accés Cala Sant Francesc, 14. 17300, Blanes (Girona), SPAIN	sonia.decaralt@udg.edu	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sonia_De_Caralt	Feb. 2021; no longer working on sponges, but would like to stay in contact
78	De Goeij	Jasper	M.	(Coral) reef ecology, marine and freshwater sponge physiology, cell biology, shallow and deep-sea food webs, DOM, sponge loop	University of Amsterdam (UvA), Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics (IBED), Department of Freshwater and Marine Ecology, Science Park 904, 1098 XH, Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS	j.m.degoeij@uva.nl	http://www.uva.nl/over-de-uva/organisatie/medewerkers/content/g/o/j.m.degoeij/j.m.de-goeij.html ; http://www.porifarma.com	Jan. 2020
79	Deignan	Lindsey	K.	Ecology, microbial ecology, population genetics, spatial ecology	Singapore Centre for Environmental Life Sciences Engineering, Nanyang Technological University, 60 Nanyang Drive, SBS-01N-27, Singapore 637551, SINGAPORE	ldeignan@ntu.edu.sg	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lindsey_Deignan	Nov. 2017
80	De Oliveira	Bruno	Francesco Rodrigues	Biotechnological potential of sponge-associated bacteria, culture-dependent and culture-independent diversity, genomics and culturomics	Marine and Molecular Bacteriology Lab, Institute of Microbiology Paulo de Góes, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro 21941902, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	bfrliveira@micro.ufrj.br; https://orcid.org/0000-0001-6029-3608 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Bruno_Rodrigues_De_Oliveira4	https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=9ILMx70AAA&hl=en	Feb. 2021; Postdoc
81	De Paula	Thiago	S.	Phylogenetics, molecular evolution, ecology, biodiversity, systematics, phylogeny	Rio de Janeiro State University, IBRAG, Genetics Dept, Rua Sao Francisco Xavier, 524 – PHLC, sala 205, Maracana, 20550-013, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	depaula_ts@hotmail.com; depaula.thiagosilva@gmail.com	http://orcid.org/0000-0003-4468-4996 ; http://scholar.google.com.br/citations?user=4B9BOn8AAAAJ&hl=en	Jan. 2020; Assistant Professor

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82	De Voogd	Nicole	-	Ecology, taxonomy	Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Darwinweg 2, Leiden, THE NETHERLANDS	nicole.devoogd@naturalis.nl	https://science.naturalis.nl/en/people/scientists/nicole-de-voogd/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Nicole_De_Voogd/info?endorsements=1423612800 ; https://scholar.google.nl/citations?hl=nl&user=WVhXUcAAAAJ&view_op=list_works&sortby=pubdate	Apr. 2020; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
83	Debitus	Cécile	-	Sponge biodiversity, chemotaxonomy, natural products	IRD, BP529, 98713 Papeete, Tahiti, FRENCH POLYNESIA, overseas collectivity of FRANCE	cecile.debitus@ird.fr	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Cecile_Debitus	Dec. 2019
84	De Leeuw	Christiaan	Albert	Community assembly, molecular barcoding, phylogeography	University of Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	christiaan.deleeuw@wur.nl	www.marinelakes.com	Jan. 2018; PhD candidate
85	Díaz	María	Cristina	Sponge biodiversity, microbes-sponge associations, evolution of form and function in sponges, environmental health	1657 Eastlake Way, Weston, FL 33326, USA	taxochica@gmail.com	http://shapeoflife.org/scientist/dr-cristina-diaz-taxonomist	No contact since 2016, details may no longer be accurate; Adjunct to Faculty at HBOI/FAU, Fort Pierce, Florida. Research Associate at Museo Marino Margarita, Venezuela; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
86	Dimarchopoulou	Donna	-	When working on sponges: museum collections, sponges in caves studied with non-destructive photographic methods	Department of Zoology, School of Biology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, GREECE	ddimarch@bio.auth.gr	http://www.medit-mar-sc.net/index.php/marine/article/view/1069 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Donna_Dimarchopoulou	Dec. 2018; no longer working in sponges, but would like to stay connected to the sponge people
87	Dinn	Curtis	-	Taxonomy and ecology of eastern Canadian sponges	Gulf Fisheries Centre, 343 Université Ave, Moncton, NB E1C 9B6, CANADA	Curtis.Dinn@dfo-mpo.gc.ca; dinn@ualberta.ca	NA	Dec. 2018
88	Dohrmann	Martin	-	Phylogeny, evolution, systematics, and taxonomy of Hexactinellida	Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Dept. of Earth & Environmental Sciences, Palaeontology & Geobiology, Molecular Geo & Palaeobiology Lab, Richard-Wagner-Str. 10, 80333 Munich, GERMANY	m.dohrmann@lrz.uni-muenchen.de; mdohrma@gmail.com	http://www.en.palaeontologie.geowissenschaften.uni-muenchen.de/personen/wissenschaft/dohrmann/index.html ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Martin_Dohrmann	Dec. 2019; Postdoc; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
89	Domart-Coulon	Isabelle	-	Biology, microbiology, symbiosis, biomineralization, taxonomy, type specimens, species voucher collection, biotechnology	Museum National d'Histoire Naturelle, UMR7245 CNRS-MNHN (MCAM) 'Molécules de Communication et Adaptation des Microorganismes', 63 rue Buffon (CP54) 75005 Paris, FRANCE	icoulon@mnhn.fr	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Isabelle_Domart-Coulon	Dec. 2019
90	Domingos	Celso	-	Taxonomy, systematics, and biogeography of Homoscleromorpha and Hexactinellida	CIIMAR - Interdisciplinary Centre for Marine and Environmental Research, University of Porto; Avenida General Norton de Matos, 4450-208 Matosinhos, PORTUGAL	bio.celso.domingos@gmail.com	https://www2.ciimar.up.pt/team.php?id=688	Dec. 2019; PhD candidate
91	Dorić	Semir	-	Mitogenomics, bioinformatics, evolutionary genomics, molecular biology, freshwater sponges	Institute for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, University of Sarajevo, Zmaj od Bosne 8, Sarajevo, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	semir.doric@gmail.com; semir.doric@inge.unsa.ba	https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=6NkQxSQAAAAJ&hl=de ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/semirdoric/ ; https://www.xing.com/profile/Semir_Doric	Nov. 2017
92	Downey	Rachel	Victoria	Polar sponge phylogeography, carbon stock assessment of polar sponges, sponge associations	The Australia National University, Fenner School of Environment and Society, Acton, ACT 2000, Canberra, AUSTRALIA	rachel.downey@anu.edu.au	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Rachel_Downey	Jan. 2020; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database, the World Register of Marine Species and for the Register of Antarctic Marine Species (RAMS)

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93	Duckworth	Alan	-	Ecology, environmental pressures (dredging, climate change), aquaculture	Australian Institute of Marine Science, PMB 3, Townsville MC, QLD 4810, AUSTRALIA	a.duckworth@aims.gov.au	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Alan_Duckworth	No contact since 2016; Alan does no longer work at AIMS
94	Dunn	Paul	-	Aging processes in basal metazoans	Armstrong State University, Department of Biology, Science Center 1019, 11935 Abercorn Street, Savannah, Georgia 31419-1997, USA	pdunn@georgiasouthern.edu	http://findresearcher.sdu.dk:8080/portal/en/person/dunn	Dec. 2019; information pdated by Christine based on an automated reply with the new email address
95	Ehrlich	Hermann	-	Bioinspired materials science of sponges, biochemistry and structural biology, sponge chitin and spongin, practical application of sponges in biomedicine and tissue engineering	Institute of Electronic and Sensor Materials, TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Gustav-Zeuner Str. 3, 9599 Freiberg, GERMANY	hermann.ehrlich@physik.tu-freiberg.de	https://tu-freiberg.de/esm/institut/institutsleitung/biomineralogie-und-extreme-biomimetik ; www.brommarin.com	Jan. 2020
96	Ekins	Merrick	-	Morphology, taxonomy, phylogeny, evolution	Queensland Museum PO Box 3300, South Brisbane BC, Queensland 4101, AUSTRALIA	m.ekins@qm.qld.gov.au	http://www.qm.qld.gov.au/Research/People/People/Profile/E/Merrick+Ekins#.VObHntKUE5I ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Merrick_Ekins ; http://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=280211023&trk=nav_responsive_tab_profile ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=AXhCBK4AAAAJ&hl=en ; www.geocities.com/soasspongesconference2018	Feb. 2021
97	Emery	Ed	-	Cultural and political aspects of the sponge industry worldwide	SOAS, Thornhaugh St, London, WC1H 0XG, UK	ed.emery@soas.ac.uk	www.geocities.com/soasspongesconference2018	Jan. 2020
98	Ereskovsky	Alexander	V.	Morphology, ultrastructure, taxonomy, reproductive ecology, development, gametogenesis, regeneration, ecology, symbiosis	Institut Méditerranéen de Biodiversité et d'Ecologie marine et continentale (IMBE), Station Marine d'Endoume, Rue de la Batterie des Lions, 13007 Marseille, FRANCE; Department of Embryology, Faculty of Biology, St. Petersburg State University, 7/9 Universitetskaya emb., St. Petersburg 199034, RUSSIA	alexander.ereskovsky@imbe.fr; aereskovsky@mail.ru	https://sites.google.com/site/alexanderereskovsky/home	Jan. 2020
99	Erpenbeck	Dirk	-	Phylogeny, molecular evolution, biochemical compound evolution, molecular taxonomy (DNA barcoding)	Department of Earth- and Environmental Sciences, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich, Richard-Wagner-Str. 10, 80333 Munich, GERMANY	erpenbeck@lmu.de	http://www.palaeontologie.geowissenschaften.uni-muenchen.de/personen/wissenschaft/erpenbeck/index.html ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Dirk_Erpenbeck ; The Sponge Barcoding Project: http://www.spongebarcoding.org ; The Sponge Genetree Server: http://www.spongegenetrees.org	Details confirmed by Christine Schönberg via LMU webpage Jan. 2020
100	Erwin	Patrick	M.	Microbiology, symbiosis, ecology, phylogenetics	University of North Carolina Wilmington, Center for Marine Science, 5600 Marvin K. Moss Lane, Wilmington, NC 28409, USA	erwinp@uncw.edu	http://imesalab.com/IMESA/Erwin.html	Details confirmed by Christine Schönberg via imeslab www Jan. 2020
101	Esteves	Eduardo	Leal	Taxonomy and systematics of Crambeidae, biodiversity, inventory of marine sponges from northeast and southeast Brazil	Departamento de Zoologia, Instituto de Biologia Roberto Alcântara Gomes, Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Rua São Francisco Xavier, 524, PHLC, 5º andar, sala 520. 20550-013 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	edlealesteves@yahoo.com.br	https://orcid.org/0000-0002-3058-6677 ; https://www.researchgate.net/lab/LabPorUERJ-Laboratorio-de-Taxonomia-de-Porifera-UERJ-Eduardo-Leal-Esteves	Dec. 2020

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102	Evans	Karen	L.	Freshwater sponges, ecology, phylogenetics	Coleg Cambria, Yale, Grove Park Road, Wrexham LL12 7AB, UK	karenevans2000@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Karen_Evans18	Jan. 2020
103	Evcen	Alper	-	Ecology, marine biodiversity, sponges especially Dictyoceratida	Ege Üniversitesi Su Ürünleri Fakültesi, 35040 Bornova İzmir, TURKEY	alperevcen@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2020
104	Ezz El-Arab	Mohammed	Abdel latif	Ecology and taxonomy of sponges of the Egyptian Red Sea	NIOF National Institute of Oceanography & Fisheries, EGYPT	momarine1977@yahoo.com	NA	July 2017; PhD candidate
105	Faisal	Muhammad	Reza	Marine ecology, diversity, natural products of marine sponges	Institut für Chemie und Biologie des Meeres, Schleusenstrasse 1, 26382, Wilhelmshaven, GERMANY	mrezafaisal@gmail.com or Muhammad.reza.faisal@uni-oldenburg.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Muhammad_Faisal56	Dec. 2018; PhD candidate with Peter Schupp, looking for bioactive compounds in Indonesian marine sponges
106	Fang	James	Kar-Hai	Sponge bioerosion, effects of environmental changes on sponge ecophysiology and ecological functions; presently the main research focus on environmental pollution and microplastic	Department of Applied Biology & Chemical Technology, Y804, Block Y, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hung Hom, Kowloon, HONG KONG	james.fang@polyu.edu.hk	https://www.polyu.edu.hk/abct	Feb. 2021
107	Federwisch	Luisa	-	Antarctic sponges, Hexactinellids, distribution, ecology	Alfred Wegener Institute, Am Alten Hafen 26 D-27568 Bremerhaven, GERMANY	luisa.federwisch@awi.de	http://www.awi.de/en/about-us/organisation/staff/luisa-federwisch.html ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Luisa_Federwisch	Jan. 2021; PhD candidate with Claudio Richter, working on distribution and ecology of hexactinellids in the southeastern Weddell Sea
108	Feldstein	Tamar	-	Mediterranean sponge taxonomy, molecular taxonomy	The Steinhardt Museum of Natural History and National Research Center; Department of Zoology George S. Wise Faculty of Life Science Sherman Building, Room 109 Tel-Aviv University, Tel Aviv 69978, ISRAEL	tfeldste@tauex.tau.ac.il	NA	Dec. 2019; Tamar's main expertise is molecular taxonomy
109	Fernandez	Julio	C. C.	Taxonomy, phylogeny and biogeography of sponges	Laboratório Taxonomia de Porífera (TAXPO), Departamento de Invertebrados, Museu Nacional / UFRJ, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, CEP 20940-040 Rio de Janeiro - RJ, BRAZIL	juliocezarbio@yahoo.com.br	http://lattes.cnpq.br/6629645472995471	Dec. 2019; postdoc with Eduardo hajdu
110	Ferriol	Pere	-	Natural products, sponge aquaculture	Ecology, Dept. of Biology, University of the Balearic Islands, Cra. de Valldemossa, km 7.5 07122 Palma de Mallorca, SPAIN	pere.ferriol@uib.cat; pereferriol@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Pere_Ferriol2 ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/pere-ferriol-92926512/en	Jan. 2020
111	Fiore	Cara	-	Symbiosis, microbial ecology, biogeochemical cycling	Appalachian State University, 572 Rivers Street, Boone, NC 28608, USA	fiorec@appstate.edu; cfiore@gmail.com	https://sites.google.com/site/carafioreportfolio/ ; https://cfiore.wordpress.com/	Dec. 2019
112	Fonseca	Evelyn	Santa Mônica	Calcareous sponges, morphology, taxonomy	Federal University of Bahia- Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Salvador, Bahia, BRAZIL.	evelyn_smfonseca@hotmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/3478042083402522	Mar. 2019; MSc
113	Fortunato	Humberto	F.M.	Ecology, marine chemical ecology, phylogeny, evolution, metabolomics	Rio de Janeiro State University, IBRAG, Genetics Dept, Rua Sao Francisco Xavier, 524 – PHLC, sala 205, Maracana, 20550-013, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	hfmfortunato@gmail.com ; humberto1084@hotmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/6092419185620591	Jan. 2020
114	Fourt	Maïa	-	Mediterranean habitat assessment, sponges and benthic species, deep-sea sponges, bath sponge history and ecology	CNRS, Institut Méditerranéen de Biodiversité et d'Ecologie marine et continentale. Station Marine d'Endoume, rue de la batterie des lions 13007 Marseille, FRANCE	maiafour@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Maia_Fourt ; https://scholar.google.fr/citations?user=60f5Gj4AAA&hl=fr ; https://fr.linkedin.com/in/ma%25C3%25AFa-fourt-59307355	Feb. 2021; self-employed consultant

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115	Freeman	Christopher	J.	Ecology, symbiosis, evolution	Department of Biology, College of Charleston 66 George Street, Charleston, SC 29424, USA	freemancj@cofc.edu	NA	Dec. 2019
116	Freitas-Silva	Jéssyca	-	Antimicrobial and biosurfactant substances produced by sponge-associated bacteria, sponge-associated <i>Bacillus</i> spp., and genomics	Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ), Microbiology Institute (Instituto de Microbiologia Paulo de Góes), 373, Av. Carlos Chagas Filho, Cidade Universitária 21941-902 Rio de Janeiro - RJ - BRAZIL	jessycad.freitas@micro.ufrj.br	https://orcid.org/0000-0003-3922-1233 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jessyca_Freitas-Silva	Feb. 2021
117	Frisone	Viviana	-	Palaeontology, collections management	Museo di Archeologia e Scienze Naturali "G. Zannato", piazza Marconi, 17, 36075 Montecchio Maggiore, ITALY	museo.scienze@comune.montecchio-maggiore.vi.it	www.museozannato.it	Aug. 2017
118	Fromont	Jane	-	Taxonomy, systematics, distribution, biogeography & faunistics, reproduction	Western Australian Museum, Department of Aquatic Zoology, 49 Kew Street, Welshpool, WA 6106, AUSTRALIA	Jane.Fromont@museum.wa.gov.au	http://museum.wa.gov.au ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jane_Fromont	Jan. 2020; retired, but still active
119	Garate	Leire	-	Ecology, microbial symbioses, calcifying bacteria	Fundación AZTI Fundazioa, SPAIN	leigarate@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Leire_Garate	Feb. 2021; Postdoc
120	García-Hernández	María	Rosa	Ecology, taxonomy	Centro Nacional de Áreas Protegidas, La Habana, CUBA	mariorosa@snap.cu; mgarciahernandez068@gmail.com	NA	Dec. 2019
121	Garson	Mary	-	Natural products chemistry of sponges and molluscs, marine chemical ecology	School of Chemistry and Molecular Biosciences, University of Queensland, AUSTRALIA	m.garson@uq.edu.au	http://staff.scmb.uq.edu.au/staff/mary-garson ; http://researchers.uq.edu.au/researcher/102	Jan. 2020; retiring end of 2020, but still active
122	Gastaldi	Marianela	-	Interaction sponges-macroalgae, ecosystem engineering, bioremediation, taxonomy	Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	marianelagastaldi@yahoo.es	NA	Dec. 2019; postdoc with Eduardo Hajdu
123	Gavriilidou	Asimenia	-	Symbiosis, microbial ecology, (microbial) multi-omics, secondary metabolism	Laboratory of Microbiology, Wageningen University & Research, Stippeneng 4, 6708 WE, Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	asimenia.gavriilidou@wur.nl	https://research.wur.nl/en/persons/asimenia-gavriilidou ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Asimenia_Gavriilidou ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=qv8D40oA-AAAJ&hl=en&oi=ao	Jan. 2020, PhD candidate in Sipkema lab
124	Gazave	Eve	-	Sponge evo-devo and molecular phylogeny	Institut Jacques Monod, CNRS UMR 7592, 15 rue Hélène Brion, 75205 Paris cedex 13, FRANCE	eve.gazave@ijm.fr; evegazave@hotmail.com	https://scholar.google.fr/citations?user=eyomo7gAAAJ&hl=fr ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Eve_Gazave	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
125	George	Anita	Mary	Taxonomy, biodiversity, biogeography, sponge-associated fauna and ecological interactions of Demosponges and Calcarea	National Institute of Oceanography, Goa, INDIA	anita.george@my.jcu.edu.au; anitageorge@outlook.com.au	https://au.linkedin.com/in/anitageorgephd ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Anita_George	Jan. 2020; Researcher
126	Gerasimou	Vasilis	-	Ecology, distribution, symbiosis, taxonomy, biogeography, marine caves, deep sea, conservation	Institute of Marine Biology, Biotechnology and Aquaculture, Hellenic Centre for Marine Research, 71003, Heraklion, Crete, GREECE	bill_ger@yahoo.com; vgerovas@hcmr.gr	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Vasilis_Gerasimou ; https://scholar.google.gr/citations?hl=el&user=VVoE5PMAAAJ ; https://orcid.org/0000-0002-9143-7480 ; http://www.marinespecies.org/woRCS/	Jan. 2020

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127	Giles	Emily	-	Sponge genetics, population biology, connectivity, sponge-microbe interactions	Instituto de Ciencias Ambientales y Evolutiva 3r piso, oficina 329 Edificio Emilio Pugin, Avenida Rector Eduardo Morales Miranda Campus Teja - Universidad Austral de Chile, Valdivia, CHILE	emily.c.giles@gmail.com	https://scholar.google.cl/citations?user=z3hxS4AAAJ&hl=en	Jan. 2020; presently not working on sponges but on other invertebrates (anemones, ascidians, limpets), though I am broadly interested in many aspects of population genomics and am not restricted to any specific taxa. Still wanting to remain connected to the sponge world.
128	Glass	Amanda	-	Heavy metal uptake in sponges using neutron radiography and other neutron-based methods	Idaho State University and Idaho National Laboratory, 1955 N. Fremont Ave., Idaho Falls, ID 83415, USA	glasaman@isu.edu; Amanda.Smolinski@inl.gov	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Amanda_Smolinski	Jan. 2020
129	Gochfeld	Deborah	-	Ecology, disease, chemical ecology/natural products, symbiosis, interaction, competition, predation, environmental factors; biodiversity, biogeography	National Center for Natural Products Research, University of Mississippi, P.O. Box 1848, University, MS 38677 USA	gochfeld@olemiss.edu	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Deborah_Gochfeld ; https://pharmacy.olemiss.edu/blog/team/dr-deborah-gochfeld-2/	Apr. 2020
130	Göcke	Christian	-	Antarctic and freshwater sponges: ecology and taxonomy	Senckenberg Institute, GERMANY	christian.goecke@senckenberg.de	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, email does no longer work
131	Gokalp	Mert	-	Marine biotechnology, benthic ecosystems, marine ecology, fisheries mariculture, popular science materials on Mediterranean ecosystem, underwater photography & videography, science oriented underwater documentaries	University of Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	mert.gokalp@gmail.com	www.mertgokalp.com ; https://vimeo.com/user4026630 ; http://wu.academia.edu/MertGokalp ; http://www.imdb.com/name/nm6768489/ ; https://tr.linkedin.com/pub/mert-gokalp/16/518/7a8 ; http://www.idefix.com/kitap/turkiye-deniz-canlilari-rehberi-mert-gokalp/tanim.asp?sid=IA1X3D3S8D2DWJLM9RWH (Mediterranean Sea Guidebook); https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/doga-rehberi/id400265022?mt=8 (iTunes Android Digital)	Dec. 2019; PhD candidate in the Netherlands, otherwise Independent Researcher in Turkey
132	Gómez	Oliver	-	Sponge general research, taxonomy, ecology, biogeography and in the future some DNA work	Western Australian Museum, Locked Bag 49 Welshpool DC, WA 6986, AUSTRALIA	Oliver.Gomez@museum.wa.gov.au	www.museum.wa.gov.au	Jan. 2017
133	Gómez	Patricia	-	Systematics, taxonomy, species diversity of marine sponges, sponge museum collections	Instituto de Ciencias del Mar y Limnología, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México. Apartado Postal 70-305, México, D.F. 04510, MEXICO	patricia@cmarl.unam.mx	http://www.icmyl.unam.mx/uninmar/index.jsf	Dec. 2019
134	González-Rivero	Manuel	-	Ecology, bioerosion, community, interactions	University of Queensland, Global Change Institute. St. Lucia, QLD 4072, AUSTRALIA	manuel.gonzalezrivero@uq.edu.au m.gonzalezrivero@aims.gov.au	http://www.coralreefecosystems.org ; http://www.coralcoe.org.au/people/research-fellows ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=L-TjbcwAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Manuel_Gonzalez-Rivero	No contact since 2016; now works at AIMS Townsville
135	Goodwin	Claire	-	Taxonomy, morphology, distribution, ecology	Atlantic Reference Centre, Huntsman Marine Science Centre, 1 Lower Campus Road, St. Andrews, NB, E5B 2L7, CANADA	Claire.goodwin@huntsmanmarine.ca ; claire.goodwin@gmail.com	http://www.huntsmanmarine.ca/research-applied-science-services/arc-research/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Claire_Goodwin ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/claire-goodwin-huntsman/	Dec. 2019; Research Scientist/Manager, Atlantic Reference Centre (Canada Department of Fisheries and Oceans/Huntsman Research Museum)

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136	Goudie	Lisa	-	Morphology, taxonomy, sponges of Victoria, Australia	c/- Museum Victoria or 1 Moor St. Sandringham, Vic 3191, AUSTRALIA	goudielj@bigpond.com	NA	Dec. 2019; Self-employed Consultant providing identifications of marine sponges for government and industry
137	Grenier	Marie	-	Taxonomy, systematics, Spongiidae, neuropharmacology, metabolomics, biochemometrics	Institut Méditerranéen de Biodiversité et d'Ecologie marine et continentale. Station Marine d'Endoume, Chemin de la Batterie des Lions, 13007, Marseille, FRANCE	marie.grenier@imbe.fr	-	Mar. 2020; PhD candidate
138	Griffiths	Sarah	M.	Molecular ecology, microbiomes, population genetics, climate change	Manchester Metropolitan University, UK	griffiths.sarahm@gmail.com	uk.linkedin.com/pub/sarah-griffiths/7a/5a3/177; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sarah_Griffiths	Dec. 2018; Postdoc
139	Hajdu	Eduardo	-	Taxonomy, phylogeny, biogeography and potential uses of South American sponges, fresh or salty, Antarctic sponge biodiversity, trans-Pacific biogeographic tracts...	Museu Nacional - Depto. Invertebrados, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, 20940-040, Rio de Janeiro, RJ - BRAZIL	eduardo.hajdu@gmail.com	www.taxpo.com.br; www.proyecto-esponjas.blogspot.com ; www.esponjas-brasileiras.blogspot.com	Dec. 2019; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
140	Halasz	Mirna	-	Functional analyses of sponge genes and proteins, sponge mitochondrial genomics, taxonomy, phylogeny and biodiversity of calcareous sponges	Ruđer Bošković Institute, Laboratory for Molecular Biology, Bijenička cesta 54, 10000 Zagreb, CROATIA	mimesek@irb.hr	https://scholar.google.hr/citations?hl=en&user=fgTG-YAAAAJ&view_op=list_works ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Mirna_Imesek	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
141	Hall	Kathryn	-	Taxonomy and systematics of Tetractinellida from IWP regions using molecular and morphological methods	National Imaging Facility, University of Queensland, Brisbane 4101, Queensland, AUSTRALIA	kathryn.hall@qm.qld.gov.au	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Kathryn_Hall ; http://www.spongemaps.org	Updated by Christine Schönberg Feb. 2021; Kathryn designed and implemented SpongeMaps.org.
142	Hammel	Jörg	U.	Bio-based and bio inspired materials, evolution and functional morphology of early evolved multicellular animals, fluid dynamics of suspension feeding and biological fluid transport systems, comparative anatomy, functional morphology and physiology of early evolved multicellular animals, imaging techniques, computational image processing, finite element modeling	Institute of Materials Research, Helmholtz-Zentrum Geesthacht, Outstation at DESY, Building 66, Notkestr. 85, 22607 Hamburg, GERMANY	Joerg.hammel@hzg.de	NA	Dec. 2019
143	Hardoim	Cristiane	Cassiolato Pires	Microbial ecology and evolution; symbiosis, interaction, competition, predation, environmental factors and biogeochemical cycles	Biosciences Institute, São Paulo State University (UNESP) - Coastal Campus, Praça Infante Dom Henrique, s/n. 11330-900, São Vicente, São Paulo, BRAZIL	cristianehardoim@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Cristiane_Hardoim	Jan. 2020
144	Harper	Mary	Kay	Chemotaxonomy, marine natural products, role of symbionts in metabolite production, metabolomics	Salt Lake City, Utah, USA	mk.harper@pharm.utah.edu	NA	Jan. 2020. No longer working, but still active in sponge science and available for consultancy.

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145	Haskell	Brian	-	Processes in the preservation of sponges in the fossil record, palaeoenvironmental interpretation of stable oxygen isotopes in siliceous sponge spicules	3423 Grand Ave. S., Minneapolis MN 55408, USA	haskell@umn.edu	NA	Dec. 2020; I am interested in the fossilization of Upper Jurassic sponges in SW Germany and oxygen isotopic signals in sponge-algal mud mounds in siliceous sponges through comparison of marine and freshwater samples.
146	Hench	Jim	-	Fluid mechanics, boundary layers, benthic-pelagic coupling	Duke University, Nicholas School of the Environment, 135 Duke Marine Lab Road, Beaufort, NC 28512, USA	jim.hench@duke.edu	people.duke.edu/~jlh82/	Dec. 2019
147	Hentschel Humeida	Ute	-	Marine sponge microbiology, symbioses, 'omics' of uncultured microorganisms, novel anti-infectives	GEOMAR Helmholtz-Zentrum für Ozeanforschung Kiel, RU Marine Symbioses, Hohenbergstr. 2, 24105 Kiel, GERMANY	uhentschel@geomar.de	http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=m6OBMjMAAAAJ&hl=en ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ute_Hentschel	Dec. 2019
148	Hestetun	Jon	Thomassen	Phylogeny, systematics, taxonomy, biogeography, sponge carnivory, microbial interactions, vent-seep fauna, eDNA, metabarcoding	Molecular ecology research group, NORCE Environment, PB22, Nygårdstangen, 5838 Bergen, NORWAY	jhes@norcereasearch.no; jon.hestetun@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jon_Hestetun ; https://www.norcereasearch.no/personer/jon-thomassen-hestetun	Dec. 2019; Postdoc
149	Hill	April	-	Evolution and development, symbiosis	Bates College, 44 Campus Ave, Lewiston, ME 04240, USA	ahill5@bates.edu	https://www.bates.edu/biology/faculty/april-hill-genetics-evo-devo/	Dec. 2019
150	Hill	Kate	McGrath	Ecology, population & community dynamics, symbiosis, plasticity and local adaptation	Department of Biological Science, Florida State University, 319 Stadium Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32306, USA	kmhill@bio.fsu.edu	https://www.bio.fsu.edu/ee/egradstudents.php	Dec. 2019; PhD candidate with Janie Wulff
151	Hill	Malcolm	-	Symbiosis, competition, predation, ecology, phylogenetics, evolution	Bates College, 44 Campus Ave, Lewiston, ME 04240, USA	mhill@bates.edu	https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=UdNku8AAAAJ&hl=en&oi=sra ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Malcolm_Hill ; http://www.researcherid.com/rid/B-6204-2015 ; https://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=31386031	Using https://www.bates.edu/dof/about/about-the-office/mhill/ Christine Schönberg updated the entry Jan. 2020, but needs confirmation
152	Hill	Russell	Terrence	Sponge microbiology	Institute of Marine and Environmental Technology, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Columbus Center Suite 236, 701 East Pratt Street, Baltimore MD 21202 USA	hill@umces.edu	http://www.imet.usmd.edu ; http://www.umces.edu/ ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=MfJnKxoAAAAJ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Russell_Hill3 ; https://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=18753471&trk=nav_responsive_tab_profile_pic	Jan. 2020
153	Hoeksema	Bert	-	Mainly working on Scleractinia, but also sponge-coral interaction, collection efforts	Naturalis Biodiversity Center, P.O Box 9517, 2300 RA Leiden, THE NETHERLANDS	bert.hoeksema@naturalis.nl	https://science.naturalis.nl/en/people/scientists/bert-hoeksema/	Apr. 2018
154	Hoffman	Zvi	S.	Taxonomy and Ecology of Gulf of California and Mexican Pacific sponges, especially in Verongiida, Genomics and Chemotaxonomy.	Universidad Autónoma de Baja California Sur Departamento Académico de Ciencias marinas y Costeras, Laboratorio de Fauna Arrecifal, South road 5.5km, P.C.23080, La Paz, B.C.S., MEXICO	hoffmanzvi@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2020

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155	Hooper	John	N. A.	Taxonomy, systematics, phylogeny, evolution, biogeography, biodiversity informatics, species diversity and distributions, chemotaxonomy, molecular barcoding, marine bioregionalisation and conservation	Natural Environments Program, Queensland Museum, PO Box 3300, South Brisbane, QLD 4101, AUSTRALIA	john.hooper@qm.qld.gov.au	http://www.spongemaps.org ; http://http://www.qm.qld.gov.au/Research/People/People/Profile/H/John+Hooper ; http://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=128286851&trk=vsrc_people_pivotbar_coc_photo&trkInfo=srchid%3A128286851423789682420 ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?hl=en&user=8FG2DSMAAAJ&view_op=list_works&sortby=pubdate ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/John_Hooper ; http://orcid.org/0000-0003-1722-5954 ; https://queenslandmuseum.academia.edu/JohnHooper	Jan. 2020; retired, but still active; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species (WoRMS) and WoRMS Steering Committee member
156	Hourigan	Thomas	F.	Distribution and ecology and conservation of deep-sea sponges	NOAA Fisheries Service, Office of Habitat Conservation, 1315 East-West Hwy, Silver Spring, MD 20910, USA	Tom.Hourigan@noaa.gov	https://deepseacoraldata.noaa.gov/	Feb. 2021; Leading NOAA's Deep Sea Coral Research and Technology Program to understand, conserve and manage deep-sea biogenic habitats, including deepwater sponge habitats. We maintain a database of deep-sea coral and sponge records and a web-accessible map portal for search, discovery, and download of the data and metadata.
157	Huang	Yusheng	M.	Sponge taxonomy, biodiversity, sponge endofaunal community, and sponge chemical ecology	Department of Marine Sports and Recreation, Department of Aquaculture, National Penghu University of Science and Technology, 300 Liu-Ho Rd., Magong City, Penghu 880, TAIWAN	yusheng@npu.edu.tw; yusheng@gms.npu.edu.tw	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Yusheng_Huang/publications ; http://163.15.209.20/contents/teach/teach_list.asp?menuID=302&id=18	Sept. 2019
158	Huchon	Dorothee	-	Mediterranean sponge taxonomy, mitochondrial introns, phylogenomics	Department of Zoology, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv 69978, ISRAEL	huchond@post.tau.ac.il	http://www.tau.ac.il/~huchond/	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
159	Hudspith	Meggie	R.	Host-microbe symbiosis, histology, ecology, feeding energetics	University of Amsterdam (UvA), Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics (IBED), Department of Aquatic Ecology and Ecotoxicology. Science Park 904, 1095 XH, Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS	m.r.hudspith@uva.nl	http://www.uva.nl/profiel/h/u/m.r.hudspith/m.r.hudspith.html	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate with Jasper de Goeij
160	Huete-Stauffer	Carla	Grace	Sponge and microbial ecology, microbial symbiosis and its dynamics	Centre d'Estudis Avançats de Blanes (CEABCSIC) Acces Cala Sant Francesc, 14. 17300 Blanes (Girona), SPAIN	chuetestauffer@ceab.csic.es	www.ceab.es/personal ; http://www.benthis.eu/en/bluepharmtrain/About/People.htm	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, email no longer works
161	Huggett	Megan	-	Ecology, microbiology	School of Environmental & Life Sciences, The University of Newcastle, 10 Chittaway Rd, Ourimbah NSW 2258, AUSTRALIA	Megan.Huggett@newcastle.edu.au	NA	Jan. 2020
162	Idan	Tal	-	Sponge ecology, biodiversity, sponge taxonomy	Department of Zoology George S. Wise Faculty of Life Science Sherman Building, Room 221 Tel-Aviv University, Tel Aviv 69978 ISRAEL	t_idan@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Tal_Idan	Feb. 2021
163	Ilan	Micha	-	Microbiology, biomineralization, natural products/secondary metabolites, bacteria, fungi, ecology	Department of Zoology, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv 69978, ISRAEL	milan@tauex.tau.ac.il	http://milan35.wix.com/tau-porifera ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Micha_Ilan	Dec. 2019

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164	Immanuel	Titus	-	Taxonomy and Biodiversity of sponges from the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep Islands	Marine Biological Research Centre, Zoological Survey of India, No. 130, Santhome High Road, Chennai 600028, INDIA	titusimmanuel@gmail.com; titusimmanuel@yahoo.co.in	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Titus_Immanuel2	Feb. 2021
164	Ise	Yuji	-	Taxonomy, ecology, bioeroding sponges and the order Clionaida sensu Morrow & Cardenas, 2015	Sesoko Station, Tropical Biosphere Research Center, University of the Ryukyus, 3422 Sesoko, Motobu, Okinawa 905-0227, JAPAN	ug@bio.nagoya-u.ac.jp; libertador0429@gmail.com	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; updated by Christine Schönberg with https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33387695/#affiliation-2 , but needs to be confirmed
165	Ismet	Meutia	Samira	Physiology, symbiosis, interaction, environmental factors, biochemistry	Bogor Agricultural University, Dept. Marine Science and Technology, Faculty of Fisheries and Marine Science, Bogor, West Java, 16680 INDONESIA	ms.ismet@gmail.com; meutiais@apps.ipb.ac.id	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Meutia_Ismet	Jan. 2020
166	Janson	Liesl	A.	Taxonomy, biodiscovery, biogeography	2nd Floor, Foretrust building, Martin Hammerschlagg way, Foreshore, 8011, Cape Town, SOUTH AFRICA	ljanson@environment.gov.za; lajanson@gmail.com	http://porifera.lifedesks.org/user/29	Dec. 2019; 80% of research on sponges
167	Janussen	Dorte	-	Sponge taxonomy, ecology and evolution, deep sea and polar sponges	Research Institute and Nature Museum Senckenberg, Senckenberganlage 25, D-60325 Frankfurt am Main, GERMANY	dorte.janussen@senckenberg.de	https://www.senckenberg.de ; https://www.linkedin.com/Dorte-Janussen	Apr. 2020
168	Kaandorp	Jaap	A.	Morphogenesis, marine sessile organisms, evolutionary processes, modelling and simulation of developmental regulatory networks and metabolic pathways, modelling and simulation of growth and form, biomechanics and biomineralisation	University of Amsterdam, Science Park 904, 1098 XH Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS	J.A.Kaandorp@uva.nl	http://www.science.uva.nl/~jaapk/	Jan. 2020
169	Kahn	Amanda	S.	Metabolism and energetics, evolution and ecology of early metazoans, adaptations to the deep sea, hexactinellid sponge ecology	Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, 8272 Moss Landing Road, Moss Landing, CA 95039 USA	akahn@mlml.calstate.edu	https://www.mlml.calstate.edu/people/faculty/amar-da-kahn/ ; https://scholar.google.ca/citations?user=DfPocDQAAAJ ; https://www.mbari.org/kahn_amanda/	Dec. 2019; Assistant Professor
170	Kandler	Nora	Marie	Ecology, microbial ecology, symbiosis physiology, climate change impacts	School of Biological Sciences, Victoria University of Wellington, P.O. Box 600, Wellington 6140, NEW ZEALAND	nora.kandler@vuw.ac.nz; nora.kandler@gmail.com	https://www.linkedin.com/in/nora-kandler-8890a7133?trk=hp-identity-name ; http://www.victoria.ac.nz/sbs/research/marine-biology-research/sponge-marine-ecology/people/students	Jan. 2021; PhD candidate
171	Kang	Dong	Won	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges	Education Team, National Marine Biodiversity Institute of Korea, 101-75, Jangsan-ro, Janghang-eup, Seochon-gun Chungcheongnam-do 325-902, SOUTH KOREA	soma234@mabik.re.kr	NA	Updated Jan. 2020 by Chung Ja Sim
172	Karlep	Liisi	-	Freshwater sponges, biochemistry, sponge microbes, molecular biodiversity	Akadeemia Tee 15, 12618 Tallinn, ESTONIA	liisikarlep123@gmail.com	-	Nov. 2017; PhD candidate

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173	Kasper	Gustavo	Leite	Reproduction, development, gametogenesis, taxonomy, ecology	Federal University of Bahia, Dept. Biologia Geral, Sala 15-A, 2o Andar - Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Rua Barão de Jeremoabo, s/n - Campus de Ondina, Salvador, BA, BRAZIL	glkwaves@hotmail.com	http://lebr-ufba.wix.com/lebr-ufba#IA-trajetória-de-um-esponjólogo-determinado/c1vtx/55af94800cf24f011b6454ea ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Gustavo_Kasper?ev=hdr_xprf&_sg=OMnatga4eMg3cAVRU4uLsTs6UZf5r8jfgVdEY5iGhB6k809TbbYEMOJO3nGqSA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
174	Kazanidis	Georgios	-	Molecular biology, histology, physiology and ecology of sponges from shallow and deep-sea waters	Changing Oceans Research Group, Grant Institute, School of GeoSciences, University of Edinburgh, UK	gkazanidis@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Georgios_Kazanidis ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/georgios-kazanidis-18236a11a/?originalSubdomain=uk	Dec. 2019
175	Kefalas	Efthimios	-	Ecology and taxonomy of Mediterranean species	Aghios, 81101, Lesvos, GREECE	kefthimios@gmail.com	NA	Dec. 2019; Microbiology Laboratory Analyst
176	Kelly	Joseph	B.	Holobiont evolution and ecology	Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York, USA	joseph.b.kelly@stonybrook.edu	http://life.bio.sunysb.edu/ee/phdstudents.html	Jan. 2018; PhD candidate
177	Kelly	Michelle	-	Morphology/taxonomy, phylogeny/evolution, distributions	National Centre for Aquatic Biodiversity and Biosecurity, National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, P. O. Box 109-695, Newmarket, Auckland, NEW ZEALAND	michelle.kelly@niwa.co.nz	www.niwa.co.nz	Feb. 2020; continuing to focus on describing the sponge fauna of New Zealand and broader systematics problems as they arise. Involved in a major update to the inventory of the sponges of New Zealand (20 years on from Species 2000); Taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species; Editor of the NIWA Biodiversity Memoir Series and NIWA Marvellous Marine Biota e-guide series; Guest Editor Marine Drugs
178	Kennedy	Emma	-	Reef bioerosion in the context of carbonate budgets and reef health	Global Change Institute, University of Queensland, QLD 4072, AUSTRALIA	e.kennedy1@uq.edu.au	researcher ID: M-3193-2014	2017; Postdoc, presently with focus on coral reef organisms other than sponges, but with a keen interest in sponges
179	Kenny	Nathan	J.	Sponge genomics, population genetics, evolutionary biology, adaptation to climate	The Natural History Museum DC1, Cromwell Rd., London SW7 5BD, UK	nathanjameskenny@gmail.com	http://www.nhm.ac.uk/our-science/departments-and-staff/staff-directory/nathan-kenny.html	Dec. 2018; Postdoc in the Riesgo lab
180	Kershaw	Stephen	-	Stromatoporoid and chaetetid sponges	Department of Life Sciences, in College of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences and Research Institute of Environment, Health and Societies, Brunel University London, UK	stephen.kershaw@brunel.ac.uk	http://www.brunel.ac.uk/people/stephen-kershaw ; www.earthsurfaceprocesses.com	Feb. 2021; retired, but still active
181	Kersken	Daniel	-	Taxonomy, phylogenetics and ecology of deep-sea hexactinellids	Senckenberg Research Institute and Natural History Museum, Senckenberganlage 25, 60325 Frankfurt am Main, GERMANY (but changing soon)	daniel.kersken@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Daniel_Kersken	Dec. 2018
182	Khati	Willia	-	Marine sponges, bioaccumulation, biomarkers, genotoxicity, biodiversity, south Mediterranean, reproduction, effects of metals	Departement of Marine Science, Tarf, ALGERIA	khati-hm@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/W_Khati	Jan. 2017
183	Kim	Hyung	Jun	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges	Marine Biodiversity Institute of Korea (MABIK), 101-75, Jangsan-ro, Janghang-eup, Seochun-gun, Chungchungnam-do, SOUTH KOREA	kimhj95@mabik.re.kr	NA	Jan. 2020

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184	Kim	Young	A	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges	Natural History Museum of Hannam University, 133, Ojeong-dong, Dadeok-gu, Daejeon 306-791 SOUTH KOREA	yak199847@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2020
185	Klautau	Michelle	-	Calcarea, morphology, taxonomy, molecular systematics, phylogeny, evolution, biogeography, faunistics, distribution, reproduction	Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Instituto de Biologia, Departamento de Zoologia, Laboratório de Biologia de Porífera Av. Carlos Chagas Filho 373, Ilha do Fundão, 21941-902 Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	mklautau@biologia.ufrj.br; mklautau@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2020; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
186	Knapp	Ingrid	Sally Sigrid	Coral reef ecology, conservation and molecular ecology of invertebrates and the odd occasional vertebrate	ToBo Lab, Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology, Coconut Island, 46-007 Liliupuna Road, Kāne'ohe, 96744, Hawai'i, USA	iknapp@hawaii.edu	www.tobolab.org; https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=dmqIXEYAAAAJ&view_op=list_works&authuser=1&sortb=pubdate	Jan. 2018; presently not a full focus on sponges, but still very sponge-interested
187	Knobloch	Stephen	-	Aquaculture, biotechnology, cold-water sponges, microbial ecology	Matis ohf., 113 Reykjavik, ICELAND	stephen@matis.is	http://www.matis.is/um-matis-ohf/starfsfolk/persona/218/fyrirtaeki/1	Jan. 2020
188	Konstantinou	Despoina	-	Sponge symbioses	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of Biology, university campus 54124, GREECE	kidespoi@bio.auth.gr	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Despoina_Konstantinou	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate
189	Kornder	Niklas	A.	Sponge distribution, sponge loop, feeding energetics	University of Amsterdam (UvA), Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics (IBED), Department of Aquatic Ecology and Ecotoxicology, Science Park 904, 1095 XH, Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS	n.a.kornder@uva.nl	http://www.uva.nl/en/profile/k/o/n.a.kornder/n.a.kornder.html ; www.linkedin.com/in/niklas-kornder	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate with Jasper de Goeij
190	Koutsouveli	Vasiliki	-	Sponge reproduction, evolution, transcriptomics, genomics	GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel, Düsternbrooker Weg 20, 2410 GERMANY	vassiakouts88@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Vasiliki_Koutsouveli4	Feb. 2020
191	Krikech	Imad	-	Biomonitoring, environmental assessment, sponge biodiversity	29 Bis Rue Dupuy de Lôme Plomeur 56270, FRANCE	imad.krikech@univ-ubs.fr; imad.krikech@gmail.com	www.linkedin.com/in/imad-krikech/	Nov. 2019; PhD candidate
192	Kruse	Peter ('Pierre')	-	Archaeocyatha and other Porifera: early Palaeozoic; taxonomy, biostratigraphy, palaeoecology; reefs	PO Box 825, Normanville SA 5204, AUSTRALIA	archaeo.kruse@gmail.com	NA	Feb. 2021; Honorary Associate, South Australian Museum
193	Kuhnz	Linda	-	Deep-sea ecology	Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute (MBARI), 7700 Sandholdt Road, Moss Landing CA 95039, USA	linda@mbari.org	https://www.mbari.org/kuhnz-linda/	Jan. 2018
194	Kumala	Lars	-	Evolution, sponge physiology and behavior, 'individuality'	Nordic Center for Earth Evolution, University of Southern Denmark, Campusvej 55, Biology Institute, 5230 Odense M, DENMARK	kumala@biology.sdu.dk	https://portal.findresearcher.sdu.dk/en/persons/kumala ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lars_Kumala ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lars_Kumala	Feb. 2021
195	Lafratta	Anna	-	Ecology, taxonomy	Edith Cowan University, Perth, AUSTRALIA	anna.lafratta@hotmail.it	NA	2017; PhD candidate, does not presently work on sponges, but remaining interested
196	Lage	Anaira	-	Taxonomy, biogeography, phylogeny, Homoscleromorpha	Museu Nacional, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, São Cristóvão, 20940-040, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	anairalage@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/6195952623330097 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Anaira_Lage	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate

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197	Lanna	Emilio	-	Reproduction, development, embryology, morphology and taxonomy	Federal University of Bahia, Dept. Biologia Geral, Sala 15-A, 2o Andar, Depto. de Biologia Geral - Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Rua Barão de Jeremoabo, s/n - Campus de Ondina, Salvador, BA, BRAZIL	emiliolanna@gmail.com	http://scholar.google.com.br/citations?user=AoPGVtIAAAAJ&hl=pt-BR ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Emilio_Lanna	Feb. 2021
198	Laport	Marinella	Silva	Biotechnological potential of sponge-associated bacteria, culture-dependent and culture-independent diversity, genomics and culturomics	Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ), Microbiology Institute (Instituto de Microbiologia Paulo de Goes), 373, Av. Carlos Chagas Filho, Cidade Universitária 21941-902 Rio de Janeiro - RJ - BRAZIL	marinella@micro.ufrj.br	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Marinella_Laport ; http://lattes.cnpq.br/0611934018423943 ; http://www.microbiologia.ufrj.br/pos-graduacao/corpo-docente/permanentes ; https://orcid.org/0000-0001-5252-0671	Feb. 2021
199	Larroux	Claire	-	Evo-devo, genomics, transcriptomics, development	School of Biological Sciences, The University of Queensland, St Lucia 4072 QLD, AUSTRALIA	clarroux@gmail.com	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Claire_Larroux/publications ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=R71Za_wAAAAJ&hl=en	Dec. 2019
200	Lavrov	Andrey	-	Development, cell reaggregation, regeneration, transdifferentiation of cells, stem cells	Lomonosov Moscow State University, Faculty of Biology, Pertsov White Sea Biological Station, 119992, Moscow, Leninskiy str., 1-12, RUSSIA	lavrovai.bio@yandex.ru	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Andrey_Lavrov	Dec. 2019
201	Lavrov	Dennis	-	Phylogenetics, molecular evolution, mitochondrial biology	Iowa State University, 251 Bessey Hall, Ames, IA 50011, USA	dlavrov@iastate.edu	https://sites.google.com/site/dennislavrov/	Details confirmed by Christine Schönberg via IASTATE webpage Jan. 2020
202	Lavy	Adi	-	Microbiology, physiology, metagenomics	Zymergen, San Francisco, USA	mr.adi.lavy@gmail.com	https://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=96478017 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Adi_Lavy2	Jan. 2020; Now working as a fermentation biologist, but still interested in sponges.
203	Leal	Camille	-	Evolution, integrative taxonomy, metagenomic, metabolomic, biodiversity	Museu Nacional - Depto. Invertebrados, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, 20940-040, Rio de Janeiro, RJ - BRAZIL	camille.victoria@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Camille_Leal ; https://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=343594726&trk=nav_responsive_tab_profile ; http://lattes.cnpq.br/5782967713360703	Jan. 2020
204	Lee	Kyung	Jin	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges	Strategic Planning Division, National Institute of Biological Resources, Hwangyeong-ro 42, Seo-gu, Incheon, 404-708, SOUTH KOREA	kjlee89@korea.kr	NA	Updated Jan. 2020 by Chung Ja Sim
205	Lehnert	Helmut	-	Taxonomy	Eichenstr. 14, 86507 Oberottmarshausen GERMANY	Lehnert@spongetaxonomics.de	http://www.spongetaxonomics.de	Jan. 2020
206	Leys	Sally	P.	Evolution of sensory and coordination systems, sponge development, physiology and cell biology, ecophysiology of glass sponges especially glass sponge reefs	CW405 Biological Sciences Building, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB T6G 2E9, CANADA	sleys@ualberta.ca	http://www.biology.ualberta.ca/leys_lab/	Jan. 2020
207	Liefmann	Stephanie	-	Species interactions, feeding ecology and stress physiology	School of GeoSciences, University of Edinburgh, Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh EH8 9YL, UK	Stephanie.Liefmann@ed.ac.uk; liefsteph@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Stephanie_Liefmann_Castellanos	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate
208	Lim	Swee-Cheng	-	Taxonomy, Singapore and Southeast Asia sponge fauna	Tropical Marine Science Institute, National University of Singapore, 18 Kent Ridge Road, 119227 SINGAPORE	sponging@gmail.com; tmslsc@nus.edu.sg	http://lkcnmh.nus.edu.sg/dna/people/details/25	Dec. 2019

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209	Lôbo-Hajdu	Gisele	-	Biodiversity, systematics, taxonomy, phylogeny, phylogenetics, phylogenomics, molecular evolution, population genetics, and ecology	Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Depto. de Genética, IBRAG, Rua São Francisco Xavier, 524, PHLC, sala 205, Maracanã, 20550-013, Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	lobohajdu.uerj@gmail.com; glhajdu@uerj.br	http://lattes.cnpq.br/1346430944942436 ; http://orcid.org/0000-0001-7792-9609 ; https://scholar.google.com.br/citations?user=TbdZtRwAAAAJ&hl=pt-BR ; https://uerj.academia.edu/GiseleHajdu ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/G_Lobo-Hajdu ; https://publons.com/researcher/2893395/gisele-lobo-hajdu	Feb. 2021
210	Longo	Caterina	-	Morphology, taxonomy, faunistics, distributions, ecology, applied use, aquaculture, environmental factors	University of Bari, Biology Department, Via Orabona 4, 70125 Bari, ITALY	caterina.longo@uniba.it	NA	Dec. 2019
211	Lopes	Matheus	Vieira	Calcareous sponges: taxonomy, morphology, molecular systematics, phylogeny, evolution and phylogeography	Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Instituto de Biologia, Departamento de Zoologia, Laboratório de Biologia de Porífera, Av. Carlos Chagas Filho 373, Ilha do Fundão, 21941-902 Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	math_lopes@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Matheus_Lopes6 ; http://lattes.cnpq.br/7871120682531858	Dec. 2019
212	Lopez	Jose	V.	Genomics, phylogeny, sponge symbiosis, evolutionary biology	Halmos College of Natural Sciences and Oceanography, Guy Harvey Oceanographic Center, Nova Southeastern University, Dania Beach FL 33004, USA	joslo@nova.edu	https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&view_op=list_works&gmla=AJsN&user=IVgMZ50AAAAJ ; http://cnso.nova.edu/overview/faculty-staff-profiles/jose_lopez.html ; http://giga-cos.org ; http://www.deependconsortium.org	Jan. 2017; My research interests involve marine invertebrate-microbial symbiosis, genomics and metagenomics, gene expression of oil-exposed organisms, marine microbiology, and systematics/phylogenetics. We have recently initiated GIGA(http://GIGA-cos.org), that will apply genome sequencing of non-model invertebrate species, and Dr Lopez is also involved with other sponge biologists in the global Earth Microbiome Project (earthmicrobiome.org).
213	López-Acosta	María	-	Ecology, physiology, applied use (biochemistry)	Instituto de Investigaciones Científicas (IIM-CSIC), C/Eduardo Cabello Nº 6, 36208, Vigo SPAIN	lopezacosta@iim.csic.es; lopezacosta@ceab.csic.es	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Maria_Lopez-Acosta	Dec. 2019
214	Lopez-Legentil	Susanna	-	Population genetics, phylogenetics, ecology, microbial symbiosis	University of North Carolina Wilmington, Center for Marine Science, 5600 Marvin K. Moss Lane, Wilmington, 28409 NC, USA	lopezlegentils@uncw.edu	http://imesalab.com/IMESA/Lopez-Legentil.html	Dec. 2019
215	Lukić Bilela	Lada	-	Mitochondrial genomics, molecular biodiversity, evolution	Faculty of Science, University of Sarajevo, Zmaja od Bosne 33-35, 71 000 Sarajevo, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	lbilela@gmail.com; lbilela@pmf.unsa.ba	https://bib.irb.hr/lista-radova?autor=229620 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Lada_Lukic-Bilela ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=2Z8LU3oAAAAJ&view_op=list_works	Jan. 2020
216	Łukowiak	Magdalena	-	Fossil Demospongiae, spicules, spicule analysis	Institute of Paleobiology, Polish Academy of Sciences, Twarda 51/55 00-818 Warsaw, POLAND	mlukowiak@twarda.pan.pl; lukowiakmagda@gmail.com	http://www.paleo.pan.pl/pracownicy/lukowiak/magdalena_lukowiak.html ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Magdalena_Lukowiak_Lukowiak	Apr. 2020
217	Luo	Cui	-	Early evolution of sponges based on Cambrian fossils; fossil record of non-spicular sponges	Nanjing Institute of Geology and Palaeontology, CAS, 39 East Beijing Road, Nanjing 210008, P.R. CHINA	clu@nigpas.ac.cn; cluoms@outlook.com	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Cui_Luo	Jan. 2020

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218	Luter	Heidi	-	Sponge microbiology & symbiosis, environmental impacts	Australian Institute of Marine Science, PMB No. 3, Townsville, QLD 4810, AUSTRALIA	h.luter@aims.gov.au; hluter20@gmail.com	www.aims.gov.au; https://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=AAkAAAGVi4BL-c_HigDHoM2wjys9KtN6RU34Zo&authType=NAME_SEARCH&authToken=JdLu&locale=en_US&trk=tyah&trkInfo=clickedVertical%3AmyNetwork%2CclickedEntityId%3A246306350%2CauthType%3A_NAME_SEARCH%2Cidx%3A1-1-1%2CtarId%3A1448875789847%2Ctas%3Aheid%20Luter ; https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=z074lIYAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Heidi-Luter	Jan. 2020
219	Mah	Jasmine	-	Origin of animals, evolution of sensation, evolution of complexity, convergence	New Haven, Connecticut, USA	jmah989@gmail.com	-	Dec. 2019
220	Maldonado	Manuel	-	Taxonomy, physiology, cell biology and ultrastructure, reproductive biology, larval ecology, ecology and biogeography silicification biology, benthic-pelagic coupling, deep-sea sponges	Sponge Bioecology and Biotechnology Group, Department of Marine Ecology, Centro de Estudios Avanzados de Blanes (CEAB-CSIC); Acceso Cala St. Francesc 14, Blanes 17300, Girona, SPAIN	maldonado@ceab.csic.es	http://www2.ceab.csic.es/maldonado/	Apr. 2020
221	Manconi	Renata	-	Biodiversity, systematics, phylogeny, biogeography, integrative taxonomy, evolution, life history, freshwater/marine, sponge mariculture, sustainable development, biomaterials/biomolecules	Zoology Lab, Sassari University, Department of Veterinary Medicine, Via Vienna 2, 07100 Sassari (Sardinia), ITALY	renata.manconi@uniss.it; rmanconi@uniss.it	https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?hl=en&user=WH0zDeAAAAJ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Renata-Manconi	Jan. 2020; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
222	Manoharan (formerly Sutcliffe)	Patricia	-	Taxonomy, systematics	Brisbane Skin, 5 Kyabra Street, Newstead, QLD 4006, AUSTRALIA	patricia@brisbaneskin.com.au	https://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=307208413&authType=NAME_SEARCH&authToken=2qN3&locale=en_US&srchid=3790329821428414388920&srchidx=1&srchtot=3&trk=vsrp_people_res_name&trkInfo=VSRPsearchId%3A3790329821428414388920%2CVSRPtargetId%3A307208413%2CVSRPcmpt%3Aprimary%2CVSRPnm%3A	2016; Trish is a sponge taxonomist, but presently not active in the sponge world. Would like to stay connected.
223	Manzano	Geminne	Guerrero	Sponge marine ecology, marine chemical ecology, natural product research	The Marine Science Institute, University of the Philippines, Velasquez Street., Diliman, Quezon City, 1101 Metro Manila, PHILIPPINES	geminne@msi.upd.edu.ph	NA	Jan. 2020; graduate student (Master of Science in Marine Science, 2015 to present)
224	Marlow	Joe	-	Sponge feeding/diet and growth, research into habitat degradation, bioerosion	British Antarctic Survey, High Cross, Madingley Rd, Cambridge CB3 0ET, UK	jomar1@bas.ac.uk	NA	Dec. 2019

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225	Marra	Maria	Vittoria	Molecular/cell/organismal biology, symbiosis, biomaterials/biomolecules	Zoology, School of Natural Sciences, National University of Ireland, Galway, IRELAND	mariavittoria.marra@nuigalway.ie	https://it.linkedin.com/pub/maria-vittoriamarra/59/915/5aa ; http://www.nuigalway.ie/faculties_departments/zooology/mccormack/Molecular_Evolution_And_Systematics_Laboratory/mvmarra.html	Jan. 2020; Postdoc
226	Martínez M.	Alejandro	-	Marine natural products, chemistry and biological activity	Facultad de Ciencias Farmacéuticas y Alimentarias, Universidad de Antioquia, Calle 70 N° 52-21, Medellín, COLOMBIA	alejandro.martinez@udea.edu.co	http://www.udea.edu.co/wps/portal/udea/web/inici/investigacion/grupos-investigacion/ciencias-naturales-exactas/productos-naturales-marinos	Dec. 2019
227	Marty	Micah	Jaarsma	Ecology	The American School Foundation of Guadalajara, Calle Colomos 2300, Circunvalación Americas, 44630 Guadalajara, Jal., MEXICO	micah.marty@asfg.edu.mx; micahjmarty@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2020
228	Marulanda-Gómez	Angela	María	Sponge-microbe symbiosis and ecology	GEOMAR Helmholtz-Zentrum für Ozeanforschung Kiel, RD3 Marine Symbioses Unit, Düsternbrooker Weg 20, 24105 Kiel, GERMANY	ammarulanda@geomar.de	https://www.geomar.de/amarulanda	Feb. 2021
229	Matsunaga	Shigeki	-	Secondary metabolism of marine sponges, marine natural products	Tokyo University, 1-1-1 Yayoi, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113-8657, JAPAN	asmats@mail.ecc.u-tokyo.ac.jp	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Shigeki_Matsunaga	Feb. 2021
230	Mazard	Sophie	-	Integration and facilitation of -omics data; cyanosponges	Bioplatforms Australia Ltd., Level 4, Bldg 4WW, 4 Wally's walk, Macquarie University, NSW 2109, AUSTRALIA	smazard@bioplatforms.com	http://membranetransport.org/wiki/index.php?title=Sophie_Mazard ; www.bioplatforms.com	Jan. 2020. Scientific Programs and Communications Manager, no longer active in sponge science, but would like to stay on list.
231	Mc Cormack	Sam	-	Classical taxonomy, phylogenetic systematics, chemotaxonomy, biotechnology, ecology	University of Waikato Coastal Marine Field Station, Sulphur Point, Tauranga, NEW ZEALAND	samuel.pmccormack@gmail.com	NA	Dec. 2019
232	McCormack	Grace	P.	Evolution of sponges, multidisciplinary approach to ecology and evolution including molecular and morphological approaches, reproduction and development, chemical ecology and evolution of symbiosis	Zoology, School of Natural Sciences, National University of Ireland, Galway, IRELAND	grace.mccormack@nuigalway.ie	http://www.nuigalway.ie/faculties_departments/zooology/mccormack/index.html	Nov. 2016 ; my group currently investigating 1. evolution of the skeleton in haplosclerid sponges; identifying genes involved and their expression. 2. the biological basis of bioactivity in haplosclerid sponges including the role of mucus/mucus producing cells in protection. 3. Integrative systematics for haplosclerida. PhD student 4. Link between metabolomics and phylogeny in sponges
233	McGrath	Emily	-	Ecology, physiology	Cawthron Institute, NEW ZEALAND	emily.mcgrath@cawthron.org.nz	NA	Jan. 2020; After graduating Emily is no longer actively involved in sponge science, but she would like to stay connected.
234	McLean	Elizabeth	L.	Seaport and coastal resilience to climate change impacts, cosystems ecology, integrate modeling of qualitative data, local ecological knowledge of fishermen, benthic ecology	University of Rhode Island, Marine Affairs Department, 1 Greenhouse Road, Kingston, RI 02881, USA	elmclean@uri.edu	https://www.linkedin.com/in/elizabeth-l-mclean-phd-88498820	Jan. 2020; not primarily working on sponges, but wanting to stay connected

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235	McMurray	Steven	E.	Ecology, demographics, feeding, behavior, pumping	Dept. of Fisheries Technology, Faculty of Fisheries, Hajee Mohammad Danesh Science and Technology University, Dinajpur-5200, BANGLADESH	mcmurrays@uncw.edu, mcmurrayse@yahoo.com	http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=ygUdkGUA http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Steven_Mcmurray	Dec. 2020
236	Mehbub	Mohammad	Ferdous	Sponge ecology, interaction of sponge and associated bacteria, natural products from sponge and associated bacteria	Department of Fisheries Technology, Faculty of Fisheries, Hajee Mohammad Danesh Science and Technology University, Dinajpur-5200, BANGLADESH	etuferdous@yahoo.com or etuferdous@hstu.ac.bd	NA	Feb. 2021; Chairman and Professor
237	Mehiri	Mohamed	-	Marine natural products from sponges	University Cote d'Azur, Institut de Chimie de Nice, UMR CNRS 7272, Marine Natural Products team, Faculté des Sciences, Parc Valrose, 28 Avenue Valrose, F06108 Nice cedex 2, FRANCE	Mohamed.MEHIRI@univ-cotedazur.fr	http://icn.unice.fr/spip.php?article113	Dec. 2019; Associate Professor
238	Meister	Marie	-	Collection curation, phylogeny	Museum of Zoology, 29 bvd de la Victoire, F67000 Strasbourg, FRANCE	mf.meister@unistra.fr	http://www.musees.strasbourg.eu/index.php?page=mzoo-collection-en	Jan. 2020; Marie works on various organism groups, but also curates the sponges.
239	Menegola	Carla	-	Systematics and biogeography, ecology, bioinvasion	CECLIMAR - Centro de Estudos Costeiros, Limnológicos e Marinhos, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Campus Litorânea, Av. Tramandaí 976 - Imbé - RS, CEP 95.625-000, BRAZIL	carla.menegola@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Carla_Menegola ; https://ufba.academia.edu/CarlaMenegola ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/carla-menegola-921a2020	Dec. 2018
240	Mercurio	Mariella	-	Faunistics, distributions, ecology, applied use, reproduction, aquaculture, environmental factors, distribution	University of Bari, Biology Department, Via Orabona 4, 70125 Bari, ITALY	maria.mercurio@uniba.it	NA	Dec. 2019
241	Miguel-Gordo	Maria	-	Chemistry of Pacific sponges and bioactivity	School of Chemistry, NUI Galway, IRELAND	M.MIGUELORDO1@nuigalway.ie	NA	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate; entered by Olivier Thomas
242	Milanese	Martina	-	Applied use, ecology (but besides sponges: public perception research, ocean literacy, citizen science, conservation)	Studio Associato Gaia snc, Piazza della Vittoria 15/23, Genova 16121, ITALY	m.milanese@studioassociatogaia.com	www.studioassociatogaia.com ; https://it.linkedin.com/pub/martina-milanese/36/634/469/ ; https://independent.academia.edu/MartinaMilanese ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Martina_Milanese ; http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=bHRTbq8A http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=bHRTbq8A http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=bHRTbq8A	Dec. 2018; I am moving from biology/zoology to the so called "human dimension" of conservation
243	Miller	Ian	J.	Natural product biosynthesis, drug discovery, marine sponges, microbial biodiversity, symbiosis, microbial biotechnology	UW-Madison Pharmaceutical Sciences Division, School of Pharmacy, 777 Highland Ave., Madison, WI 53705-2222, USA	ijmiller2@wisc.edu; k09im01@gmail.com	http://apps.pharmacy.wisc.edu/sopdir/jason_kwan/ ; www.linkedin.com/in/ijmiller2 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ian_Miller9	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate

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244	Misevic	Gradimir	N.	MORPHOGENESIS: self assembly, evolution of life, self-non self recognition, cell adhesion. GLYCOBIOLOGY: glycan structure (NMR and MS) to function related studies (cell recognition and adhesion). NANO-SCIENCES: single cell analyses and single molecular detection, mathematical modeling. IMMUNOLOGY: therapeutic methods for treating cancer and viral/bacterial infections	Gimmune GmnH Research and Development, SWITZERLAND, and University of Brest, FRANCE	gradimir@gimmune.com; gradimir@gradimir.com	http://www.gimmune.com/ ; https://www.mendeley.com/profiles/gradimir-misevic/ ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Gradimir_Misevic ; https://www.linkedin.com/pub/gradimir-misevic/38/940/434	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; not presently active in the sponge world, but would like to stay connected
245	Moraes	Fernando	Coreixas de	Taxonomy and ecology	Museu Nacional - UFRJ. Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n. São Cristóvão, Rio de Janeiro-RJ, 20.940-040 BRAZIL; Instituto de Pesquisas Jardim Botânico do Rio de Janeiro, Pacheco Leão, 915, Horto, Rio de Janeiro - RJ, BRAZIL	fmoraes@mn.ufrj.br	http://lattes.cnpq.br/1261985000435815 ; http://www.abrolhos.org/equipe.php ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Fernando_Moraes6	Feb. 2021
246	Morganti	Teresa	Maria	Feeding ecology of deep sea sponges, eco-physiology and metabolism	Tba, GERMANY	tmorgant@mpi-bremen.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Teresa_Morganti ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=Al2CG3kAAA&hl=en&oi=ao	Dec. 2020
247	Morrow	Christine	C.	Morphological and molecular systematics, biodiversity studies, alpha taxonomy, ecology	Queen's University Marine Laboratory, 12-1 The Strand, Portaferry, Northern Ireland, UK	christinemorrow@gmail.com	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Christine_Morrow	Feb. 2021
248	Mote	Sambhaji	-	Taxonomy and Molecular ecology	CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography, Goa, INDIA	sambhajimote41@gmail.com; smote@nio.org	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sambhaji_Mote	Jan. 2017; I am a Researcher at CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography. I work on the taxonomy of marine sponges from the west coast of India. Presently I am investigating synergistic impacts of global warming and ocean acidification on tropical coral reefs (India) with an emphasis on bioerosion of scleractinians by bioeroding sponges.
249	Mueller	Benjamin	-	Sponge ecology, nutrient cycling through sponges, dissolved organic matter, dynamics, coral reefs, deep-sea sponges	University of Amsterdam - Institute for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Dynamics, Science Park 904, 1098XH Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS	b.muller@uva.nl; muellerb@ymail.com	https://medewerker.uva.nl/en/profile/m/u/b.muller/b.muller.html ; http://www.researchstationcarmabi.org/research-station-carmabi/scientists/ben-mueller/ ; https://www.instagram.com/benblueexplorer/ ; https://twitter.com/BenBlueExplore ; https://www.uva.nl/en/profile/m/u/b.muller/b.muller.html?cb	Feb. 2021
250	Müller	Werner	E.G.	Molecular biodiversity, evolution, skeleton/bone formation, enzymatic synthesis, nanobiotechnology, regeneratively active implants	Institute for Physiological Chemistry, University Medical Center of the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Duesbergweg 6 D-55128 Mainz, GERMANY	wmueller@uni-mainz.de	http://www.unimedizin-mainz.de/physiologie/research/prof-dr-w-e-g-mueller.html?L=1	Dec. 2019; Vice-President of the International Marine Biotechnology Association

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251	Muricy	Guilherme	Ramos (da Silva)	Ecology, taxonomy, Homoscleromorpha	Departamento de Invertebrados, Museu Nacional Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, São Cristóvão, 20940-040 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, BRAZIL	muricy@mn.ufrj.br	http://buscatextual.cnpq.br/buscatextual/visualizacv.do?id=K4781469D1	Details confirmed via displayed webpage Jan. 2020
252	Musser	Jacob	M.	Cell type evolution, early metazoan evolution	European Molecular Biology Laborator (EMBL), Meyerhofstrasse 1, 69117 Heidelberg, GERMANY	jacob.musser@embl.de	https://www.embl.de/research/units/dev_biology/arendt/index.html ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jacob_Musser	Jan. 2020; Postdoc, Arendt Group
253	Mutsenko	Vitalii	V.	Tissue engineering and cryobiology	Institute for Multiphase Processes, Leibniz University Hannover, GERMANY	mutsenko@imp.uni-hannover.de; v.v.muzenko@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/scientific-contributions/2120877563_Vitalii_Mutsenko	Jan. 2020; Postdoc
254	Naumann	Malik	S.	Functional ecology, trophic interactions, energy and nutrient budgets	Fahrenheitstr. 6, 28359 Bremen, GERMANY	mnaumann@uni-bremen.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Malik_Naumann ; http://orcid.org/0000-0002-6870-291X	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
255	Nemoy	Philip	-	Aquaculture, applications in human use, biodiversity, Citizen Science, ecology	Recanati Institute of Maritime Studies, University of Haifa, ISRAEL	philip.nemoy@gmail.com	http://il.linkedin.com/pub/philipnemoy/24/118/b24 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Philip_Nemoy	Dec. 2019
256	Nichols	Scott	-	Evolution, development, cytology, animal origins	Department of Biological Sciences, 2101 E. Wesley Ave., SGM 203, University of Denver, Denver, CO 80208 USA	scott.nichols@du.edu	http://scottnicholslab.weebly.com	Feb. 2021
257	Nickel	Michael	-	Scientific project consulting in relation to sponges, marine invertebrates, bionics, evolutionary biology, evolution of cell and tissue types, evolution of functional modules in basal Metazoa	Bionic-Consulting, Brückenacker 4, 70565 Stuttgart, GERMANY	m.nickel@bionic-consulting.de	www.bionic-consulting.de	Dec. 2019; Michael Nickel is associated member of GeoBio-Center, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, EMBL Heidelberg, Developmental Biology Unit, Arendt Group
258	Nonnis Marzano	Carlotta	-	Faunistics, distributions, ecology, applied use, reproduction, aquaculture, environmental factors	University of Bari, Biology Department, Via Orabona 4, 70125 Bari, ITALY	carlotta.nonnismarzano@uniba.it	NA	Dec. 2019
259	Nunes	Gabriel	Silva de Souza	Amazonian sponges; freshwater sponges	Federal University of Pernambuco (UFPE), Zoology Department, Professor Moraes Rego, Av., University Town, 50670-901 Recife, Pernambuco, BRAZIL	gabriel.nunes@ufpe.br; gssnunes@hotmail.com; pirowts@gmail.com	https://www.linkedin.com/in/gabriel-silva-de-souza-nunes-a1ba0010a/	Feb. 2021
260	Núñez Pons	Laura	-	Sponge ecology, symbiosis, bioerosion, chemical defenses and natural products	Dept. of Biology and Evolution of Marine Organisms (BEOM), Stazione Zoologica "Anton Dohrn", Villa Comunale, 80121 - Naples, ITALY; Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute (STRI), Altieri Lab, PANAMA	laura.nunezpons@szn.it; NunezL@si.edu ; lauguau@gmail.com	lauranunezpons.wix.com/lauranunezpons ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Laura_Nunez-Pons ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=W5sXyy8AAAAJ&hl=es .	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, one email no longer works
261	Oliveira	Franciele	S.	Demosponge ecology, demographics, population dynamics, reproduction, evolution, development, embryology	Federal University of Bahia- Instituto de Biologia - UFBA, Salvador, Bahia, BRAZIL	oliveira.franciele@ufba.br; fsoliveira92@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/5206284917442253 ; http://lebr-ufba.wikisite.com/lebr-ufba/equipe	Jan. 2018; PhD candidate

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262	Osinga	Ronald	-	Ecophysiology, growth, aquaculture, natural products, coral reefs	Wageningen University, Marine Animal Ecology Group, PO box 338, 6700 AH Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	ronald.osinga@wur.nl	http://www.wageningenur.nl/en/Persons/dr.-R-Ronald-Osinga.htm ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ronald_Osinga	Jan. 2017
263	Padua	André	Queiroz	Calcareous sponges - ecology, evolution, population genetics, taxonomy	Universidade Federal Rural do Rio de Janeiro Instituto de Ciências Biológicas e da Saúde, Departamento de Biologia Animal. Rodovia BR-465 km 7 CEP: 23897-000 Seropédica- RJ, BRAZIL	andrepadua@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Andre_Queiroz_De_Padua	Jan. 2020; Adjunct Professor
264	Pansini	Maurizio	-	Taxonomy, ecology, biogeography	University of Genoa, Distav, Corso Europa 26 16132 Genova, ITALY	pansism@gmail.com	NA	Dec. 2019; retired since Nov. 2018, but still active in sponge science
265	Pasnin	Olivier	Charles, Arvin	Marine conservation, marine spatial planning, phylogeny, phylogeography	Evolutionary Genomics Group, Department of Botany and Zoology, Stellenbosch University, Private Bag X1, Matieland, 7602 SOUTH AFRICA	Olivier.Pasnin@gmail.com; opasnin@sun.ac.za	NA	Jan. 2017; PhD candidate (Stellenbosch University); Associate Research Scientist (Mauritius Oceanography Institute)
266	Pawlik	Joseph	-	Caribbean sponge ecology, chemical ecology	UNCW, 5600 Marvin K Moss Ln, Wilmington, NC 28409, USA	pawlikj@uncw.edu	http://people.uncw.edu/pawlikj/index.html < https://mail.uncw.edu/owa/UrlBlockedError.aspx >; http://people.uncw.edu/pawlikj/pubs2.html < https://mail.uncw.edu/owa/UrlBlockedError.aspx >; YouTube Channel; "Pawlik Lab"	Dec. 2019
267	Payne	Robyn	Pauline	Sponge taxonomy, biodiversity, biogeography and ecology	Biodiversity and Conservation Biology Department, Faculty of Natural Science, New Life Sciences Building, 5th Floor, Core 2, University of the Western Cape, Modderdam Road, P/Bag X17, Bellville, 7530 Cape Town, SOUTH AFRICA	robynppayne@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Robyn_Payne	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate working on the Demospongiae taxonomy and diversity of the Amathole region (Eastern Cape, South Africa)
268	Pereira	Raquel	-	Taxonomy of Suberitidae in North Atlantic, sponge grounds, deep-sea sponges, demosponge taxonomy	Uppsala University, Evolution Biology Centre SWEDEN	raquel.pereira@ebc.uu.se; lmsolaris@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Raquel_Pereira ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Raquel_Pereira2	Dec. 2020; PhD candidate
269	Pérez	Thierry	-	Taxonomy, systematics, ecology, evolution, reproduction, disease outbreaks and mass mortality events environmental factors, chemical ecology, metabolomics	CNRS, Institut Méditerranéen de Biodiversité et d'Ecologie marine et continentale. Station Marine d'Endoume, rue de la batterie des lions 13007 Marseille, FRANCE	thierry.perez@imbe.fr	https://scholar.google.fr/citations?user=IYQKX48AAAJ&hl=fr ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Thierry_Perez ; http://www.ecimar.org ;; http://www.imbe.fr	Dec. 2019
270	Pérez-Porro	Alicia	R.	Ecology, transcriptomics, genomics, global warming effects, molecular biology, development	Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History, 10th St. & Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20560, USA	alicia@aliciaperezporro.com	https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=LPI7L80AAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Alicia_R_Perez_Porro ; https://harvard.academia.edu/AliciaRPerezPorro ; http://figshare.com/authors/Alicia_R_Perez_Porro/5-2207 ; www.linkedin.com/in/aliciarperezporro ; http://www.researcherid.com/rid/F-9384-2012 ; www.aliciaperezporro.com	Dec. 2019; information updated by Christine based on an automated reply with the new email address
271	Petsche	Cheryl	-	Sponges as hosts and symbionts	University of the Virgin Islands, Department of Biological Sciences #2 John Brewers Bay, St. Thomas, VI 00802, USA	petsche89@yahoo.com	NA	May 2017

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272	Pica	Daniela	-	Taxonomy, ecology, biology of marine sponges	Università Politecnica delle Marche-DISVA, Laboratory of Marine Zoology, Via Brecce Bianche, 60131 Ancona, ITALY	daniela.pica@gmail.com	NA	Jan 2017; Postdoc
273	Picton	Bernard	Eric	Sponge taxonomy, species identification, mostly NE Atlantic, underwater photography, spongivory (nudibranchs)	National Museums Northern Ireland, 153 Bangor Road, Holywood, BT18 0EU, Northern Ireland, UK	Bernard.picton@nmni.com; Bernard.picton@gmail.com	http://www.habitas.org.uk/staff/bpicton.html , http://www.habitas.org.uk/marinelife/sponge_guide/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Bernard_Picton	Feb. 2021; retired, but still active
274	Piel	Jörn	-	Sponge-microbial symbioses, natural products, drug discovery, genomics, biochemistry, physiology	ETH Zürich, Institute of Microbiology, Vladimir-Prelog-Weg 1-5/10, 8093 Zürich, SWITZERLAND	jpiel@ethz.ch	http://www.micro.biol.ethz.ch/research/piel	Dec. 2019
275	Pierri	Cataldo	-	Faunistics, distributions, ecology and applied use of sponges	University of Bari, Biology Department, via Orabona 4, 70125 Bari, ITALY	cataldo.pierri@uniba.it	NA	Dec. 2019
276	Pineda	Mari-Carmen	-	Ecology, microbial ecology, molecular biology, environmental factors, physiology, biodiversity and conservation, population genetics	Australian Institute of Marine Science, PMB 3, Townsville MC, Townsville, 4810, Queensland, AUSTRALIA	mcarmen.pineda@gmail.com; m.pineda@aims.gov.au	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/M_Carmen_Pineda	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
277	Pinheiro	Ulisses	-	Taxonomy of marine and freshwater sponges	Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Departamento de Zoologia, Cidade Universitária, Recife, PE, BRAZIL	uspinheiro@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ulisses_Pinheiro2 ; http://lattes.cnpq.br/9558308121632441	Dec. 2018
278	Pisera	Andrzej	-	Fossil and Recent siliceous sponges, especially desma-bearing demosponges and coralline sponges	Institute of Paleobiology, Polish Academy of Sciences, ul. Twarda 51/55, 00-818 POLAND	apis@twarda.pan.pl	http://www.paleo.pan.pl/pracownicy/pisera/andrzej_pisera.html ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Andrzej_Pisera/publications	Jan. 2020. Other research included crinoids and coralline algae; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
279	Pita Galán	Lucía	-	Sponge-microbe symbiosis, ecology, biogeography	GEOMAR Helmholtz-Zentrum für Ozeanforschung Kiel, RU Marine Symbioses, Hohenbergstr. 2, 24105 Kiel, GERMANY	luciapitagalan@gmail.com	https://www.geomar.de/en/staff/fb3/ms/lpita/	Dec. 2019; Postdoc with Ute Hentschel Humeida
280	Pohler	Susanne	-	Ecology, bioerosion, taxonomy of SW Pacific bioeroding sponge species	Institut f. Erdwissenschaften, Universitaet Graz, Heinrichstraße 26, 8010 Graz, AUSTRIA	dr.s.pohler@gmail.com	NA	Dec. 2019
281	Pomponi	Shirley	A.	Biotechnology, cell culture, demosponge ecology & systematics, cell culture models (in particular, tropical and deepwater ecosystems)	Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, Florida Atlantic University, 5600 U.S. 1 North Fort Pierce, FL 34946 USA; Wageningen University, Bioprocess Engineering, Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	spomponi@fau.edu	http://www.fau.edu/hboi/mbbr/spongebio.php , http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov/edu/oceanage/03pomponi/pomponi.html	Jan. 2020
282	Porter	Sean	-	Reef ecology, reef biodiversity, isotope trophic ecology, marine conservation	South African Association for Marine Biological Research, 1 King Shaka Avenue, Point, Durban 4001 KwaZulu-Natal, SOUTH AFRICA; PO Box 10712, Marine Parade 4056 KwaZulu-Natal, SOUTH AFRICA	sporter@ori.org.za	www.saambr.org.za	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
283	Powell	Abigail	-	Sponge ecology, fish and sponge associations, deep-sea, conservation, monitoring, automated image analysis	Northwest Fisheries Science Center, NOAA, Montlake Blvd E, Seattle, WA 98112, USA	abigail.powell@noaa.gov	NA	Dec. 2018

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284	Preston	Joanne	-	Sponge-microbe symbioses, ecology/function, sponge disease, impact of plastic on sponges	Institute of Marine Sciences, University of Portsmouth, Ferry Road, Eastney, PO4 9LY, UK	joanne.preston@port.ac.uk	http://www.port.ac.uk/school-of-biological-sciences/staff/dr-joanne-preston.html	Nov. 2017; current projects: molecular barcoding of sponge biodiversity in Skomer Marine Conservation Zone; metagenomic profile of microbial community associated with healthy and diseased <i>Cliona celata</i> uptake of liquid plastic PEG by sponges
285	Pronzato	Roberto	-	Taxonomy, ecology, sponge farming, natural products, bath sponges, freshwater sponges	University of Genoa, Dipartimento di Scienze della Terra dell'Ambiente e della Vita (DISTAV), corso Europa 26. 16132, Genova, ITALY	roberto.pronzato@unige.it; roberto.pronzato@libero.it	http://www.distav.unige.it ; http://www.sibm.it	Dec. 2019
286	Putchakarn	Sumaith	-	Biodiversity	Institute of Marine Science, Burapha University, Bangsaen, Chonburi 20131, THAILAND	sumaith@go.buu.ac.th; sumaith@gmail.com; sumaith@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sumaith_Putchakarn2	Jan. 2020. Studies sponge diversity and taxonomy in Thailand Waters (the Gulf of Thailand and Andaman Sea).
287	Putra	Singgih	Afifa	Coral reef ecology, the taxonomy of corals and sponges, anthropogenic impacts, conservation	Laboratory of Marine Resources, Lembaga Pengembangan dan Pemberdayaan Pendidikan dan Tenaga Kependidikan Bidang Kelautan Perikanan Teknologi Informasi dan Komunikasi (LPPPTK KPTK), Kementerian Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan, Jl. Diklat No. 30 Pattallassang, Gowa, South Sulawesi, 92171 INDONESIA	singgih.afifa@kemdikbud.go.id; singgih.off@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Singgih_Putra ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=tI4cxboAAAJ	Dec. 2019; Currently, I research shallow-water sponges in South Sulawesi, Indonesia and focus mangrove and seagrass sponges, coral-eroding sponges, etc.
288	Ramsby	Blake	-	Ecology, symbiosis, microbes, bioerosion	James Cook University, QLD, AUSTRALIA	blake.ramsby@my.jcu.edu.au	https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=mjqBBY8AAAAJ&hl=en&oi=ao%202016	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
289	Regueiras	Ana	-	Sponge diversity and phylogeny, symbiosis and natural products	Universidade do Porto, Blue Biotechnology and Ecotoxicology - BBE, Centro Interdisciplinar de Investigação Marinha e Ambiental (CIIMAR), Rua dos Bragas 289, 4050-123 Porto, PORTUGAL	anaregueiras@gmail.com	http://www.ciimar.up.pt/	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
290	Reitner	Joachim	-	Sponge related microbes, fossil sponges, hexactinellids	Geobiology/Paleontology, Faculty of Geosciences and Geography, University of Göttingen, Goldschmidtstr. 3, 37077 Göttingen, GERMANY	jreitne@gwdg.de	www.geobiologie.uni-goettingen.de	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
291	Renard	Emmanuelle	-	Evolution, molecular evolution, evo-devo, eco-devo, metazoan phylogeny	IMBE Station Marine d'Endoume OSU Institut Pytheas- Chemin de la Batterie des Lions 13 007 Marseille, FRANCE	emmanuelle.renard@imbe.fr; emmanuelle.renard@univ-amu.fr	http://www.imbe.fr/spip.php?page=pageperso&nom=RENARD&prenom=Emmanuelle&lang=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Emmanuelle_Renard3	Feb. 2021
292	Renfro	Bobbie	Lynn	Disturbance ecology, sponge diversity	Department of Biological Science, Florida State University, 319 Stadium Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32306, USA	brenfro@bio.fsu.edu	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Bobbie_Renfro	Dec. 2018; PhD candidate with Janie Wulff
293	Ribeiro	Bárbara	-	Ecology, biomineralization, microbiology and climate change effects in calcareous sponges	Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Instituto de Biologia, Departamento de Zoologia, Laboratório de Biologia de Porífera, Av. Carlos Chagas Filho 373, Ilha do Fundão, 21941-902 Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	barbararibeiro@ufrj.br; barbara.pitt@gmail.com	-	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate with Michelle Klautau

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294	Riesgo	Ana	-	Cytology, reproduction, embryogenesis, molecular evolution, phylogeny, genetic connectivity, biodiversity	Department of Life Sciences, Natural History Museum of London, Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD, UK; Department of Biodiversity and Evolutionary Biology, National Museum of Natural Sciences (CSIC), c/José Gutiérrez Abascal 2, 28046 Madrid, SPAIN	A.Riesgo@nhm.ac.uk; anariesgogil@mncn.csic.es; anariesgogil@gmail.com	https://scholar.google.es/citations?user=HGSTjVUAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ana_Riesgo2 ; http://www.anariesgogil.com/ ; http://www.anariesgogil.com/ ; http://www.nhm.ac.uk/our-science/departments-and-staff/staff-directory/ana-riesgo%20gil.html	Feb. 2021
295	Ríos	Pilar	-	Taxonomy, phylogenetics and ecology, Antarctic and deep-sea sponges, sponge molecular taxonomy	Instituto Español de Oceanografía, Centro Oceanográfico de Santander, Promontorio San Martín s/n, 39004 Santander, SPAIN	pilar.rios@ieo.es; pilar.rios.lopez@gmail.com	http://www.ieo.es ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Pilar_Rios2/research	Feb. 2021; Taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
296	Ritterbush	Kathleen	A.	Palaeontology, biomineralisation, spiculites, benthic ecology, developmental biology and population dynamics, mass extinction	University of Utah, Department of Geology and Geophysics, 115 S 1460 E, Salt Lake City, UT 84112, USA	k.ritterbush@utah.edu	http://geosci.uchicago.edu/~ritterbush/Kathleen_Ritterbush/Kathleen_Ritterbush.html ; https://faculty.utah.edu/u6002857-Kathleen_A._Ritterbush/research/index.html	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
297	Rix	Laura	-	Ecology, physiology, nutrient cycling, sponge-microbe interactions, symbiosis	The University of Queensland, School of Biological Sciences, St. Lucia, QLD 4072, AUSTRALIA	l.rix@uq.edu.au	https://researchers.uq.edu.au/researcher/21558	Jan. 2020
298	Rizzieri	Raisa	Campos	Integrative taxonomy of Calcarea, molecular phylogeny, biodiversity and ecology	Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Biology Institute, 373, Av. Carlos Chagas Filho, 21941-902, Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	raisa.rizzi@gmail.com	http://lattes.cnpq.br/9174469331246636	Dec. 2019; MSc student with Michelle Klautau
299	Robertson	Leah	-	Deep-sea sponge feeding and biology, marine policy implications	Halifax, NS, CANADA	lmr323@mun.ca	NA	Nov. 2017
300	Rocha Gonçalves da Silva	Lívia	-	Rodolith associations	Museu Nacional - Depto. Invertebrados, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Quinta da Boa Vista, s/n, 20940-040, Rio de Janeiro, RJ - BRAZIL	liviahrocha@yahoo.com.br	NA	Dec. 2019; PhD candidate with Eduardo Hajdu
301	Rodrigues	Daniel	-	Sponge taxonomy	School of Chemistry, NUI and Marine Institute Galway, IRELAND	daniel.rodrigues@nuigalway.ie	NA	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate; entered by Olivier Thomas
302	Rossi	André	Linhares	Biomineralisation	Centro Brasileiro de Pesquisas Físicas, Dr. Xavier Sigaud, 150 - Urca, Rio de Janeiro - RJ, 22290-180, BRAZIL	alinhares@cbpf.br	http://www.researcherid.com/rid/E-8149-2013	Dec. 2019
303	Ruengsawang	Nisit	-	Biodiversity, ecology, conservation & application	Division of Biology, Faculty of Science and Technology, Rajamangala University of Technology Krungthep, 2 Nang Linchi Road, Sathon, Bangkok 10120, THAILAND	nisit.r@mail.rmuk.ac.th	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Nisit_Ruengsawang	Dec. 2019
304	Ruggiero	Juliet	Ann	Ecology, population genetics	Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, Florida Atlantic University, 5600 U.S. 1 North Fort Pierce, FL, 34946 USA	jruggiero2018@fau.edu; julietrugg@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Juliet_Ruggiero	Dec. 2019
305	Ruiz	César	Augusto	(Integrative) taxonomy, ecology, Homoscleromorpha	Mediterranean Institute of Marine and Continental Biology and Ecology, Station Marine d'Endoume, Chemin de la batterie de lions, 13007 Marseille, FRANCE	carp2112@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Cesar_Ruiz8	Apr. 2020

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306	Rush	Nicola	-	Taxonomy, ecology	National Centre for Aquatic Biodiversity and Biosecurity, National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, P. O. Box 109-695, Newmarket, Auckland, NEW ZEALAND	nicola.rush@niwa.co.nz	www.niwa.co.nz	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, email no longer works
307	Rützler	Klaus	-	Systematics, ecology (coral reefs and mangroves, Caribbean), symbioses, developmental biology	Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of Natural History, 10th and Constitution Ave, NW Washington, DC 20560-0163, USA	RUETZLER@si.edu	http://invertebrates.si.edu/staff/ruetzler.cfm ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Klaus_Ruetzler	Jan. 2020; Emeritus, still active; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species
308	Sacristán-Soriano	Oriol	-	Ecology, symbiosis, natural products	Department of Biology, Gottwald Center for the Sciences, University of Richmond, 28 Westhampton Way, 23173 VA, USA; Centro de Estudios Avanzados de Blanes, s Acc. Cala S Francesc 14, 17300 Blanes, Girona, SPAIN	osacriso7@gmail.com ; osacristan@ub.edu	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Oriol_Sacristan-Soriano ; http://orcid.org/0000-0003-4900-884X ; http://www.researcherid.com/rid/M-1516-2014	Jan. 2017
309	Samaai	Toufiek	-	Taxonomy, ecology, biogeography, biodiversity, genetics, marine natural products chemistry (biodiscovery)	Department of Environmental Affairs, Oceans and Coasts Branch, Marine Biodiversity and Coastal Research, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerslaght Way, Foreshore, Cape Town, SOUTH AFRICA	Tsamaai@environment.gov.za ; toufiek.samaai@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Toufiek_Samaai ; http://www.biologicalsciences.uct.ac.za/bio/staff/postdocsresearch/assoc/samaai	Details confirmed by Christine Schönberg via displayed webpages Jan. 2020
310	Sammarco	Paul	W.	Ecology, space competition, invasive species	Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium (LUMCON), 8124 Hwy. 56, Chauvin, LA 70344-2110, USA	psammarco@lumcon.edu	www.lumcon.edu	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; I worked on sponges but primarily in Australia and to some degree in Jamaica, WI - yrs ago. I am based in the US and have been for some number of yrs now (like 24). Any sponge work I'm doing today deals with epibenthic ones that are competitors for space with our invasive species of corals and other corals.
311	Sandford	Floyd	-	Ecology, taxonomy, symbiosis	Coe College, Biology Department, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 52402, USA	fsandfor@coe.edu	http://www.public.coe.edu/~fsandfor/	Jan. 2020; retired, but still active; my work is with suberitid hermit crab sponges and especially the Florida hermit crab sponge <i>Spongosorites suberitoides</i> and with sponges from sea grass beds and mangrove roots in Belize that are inhabited by small cryptic sponge-eating shrimp
312	Sandoval	Kenneth	Sisto	Secondary metabolism, genomics, biotechnology, microbiology, symbiosis	Martin Ryan Institute, National University of Ireland Galway, Galway, IRELAND	k.sandoval1@nuigalway.ie	NA	Dec. 2018; PhD candidate
313	Santín Muriel	Andreu	-	Marine ecology and taxonomy, Mediterranean sponge fauna	Institut of Marine Sciences, Passeig Marítim de la Barceloneta 37-49, 08003 Barcelona, SPAIN	andreusantin@gmail.com ; santin@icm.csic.es	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Andreu_Santin_Muriel ; https://scholar.google.es/citations?user=7ftp778AAAJ&hl=es&oi=ao	Nov. 2017; PhD candidate
314	Santos	Ana	-	Bioerosion	University of Huelva, Dep. Ciencias de la Tierra, Facultad de Ciencias Experimentales, Campus de El Carmen, Avda. 3 Marzo s/, 21071 Huelva, SPAIN	asantos@dgyp.uhu.es	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ana_Santos40 ; https://independent.academia.edu/AnaSantos258	Jan. 2018

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315	Santos	George	-	Taxonomy, systematics, biogeography, diversity, marine sponges	Instituto de Formação de Educadores, Universidade Federal do Cariri, Rua Olegário Emídio de Araújo, s/n, Brejo Santo - CE - 632 000 BRAZIL	balgeorge42@yahoo.com.br	George Garcia Universidade Federal de Pernambuco - Academia.edu	Dec. 2019
316	Schejter	Laura	-	Taxonomy, biogeography, endobiotic and epibiotic associations	Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Desarrollo Pesquero, Laboratorio Bentos, Paseo Victoria Ocampo 1, 7600 Mar del Plata ARGENTINA	schejter@inidep.edu.ar; lauraschejter@hotmail.com	Member of "Ecología Pesquera" Project, INIDEP. www.ecologiapesquera.com.ar	Dec. 2020; I work on the taxonomy of marine sponges from Argentina, and I am also studying Antarctic and Subantarctic samples. I am a Researcher at Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas (CONICET, Argentina).
317	Schläppy	Marie-Lise	-	Sponge symbionts, ecology, effects of flow and sedimentation on sponges and their symbionts, artificial reefs	Australian Institute of Marine Science and University of Western Australia, Indian Ocean Marine Research centre, Fairway, Crawley, WA 6009, AUSTRALIA	marie-lise@uwa.edu.au; mls@email.com	http://www.web.uwa.edu.au/person/marie-lise.schlappy ; https://uk.linkedin.com/pub/marie-lise-schlappy/44/5a1/88	Dec. 2019
318	Schönberg	Christine	H. L.	Bioerosion, benthic ecology, coral reef health, environmental change, conservation, taxonomy of bioeroding sponges, Indo-Pacific sponges, eco-physiology	Oceanography Department at the College of Marine Science, National Sun Yat-sen University, 70 Lien-hai Road Kaohsiung 80424, Gushan District, TAIWAN	cschoenberg@mail.nsysu.edu.tw; christine.schonberg@uwa.edu.au	https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=Q-hUuTAAAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Christine_Schoenberg ; http://www.researcherid.com/rid/B-3925-2009 ; https://www.linkedin.com/profile/edit?trk=spm_pic	Feb. 2021; I support sound science ethics. Taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species.
319	Schull	Shania			Florida State University, USA	sms20gr@my.fsu.edu		Jan. 2021; graduate student
320	Schupp	Peter	J.	Chemical and microbial ecology, biodiversity, ecosystem function, tropical coral reef and deep-sea sponges, marine natural products research, pharmacological activity of sponge metabolites	Institute of Chemistry and Biology of the Marine Environment (ICBM), Environmental Biochemistry, Carl-von-Ossietzky University Oldenburg, Schleusenstr. 1, 26382 Wilhelmshaven, GERMANY	peter.schupp@uni-oldenburg.de	http://www.icbm.de/umweltbiochemie/ ; http://www.icbm.de/umweltbiochemie/veroeffentlichungen	2016; our current research focus is on phase shifts from coral to sponge dominated reefs. In particular we are looking at trades which aid sponges to outcompete corals (e.g. growth, secondary metabolites). Of special interest are sponge chemical defences and allopathic interactions. We are also investigating sponge microbial communities using traditional culturing and next generation sequencing techniques. Alexander von Humboldt-Foundation alumni.
321	Schuster	Astrid	-	Evolution of sponges, tolerance of sponges to changing ocean chemistry (oxygen/silica), phylogenomics of Tetractinellida	CIIMAR - Interdisciplinary Centre for Marine and Environmental Research, University of Porto; Avenida General Norton de Matos, 4450-208 Matosinhos, PORTUGAL	astrid.schuster85@gmail.com	https://www2.ciimar.up.pt/team.php?id=525 ; https://www.researchgate.net/publications	Dec. 2019; Postdoc
322	Shim	Eun	Jung	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges	Natural History Museum of Hannam University, 133, Ojeong-dong, Dadeok-gu, Daejeon 306-791 SOUTH KOREA	hyny1999@hanmail.net	NA	Updated Jan. 2020 by Chung Ja Sim
323	Sim	Chung	Ja	Systematics and taxonomy of marine sponges	Hannam University, Dept. of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, 1646, Yuseong-daero, Yuseong-gu, Daejeon 305-811 SOUTH KOREA	cjsim@hnu.kr	NA	Jan. 2020
324	Sim-Smith	Carina	J.	Taxonomy	ClearSight Consultants Ltd., 35 Mellons Bay Rd, Howick, Auckland, NEW ZEALAND	carina@clearsight.co.nz	NA	Dec. 2019

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325	Sini	Maria	-	Ecology, distribution, sciaphilic hard substrate benthic communities, Mediterranean coralligenous communities	Department of Marine Sciences, Marine Biodiversity, Conservation and Fisheries Management Lab, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island, 81100 Mytilene, GREECE	mariasini@marine.aegean.gr; mariasini@hotmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/scientific-contributions/2021856699_Maria_Sini	Jan. 2020
326	Sipkema	Detmer	-	Symbiosis, ecology, evolution, microbiology	Wageningen University, Laboratory of Microbiology, Stippenweg 4, 6708 WE Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	detmer.sipkema@wur.nl	http://www.wageningenur.nl/en/Expertise-Services/Chair-groups/Agrotechnology-and-Food-Sciences/Laboratory-of-Microbiology/Research/Molecular-Ecology/Marine-Microbial-Ecology.htm ; http://www.wageningenur.nl/en/Expertise-Services/Chair-groups/Agrotechnology-and-Food-Sciences/Laboratory-of-Microbiology/People.htm	Feb. 2021
327	Sitjà	Cèlia	-	Taxonomy, ecology, biotechnology	Centre d'Estudis Avançats de Blanes (CEABCSIC), Acceso Cala St. Francesc 14, Blanes, 17300, Girona, SPAIN	csitja@ceab.csic.es	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
328	Slaby	Beate	-	Symbiosis, -omics (single-cell/metagenomics of sponge symbionts)	GEOMAR Helmholtz-Zentrum für Ozeanforschung Kiel, RU Marine Symbioses, Hohenbergstr. 2, 24105 Kiel, GERMANY	bslaby@geomar.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Beate_Slaby ; https://www.geomar.de/en/staff/fb3/ms/bslaby/	Dec. 2019
329	Slattery	Marc	-	Sponge ecology, natural products, deep reef structure & function	University of Mississippi, Dept of BioMolecular Sciences, Oxford MS 38677, USA	slattery@olemiss.edu	http://pharmacy.olemiss.edu/biomolecularsciences/eam/dr-marc-slattery/	Feb 2021; Professor
330	Smolinski	Amanda	-	Heavy metal uptake in sponges using neutron radiography and other neutron-based methods	Idaho National Laboratory, Materials and Fuels Complex (MFC) - Receiving Bldg. 781, Attn: Amanda Smolinski - MS 6166, Scoville, ID 83415, USA	glasaman@isu.edu; Amanda.Smolinski@inl.gov	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Amanda_Smolinski	Jan. 2020
331	Sokolova	Agniya	-	Taxonomy of freshwater sponges, ultrastructure of sponge cells	N. K. Koltzov Institute of Developmental Biology, Vavilova St., 26, 119334, Moscow, RUSSIA	enfado@ya.ru	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Agniya_Sokolova	Dec. 2018; PhD candidate
332	Sorokin	Shirley	-	Sponges of South Australia	South Australian Museum, SA, AUSTRALIA	Shirley.sorokin@samuseum.sa.gov.au	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/S_Sorokin3?ev=hdr_xprf	Dec. 2019
333	Steindler	Laura	-	Sponge microbiology, molecular mechanisms of sponge-microbe interaction, cyanobacterial symbionts of sponges	Department of Marine Biology, Leon H. Charney School of Marine Sciences, University of Haifa 199 Aba-Hushi Avenue, Mt. Carmel, Haifa 3498838, ISRAEL	lsteindler@univ.haifa.ac.il	http://marisci.haifa.ac.il/labs/mmb	Dec. 2019
334	Stock	Carl	-	Fossil stromatoporeid sponges	NA	carlwstock7@gmail.com	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; I was one of the contributing authors on the revision of the Porifera volume of the Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology.
335	Stolz	Insa	Kristina	Ecology and taxonomy of sponges in Chilean Patagonia and their associated bacteria community, effect of aquaculture on sponges	Christian-Albrechts University of Kiel, GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel, GERMANY	istolz@geomar.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Insa_Stolz	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate
336	Strehlow	Brian	William	Physiology, environmental stress, (holo)genomics, (holo)transcriptomics, (microbial) ecology, symbiosis	University of Southern Denmark, Campusvej 55, Biology Institute, 5230 Odense M, DENMARK	strehlow@biology.sdu.dk	https://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=c4BE-uEAAA&hl=en	Jan. 2020

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337	Streekstra	Mischa	-	Ecology, biodiversity, sponge loop, iron hypothesis	Marine Animal Ecology (MAE) group, Wageningen University & Research, PO Box 338, 6700AH Wageningen, THE NETHERLANDS	Mischa.Streekstra@wur.nl	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Mischa_Streekstra ; https://mischastreekstra.wordpress.com/about/	Jan. 2020
338	Strzelecki	Joanna	-	Ecology, filtering rates, food web, benthic-pelagic coupling	CSIRO Oceans & Atmosphere, Indian Ocean Marine Research Centre, The University of Western Australia, M097, 35 Stirling Highway, Crawley, WA 6009, AUSTRALIA	joanna.strzelecki@csiro.au	www.csiro.au ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Joanna_Strzelecki	Jan. 2020
339	Stubler	Amber	D.	Sponge bioerosion, sponge interactions with other taxa, sponge ecology, the effects of acidification and warming on sponge ecology, anthropogenic stressors driving sponge community structure	Biology Department, Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA, USA	astubler@oxy.edu; astubler@gmail.com	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Amber_Stubler http://amberstubler.weebly.com/	Feb. 2021; Assistant Professor
340	Świerczewska-Gładysz	Ewa	-	Fossil (especially Cretaceous) siliceous sponges, taxonomy and paleoecology	Institute of Earth Science, University of Lodz, Narutowicza 88, 90-139 Lodz, POLAND	ewa.swierczewska@geo.uni.lodz.pl	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ewa_Swierczewska-Gladysz	Dec. 2019
341	Taboada	Sergi	-	Population genetics, systematics	Department of Life Sciences, Natural History Museum of London, Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD, UK	sergiotab@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sergi_Taboada/research	Dec. 2018
342	Tan	Joan Philyn	Cua	Deep water sponges, ecological role of sponges, medical applications of sponges	NA	joanphilyn@yahoo.com	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
343	Thacker	Robert	W.	Ecology, evolution	Department of Ecology and Evolution, 650 Life Sciences Building, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York, USA	robert.thacker@stonybrook.edu	http://thackerlab.weebly.com/ ; https://www.portol.org/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Robert_Thacker ; https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=Y2ic9FWAAA&hl=en	Jan. 2020
344	Tholleson	Mikael	-	Phylogeny/evolution, systematics, taxonomy, distribution	Uppsala University, Norbyvägen 18D, SE-752 36 Uppsala, SWEDEN	mikael.tholleson@ebc.uu.se	http://scholar.google.se/citations?user=VDx_CWQAAAJ&hl=sv ; http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Mikael_Tholleson ; https://se.linkedin.com/pub/mikael-tholleson/75/61/68b	Dec. 2019
345	Thomas	Torsten	-	Microbial symbionts of sponges, metagenomics and metatranscriptomics, molecular interactions between sponges and symbionts	Centre for Marine Bio-Innovation, School of Biological, Earth and Environmental Sciences, The University of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW 2052, AUSTRALIA	t.thomas@unsw.edu.au	https://research.unsw.edu.au/people/dr-torsten-thomas	Jan. 2018
346	Thomas	Olivier	P.	Evolution, biotechnology, aquaculture, natural products, environmental factors, biosynthesis	Marine Biodiscovery, School of Chemistry, College of Science, National University of Ireland Galway, University Road Galway, IRELAND	olivier.thomas@nuigalway.ie	http://www.nuigalway.ie/our-research/people/chemistry/olivierthomas/ ; http://scholar.google.fr/citations?user=KQ14c4gAAAJ&hl=en ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Olivier_Thomas2	Jan. 2020

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347	Thoms	Carsten	-	Chemical & microbial ecology, dynamic chemical defense mechanisms, invasive & proliferating species in coral reefs, climate change	Otto-von-Guericke-Universität Magdeburg, Universitätsplatz 2, 39106 Magdeburg, GERMANY	carsten.thoms@gmail.com	www.carsten-thoms.net	Feb. 2021. Not presently working on sponges, but would like to stay connected.
348	Trew	Holly	-	Tropical coral reef ecology, benthic ecology, excavating sponges	Department of Biological and Chemical Sciences, The University of the West Indies, P.O. Box 64 Bridgetown, BB11000, BARBADOS	hvtrew@gmail.com	NA	Nov. 2017; PhD candidate
349	Turicchia	Eva	-	Marine ecology, bioerosion rate, computed tomography scanning and imaging analysis, coral-killing sponges, scientific diving	Department of Cultural Heritage, University of Bologna, Via degli Ariani 1, 48121 Ravenna, ITALY	eva.turicchia2@unibo.it; turice01@yahoo.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Eva_Turicchia ; https://reefresearch.jimdo.com/ ; https://www.reefcheckmed.org/	Dec. 2018
350	Turner	Thomas	L.	Taxonomy of Californian sponges	Marine Science Institute, Bldg 520 Rm 4001 FL 4L, University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-6150, USA	tturner@ucsb.edu	https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=JrND60AAAAJ&hl=en	Dec. 2019; Associate Professor
351	Turon	Marta	-	Sponge taxonomy and symbiotic microbiomes	Centre D'Estudis Avançats de Blanes, Molecular Ecology of the Marine benthos team, Access Cala St Francesc, 14, 17300 Blanes (Girona), SPAIN	mturon@ceab.csic.es	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
352	Turon	Xavier	-	Ecology, chemical ecology, symbiosis, population genetics	Centre D'Estudis Avançats de Blanes, Molecular Ecology of the Marine Benthos team, Access Cala St Francesc, 14, 17300 Blanes (Girona), SPAIN	xturon@ceab.csic.es	www.ub.edu/beb/english/invertebrates/turon/turon.htm	Dec. 2019
353	Ubare	Vibha	Vasant	Systematics, taxonomy, ecology and biodiversity of marine sponges, with focus on India	INDIA	vibhaubare@gmail.com; vibhaubare@rediff.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Vibha_Ubare	Feb. 2021
354	Ugalde	Diana	-	Taxonomy, phylogeny, systematics, ecology	Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Unidad Academica Sisal, Puerto de Abrigo s/n, C.P. 97356 Sisal, Hunucma, Yucatán, MEXICO	dugabiol@gmail.com	https://independent.academia.edu/UgaldeDiana ; www.researchgate.net/profile/Diana_Ugalde3	Jan. 2017; PhD candidate
355	Urbassek Hoffmann	Friederike	-	Nitrogen cycle, anaerobic processes in sponges	Geophysical Institute, University of Bergen, PO Box 7803, 5020 Bergen, NORWAY	Friederike.Hoffmann@gfi.uib.no	http://www.uib.no/personer/Friederike.Urbassek.Hoffmann	Jan. 2020; I work in science management but contribute to science in between where my advice is needed.
356	Uriz	Maria	J.	Taxonomy, phylogeny, growth dynamics, reproduction, larval ecology, population dynamics, population genetics, chemical ecology, biomineralization, symbiosis	Centre D'Estudis Avançats de Blanes, Cala St Francesc, 14, 17300 Blanes (Girona), SPAIN	iosune@ceab.csic.es	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Maria_J_Uriz ; http://www.ceab.csic.es	Jan. 2020
357	Vacelet	Jean	-	General taxonomy (emphasis on carnivorous sponges and hypercalcified sponges), ecology, phylogeny/evolution	Station marine d'Endoume (Aix Marseille Université & CNRS), chemin de la Batterie de Lions 13007 Marseille, FRANCE	jean.vacelet@imbe.fr	http://www.imbe.fr	Dec. 2019; Emeritus, still active; taxonomic editor for the World Porifera Database and the World Register of Marine Species

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358	Vad	Johanne	-	Impact of human activities on deep-sea sponges	Grant Institute, School of Geosciences, The University of Edinburgh, James Hutton Road, King's Building, Edinburgh EH9 3FE, UK	Johanne.vad@ed.ac.uk	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Johanne_Vad https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Johanne_Vad/publication/338039d5-6a12-4d1f-9825-c731f4a02874/html	Dec. 2019; PDRA within the EU-ATLAS and EU-Atlantic projects
359	Vaillancourt	Yvonne	-	Plasticity in North Atlantic intertidal sponges	University of Massachusetts Boston, 180 Polpis Road, Nantucket, MA 02554, USA	Yvonne.Vaillancourt@umb.edu	https://www.umb.edu/nantucket	Jan. 2020; Director Nantucket Field Station
360	Vallon	Lothar	Herbert	Mainly bioerosion by sponges, especially in the Cretaceous-Danian of Denmark	Geomuseum Faxø (Østsjælland Museum), Østervej 2, DK-4640 Faxø, DENMARK	kv@oesm.dk; lothar.vallon@GMAIL.COM	http://www.ichnopolis.dk	Jan. 2020
361	Van der Ent	Esther	-	Sponge ecology, taxonomy, sponge microbial communities, environmental change	Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Vondellaan 55, Leiden, THE NETHERLANDS	esther.vanderent@naturalis.nl	https://science.naturalis.nl/en/people/scientists/esther-van-der-ent/ ; https://scholar.google.nl/citations?user=SnPRy5wAAAJ&hl=nl&oi=ao	Jan. 2017; PhD candidate with Nicole de Voogd
362	Van Duyl	Fleur	C.	Nutrition/role symbionts, bioerosion relation to eutrophication and acidification, 3D complexity, changes in sponge cover over time	Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ), THE NETHERLANDS	Fleur.van.Duyl@nioz.nl	www.nioz.nl ; www.acroporanet.nl ; researchgate.net/profile/Fleur_vanDuyl/	Details confirmed by Christine Schönberg via NIOZ webpage Jan. 2020
363	Van Soest	Rob	-	Taxonomy of Porifera	Naturalis Biodiversity Center, Dept. Marine Zoology, Darwinweg 2, 2333CR Leiden, THE NETHERLANDS	rob.vansoest@naturalis.nl	https://science.naturalis.nl/en/people/scientists/rob-van-soest/ ; Editor World Porifera Database: http://www.marinespecies.org/porifera/ ; Identify Northeast Atlantic sponges: http://species-identification.org/species.php?species_group=sponges&menuentry=inleiding	Dec. 2019; the emphasis is on species discovery, revision of genera, and biogeography, guided by materials collected during many past expedition and fieldwork trips. Next to these activities I will continue to work as editor in chief of the World Porifera Database.
364	Vasconcellos	Vivian	-	Reproduction, evolution	Universidade Federal da Bahia, Instituto de Ciências Biológicas, Salvador - Bahia, BRAZIL	vivianvasconcellos@gmail.com	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Vivian_Vasconcellos	Dec. 2019
365	Vaterlaus	Christian	-	Aquaculture, sponge farming, coral farming, coral reef protection, artificial reefs	marinecultures.org , Ottikerstr.53, 8006 Zürich, SWITZERLAND	c.vaterlaus@marinecultures.org	www.marinecultures.org	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; we do community based aquaculture development in Zanzibar, Tanzania to generate jobs and protect the marine environment.
366	Verde	Mariano	-	Sponge bioerosion, traces, ichnology, <i>Entobia</i> , palaeontology	Inv. Gr. 3 PEDECIBA Área Geociencias, Facultad de Ciencias, Universidad de la República, Igua 4225, CP 11400, Montevideo, URUGUAY	verde@fcien.edu.uy; icnologia@gmail.com	NA	April 2019
367	Vicente	Jan	-	Phylogeny and biogeography of cryptic sponge species settling on ARMS units	Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology, University of Hawai'i Mānoa, Kane'ohe, Hawai'i, USA	janv@hawaii.edu; vicentejan@gmail.com	www.tobolab.org	Nov. 2017; Postdoc
368	Voigt	Oliver	-	Phylogeny, biodiversity, evolution, molecular biology, biomineralization, calcareous sponges	LMU Universität München, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Palaeontology & Geobiology, Richard-Wagner-Str. 10, 80333 Munich, GERMANY	oliver.voigt@lmu.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Oliver_Voigt	Jan. 2020
369	Voultsiadou	Eleni	-	Taxonomy, ecology, fisheries, history, nomenclature	Department of Zoology, School of Biology, Aristotle University, 54124 Thessaloniki, GREECE	elvoults@bio.auth.gr	http://users.auth.gr/~elvoults ; http://www.bio.auth.gr/users/elvoults	Dec. 2019

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370	Wang	Dexiang	-	Ecology, taxonomy, reproduction, aquaculture, symbiosis	College of Ocean and Earth Sciences, Xiamen University, Xiang'an South Road, Xiamen, Fujian, 361102, P.R. CHINA	dxwang@xmu.edu.cn	http://coe.xmu.edu.cn/ ; http://spongelab.xmu.edu.cn	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; we use sponges in integrated ways based on aquaculture in China, including native compounds, cosmetic, ornamental sponge and marine environmental protecting. We had harvested more than ten tons of red and yellow sponges (<i>Mycale</i> spp.; <i>Tedania</i> spp.) in 2014 and 2015.
371	Wang	Xiaohong	-	Biosilicification and biomineralization, biomaterials development and their applications for regenerative medicine	Institute for Physiological Chemistry, Medical Center of the Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Duesbergweg 6, 55128 Mainz, GERMANY	wang013@uni-mainz.de	https://www.unimedizin-mainz.de/physiologie/	Jan. 2020
372	Wareham	Vonda	E.	Identification (taxonomy), distribution (faunistics) and associations (symbiosis) with deep-sea sponges of the Northwest Atlantic. Applied use: to identify Vulnerable Marine Ecosystems (including deep-sea corals and sponges) for conservation and protection	Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, 80 East White Hills Road, St. John's, NL A1C 5X1 CANADA	Vonda.wareham@dfo-mpo.gc.ca	http://www.meds-sdmm.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/sdb-bds/profile-profil.do?id=1166&lang=eng	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, email no longer works
373	Webb	Alice	-	Bioerosion, physiological mechanisms of CaCO ₃ dissolution by bioeroding sponges and ocean acidification	Department of Ocean Systems, Royal Netherlands Institute for Sea Research (NIOZ), THE NETHERLANDS	Alice.Webb@NIOZ.nl	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate, email no longer works
374	Webby	Barry	D.	Palaeobiology of hypercalcified sponges	School of Geosciences, University of Sydney, NSW 2006; Home address: 77 Woolwich Rd. Hunters Hill, NSW 2110, AUSTRALIA	bwebby25@gmail.com.au	NA	Apr. 2019; coordinating author of the revised, two-volume "Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology, Part E Porifera", published in 2015
375	Webster	Nicole	-	Microbial ecology, symbiosis, environmental stress	Australian Institute of Marine Science, AUSTRALIA	n.webster@aims.gov.au	http://data.aims.gov.au/staffcv/jst/external/view.xhtml?partyId=100000289 ; http://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=nLT0VhIAAAAJ&hl=en&oi=ao ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Nicole_Webster?ev=hdr_xprf ; http://community.frontiersin.org/people/nicolewebster/39834	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate
376	Weigel	Brooke	-	Molecular ecology, nutrient cycling, microbial communities in sponges, symbionts, classification of Pacific Northwest sponges	University of Chicago, 1025 E. 57th Street, Chicago, IL 60637, USA	brookeweigel711@gmail.com	http://brookeweigel.weebly.com	Jan. 2020; PhD candidate in Evolutionary Biology at the University of Chicago studying microbial symbiont communities in kelp communities.
377	Weinstein	David	Kurt	Geomorphology of coral reefs (especially mesophotic coral reefs), bioerosion of coral reefs, relationship between these topics	Hebrew University, Interuniversity Institute for Marine Sciences in Eilat, ISRAEL	dweinstein@rsmas.miami.edu; David.Weinstein@mail.huji.ac.il; Dave090@gmail.com	https://www.facebook.com/MesophoticCoralReefGeology/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/David_Weinstein2 ; https://www.linkedin.com/in/david-weinstein-71b87970/	Jan. 2018; Zuckerman Postdoctoral Scholar

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378	West	Ronald	Robert	Chaetetid sponges	1014 Houston Street, Manhattan, Kansas 66502, USA	rrwest@ksu.edu	NA	No contact since 2016; details may no longer be accurate; author of six chapters in the Treatise on Invertebrate Paleontology, part E, volume 4, Hypercalcified Sponges.
379	Weisz	Jeremy	B.	Ecology, symbiosis, microbiology	USA	jweisz@linfield.edu	http://www.linfield.edu/bio/faculty-details.html?id=529 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Jeremy_Weisz	Dec. 2019
380	Wiens	Matthias	-	Biomimetic/bioinspired materials synthesis, biomaterials, molecular biotechnology, apoptosis, evolution	Institute of Physiological Chemistry, University Medical Center, Johannes Gutenberg-University, Duesbergweg 6, D-55128 Mainz, GERMANY	wiens@uni-mainz.de	https://scholar.google.de/citations?user=TT_X8RIAAAJ&hl=en	Dec. 2019
381	Willenz	Philippe	-	Ultrastructure (TEM and SEM) of living tissues or SEM of skeleton for taxonomical purposes. Taxonomy of South American sponges (mainly Chile & Peru + Argentina). Past experience in ultrastructural investigation on particle retention. Hypercalcified sponges (ultrastructure, growth rate, palaeo proxy).	Royal Belgian Institute of Natural Sciences (Taxonomy & Phylogeny), 29 Rue Vautier, 1000 Brussels and Laboratoire de Biologie marine, Université Libre de Bruxelles, 50 Av. F.D. Roosevelt, 1050 Brussels, BELGIUM	philippe.willenz@naturalsciences.be	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Philippe_Willenz	Dec. 2019: retired, but still active in sponge science
382	Williams	Stacey	M.	Ecology, distribution, environmental drivers, Caribbean reefs, shallow to mesophotic environments	Institute for Socio-Ecological Research, Inc. (ISER), Lajas, PUERTO RICO 00667, US territory	stcmwilliams@gmail.com	www.isercaribe.org , https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Stacey_Williams4	Jan. 2020
383	Wilson	Nerida	Gaye	Phylogenetics, phylogeography and population genetics	Western Australian Museum, Department of Aquatic Zoology, 49 Kew Street, Welshpool, WA 6106, AUSTRALIA	Nerida.Wilson@museum.wa.gov.au	http://museum.wa.gov.au/research/research-areas/molecular-systematics-unit/curators-contacts/nerida-wilson	Dec. 2019
384	Wisshak	Max		Influence of global change on bioerosion rates of clonoid sponges; ichnotaxonomy of (sponge) borings	Senckenberg am Meer, Marine Research Department, Südstrand 40, 26382 Wilhelmshaven, GERMANY	max.wisshak@senckenberg.de	www.senckenberg.de ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Max-Wisshak	Feb. 2021
385	Witte	Ursula	-	Feeding ecology, C & N cycling	University of Aberdeen, Oceanlab, Main Street, Newburgh, Aberdeenshire, AB416AA Scotland, UK	u.witte@abdn.ac.uk	https://www.abdn.ac.uk/oceanlab/people/profiles/u/witte ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ursula_Witte	Details confirmed via Oceanlab webpage Jan. 2020
386	Wolff	Carsten	-	Taxonomy, natural products, drug discovery, biotechnology, molecular systematics, ecology, cell culture, aquaculture, microbiology	Marbios Novel Marine Bioactives, Letchworth, UK and Vision Environment, Gladstone, AUSTRALIA	CarstenWolff@hotmail.com	Marbios.com; https://www.linkedin.com/in/carstenwolffeuaustralia	Jan. 2020
387	Woo	Sau Pinn	-	Systematics and diversity of marine invertebrates	Centre for Marine and Coastal Studies, Universiti Sains Malaysia, 11800 USM, Penang, MALAYSIA	woosauinn@usm.my	https://cemacs.usm.my/index.php/ms/about-us/cemacs-organization/2-uncategorised/117-abe-woo-sau-pinn ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sau-Pinn-Woo	Feb. 2021

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388	Wooster	Michael	Kuiken	Research interest is sponge ecology (effects from climate changes, feeding, spatial ecology), and new interest in sponge taxonomy	USA	michael.wooster@kaust.edu.sa	NA	Feb. 2021
389	Wörheide	Gert	-	Biodiversity, systematics, phylogeny, phylogenomics, genomics, transcriptomics, biomineralization	Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Paleontology & Geobiology & GeoBio-Center LMU, Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Richard-Wagner-Straße 10, 80333, München, GERMANY	woerheide@lmu.de	https://scholar.google.de/citations?user=UETwl3gAAAJ&hl=de ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Gert_Woerheide ; http://orcid.org/0000-0002-6380-7421 ; http://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.uri?authorid=6602867063 ; https://www.facebook.com/molpalaeo	Jan. 2020
390	Wulff	Janie	-	Ecology, spongivory, population and community dynamics, coral reef functional roles, biogeography, regeneration	Florida State University, USA	wulff@bio.fsu.edu	http://www.bio.fsu.edu/faculty-wulff.php	Dec. 2019
391	Wuttke	Michael	-	Freshwater sponges, Tertiary, Europe, taxonomy, palaeoecology	Senckenberg Research Institute and Natural History Museum Frankfurt/M; Section Palaeoclimate and Palaeoenvironmental Research, Senckenberganlage 25, D 60325 Frankfurt, GERMANY	michael.wuttke@senckenberg.de; michaelwuttke@yahoo.de	https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Michael_Wuttke	Feb. 2021; retired, but still active
392	Xavier	Joana	Rita	Biodiversity, ecology, evolution and conservation of deep-sea sponges and sponge grounds. Taxonomy, systematics, biogeography, and population genomics	CIIMAR - Interdisciplinary Centre for Marine and Environmental Research, University of Porto; Avenida General Norton de Matos, 4450-208 Matosinhos, PORTUGAL	jxavier@ciimar.up.pt; joanarxavier@gmail.com	https://www2.ciimar.up.pt/team.php?id=495 ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Ioana_Xavier3	Dec. 2019; Researcher
393	Yang	Qi	-	Sponge molecular taxonomy; sponge microbiome revealed by metagenomic sequencing; pharmaceutical compounds discovery from sponges and their associated microbes	College of Medicine and Public Health, Flinders University, Adelaide, SA 5042, AUSTRALIA; Centre for Marine Drugs, Renji Hospital, School of Medicine, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, 200127 CHINA	qi.yang@flinders.edu.au; peonyqi1104@gmail.com	https://www.linkedin.com/in/qi-yang-84892a79/ ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Qi_Yang20	Jan. 2020: Postdoc at Flinders University and Shanghai Jiao Tong University, studying sponge intracellular endosymbiotic microbiome
394	Yeemin	Thamasak	-	Sponge ecology and taxonomy, reef restoration	Centre for Marine and Coastal Studies, Universiti Sains Malaysia, 11800 USM, Penang, MALAYSIA	thamasakyeemin@yahoo.com	http://www.researchgate.net/profile/Thamasak_Yeemin ; www.thaicoralreef.in.th	Feb. 2021
395	Yergin	Marc	L.	Freshwater sponges, esp. unknown species in W Pennsylvania, taxonomy ecology, marine sponges where opportunity arises	5534 Darlington Rd, Pittsburgh PA 15217 USA	marc.yergin@gmail.com	NA	Jan. 2019
396	Zea	Sven	-	Taxonomy (Caribbean), ecology, natural products, aquaculture	Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Sede Caribe, c/o INVEMAR, Calle 25 2-55, Rodadero Sur - Playa Salguero, Santa Marta, 470006, COLOMBIA	sezeas@unal.edu.co	http://www.docentes.unal.edu.co/sezeas/index.html ; https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sven_Zea?ev=hdr_xprf ; www.spongeguide.org	Dec. 2019

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397	Zhang	Wei	-	Natural products, drug discovery, biotechnology, cell culture, aquaculture, biosensors, bioremediation, microbiology	Centre for Marine Bioproducts Development Flinders University of South Australia, Bedford Park, Adelaide, SA5042, AUSTRALIA	Wei.Zhang@flinders.edu.au	http://www.flinders.edu.au/people/wei.zhang ; http://www.flinders.edu.au/medicine/sites/marine-bioproducts/news/	Jan. 2020
398	Zilberberg	Carla	-	Molecular systematics, morphology and ecology of cnidarians and sponges (<i>Chondrilla</i> , <i>Cliona</i>), population differentiation and hybridization, microbiota, zooxanthellate symbioses	Institute of Biodiversity and Sustainability (NUPEM), Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, BRAZIL	carlazelber@yahoo.com.br	http://buscatextual.cnpq.br/buscatextual/visualizacv.do?metodo=apresentar&id=K4777783J4	Apr. 2020