



# BIOSPHERE

## The Weekly Bulletin of Biology

Biology Colloquium: Friday, 1 May 2015, 2:00 pm in CR 5125

**“How Does the Food-Borne Pathogen *Yersinia enterocolitica* Manipulate the Human Immune Response to Infection?”**

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### MS Thesis Defenses

**Parker House** will defend his thesis: “Direct and indirect impacts of fishing on the trophic structure of kelp forest fishes off southern California,” at 10 am on Monday, 27 April in MG 4111.

**Angelica Zavala Lopez** will defend her thesis: “The effect of temperature on cercaria emergence for three larval trematode species infecting the California Horn Snail,” at 12 noon on Thursday, 30 April in CR 5332.

**Cassidy Adlof** will defend her thesis: “How does harvesting impact White Sage as a cultural resource in southern California?” at 8 am on Friday, 1 May in CR 5201.

### Buy a Tee or Hoody, Support Fish Research

Entrepreneurial grad **J. R. Clark** is selling T-shirts and hoodies online to fund his studies of the Giant Sea Bass. Check out [the wearable Giant Sea Bass](#).

### Support Students Presenting their Research

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Sigma Xi Student Research Symposium has been organized by the CSUN chapter of Sigma Xi. This year’s event takes place from 8 am to 12 noon on Friday, 1 May around and about Juniper Hall.

### New Publications

*Life* has published, “Enhancing alkane production in cyanobacterial lipid droplets: A model platform for industrially relevant compound production,” by **Anantha Peramuna**, **Ray Morton**, and Dr. **Michael Summers**.

Dr. **Steve Oppenheimer** has a new paper out in *Journal of Glycobiology*: “Simple novel assays in glycobiology.”

## Marine Grads Receive Grants for Research

**Lorna McFarlane** received a Grant-in-Aid of Research from Sigma Xi (\$1000).

**Sam Ginther, J. R. Clark, Calvin Won,** and **Stephanie Benseman** each received grants (\$1000 to \$2000) from the International Women's Fishing Association.

## Going on for Ph.D.

**Lauren Conroy** (M.S. '14) has been accepted into the Evolution, Ecology & Organismal Biology Ph.D. program at UC Riverside. She was granted full support upon admission.

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