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RESEARCH POSITIONS

22/03/2021 onward Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellow. University of Utrecht, Netherlands and Estación Costera de Investigaciones Marinas (Pontificia Univ. Católica, Chile)

- Principal investigator for the INDECOSTAB project (<u>indecostab.eu</u>) on developing novel theory to understand the link between the spatial structure of coral communities and their resilience at Easter Island (Chile)

01/03/2019 15/12/2020

Research associate at University of Montpellier.

- Student supervision
- Assistance and training of researchers for software development (e.g. in population genetics) and statistical analyses (e.g. spatial pattern analyses)
- Field work (2 months), including planning, logistics and crew supervision (3 participants)

01/09/2015 01/11/2018

- PhD fellow at University of Montpellier Ecological Interaction Networks, Stability and Resilience of Ecosystems. Supervised by Dr. Sonia Kéfi
 - Ecological modelling of grassland systems, including spatially-explicit based on cellular automata
 - Development of eco-informatics tools to detect transitions in ecosystems, most notably the R package *spatialwarnings* maintained on CRAN
 - Statistical analyses of plant spatial patterns
 - Field work, including planning, logistics and crew supervision (6 participants)

01/09/2014 01/07/2015

- Research associate at Trinity College, Dublin (Ireland) and University of
 Montpellier (France) Modelling the effect of non-trophic interactions in coastal
 communities. In collaboration with Dr. Ian Donohue and Dr. Sonia Kéfi
 - Ecological modelling of inter-tidal ecosystems (using ordinary differential equations, ODE)

01/03/2014 01/06/2014 Trainee at University of California, Berkeley (USA) – Identifying ecological transitions in meadow plant communities of Sierra Nevada, California. Supervised by Dr. Eric Berlow

01/09/2013 01/01/2014 - Trainee at LECA Grenoble (Alpine Ecology Laboratory, France) – Variations of biodiversity patterns in permafrost DNA Supervised by Dr. Loïc Chalmandrier and Dr. Wilfried Thuiller

01/09/2012 01/09/2013 Research associate at CEBC (Chizé Center for Biological Studies, France) – Foraging behaviour of Southern Elephant Seals through the use of acoustic recorders. Supervised by Dr. Christophe Guinet and Dr M.P. Etienne

01/03/2012 01/08/2012 - Trainee at WERC, USGS (California, USA) - Spatial heterogeneity and soil moisture in meadow plant communities. Supervised by Dr. Eric Berlow

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EDUCATION

2015-2018
2012-2015
2010-2012
2008-2010

PhD in Biodiversity, Ecology and Environment, University of Montpellier, France
Master Biosciences – Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) de Lyon, France
BSc. (Licence) in Earth Sciences - Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) de Lyon, France
Advanced preparatory classes. Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Earth Sciences. Lycée du
Parc - Lyon, France

PUBLICATIONS – BOOKS AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- **A. Génin.** 2023 Quand la nature s'effondre. Comprendre les transitions abruptes dans les écosystèmes. Editions Matériologiques. 132 p.
- S. A. Navarrete, C. M. Aiken, M. I. Ávila-Thieme, D. Valencia, A. Génin, S. Gelcich. 2023 Common Oversights in the Design and Monitoring of Ecosystem-Based Management Plans and the Siting of Marine Protected Areas, in Island Ecosystems- Challenges to Sustainability" Ed. Springer.

PUBLICATIONS – ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- in revision [12] **A. Génin**, S. A. Navarrete, A. Garcia-Mayor, E. A. Wieters. Emergent spatial patterns can indicate upcoming regime shifts in a realistic model of coral community. **The American Naturalist**
- [11] S. Navarrete, M. I. Ávila-Thieme, D. Valencia, A. Génin, S. Gelcich. 2022. Monitoring the Fabric of Nature: Using Allometric Trophic Network models and observations to assess policy effects on biodiversity. **Proceedings of the Royal Society B**
- [10] G. Martin, A. Courtial, A. Génin, H. Ramone, T. Dutoit. 2022. Why Grazing and Soil Matter for Dry Grassland Diversity: New Insights from Multigroup Structural Equation Modeling of Micro-Patterns. Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution
- 2021 [9] **A. Génin**, T. Dutoit, A. Danet, A. le Priol and S. Kéfi. 2021 Grazing and the vanishing complexity of plant association networks in grasslands **Oikos**. 130 (4): 541–52.
- 2020 [8] **A. Génin**, S. R. Lee, E. L. Berlow, S. M. Ostoja, and S. Kéfi. 2020. "Mapping Hotspots of Potential Ecosystem Fragility Using Commonly Available Spatial Data." *Biological Conservation* 241 (January): 108388.
- 2019 [7] L. Chalmandrier, J. Pansu, L. Zinger, F. Boyer, E. Coissac, A. Génin, L. Gielly, et al. 2019. Environmental and Biotic Drivers of Soil Microbial B-diversity across Spatial and Phylogenetic Scales. *Ecography*, October.
- 2018 [6] A. Génin, S. Majumder, S. Sankaran, A. Danet, V. Guttal, F. D. Schneider, and S. Kéfi. 2018. "Monitoring Ecosystem Degradation Using Spatial Data and the R Package 'Spatialwarnings." Methods in Ecology and Evolution, July.
 - [5] **A. Génin**, S. Majumder, S. Sankaran, F. D. Schneider, A. Danet, M. Berdugo, V. Guttal, and S. Kéfi. 2018. "Spatially Heterogeneous Stressors Can Alter the Performance of Indicators of Regime Shifts." *Ecological Indicators*, February.
- 2017 [4] I. Donohue, P. Owen L. S. Kéfi, **A. Génin**, A. L. Jackson, Q. Yang, and N. E. O'Connor. 2017. "Loss of Predator Species, Not Intermediate Consumers, Triggers Rapid and Dramatic Extinction Cascades." *Global Change Biology* 23 (8): 2962–72.
 - [3] S. R. Lee, E. L. Berlow, S. M. Ostoja, M. L. Brooks, A. Génin, J. R. Matchett, and S. C. Hart. 2017. "A Multi-Scale Evaluation of Pack Stock Effects on Subalpine Meadow Plant Communities in the Sierra Nevada." *PLOS ONE* 12 (6): e0178536.
- 2015 [2] A. Génin, G. Richard, J. Jouma'a, B. Picard, N. El Ksabi, J. Vacquié-Garcia, and C. Guinet.

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2015. "Characterization of Postdive Recovery Using Sound Recordings and Its Relationship to Dive Duration, Exertion, and Foraging Effort of Southern Elephant Seals (Mirounga Leonina)." *Marine Mammal Science* 31 (4): 1452–70.

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GRANTED FUNDING AND AWARDS

- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship (€200 000) attributed to the research project: Developing and testing spatial indicators of ecosystem stability for subtidal seascapes.
- Percy Sladen Memorial Fund Grant (€690) attributed to the research project: Ecological
 interactions and vulnerability of plant communities in Sierra-Nevada (California) subalpine
 meadows.
 - Paris Institute for Complex Systems award, co-1st prize (€1 000), attributed for outstanding dissertation work in complex system sciences
- 2015 PhD fellowship (approx. € 50 000), covering the full duration of a PhD program
- **Ecole Normale Supérieure fellowship** (approx. € 60 000), covering undergraduate and Master's-level programs

TEACHING AND SUPERVISION EXPERIENCE

Student Supervision of multiple undergraduate-level trainees (2 months each) and master-level supervision students (4-6 months projects).

Teaching Approx 170h in total:

Functional Ecology (undergraduate level, 20h)

Statistics (undergraduate level, 15h)

Integrative Biology (undergraduate level, 128h)

R workshops for researchers, PhD and Master's Students (approx. 20h)

RELEVANT SCIENTIFIC SKILLS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Peer-review Reviewer for Oikos, Biological Conservation, Journal of Arid Environments, Ecology and

Evolution, Proceedings B, Oecologia, Journal of Vegetation Science

Software Strong knowledge of scientific programming (R, C++, Matlab), especially applied to data

analysis, image and signal processing. Author of multiple R packages published on CRAN

(e.g. spatialwarnings).

Field work Strong field work experience: leader of 3 botanical field work campaigns (California x1,

France x2, 10 months in total); deployment of data loggers on Elephant Seals (1.5 months);

bird ringing (6 years of experience).

Languages French: native speaker

development

English: fluent Spanish: fluent

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