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Research interests

Plant-microbe interactions, Microbial ecology, Metagenomics

Relevant Publications:

1. **Omri M Finkel***, Isai Salas- González*, Gabriel Castrillo*, Theresa F Law, Jonathan M Conway, Paulo José Pereira Lima Teixeira, Corbin D Jones, Jeffery L Dangl (2020) **A single Bacterial genus maintains root development in a complex microbiome.** *Nature*. DOI: 10.1038/s41586-020-2778-7
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