# **Emily Taylor Dodd**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Georgia Southern University B.S. Biology, Chemistry minor **August 2012 to May 2016** 

University of Illinois at Chicago M.Sc. Biological Sciences **August 2016 to May 2019** 

#### RESEARCH SKILLS

Statistical & phylogenetic analysis in R software, Python, HTML, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, DNA extraction, PCR, gel electrophoresis, animal husbandry, fish necropsy & parasite identification, fluorescence microscopy, bioinformatic analysis of NGS sequence data, techniques associated with quantifying fish behavior, fish tagging, fish anesthesia, science communication, experience with high-performance computing platforms

### **EXPERIENCE**

• Graduate Researcher, August 2016—May 2019

University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Biological Sciences

Advisor: Rachel Poretsky

Thesis: Influences of aquaculture water additives on the larval sablefish (*Anoplopoma fimbria*) skin microbiome

• Supplemental Instruction (SI) Leader, January 2016—May 2016

Georgia Southern University, Department of Chemistry

Courses: Comprehensive Chemistry

• **Teaching Assistant,** August 2015—May 2019

University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Biological Sciences (August 2016 to May 2019)

Courses: Genetics Laboratory; Biology of Cells & Organisms, Ecology Laboratory, Ecology & Evolution, Animal Physiology, Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy, Mendelian and Molecular Genetics

Georgia Southern University, Department of Chemistry (August 2015 to May 2016)

Courses: General Chemistry I; Comprehensive Chemistry

• Laboratory Prep Technician, August 2015—May 2016

Georgia Southern University, Department of Chemistry

Courses: General Chemistry I; General Chemistry II

• Undergraduate Research Assistant, January 2014—May 2015

Georgia Southern University, Department of Biology

Advisor: Tavis Anderson

Thesis: The relationship between parasite infection and behavior of marsh killifish, *Fundulus heteroclitus*.

• **Veterinary Intern,** June 2013 to August 2013

Summerville Veterinary Clinic. Summerville, Georgia.

Duties: Ran diagnostics assays including heartworm and feline leukemia for patients. Prepared and examined fecal samples. Administered vaccines and necessary medication post-surgery.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- March 2018 Finalist for UIC 3 Minute Thesis Competition
- November 2017 UIC Graduate College Student Presenters \$200 Travel Award
- November 2017 UIC Graduate Student Council \$275 Travel Award
- July 2017 UIC Department of Biological Sciences \$600 Travel Award
- February 2015 American Atheists 2014-2015 \$500 Chinn Scholarship

#### PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

- Alpha Chi Sigma Professional Chemistry Fraternity
- Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity
- Beta Beta Biological Honors Society

#### **SERVICE AND MEDIA**

Illinois Science Council (https://www.illinoisscience.org/)

Volunteer, May 2018—Present

Communicating Science Chicago (ComSciCon Chicago, https://comscicon.com/)

Organizer, December 2017—Present

Attendee, August 2017

The Science Café (thesciencecafe.com)

Contributing Writer, August 2017—Present

Social Media Director, August 2017—Present

Web Developer, March 2018—Present

Honors @ Georgia Southern Magazine

Staff writer, 2013-2014

#### PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

**Dodd, E.**, Pierce, M., Lee, J., and Poretsky, R. October 2018. Microbiomes of sablefish larviculture: The differential effects of common water additives. The Annual Meeting of the Illinois Association of Community College Biologists. Oglesby, Illinois.

#### POSTER PRESENTATIONS

**Dodd, E.T.**, Pierce, M.L., Lee, S.F., and Poretsky, R.S. April 2018. Larval sablefish (*Anoplopoma fimbria*) skin microbiome shifts microbial communities in tanks. UIC Student Research Forum. Chicago, Illinois

**Dodd, E.**, Smith, A., Chancellor, S., Tucker, W., Cunje, A., Schassburger, A., Gefeke, K., Hsieh, S., Bellagamba, A., Pasterski, M., and Plotnick, R. March 2018. Historical extirpations following anthropogenic changes to Chicago area wetlands and water bodies. Second City Anthropology Conference. Chicago, Illinois

**Dodd, E.,** Pierce, M., Lee, J., and Poretsky, R. September 2017. Influences of aquaculture additives on the skin microbiome of larval sablefish. 15<sup>th</sup> Symposium on Aquatic Microbial Ecology. Zagreb, Croatia.

**Dodd, E.,** Barrett, H., Kimbrell, C., and Florence, J. April 2013. Animal-assisted therapy with prisoners and substance abuse. Georgia Southern University Honors Research Symposium. Statesboro, Georgia.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Pierce, M.L., Lee, J.S., **Dodd, E.**, & Poretsky, R.S. (2019). Algae and Clay Water Additives Differentially Impact Survival and Microbial Community Structure in Sablefish (Anoplopoma fimbria) Rearing Tanks. *Frontiers in Marine Science – Microbial Symbioses*. 6. doi: 10.3389/fmars.2019.00203.

**Dodd, E.**, Pierce, M.L., Lee, J.S., & Poretsky, R.S. (*in prep*). Influences of claywater and greenwater on skin microbiome of cultured larval sablefish (*Anoplopoma fimbria*).

Plotnick, R., Bellagamba, A., Chancellor, S., Cunje, A., **Dodd, E.**, Gefeke, K., Hsieh, S., Pasterski, M., Schassburger, A., Smith, A., & Tucker, W. (*in prep*). Historical extirpations and introductions in Chicago area wetlands, rivers, and lakes.

#### REFERENCES

Tavis K. Anderson, Ph.D.

**ORISE Scientist** 

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