

34th Annual Harvard Forest Ecology Symposium

Looking Forward with Long-Term Research: New Directions and Graduate Student Research in the Harvard Forest LTER

March 19th 2024, 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. | Fisher Museum, Harvard Forest

- 9:00 Jonathan Thompson, Harvard Forest. Welcome and overview of the Harvard Forest LTERVII proposed work
- 9:20 Jackie Matthes, Harvard Forest. *Impacts of insect pests and climate stress on Harvard Forest's carbon and water cycles*
- 9:40 Alix Contosta, University of New Hampshire. *Exploring the impacts of changing winters and shifting seasonality on forest carbon and water dynamics*
- 10:00 Ashley Keiser, University of Massachusetts. *Plant-soil feedbacks: moderating C cycling shifts during hemlock decline*

10:20-10:50 Break

- 10:50 Meghan Blumstein, University of Virginia. *Using genomics to understand drivers of trait variation in tree species*
- 11:10 Andy Reinmann, CUNY Advanced Science Research Center. *Meet ClIFF: The <u>Cl</u>imate <u>I</u>nteractions with <u>F</u>orest <u>F</u>ragmentation Experiment*
- 11:30 Katharine Hinkle, Harvard Forest. The Harvard Forest LTER Schoolyard Program celebrates 20 years

12:00-1:00 **Lunch**

- 1:00 Carina Berlingeri, Harvard University OEB. *The mycorrhizal type of neighboring trees drives different competitive dynamics for arbuscular and ectomycorrhizal tree species*
- 1:15 Nikhil Chari, Harvard University OEB. Arbuscular mycorrhizal and ectomycorrhizal trees exhibit different root nutrient acquisition strategies in response to long-term soil warming
- 1:30 Emerson Conrad-Rooney, Boston University. *Atmospheric wet deposition in urban and suburban sites* across the United States
- 1:45 Jonathan Gewirtzman, Yale University. *Tree-mediated methane cycling: flux pathways, microbial drivers, and novel measurement techniques*
- 2:00 Jack Hastings, University of New Hampshire. *Shedding (near infrared) light on our ability to remotely estimate canopy nitrogen concentration*
- 2:15 Cynthia Liu, Harvard Graduate School of Education. *Understanding science identity and environmental attitudes in a K-12 community science program*

2:30-3:15 **Poster Session**

- 3:15 Charlotte Malmborg, Boston University. *Yesterday's trees, tomorrow's models: forecasting the next forest pest outbreak*
- 3:30 Linghui Meng, Syracuse University. *Prediction of climate change and urbanization effects on the carbon, nitrogen, and water dynamics in Northeastern Forest ecosystems*
- 3:45 Corrine Vietorisz, Boston University. Fungal and bacterial guilds and functional genes explain soil nitrogen and phosphorus cycling across Massachusetts forests
- 4:00 Tyler White, Harvard University Graduate School of Design. *Mindful landscapes: making visible history x annotating land narratives*