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**EMPLOYMENT**

- Graduate Program Coordinator**, August 2008 – present  
 Department of Biological Sciences, Mississippi State University
- Professor of Biological Sciences**, August 2011 – present  
 Department of Biological Sciences, Mississippi State University
- Assistant/Associate Professor of Biological Sciences**, August 2001 – August 2011  
 Department of Biological Sciences, Mississippi State University
- Associate Faculty**, August 2000 – August 2001  
 Northwest Arkansas Community College, Biology
- Post-doctoral Research Associate, Plant-Insect Interactions**, April 2000 – May 2001  
 Department of Entomology, University of Arkansas

**EDUCATION**

**Doctor of Philosophy**, May 2000  
 Department of Biological Sciences  
 The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa  
 Major area of Study : Aquatic Ecology

**Bachelor of Science**, December 1996  
 The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa  
 Major: Biological Sciences  
 Honors: *cum laude*

**PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES**

\* Authors in *bold italics* were students under my direction; † = undergraduate students when the research was conducted.

33. Brooks, C. P., **G. N. Ervin**, L. Varone, and G. Logarzo. 2011. Native ecotypic variation and the role of host identity in the spread of an invasive herbivore, *Cactoblastis cactorum* (Berg). *Ecology*, Accepted.
32. **Ervin, G. N.** and **D. C. Holly**. 2011. Examining local transferability of predictive species distribution models for invasive plants: An example with cogongrass (*Imperata cylindrica*). *Invasive Plant Science and Management*, Accepted.
31. **Mills, M. C.**, B. S. Baldwin, and **G. N. Ervin**. 2011. Evaluating physiological and growth responses of *Arundinaria* species to inundation. *Castanea*, Accepted.
30. Marsico, T. D., L. E. Wallace, **G. N. Ervin**, C. P. Brooks, J. E. McClure†, and M. E. Welch. 2011. Geographic patterns of genetic diversity from the native range of *Cactoblastis cactorum* (Berg) support the documented history of invasion and multiple introductions for invasive populations. *Biological Invasions* 13: 857-868.
29. **Bried, J. T.** and **G. N. Ervin**. 2010. Randomized intervention analysis for detecting non-random change and management impact: Dragonfly examples. *Ecological Indicators* 11: 535-539.
28. Bryson, C. T., L. J. Krutz, **G. N. Ervin**, K. N. Reddy, and J. D. Byrd, Jr. 2010. Ecotype variability and edaphic characteristics for cogongrass (*Imperata cylindrica*) populations in Mississippi. *Invasive Plant Science and Management* 3: 199-207.
27. **Ervin, G. N.** 2009. Using GAP data in invasive plant ecology and management. *US Geological Survey Gap Analysis Bulletin* 16: 34-41.
26. **Ervin, G. N.** 2009. Distribution, habitat characteristics, and new county-level records of *Baccharis halimifolia* L. on a portion of its present US range boundary. *Southeastern Naturalist* 8: 293-304.
25. **Holly, D. C.**, **G. N. Ervin**, C. R. Jackson, S. V. Diehl, G. T. Kirker. 2009. Effect of an invasive grass on ambient rates of decomposition and microbial community structure: A search for causality. *Biological Invasions* 11: 1855-1868.

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24. **Ervin, G. N.** 2008. Applying the state-of-the-art to advance the state of our understanding in integrated hydrophyte ecology. *Verhandlungen Internationale Vereinigung für theoretische und angewandte Limnologie* (Proceedings of the International Society of Theoretical and Applied Limnology) 30: 128-132.
23. **Majure, L. C.** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2008. The *Opuntia* (Cactaceae) of the state of Mississippi, United States. *Haseltonia* 14: 111-126.
22. **Bried, J. T., B. D. Herman,** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2007. Conservation umbrella potential of wetland plants and dragonflies: a quantitative case study using the Umbrella Index. *Journal of Applied Ecology* 44: 833-842.
21. **Bried, J. T.** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2007. Intraspecific models and spatiotemporal context of size–mass relationships in adult dragonflies. *Journal of the North American Bentological Society* 26: 680-692.
20. **Ervin, G. N.** 2007. An experimental study on the facilitative effects of tussock structure among wetland plants. *Wetlands* 27: 620-630.
19. **Holly, D. C.** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2007. Effects of intraspecific seedling density, soil type, and light availability upon growth and biomass allocation in cogongrass, *Imperata cylindrica*. *Weed Technology* 21: 812-819.
18. **Bried, J. T.** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2006. Abundance patterns of dragonflies along a wetland buffer gradient. *Wetlands* 26: 878-883.
17. **Ervin, G. N., B. D. Herman, J. T. Bried,** and **D. C. Holly.** 2006. Evaluating non-native species and wetland indicator status as components of wetlands floristic assessment. *Wetlands* 26: 1114-1129.
16. **Ervin, G. N., L. C. Majure†,** and **J. T. Bried.** 2006. Influence of long-term GTR impoundment on stand structure, species composition, and hydrophytic indicators. *Journal of the Torrey Botanical Society* 113:468-481.
15. **Ervin, G. N., M. Smotherst†, C. Holly, C. Anderson†,** and **J. Linville.** 2006. Relative importance of wetland type vs. anthropogenic activities in determining site invasibility. *Biological Invasions* 8: 1425-1432.
14. **Holly, D. C.** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2006. Characterization and quantitative assessment of rhizome penetration by cogongrass (*Imperata cylindrica* (L.) Beauv.). *Weed Biology and Management* 6: 120-123.
13. **Bried, J. T.,** L. W. Bennett, and **G. N. Ervin.** 2005. Live mass allometric analyses of adult dragonflies collected in east-central Mississippi, USA. *Odonatologica* 34: 111-122.
12. **Bried, J. T.** and **G. N. Ervin.** 2005. Distribution of adult Odonata among localized wetlands in east-central Mississippi. *Southeastern Naturalist* 4: 731-744.
11. **Ervin, G. N.** 2005. Spatio-temporally variable effects of a dominant macrophyte on vascular plant neighbors. *Wetlands* 25: 317-325.
10. Bryant, J. A. and **G. N. Ervin.** 2004. The impact of SWANCC on Federal Clean Water Act jurisdiction. *Real Estate Law Journal* 32: 339-355.
9. **Doan†, A., G. N. Ervin,** and G. W. Felton. 2004. Temporal effects on jasmonate induction of anti-herbivore defense in *Physalis angulata*: seasonal and ontogenetic gradients. *Biochemical Systematics and Ecology* 32:117-126.
8. **Ervin, G. N.** and R. G. Wetzel. 2003. An ecological perspective of allelochemical interference in land-water interface communities. *Plant and Soil* 256: 13-28 (Invited review).
7. Karban, R., J. Maron, G. W. Felton, **G. Ervin,** and H. Eichenseer. 2003. Herbivore damage to sagebrush induces resistance in wild tobacco: evidence for eavesdropping between plants. *Oikos* 100: 325-333.
6. **Ervin, G. N.** and R. G. Wetzel. 2002. Influence of a dominant macrophyte, *Juncus effusus*, on wetland plant species richness, diversity, and community composition. *Oecologia* 130: 626-636.
5. **Ervin, G. N.** and R. G. Wetzel. 2002. Effects of sodium hypochlorite sterilization and dry cold storage on germination of *Juncus effusus* L. *Wetlands* 22: 191-195.
4. Musser, R. O., S. M. Hum-Musser, H. Eichenseer, M. Peiffer, **G. Ervin,** J. B. Murphy, and G. Felton. 2002. Herbivory: Caterpillar saliva beats plant defences. *Nature* 416: 599 – 600.
3. **Ervin, G. N.** and R. G. Wetzel. 2001. Seed fall and field germination of needlerush, *Juncus effusus* L. *Aquatic Botany* 71: 233-237.
2. **Ervin, G. N.** and R. G. Wetzel. 2000. Allelochemical autotoxicity in the emergent wetland macrophyte *Juncus effusus* (Juncaceae). *American Journal of Botany* 87: 853-860.
1. **Ervin†, G. N.** and R. G. Wetzel. 1997. Shoot:root dynamics during growth stages of the rush *Juncus effusus* L. *Aquatic Botany* 59: 63-73.

## RESEARCH FUNDING

Sixteen grants as PI or co-PI (>\$7,346,000 total; >\$1,462,000 managed directly by me)

Integrated Assessment of Oil Spill

***Northern Gulf Institute/BP Exploration & Production, Inc. – Gulf of Mexico Research Initiative***

McAnally, W. H., P. J. Fitzpatrick, **G. N. Ervin**, and J. L. Martin. \$553,259 (2010)

Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species and Bioinformatics

***US Geological Survey, National Biological Information Infrastructure***

Madsen, J. D., L. W. Burger, **G. N. Ervin**, C. Abbott, R. L. Brown, E. Dibble, V. Maddox, P. Amburn. \$499,000 (2010-2012)

Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species

***US Geological Survey, Biological Resources Discipline***

Madsen, J., D. Shaw, R. Brown, **G.N. Ervin**, V. Maddox, and C. Abbott. \$600,000 (2008-11)

Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species

***US Geological Survey, Biological Resources Discipline***

Madsen, Shaw, Byrd, Brown, Dibble, **G.N. Ervin** and Tietjen. \$785,147 (2007-09)

Linking Cultural, Biological, and Economic Values into Wetland Programs: Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians' Pearl River Wetland Demonstration Project

**Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Wetland Development Programs Grant**

**Ervin, G. N. (PI)**, B. Baldwin, and D. Jones. \$478,000 (2007-2010)

Modeling Spread of Invasive Weedy Species Following Natural Disasters

***US Department of Agriculture, CSREES NRI***

Shaw, D. R., J. Prince, J. Byrd, J. D. Madsen, **G. N. Ervin**, and S. Grado. \$100,300 (2007-09)

Water Quality and Floristic Habitat Assessments in the Coldwater and Sunflower River Basins: Comparing traditional measures of water and habitat quality to Index of Biotic Integrity findings

***US Geological Survey, Water Resources Research Institute***

Tietjen, T. E. and **G.N. Ervin**. \$75,409 (2007-08)

Watershed Modeling Improvements to Enhance Coastal Ecosystems

***NOAA Northern Gulf Institute***

W. H. McAnally et al., **G. N. Ervin** (co-PI). \$642,392 (2007-2009)

Dynamic spatio-temporal modeling of plant invasion

***Mississippi Computational Biology Consortium- NSF EPSCoR.***

**Ervin, G. N. (PI)** and S. F. Oppenheimer. \$35,751 (2007)

Integrating Effects of Land Use Change on Invasive Plant Species Distribution into An Invasive Plant Atlas for the Mid-South

***US Department of Agriculture, CSREES NRI***

Madsen, J.D. and **G.N. Ervin**. \$481,913 (2007-09)

Assessing the effectiveness of streamflow augmentation in the Sunflower River to maintain water quality and wetland integrity

***US Geological Survey, Water Resources Research Institute***

**Ervin, G. N. (PI)** and T. E. Tietjen. \$76,509 (2006-07)

Integrated Management Systems for Invasive Aquatic Plants and Terrestrial Grasses

***US Geological Survey, Biological Resources Discipline***

Madsen, Shaw, Byrd, Brown, Bruce, Dibble, and **G.N. Ervin** (co-PI). \$2,692,819 (2004-08)

Evaluation of Wetland Floristic Quality Indices as indicators of ecological integrity in north Mississippi wetlands

***US Geological Survey, Water Resources Research Institute***

**Ervin, G. N. (PI)**. \$44,706 (2004-05)

## RESEARCH FUNDING

Research Experiences for Undergraduates: Conservation Biology in the Southeastern United States

***National Science Foundation.***

MSU Department of Biological Sciences, G. Thibaudeau (PI). \$210,000 (2003-06)

Effects of mammalian herbivore exclusion on understory habitat recovery at Strawberry Plains Audubon Center, Holly Springs, MS

***National Audubon Society***

**Ervin, G. N. (PI)** and J. Jones. \$22,555 (2003-06), with an MSU OR GRA Supplement of \$11,500

Functional assessment of moist-soil management impact on wetland impoundments created as part of an agricultural lands reclamation plan

***US Geological Survey, Water Resources Research Institute***

**Ervin, G. N. (PI)** and D. Schmitz. \$59,136 (2002-04)

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, \$74,500 (1998-2000)

Society of Wetland Scientists Student Research Grant, \$1,000 (1998)

## PROCEEDINGS, REPORTS, ETC.

Invasive species fact sheets are provided as web content via <http://www.gri.msstate.edu/ipams/>

36. Madsen, J. D., P. Amburn, R. L. Brown, E. D. Dibble, **G. N. Ervin**, D. R. Shaw, C. F. Abbott, G. Baker, K. Bloem, C. P. Brooks, D. Irby, S. Lee, V. L. Maddox, R. Rose, R. Schulz, L. Wallace, L. L. Wasson, M. Welch, R. M. Wersal, D. W. McBride, & N. Madsen. 2011. Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species: Annual Report, 2010. GRI Report #5047. Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
35. **Ervin, G. N.** and J. D. Madsen. *In press.* Giant reed [*Arundo donax* L.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
34. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Chinese privet [*Ligustrum sinense* Lour.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
33. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Hairy galinsoga [*Galinsoga quadriradiata* Cav.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
32. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Japanese honeysuckle [*Lonicera japonica* Thunb.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
31. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Japanese privet [*Ligustrum japonicum* Thunb.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
30. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Musk thistle [*Carduus nutans* L.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
29. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Siltree [*Albizia julibrissin* Durazz.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
28. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, and R. M. Wersal. *In press.* Tree of heaven [*Ailanthus altissima* (P. Mill.) Swingle]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
27. **Ervin, G. N.**, J. D. Madsen, R. M. Wersal, and T. D. Marsico. *In press.* Spiny cocklebur [*Xanthium spinosum* L.]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
26. Madsen, J. D., **G. N. Ervin**, R. M. Wersal, and T. D. Marsico. *In press.* Nepalese browntop [*Microstegium vimineum* (Trin.) A. Camus]. *Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet.* Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
25. Alarcon, V. J., W. McAnally, **G. N. Ervin** and C. P. Brooks. 2010. Using MODIS Land-Use/Land-Cover Data and Hydrological Modeling for Estimating Nutrient Concentrations. *In: Computational Science and Its Applications - ICCSA 2010* (Taniar, D.; Gervasi, O.; Murgante, B.; Pardede, E.; Apduhan, B.O., eds.), Lecture Notes in Computer Science 6016. Springer-Verlag, Berlin, pp. 501-514.

## PROCEEDINGS, REPORTS, ETC.

24. **Ervin, G. N.**, C. P. Brooks, and V. Alarcon. 2010. Exploring biologically relevant buffer zones for aquatic and wetland ecosystems in northern Mississippi. Proceedings of the Mississippi Water Resources Conference, August 5-7, 2009, K. Brasher, ed., Mississippi State University, pp. 84-94.
23. Jolley, R. L., D. M. Neal, B. S. Baldwin, and **G. N. Ervin**. 2010. Restoring canebrakes to enhance water quality along the upper Pearl River. Proceedings of the Mississippi Water Resources Conference, August 5-7, 2009, K. Brasher, ed., Mississippi State University, pp. 5-12.
22. Madsen, J.D., R. Brown, **G. Ervin**, D. Shaw, C. Abbott, V. Maddox, R. Wersal, D. McBride, and N. Madsen. 2010. Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species. Geosystems Research Institute GRI#5039, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, MS.
21. **Ervin, G. N.** 2009. Relationship of wetlands vegetation and land cover as an indicator of ecologically appropriate wetland buffer zones. Northern Gulf Institute Report, Mississippi State University.
20. **Ervin, G. N.** and J. D. Madsen. 2009. Roundleaf toothcup [*Rotala rotundifolia* (Roxb.) Koehne]. Invasive Plant Atlas of the MidSouth Fact Sheet. Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
19. Madsen, J. D., V. L. Maddox, **G. N. Ervin**, J. D. Byrd, D. W. McBride, N. Madsen, and B. Stroud. 2009. *Invasive Species Field Identification Guide*. Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
18. Madsen, J. D., R. Brown, **G. N. Ervin**, D. R. Shaw, C. F. Abbott, V. L. Maddox, R. M. Wersal, D. W. McBride, and N. Madsen. 2009. Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species: Annual Report 2008. GRI Report #5030. Mississippi State University: Geosystems Research Institute.
17. McAnally, W. H., V. J. Alarcon, P. Amburn, J. A. Baca, J. A. Ballweber, J. H. Cartwright, **G. N. Ervin**, R. E. Jackson, J. Martin, S. L. Ortega-Achury, J. J. Ramirez-Avila, and G. W. Wilkerson. 2009. White Paper: Holistic Water Resources Management, A Professional Education Plan. Mississippi State University: Northern Gulf Institute.
16. **Ervin, G. N.** and J. C. Jones. 2007. Effects of mammalian herbivory on understory habitat at Strawberry Plains Audubon Center. Technical completion report to the National Audubon Society for grant project 2121144, 11 pp.
15. **Ervin, G. N. and R. A. Whitet.** 2007. Assessing vegetative growth potential of exotic *Rotala rotundifolia* (Roxb.) Koehne (roundleaf toothcup), in comparison with *Alternanthera philoxeroides* (Mart.) Griseb. (alligatorweed), a known successful invader. GeoResources Institute Report Number 5015, Mississippi State University, MS. June 2007. 6pp.
14. Madsen, J. D., C. Abbott, R. Brown, L. Bruce, J. Byrd, E. Dibble, **G. N. Ervin**, V. Maddox, D. Shaw. 2007. Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species. Mississippi State University. GeoResources Institute Report #5014, 78pp.
13. **Ervin, G. N.** 2006. Managing invasive species in the face of natural disaster: Obstacles and opportunities. *Wildland Weeds* 10: 9-10.
12. **Ervin, G. N.** 2006. Human-caused disturbance and plant invasion in Mississippi wetlands. Proceedings of the Mississippi Delta Water Resources Review Meeting, Stoneville, March 2006.
11. **Ervin, G. N.** and **M. J. Linville**. 2006. The landscape context of plant invasions in Mississippi wetlands. Proceedings of the 36<sup>th</sup> Mississippi Water Resources Conference, April, 2006, K. Brasher, ed. Mississippi State University.
10. **Ervin, G. N.** and J. D. Madsen. 2006. Predictive Habitat Modeling in Support of Integrated Invasive Species Management in the Mid-South. *In*: Frondorf, A., ed. Proceedings of the 1st All-USGS Modeling Conference, November 14–17, 2005: U.S. Geological Survey Scientific Investigations Report #2006–5308, 32 p.
9. **Herman, B. D.**, J. D. Madsen, and **G. N. Ervin**. 2006. Development of coefficients of conservatism for wetland vascular flora of north and central Mississippi. GeoResources Institute Report Number 4001, Mississippi State University, MS. March 2006. 15pp.

## PROCEEDINGS, REPORTS, ETC.

8. Madsen, J.D., C. Abbott, R. Brown, L. Bruce, J. Byrd, E. Dibble, **G. Ervin**, J. Fowler, V. Maddox, D. McBride, D. Shaw, R. Westbrooks. 2006. Research to Support Integrated Management Systems of Aquatic and Terrestrial Invasive Species. GeoResources Institute Report Number 5004, Mississippi State University, MS. April, 2006. 141 pp.
7. Burnell K.D., Byrd, Jr. J.D., **Ervin G.N.** Lang D.J. Peyton B.S and Bryson C.T. 2005. Cogongrass [*Imperata cylindrica* (L.) Beauv.] control using mechanical and cultural management. Proceedings of the Weed Science Society of America 45:366
6. **Ervin, G. N.** and **B. D. Herman**. 2005. An Approach to Incorporate Invasive Species and Wetland indicator Status into Wetland Floristic Quality Evaluation. Proceedings of the 35<sup>th</sup> Mississippi Water Resources Conference, April, 2005, D. McBride, ed. Mississippi State University.
5. **Ervin, G. N.**, **B. D. Herman**, and **J. T. Bried**. 2005. Evaluation of Wetland Floristic Quality Indices as indicators of ecological integrity in north Mississippi wetlands. Technical completion report to the USGS Water Resources Research Institute for grant project 01HQGR0088.
4. Burnell K.D., Byrd, Jr. J.D., **Ervin G.N.** Bryson C.T., Mask D.B. and Barnett J.W. 2004. Evaluation of non-chemical tactics for cogongrass [*Imperata cylindrica* (L.) Beauv.] control. Proceedings of the Weed Science Society of America 44:124.
3. **Ervin, G. N.** and D. W. Schmitz. 2004. Functional assessment of moist-soil management impact on wetland impoundments created as part of an agricultural lands reclamation plan. Technical completion report to the USGS Water Resources Research Institute for grant project 01HQGR0088.
2. **Ervin, G. N.**, **J. T. Bried**, **B. D. Herman**, and D. W. Schmitz. 2003. Assessing functional integrity of moist-soil managed wetlands by comparison with nearby non-managed systems. Proceedings of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Mississippi Water Resources Conference, April, 2003, D. McBride, ed. Mississippi State University.
1. **Ervin, G. N.** 2002. Responses of individual wetland plant species to shading by the dominant, early-successional rush, *Juncus effusus* L. Proc. of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Mississippi Water Resources Conference, April, 2002, B. Jean Daniel, ed. Mississippi State University.

## MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- Ervin, G. N.** Submitted. Indian fig cactus (*Opuntia ficus-indica* (L.) Miller) in the Americas: An uncertain history. Submitted to *Haseltonia*.
- Fleming, K. S., R. M. Kaminski, T. E. Tietjen, M. L. Schummer, G. N. Ervin, and K. D. Nelms. In preparation. Plant-community responses to management and hydrology on Wetlands Reserve Program lands in Mississippi. For submission to *Wetlands*.
- Marsico, T. D., K. E. Sauby, C. P. Brooks, M. E. Welch, L. E. Wallace, and **G. N. Ervin**. In preparation. Geographic patterns of genetic diversity for Florida populations of the native cactus moth, *Melitara prodenialis* (Walker). For submission to *Florida Entomologist*.
- Mills, M. C., B. S. Baldwin, and **G. N. Ervin**. In preparation. Response of rivercane (*Arundinaria gigantea*) to native and exotic grass competition and site preparation techniques for canebrake restoration. For submission to *Restoration Ecology*.
- Sauby, K. E., T. D. Marsico, **G. N. Ervin**, and C. P. Brooks. In preparation. Host plant identity and diversity affect the prevalence of the invasive moth, *Cactoblastis cactorum*. For submission to *Florida Entomologist*.
- Woodard, A. M., T. D. Marsico, and **G. N. Ervin**. In preparation. Communication-mediated defence priming combats introduced herbivore attack. For submission to *Nature*.

## GRANTS IN REVIEW

RUI: Integrating Species Interactions with Ecophysiological Profiles to Improve Predictions of Current and Future Plant Invasions

***NSF Population and Community Ecology Cluster (DEB)***

Feria, T. P. (PI), J. A. McDonald, G. N. Ervin. \$377,535.00 (Ervin: \$59,679)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Biological Sciences, Mississippi State University, August 2001 – present

### **Plant Ecology, Spring Semesters**

Course on general ecology of plants, including environmental influence of plant structure & performance, and interactions with other biota and ecosystem-level function and importance of plants

### **Aquatic Botany, odd-year Fall semesters**

Growth forms, habitat, and adaptations of vegetation to aquatic environments; interactions of plants with one another and their surroundings; and function of plants in wetlands and aquatic systems.

### **Invasion Ecology, Fall 2003, Spring 2007, Fall 2010**

Graduate-level seminar course examining invasion at the levels of species, communities, and ecosystems, including management implications of invasion and invasive species.

### **Plants & Humans, Fall 2006**

Non-majors introductory Botany course emphasizing general biology of plants and the importance of plants as food, medicines, and potential toxins to humans.

### **Plant Physiology, Fall 2004**

General plant physiology, including lectures on physiological basis for plant-environment interactions; laboratory investigations of macro-scale plant physiological processes.

### **Introduction to Environmental Sciences, 2001-2004**

Discussion and debate on multiple perspectives of environmental issues, with accompanying guest lectures by practicing environmental scientists.

### **Environmental Sciences Practicum, advisor, 2001-2004**

Coordinated practical undergraduate experiences in, or guided literature examination of, important environmental problems and processes.

Department of Biological Sciences, Distance Master of Science in General Biology Program

### **Ecology and the Environment, Summer Semesters 2009 - present**

Investigation of biodiversity, ecological hierarchies, and interactions between biota and the environment. Includes an introduction to contemporary environmental science issues.

### **Comprehensive Study of Plants, Spring Semesters 2010 - present**

Study of plants from bryophytes to angiosperms, including growth, photosynthesis, respiration, nutrition, reproduction, ecology, and evolution.

Northwest Arkansas Community College, August 2000 – July 2001

### **Principles of Biology I**

Lectured on general biological chemistry, cell biology, genetics, evolution, and ecology, and instructed laboratory activities in general biological chemistry, genetics, and ecology.

### **General Biology II**

Survey of major plant and animal organ systems; laboratory studies of classification of organisms, examination of representative taxa, and a comparative survey of major plant and animal organ systems.

## FUNDING FOR TEACHING

Mississippi State University, Office of Research, \$1,500 (2002) for Student Practicum Project

MSU College of Arts & Sciences Academic Excellence Fund and Dept of Biological Sciences, \$1,677 (2004)

MSU Schillig Special Teaching Projects Program, \$2,261 (2002)

## INVITED LECTURES

- Ervin, G. N.** 2011. Combining biological databases and predictive modeling in conservation planning. Department of Biological Sciences, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR, February 16, 2011.
- Brooks, C. P. and **G. N. Ervin**. 2010. Genetic diversity of *Cactoblastis cactorum* in the moth's native range and implications for future spread. Entomological Society of America annual conference, San Diego, CA, December 12-15, 2010.
- Ervin, G. N.** 2010. Patrones en la diversidad de especies exóticas y aplicaciones para programas de monitoreo. 31st Congress of the Mexican Weed Science Association, Cancún, México, November 10, 2010.
- Ervin, G. N.** 2010. North meets south meets north again: A global series of species introductions. Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alabama, September 16, 2010.
- Ervin, G. N.** 2010. Ecological genetics of the cactus moth *Cactoblastis cactorum* at home and abroad. USGS NBII Invasive Species Working Group teleconference, July 29, 2010.
- Ervin, G. N.** 2010. Invasive species research at Mississippi State University. Soil and Water Conservation Society, MSU Chapter, Mississippi State University, March 24, 2010.
- Ervin, G. N.** 2008. Modeling spread of an invasive plant species – An effort at collaboration between Math and Biology. Mathematical Applications in Ecology and Evolution Workshop, Center for Computational Sciences, Mississippi State University, August 4-6, 2008.
- Ervin, G. N.** 2008. Applied landscape ecology within an integrated weed management framework. Department of Plant and Soil Sciences, Mississippi State University, September 22, 2008.
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- Madsen, J. D., **Gary N. Ervin**, Randy Westbrook, Joel P. Floyd, Annie Simpson, and Elizabeth Sellers. 2006. The National Cactus Moth Detection Network and Database. Ecological Society of America International Meeting, Merida, Mexico, January 2006.
- Majure, L. C. and **G. N. Ervin**. 2006. The morphological plasticity of *Opuntia pusilla* (Haw.) Nutt. induced by differentiations in environmental variables. Ecological Society of America 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Memphis, TN, August 2006.
- Majure, L. C., **Gary N. Ervin**, John D. Madsen, Randy Westbrook, Annie Simpson, and Elizabeth Sellers. 2006. Assessing habitat requirements for host plants (*Opuntia* spp.) of *Cactoblastis cactorum* Berg. in the Southeastern United States. Southeastern Ecology and Evolution Conference, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, March 2006.
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- Herman, B. D. and **Gary N. Ervin**. 2005. Testing the Floristic Quality Assessment Index in natural and created wetlands in Mississippi. Mississippi Water Resources Conference, Raymond, MS, April 2005.
- Herman, B. D. and **Gary N. Ervin**. 2005. Testing the Floristic Quality Assessment Index in natural and created wetlands in Mississippi. Soc of Wetl Sci/Gulf Estuarine Res Soc Joint Meeting, Pensacola Beach, FL, March 2005.
- Bried, J. T. and **Gary Ervin**. 2004. Diversity and fidelity of adult Odonata among localized wetlands. Southeastern Ecology and Evolution Conference, Georgia Technological University, Atlanta, March 5-7, 2004.
- Bried, J. T. and **G. N. Ervin**. 2004. Dragons and Damsels: Mass comparisons, prediction, and practical applications using adult Odonata. 2004 Graduate Student Symposium, Gulf Coast Research Laboratory, Ocean Springs, MS, January 30-31, 2004.
- Burnell, K. D., J. D. Byrd, Jr., **G. N. Ervin**, C. T. Bryson, D. B. Mask, and J. W. Barnett. 2004. Evaluation of non-chemical management techniques for cogongrass control [*Imperata cylindrica* (L.) Beauv.]. Weed Science Society of America meeting, February 2004, Kansas City, MO.

## **CO-AUTHORED CONTRIBUTED CONFERENCE PAPERS**

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Bryant, J. A. and **Gary N. Ervin**. 2003. The impact of SWANCC on Federal Clean Water jurisdiction. Academy of Legal Studies in Business, Annual Conference, Nashville, TN, August 2003.

Musser, R. O., C. Doan, **G. N. Ervin**, and T. Morelock. 2001. Biochemical mechanisms of green peach aphid resistance in selected spinach cultivars. National Spinach Conference, Fayetteville, AR, Nov 2001.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCES FOR UNDERGRADUATES (REU) STUDENT PROJECTS**

The relative importance of air to water flow disruption by emergent vegetation in reducing dissolved oxygen in littoral systems – John Gordon (University of Delaware) – Summer 2006

Quantifying the potential allelopathic effects of cogongrass on mycorrhizal associations – Kristen Ostermann (MS State University) – Summer 2006

Factors affecting pteridophyte distribution at spring sites in the Tombigbee National Forest – Devin Yeatman (Pennsylvania State University) – Summer 2006

Effects of existing vegetation and soil from three geographical areas of Mississippi on cogongrass (*Imperata cylindrica*) rhizome leaf growth – Brittany Garvin (University of South Carolina, Upstate) – Summer 2005

*Alternanthera philoxeroides* affects dissolved oxygen similarly to native littoral wetland vegetation – Erica Althans-Schmidt (Western Washington University) – Summer 2005

Comparison of Invasion in Wetland Communities – Cori Anderson (Birmingham Southern College, Alabama) and Melissa Smothers (Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA) – Summer 2004

## **POSTDOCTORAL SCIENTISTS MENTORED**

Dr. Travis Marsico, 2008-2009, Ph.D. from Notre Dame University

- Ecological Genetics postdoc on *Opuntia-Cactoblastis* research (USGS)

- currently an Assistant Professor at Arkansas State University, Department of Biological Sciences

Dr. Rachel Jolley, 2008-2010, Ph.D. from Auburn University

- Plant Ecology postdoc on *Arundinaria* research (EPA)

## **GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES** (year graduated)

### **Committee Chair & Major Professor**

Jason T. Bried, M.S. (2005)

Lucas Majure, M.S. (2007)

D. Christopher Holly, Ph.D. (2008)

Steven Hughes, M.S. (2011)

Brook D. Herman, M.S. (2005)

Michael Calloway, M.S. (2010)\*

Matthew Roberts, Ph.D. (2008)\*

Mary Catherine Mills, M.S. (2011)

Rima Lucardi, Ph.D.

Daniel Millican, Ph.D.\*

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### **Committee Member**

*MSU Biological Sciences:* Phillip Bucolo, M.S. (2006); Christopher Doffitt, Ph.D.; Sarah Gibbs, M.S. (2007); Michael S. Husak, Ph.D. (2007); Prachi Matsye, Ph.D.; Troy Mutchler, Ph.D. (2004); Andrew Sanderson, M.S. (2006); Kristen Sauby, M.S. (2009); Gray Turnage, M.S.

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*Other MSU:* Charlotte Buehler, MSU GeoSci, M.S. (2010); Keith D. Burnell, MSU P&SS, Minor Professor, Ph.D. (2005); Joshua Cheshier, MSU P&SS, M.S. (2010); Daniel Dembkowski, MSU WF&A, M.S. (2011); Keri K. Denley, MSU P&SS, Ph.D. (2004); Sarah Fleming, MSU W&F, M.S. (2010); Laura Hobbs, MSU Forestry, M.S.; Ekaterina Kovalenko, MSU W&F, Ph.D. (2009); Edda Martinez-Calez, MSU Ento, Ph.D. (2010); Anberitha Matthews, MSU Poultry Sci, M.S. (2010); Jennifer Parsons, MSU A&DS, Ph.D.; Joby Prince, MSU P&SS, Ph.D.; Wilfredo Robles, MSU P&SS, Ph.D. (2009); Jason Weirich, MSU P&SS, Ph.D. (2010).

*Other, external:* Cynthia I. Garcia, University of Texas, Pan-Am, M.S.; Don Baud, University of Memphis Biology, Ph.D.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

### MSU Department of Biological Sciences

- Department Head's Executive Committee, 2010
- Web page renovation committee, Chair, 2009
- Graduate Coordinator, 2008 – present
- EEB Faculty Mentor, 2007 – present
- Renovation Planning Review Committee, 2006-07
- Webmaster, 2004 – 2007
- Undergraduate Curriculum Revision Freshman Biology Sub-committee, 2006
- Department Head Advisory Committee, 2006
- Faculty Search Committees, 2003-04, 2005-06, 2007, 2009
- Space Committee, 2004 – 2006
- Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2003 – 2004

### MSU College of Arts & Sciences

- Faculty Awards Review Committee, 2008
- Faculty Senate Representative, 2004 – 2007
- General Liberal Arts degree, advisory committee member, 2002 – 2007

### Mississippi State University

- Graduate Coordinator Advisory Council, 2010 – present
- Faculty Research Advisory Committee, 2008 – present
- Research Strategic Planning and Evaluation: Strategic Investment Subcommittee, 2010
- Research Initiation Grants Review Panel, 2008
- Institutional Effectiveness Evaluation Committee, 2008 – present
- Robert Holland Faculty Senate Representative, 2007 – 2010
- Robert Holland Faculty Senate Ancillary Affairs Committee, 2007 – present; Co-Chair, 2009 – 2010
- John K. Bettersworth Leadership Lectures Speaker, 2004 – 2008
- Environmental Sciences Program, Advisory Committee Member, 2004 – present
- Day One Leadership Program Ambassador, 2007 – 2008
- Delegate to the Universities Council on Water Resources, 2005 – 2008
- Hazardous Waste Management Committee, 2003 – 2005
- Environmental Sciences Program Coordinator, 2002 – 2004

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

### External

- Member: Association of Southeastern Biologists, Ecological Society of America, Mississippi Exotic Pest Plant Council, Society of Wetland Scientists, Weed Science Society of America
- Southeastern Exotic Pest Plant Council (SE-EPPC) Graduate Student Scholarship Committee, 2010
- SE-EPPC, Plant Listing Committee, 2009 – present
- Mississippi Exotic Pest Plant Council, State Plant List Coordinator, 2007 – present
- Society of Wetland Scientists 2008 International Conference, Oral Session Organizer and Moderator, May 2008, Washington, DC
- Fifth World Congress on Allelopathy, Oral Session Organizer, September 2008, Saratoga Springs, NY
- Ecological Society of America 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, Contributed Oral Session Moderator, August 2006
- Ecological Society of America 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, Buell-Braun Student Awards Judge, August 2006
- Society of Wetland Scientists South-Central Chapter Executive Board Member, 2004 – 2006
- Society of Wetland Scientists Annual International Conference Promotions Committee, 2003
- Associate Editor: *Wetlands*, Journal of the Society of Wetland Scientists, 2006-2008
- Board of Editors: *Southeastern Naturalist*, 2005-2008
- Guest Editor: *Northeastern Naturalist*, 2011
- Manuscript Reviews: *Allelopathy Journal*, *American Journal of Botany*, *American Midland Naturalist*, *Animal Conservation*, *Aquatic Biology*, *Aquatic Botany*, *Aquatic Ecology*, *Aquatic Microbial Ecology*, *Biological Conservation*, *Ecology*, *Ecology Letters*, *Environmental and Experimental Botany*, *Environmental Pollution*, *Environmental Protection Agency* (internal review), *Environmental Reviews*, *Hydrobiologia*, *Invasive Plant Science and Management*, *Journal of Chemical Ecology*, *Journal of Coastal Research*, *Journal of Ecology*, *Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology*, *Journal of Plant Growth Regulation*, *Journal of the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT)*, *Journal of the Torrey Botanical Society*, *Plant and Soil*, *Plant Ecology*, *Restoration Ecology*, *Soil Science Society of America Journal*, *Southeastern Naturalist*, *Wetlands*  
Gurevitch et al., *Ecology of Plants*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., adopter review prior to initiation of 3<sup>rd</sup> edition development  
Gurevitch et al., *Ecology of Plants*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., section on allelopathy  
Brooker et al., *Biology* Chapter 30, “The Diversity of Modern Gymnosperms and Angiosperms”  
Nabors’ *Introductory Botany* Chapter 24, “Ecology and the Biosphere”  
Raven’s *Biology*, 9th edition Chapter 575, “Interspecific Interactions and the Ecology of Communities”  
*Teaching Issues and Experiments in Ecology* web module reviewer  
Proposal for a revision to M. G. Barbour et al., *Terrestrial Plant Ecology* for Roberts & Co.
- Grant Proposal Reviews:  
Louisiana Board of Regents – Biological Sciences II Review *Panel Chair*, 2011  
Louisiana Board of Regents – Biological Sciences II Review *Panelist*, 2009, 2010  
EPA – Aquatic Systems Ecology Review *Panelist*, 2006  
NSF – Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grants Review *Panelist*, 2004, 2005  
Ad-hoc reviewer for: Ecology Program; Science and Technology Centers Program;  
International Research Fellows Program  
USGS – National Institutes of Water Resources
- Graduate Faculty Adjunct, Dept. of Biology, University of Memphis, 2003 – present
- Adjunct Faculty, Department of Biology, University of Texas - Pan American, 2010 – present

### Community Service

- Instructor in Friends of Noxubee NWR Youth Day Camp, Starkville, MS, 07 & 09 June 2011
- Assistant Den Leader, Cub Scout Den 5 Pack 27, Starkville, MS, 2007 – 2008
- Reading tutor, Sudduth Elementary School, Starkville, MS, 2006 – 2007

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & SPECIALIZED TRAINING**

- MSU Office of Research and Economic Development, William Hall Smith Faculty Leadership Program, 2010-11
- MSU Office of Research and Economic Development, Responsible Conduct of Research Training Publication Practices, 24 February 2010
- MSU Center for Teaching & Learning workshops  
Effective Teaching Portfolios for Tenure and Awards, 25 February 2010
- ESRI-certified GIS training courses:  
Introduction to ArcView GIS, Introduction to ArcGIS II, Learning ArcGIS 9

## **HONORS, AWARDS, AND NOMINATIONS**

- MSU Oldham Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award *nominee*, 2010
- MSU Irvin Atly Jefcoat Faculty Advising Award *nominee*, 2009
- Society of Wetland Scientists, Doug Wilcox Award for Outstanding Associate Editor for the journal *Wetlands*, 2009
- MSU College of Arts & Sciences Faculty Research Award, Spring 2009
- MSU Society of Scholars inductee sponsor, Fall 2008
- MSU College of Arts & Sciences Beverly B. and Gordon W. Gulmon Dean's Eminent Scholar Awarded October 2007
- MSU GeoResources Institute Academic Professor of the Year, 2007
- Excellence in Research by a Doctoral Student Award, University of Alabama, 1999-2000
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 1998-2000
- Graduate Council Fellowship, The University of Alabama, 1997-1998.
- Honorable Discharge, 1996, United States Marine Corps Reserve.
- Selected Marine Corps Reserve Medal, 1993, USMC.
- National Defense Service Medal, 1991, USMC.
- Meritorious Unit Commendation, 1991, USMC.
- Honor Graduate, Aircraft Firefighting/Crash Rescue School, 1990, USMC.
- Meritorious Promotion (PFC), MCRD Parris Island, 1989, United States Marine Corps.

## **STUDENT HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Brice Lambert (B.S. student) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Student Presentation, 2011 Biology Undergraduate Research Program Symposium, MSU
- Mary Catherine Mills (M.S. 2011) – Master's degree Research Assistant of the Year 2011, MSU Graduate Student Association
- Mary Catherine Mills (M.S. 2011) – Research Assistant of the Year 2011, MSU Department of Biological Sciences
- Mary Catherine Mills (M.S. 2011) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Student Presentation, Mississippi Water Resources Conference, Bay St. Louis, MS, Nov 02-04, 2010.
- Mary Catherine Mills (M.S. 2011) – Best Student Presentation, Southeastern Exotic Pest Plant Council/Southeast branch of Society for Ecological Restoration joint conference, Chattanooga, TN, May 11-12, 2010.
- Jeffery Cannon (B.S. 2009) – Inducted into MSU Society of Scholars, 2008
- Jeffery Cannon (B.S. 2009) – Plant Biology Scholarship, MSU Department of Biological Sciences

## **STUDENT HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Jeffery Cannon (B.S. 2009) – Don Downer Award for Student Presentation, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Biology Undergraduate Research Program Symposium, MSU
- Chris Holly (Ph.D. 2008) – Doctoral degree Research Assistant of the Year 2008, MSU Graduate Student Association
- Lucas Majure (M.S. 2007) – Master's degree Research Assistant of the Year 2007, MSU Graduate Student Association
- Jason Bried (M.S. 2005) – Best Student Presentation, SWS South-Central Chapter, Society of Wetland Scientists/Gulf Estuarine Research Society Joint Meeting, Pensacola Beach, FL, March 2005.
- Jason Bried (M.S. 2005) – Student Research Grant, Society of Wetland Scientists