

Dilsad Dagtekin

Quantitative Ecologist | Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Quantitative ecology; population ecology; spatial ecology; conservation biology; wildlife ecology

Employment history

Jan 2024 - present

Postdoctoral Researcher

Department Systems Analysis, Integrated Assessment and Modelling

Eawag - Swiss Federal Institute of Aquatic Science and Technology

Supervisor: Helen Moor

2018 - 2024

Graduate Research Assistant

Department of Evolutionary Biology and Environmental Studies, University of Zurich

Supervisor: Arpat Ozgul

Jun - Jul 2017

Research Internship

Ecological Forecasting Research Group, Boston University

Supervisors: Michael Dietze and Istem Fer

Teaching activities

2018 - 2024

Teaching Assistant

Department of Evolutionary Biology and Environmental Studies, University of Zurich

Grad courses: Population Ecology

Undergrad courses: Data Analysis in Biology; Ecology and Biodiversity

Education

2018 - 2024 **PhD in Ecology, University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland**

PhD Thesis: "Seasonality effects on wildlife populations across different data resolutions"

Supervisor: Arpat Ozgul

2017 - 2018 **MSc in Earth System Sciences, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey**

MSc Thesis: "Modeling Spatial Distribution of Oriental Beech (*Fagus orientalis*): Past, Present and Future"

Supervisors: H. Nuzhet Dalfes and Nesibe Kose

2011 - 2017 **BSc in Molecular Biology and Genetics, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey**

BSc Thesis: "Modeling Quaternary Vegetation Around Lake Iznik: Preliminary Results for Present, Mid-Holocene and Last Glacial Maximum"

Supervisor: H. Nuzhet Dalfes

Erasmus exchange during BSc (Sep. 2015 - July 2015) at Heidelberg Ruprecht-Karls University, Germany

Fieldwork experience

Sep - Oct 2019	Mouse lemur research German Primate Institute Kirindy Research Station, Kirindy Forest, Madagascar
May 2019	Large mammal camera-trapping research Kastamonu University, Turkey
Jun - Jul 2017	Ecological forecasting research Boston University Research Stations, northeastern USA

Skills

Language: Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (intermediate)

Programming: R, BUGS, Python

Operating Systems: Windows, MacOS

Prizes, awards, and fellowships

2018 - 2021	€ 70'800	PhD Scholarship from ESKAS - Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship
Jun 2019	€ 1'950	Travel Grant from University of Zurich, Graduate Campus (GRC) to attend "Camera Trapping Study Design and Data Analysis for Occupancy and Density Estimation" workshop at Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute.
2014 - 2015	€ 3'000	Erasmus Student Scholarship from Turkish National Agency Erasmus Program
2011 - 2012	€ 7'000	Exchange Student Scholarship from AFS Intercultural Exchange Programs

Active membership in scientific societies

British Ecological Society (BES); Ecological Society of America (ESA);

Turkish Society of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology (EkoEvo)

Organization of conferences

2020 - 2021	Zurich Interaction Seminars (ZIS), Zurich, Switzerland
Jul 2017	Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium Turkey, Istanbul, Turkey

Scientific Outreach

- Organizing scientific webinar series for the Turkish Society of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- Camera-trapping research was featured in an exhibition of University of Zurich Graduate Campus "Triggered by Motion" - February 2022 - [Link](#)
- Invited guest to Daily Tech News Show podcast for "Scientists in Tech" to talk about camera-trapping and Bayesian analysis - [Link](#)

List of publications

Dagtekin D., Behr D. M., Fichtel C., Kappeler P. M., Ozgul A. (2024) Seasonal survival of a short-lived primate under changing climate and population density. *under review - Journal of Animal Ecology*

Dagtekin D., Ertürk A., Sommer S., Ozgul A., Soyumert A. (2023). Seasonal habitat-use patterns of large mammals in a human-dominated landscape. *Journal of Mammalogy*, doi: 10.1093/jmammal/gyad107

Dagtekin, D., Şahan, E. A., Denk, T., Köse, N., & Dalfes, H. N. (2020). Past, present and future distributions of Oriental beech (*Fagus orientalis*) under climate change projections. *PLoS ONE*, doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0242280

Presentations at conferences and seminars

“Seasonal survival of the gray mouse lemur under changing climate”

- Biology’24, Zurich, Switzerland, 2024 - Talk
- International Statistical Ecology Conference, Swansea, Wales, 2024 - Talk
- Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium Turkey, Canakkale, Turkey, 2024 - Talk

“Seasonality effects on large-mammal co-occurrence patterns”

- Evolutionary Demography Society Annual Meeting, 2023 - Talk
- University of Zurich, IEU - Departmental Seminar Series, 2022 - Talk
- Biology’21, Basel, Switzerland, 2020 - Talk
- Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium Turkey, Ankara, Turkey, 2021 - Virtual Talk
- British Ecological Society Annual Meeting, Festival of Ecology, Online, 2020 - Virtual Talk
- Zurich Interaction Seminar, 2020 - Virtual Talk

“Seasonal and anthropogenic effects on large mammal habitat use in northwestern Anatolian forests

- Biology’20, Fribourg, Switzerland, 2020 - Poster
- Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium Turkey, Ankara, Turkey, 2019 - Talk

“Modeling in population ecology”

- Istanbul Technical University, Molecular Biology and Genetics Student Journal Club, 2021 - Virtual Talk

“Seasonality effects on wildlife populations across different data resolutions”

- Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research (WSL) - Biodiversity Seminar Series, 2022 - Talk

“Modeling Spatial Distribution of Oriental Beech (Fagus orientalis): Past, Present and Future”

- Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium Turkey, Izmir, Turkey, 2018 - Poster

“CO₂ explains reduced tree cover of Eurasia in Last Glacial Maximum simulation”

- Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, USA, 2017 - Talk

References

Will be provided upon request.