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Curator of the Bryophyte collection, Herbarium of University of Science (PHH), VIETNAM

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# **Current positions**

* Since April 2016: PhD candidate, Researcher at Herbarium, Biodiversity Unit, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, University of Turku.
* Since February 2014: Curator of the Bryophyte collection, Herbarium of University of Science (PHH).
* Since September 2008: Lecturer and Researcher, Department of Ecology - Evolutionary Biology, Faculty of Biology-Biotechnology, University of Sciences, Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City (VNU HCMC).

# **Education and degrees awarded**

* Aug 2013: **M.Sc. in Biology**
* Specialization: Evolution and Biodiversity
* Educational institution: **Wageningen University, The Netherlands**
* Aug 2008**: B.Sc. in Biology**
* Specialization: Environment and Biological Resources
* Educational institution: **University of Sciences, Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam**

# **Previous working experience**

* January 2007–August 2008: Junior Teaching Assistant, Department of Ecology - Evolutionary Biology, Faculty of Biology, University of Sciences, VNU HCMC.
* July 2008–December 2008: Part-time database member, Herbarium of Institute of Tropical Biology Herbarium (VNM).

# **Research funding & participated projects**

RESEARCH FUNDING

* May 2019–May 2020: Coordinator
* Project BIFA4-055 “A continuous data mobilization of Vietnam bryophyte and lichen collections”.
* Funded by Ministry of the Environment, Government of Japan via BIFA—the Biodiversity Information Fund for Asia.
* March 2018–March 2019: Coordinator
* Project BIFA3-032 “Data mobilization of the Cryptogam collection of the Herbarium PHH, University of Science, Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam”.
* Funded by Ministry of the Environment, Government of Japan via BIFA—the Biodiversity Information Fund for Asia.
* August 2010–August 2011: Principal investigator
* Project: “Diversity of mosses in Bidoup – Núi Bà National Park”.
* Funded by University of Science, Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City.
* May 2010–May 2011: Principal investigator
* Project: “Antibacterial activity of aqueous, ethanol and diethyl ether of selected bryophyte species”.
* Funded by Department of Science and Technology, Ho Chi Minh City.

PARTICIPATED PROJECTS

* 10th October 2015–09th November 2015, coordinator & contact person in the project "Exploring the fern diversity in southern and central Vietnam", University of Science and Missouri Botanical Garden, USA.
* June 2015: member in the project “Identifying harms, valuating risks and safety management for urban trees in Ho Chi Minh City”, funded by Department of Science and Technology, Ho Chi Minh City.
* 09th November 2014-20th November 2014, contact person in the project "Diversity of Epiphytic Bryophytes in Vietnam”, University of Science and Institute of Natural and Environmental Sciences, University of Hyogo, Japan.
* 2013–2014: Member in the project “Database establishment for the Herbarium of University of Science”, funded by Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh City.

# **Merits in teaching and pedagogical competence**

* 2019: Erasmus+ Exchange teaching staff between University of Turku and University of Sciences
* 2009: Certificate of “Active teaching in credit based system”, issued by Rector of University of Science, Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City
* Involvement in curriculum planning and implementation of undergraduate courses for Biology-Biotechnology students:
* Fundamental Biology A1 (Freshman level)
* Fundamental Biology A2 (Freshman level)
* Botany (2nd year level)
* Fieldtrip on Biodiversity Resource (2nd year level)
* Fieldtrip on Ecology major (specialization level)
* Plant systematic (specialization level)
* Biology of Conservation (specialization level)
* Lichenology and Bryology (specialization level)

SUPERVISORY ROLES

* 2017: Main supervisor for undergraduate student

Project: “Species composition and biogeography of Mosses in Kon Ka Kinh National Park”.

* 2016: Main supervisor for undergraduate student

Project: “Species composition and distribution of bryophytes in the recent atmospheric status in Ho Chi Minh City”.

* 2016: Main supervisor for undergraduate student

Project: “Correlation between epiphytic lichens and air quality in Ho Chi Minh City”.

* 2015: Main supervisor for undergraduate student

Project: “Mosses along trekking trail towards Langbian summit, Bidoup – Nui Ba National Park”.

* 2015: Secondary supervisor for undergraduate student

Project: “Bioactivities and in-vitro culturing of selected bryophytes in Bidoup – Nui Ba National Park”.

* 2011: Main supervisor for undergraduate student

Project: “Bryophytes on limestone in Hon Chong, Kien Luong District, Kien Giang Province, Viet Nam”.

# **Merits in science communication and expert assignments in the media**

* Since 2018: member of the International Association of Bryologists (IAB)
* 21st August 2015: Invited speaker for research Tea Session, National Parks Board, SINGAPORE.
* Since July 2011: Administrator of SEABAL (SE Asian Bryophytes and Lichens) Facebook Page (https://www.facebook.com/SEABAL2011)
* Since 2008: member of Malesian Bryophyte discussion group (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/malesian_bryophyte>)

# **Personal information**

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