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INVITED TALKS

**Bowers H.** Molecular Musings from Moss Landing. Molecular Methods Working Group. September 2, 2021. Virtual meeting.

**Bowers H.** Advancing portable detection capabilities of HAB species in California waters. California cyanobacteria and Harmful Algal Bloom (CCHAB) Network. October 15, 2020. Virtual meeting.

**Bowers H.** Chasing Harmful Algal Bloom species using cutting edge technology. Cawthron Institute. February 26, 2020. Nelson, New Zealand.

**Bowers H.** Chasing Harmful Algal Bloom species using cutting edge technology. Bodega Marine Laboratory Seminar Series. October 23, 2019. Bodega Bay, California. Click [here](https://video.ucdavis.edu/media/BML%2B-%2BHolly%2BBowersA%2BChasing%2BHarmful%2BAlgal%2BBloom%2BSpecies%2Busing%2BCutting%2BEdge%2BTechnology/0_qe89qv18) to watch!

**Bowers H.** Beyond the Lab: How to generate high quality qPCR data anywhere. Webinar host: Ubiquitome. October 10, 2019. <https://tinyurl.com/y553t6g5>

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**Bowers HA,** Messick GA, Hanif A, Jagus R and EJ Schott. Molecular discovery of crustacean RNA viruses. SCOR Virology Meeting. Newark, Delaware, May 14-16, 2009 (poster).

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Thessen AE, **Bowers HA** and DK Stoecker. Intra- and Interspecies differences in *Pseudo-nitzschia* ecophysiology, genetics and toxicity. Phycological Society of America Annual Meeting. Providence, Rhode Island, 5-10 August 2007 (poster).

Wyse D, McPhee-Shaw E, Bellingham J, Sudek S and **Bowers H**. Plankton in Monterey Bay: Optimization of optical sensor data from AUVs with applications in plankton community composition. Ocean Sciences Meeting. Honolulu, Hawaii, 23-28 February 2014 (poster).

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FEATURED WEBSITES

* **“Better ways to capture DNA and RNA from water”**

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* **“Beyond the Lab: How to generate high quality qPCR data anywhere”** https://insights.ubiquitomebio.com/beyond-the-lab-webinar-recording
* **“ACT evaluates new portable HAB sensors”**

https://ioos.noaa.gov/news/act-evaluates-new-portable-hab-sensors/

* **“Ubiquitome announces ‘Freedom for you grants program’ finalists”**

https://www.biospace.com/article/releases/-b-ubiquitome-b-announces-freedom-for-you-grants-program-finalists-/

* **“ECOHAB data now being analyzed”**

https://www.offshore-energy.biz/ecohab-data-now-being-analyzed/

* **“Killer algae’s ‘fingerprints’ wrap up the case”**

https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2008/05/080527211502.htm

TRAINING

Microbial Genomics & Metagenomics Workshop at JGI, Walnut Creek CA, February 2014.

3rd International qPCR Symposium, London UK, April 2005.

Lightcycler Training Course, Salt Lake City UT, November 1998.

AD HOC REVIEWER

*Applied and Environmental Microbiology* – 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010

*Aquatic Biology* – 2007

*Aquatic Microbial Ecology* – 2001, 2006, 2010

*Croatian Science Foundation* – 2020

CSU COAST Grant Development Program – 2020

*Deep-Sea Research Part II* – 2008

*Environmental Research* – 2006

*Estuarine, Coastal and Shelf Science* – 2014

*European Journal of Phycology* – 2010

*Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution* – 2021

*Harmful Algae* – 2005, 2009, 2016, 2020

*Journal of Applied Phycology* – 2018

*Journal of Clinical Microbiology* – 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013

*Journal of Plankton Research* – 2008, 2011

*Journal of Phycology* – 2004

*Marine Biology* – 2009

*Marine Drugs* – 2014

*Marine Ecology Progress Series* – 2010

*Marine Pollution Bulletin* – 2017, 2018, 2022

*Microbial Ecology* – 2006, 2011

*Molecular Ecology Notes* – 2008

Proceedings for the 12th International Conference on Harmful Algae – 2006

*Toxicon* – 2021

*Trends in Biotechnology­* – 2019

*Scientific Reports, a Nature Research Journal* – 2019

SeaGrant (RI, GA, NY) – 2021

SYNERGISTIC ACTIVITIES

* *Harmful Algae*, Associate Editor September 2021 – present
* National HAB Committee (NHC); co-chair July 2018 – present
* US HAB meeting 10.5, steering committee November 2020 – May 2021
* ASM Microbe Organizing Committee

(Applied Environmental Science track) August 2019 – June 2021

* *Harmful Algae*, Subject Editor Sept. 2018 –Sept. 2021
* Society for Women in Marine Science, mentor December 2018 – present
* National HAB Committee (NHC); member July 2016 – June 2018
* MBARI Staff Council March 2013 – March 2015
* Santa Cruz Wharf Outreach Network, member April 2013 – June 2016
* US HAB meeting 2015, local organizing committee Oct. 2013 – Nov. 2015
* NOAA PCM Panel Participant Feb 2011
* NOAA NCCOS CSCOR external reviewer Dec 2011
* NOAA OHHI Panel Participant May 2010

CRUISE EXPERIENCE

ECOHAB, San Pedro Shelf, Southern California Spring 2013 (6 days)

ECOHAB, Monterey Bay, Central California Fall 2013 (5 days)

ECOHAB, San Pedro Shelf, Southern California Spring 2014 (6 days)

NON-SCIENCE AFFILIATIONS

* Bayview Toastmasters, Vice President of Public Relations 2020 – 2022
* Bayview Toastmasters, Bayview Chapter Member 2019 – present
* Community Cat Allies, Board Member 2018 – present
* ReLove Animals, Inc., Vice President 2011 – 2015
* Peace of Mind Dog Rescue, transporter 2012 – ‘present’
* Community Cats of Maryland, clinic volunteer coordinator 2009 – 2012
* Howard County Cat Club, fostering and adoption listings 2009 – 2012
* Junior League of Annapolis 2003 – 2005
* Towson Jaycees 1996 – 2001
* Salisbury Jaycees 1994 – 1996