

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **1. MARK D. BERTNESS**

Robert P. Brown Professor of Biology  
Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology  
Brown University  
Providence, RI 02912  
Phone: (401) 863-2280 Fax (401) 863-2280  
Email: Mark\_Bertness@Brown.edu

### **2. Home address**

157 Touisset Road  
Warren, Rhode Island 02866

### **3. Birth Date**

July 13, 1949, Tacoma, Washington, USA

### **4. Education**

- B.S. 1971 psychology/chemistry, University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA
- M.S. 1975 biology, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington. Thesis, "Distributional patterns in natural populations of *Thais lamellosa* and *Thais emarginata*, their behavioral mechanisms, physiological adaptations and ecological significance."
- Ph.D. 1979 evolutionary ecology, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. Thesis, "Community dynamics of a tropical hermit crab assemblage."

### **5. Professional appointments**

- 1975-76 Research Associate (biology), Western Washington University
- 1977-79 Visiting Scientist, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama.
- 1979 Visiting Scientist, R/V Alpha Helix Morro Expedition
- 1980-92 Assistant – Associate Professor, Brown University
- 1987-2002 Director, Graduate Program in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- 1997-2000 Professor, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- 2000- Robert P. Brown Professor of Biology
- 2002- Chair, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- 2003- Senior Scientist (Brown/MBL Partnership), Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole

2004- 2008 Visiting Chair in Ecology, University of Groningen,  
Holland  
2004- Senior Fellow, Center for Biodiversity Research  
Catholic University of Santiago, Chile

## 6. Completed Publications:

### a. books and monographs

Bertness, M. D. 1999. *The Ecology of Atlantic Shorelines*. 465 pages, Sinauer Associates, Sunderland, Massachusetts.

Bertness, M. D., S. D. Gaines, and M. Hay (Editors). 2001. *Marine Community Ecology*. 550 pages, Sinauer Associates, Sunderland, Massachusetts.

Nybakken, J. and M. D. Bertness. 2004. *Marine Biology: an ecological approach*. Sixth edition. Benjamin Cummings.

Bertness, M.D. 2006. *Atlantic Shoreline Ecology: A Natural History*. Princeton University Press

B.R. Silliman and M. D. Bertness (Editors). 2009. *Human Impacts on Salt Marsh Ecosystems: Causes, Consequences and Solutions*. University of California Press

### b. chapters in books

Bertness, M. D. and S. C. Pennings. 2000. *Spatial Variation in Process and Pattern in Salt Marsh Plant Communities*. Pp 39-58, In: *Concepts and Controversies in Tidal Marsh Ecology*, M. Weinstein (ed) Kluwer Press, Boston

Pennings, S.C. and M. D. Bertness. 2001. *Salt Marsh Communities*. In: *Marine Community Ecology*. M. D. Bertness, S.D. Gaines, and M. Hay (Editors). Sinauer Associates, Sunderland Massachusetts.

Bruno, J. and M. D. Bertness. 2001. *Positive Interactions, Facilitations and Foundation Species*. In: *Marine Community Ecology*. M. D. Bertness, S. D. Gaines and M. Hay (Editors). Sinauer Associates, Sunderland Massachusetts.

Adam, P., A. Davy, M. D. Bertness and J. Zedler. 2005. *Salt Marsh Ecosystems*. In: *The Environmental Future of Aquatic Ecosystems*. N.

Pullen (Ed) Cambridge Press.

Sanford, E and M.D. Bertness. 2008. Latitudinal Gradients in Biological Interactions. In *Marine Macroecology*, J. Witman and G. Roy (Ed), Oxford Press

Bertness, M.D. and B.R. Silliman. 2009. Shoreline development impacts on salt marsh community process and pattern. In: *Human Impacts on Salt Marsh Ecosystems: Causes, Consequences and Solutions*. B.R. Silliman, and M.D. Bertness (Eds.) University of California Press

Silliman, B.R. and M.D. Bertness. 2009. Will over fishing lead to salt marsh loss? In: *Human Impacts on Salt Marsh Ecosystems: Causes, Consequences and Solutions*. B.R. Silliman, and M.D. Bertness (Eds.) University of California Press

c. Referred journal articles

Bertness, M.D. and D.E. Schneider. 1976. Temperature relations of Puget Sound thais in reference to intertidal distribution. *Veliger* 19(1): 47-58.

Bertness, M.D. 1977. Behavioral and ecological aspects of shore-level size gradients in *Thais lamellosa* and *Thais emarginata*. *Ecology* 58(1): 86-97.

Bertness, M.D. 1980. Growth and mortality in the ribbed mussel, *Geukensia demissa*. *Veliger* 23: 62-69.

Bertness, M.D. 1980. Shell utilization and preference patterns in hermit crabs from the Bay of Panama. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 48:1-16.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. Interference, exploitation, and sexual components of competition in hermit crabs. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 49:189-202.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. Pattern and plasticity in tropical hermit crab reproduction. *Amer. Nat.* 117:754-773.

Bertness, M.D. and C. Cunningham\*. 1981. Crab predation and gastropod shell architecture. *J. Exp. Mar. Biol. Ecol.* 50:213-230.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. The influence of shell-type on hermit crab growth rate and clutch size. *Crustaceana* 40:197-205.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. Predation, physical stress, and the organization

of a tropical hermit crab community. *Ecology* 62(2): 411-425.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. Competitive dynamics of a tropical hermit crab assemblage. *Ecology* 62(3): 751-761.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. Conflicting advantages in resource utilization: the hermit crab housing dilemma. *Amer. Nat.* 118:432-437.

Bertness, M.D. 1981. Seasonality in hermit crab reproduction in the Bay of Panama. *Biotropica* 13(4): 292-300.

Bertness, M.D., S.D. Garrity and S.C. Levings. 1981. Predation pressure and gastropod foraging patterns: a latitudinal pattern. *Evolution* 35(5): 995-1007.

Bertness, M.D. 1982. Shell utilization, predation pressure and thermal stress in Panamanian hermit crabs: an interoceanic comparison. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 64:159-187.

Bertness, M.D., P.O. Yund\*, and A. Brown\*. 1983. Snail grazing and the abundance of algal crusts on a sheltered New England rocky beach. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Evol.* 71:147-164.

Bertness, M.D. 1984. Habitat and community modification by an introduced herbivorous snail. *Ecology* 65(2): 370-381.

Bertness, M.D. 1984. Ribbed mussels and the productivity of *Spartina alterniflora* in a New England salt marsh. *Ecology* 65:1794-1807.

Kemp, P.\* and M.D. Bertness. 1984. Snail shape and growth rates; evidence for plastic shell allometry in *Littorina littorea*. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 81:811-813.

Hoffman, J.\*, J. Katz\*, and M.D. Bertness. 1984. Fiddler crab regulation of meiofauna abundance. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 82:161-174.

Bertness, M.D. and T. Miller\*. 1984. The distribution and dynamics of *Uea pugnax* burrows in a New England salt marsh. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 83:211-237.

Bertness, M.D. 1984. Fiddler crab regulation of *Spartina alterniflora* production on a New England salt marsh. *Ecology* 66: 1042-1055.

Bertness, M.D. and T. Grosholz\*. 1985. Population dynamics of the ribbed mussel, *Geukensia demissa*: the costs and benefits of a clumped distribution. *Oecologia* 67:192-204.

Ellison, A., M.D. Bertness and T. Miller\*. 1985. Belowground dynamics of the salt marsh cordgrass, *Spartina alterniflora*. *American Journal of Botany* 73(11): 1548-1554.

Metcalf, W.\*, A.M. Ellison, and M.D. Bertness. 1986. Seedling success and morphology of *Spartina alterniflora*. *Annals of Botany* 58:249-258.

Bertness, M.D. and A.M. Ellison. 1987. Determinants of pattern in a New England salt marsh plant community. *Ecological Monographs* 57(2):129-147.

Bertness, M.D., C. Wise\*, and A.M. Ellison. 1987. Consumer pressure and seed set in New England marsh perennials. *Oecologia* 71:191-200.

Bertness, M.D. 1988. Peat accumulation and the success of marsh plants. *Ecology* 69: 703-713.

Bertness, M.D. 1989. Positive and negative density dependent mortality and the population structure of *Balanus balanoides* in a sheltered habitat. *Ecology* 70: 257-268.

Bertness, M.D. 1991. Interspecific interactions among high marsh perennials. *Ecology* 72:125-137.

Bertness, M.D. 1991. Zonation of *Spartina* spp. in New England salt marshes. *Ecology* 72:138-148.

Stephens, E.G.\* and M.D. Bertness. 1990. Mussel facilitation of barnacle survival in a sheltered New England habitat. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 145:33-48.

Yund, P., S.D. Gaines, and M.D. Bertness. 1990. Cylindrical tube traps for larval sampling. *Limnology and Oceanography* 36:1167-1177.

Bertness, M.D., S.D. Gaines, E.G. Stephens\*, and P. Yund. 1990. Components of recruitment in populations of acorn barnacles. *J. exp. mar. Biol. Ecol.* 156:199-215.

Bertness, M.D. 1992. The ecology of New England salt marsh plant communities. *American Scientist* 80:260-268.

Bertness, M.D., T. Chatkupt\*, and K. Wikler\*. 1992. Flood tolerances and the distribution of *Iva frutescens* across New England salt marshes. *Oecologia* 91:171-178.

Bertness, M.D., L. Gaugh\*, and S.W. Shumway. 1992. Salt tolerances

and the distribution of plants across a New England salt marsh. *Ecology*, 72:1842-1851.

Bertness, M.D. and S.D. Gaines. 1992. Larval dispersal and local adaptation in acorn barnacles. *Evolution*, 47:316-320.

Gaines, S.D. and M.D. Bertness. 1992. Juvenile dispersal in sessile marine species. *Nature*. 360 :579-580.

Shumway, S.W. and M.D. Bertness. 1992. Salt stress facilitation of seedling recruitment in a salt marsh plant community. *Oecologia*.92:490-497

Gaines, S.D. and M.D. Bertness. 1993. Does variable transport generate variable settlement in coastal and estuarine species. In: *Changes in Fluxes in Estuaries*, K. Dyer and R. Orth (Eds.). Olsen and Olsen Press, London, in press.

Bertness, M.D. and S.W. Shumway. 1993. Competition and facilitation in marsh plants. *American Naturalist*, 142:718-724.

Sanford, E.\*, D. Bermudez\*, M.D. Bertness, and S.D. Gaines. 1994. Flow, food supply and the population dynamics of acorn barnacles. *Marine Ecology Progress Series*.104: 49-62

Gaines, S.D. and M.D. Bertness. 1994. Measuring juvenile dispersal: Why field ecologists must learn to integrate. *Ecology*, 74:2430-2435

Bertness, M. D. and S. D. Hacker. 1994. Physical stress and positive associations among plants. *American Naturalist*, 144:363-372.

Bertness, M. D. and R. Callaway. 1994. The role of positive forces in natural communities: a post-cold war perspective. *Trends in Ecology and Evolution*. 9:191-193.

Shumway, S. W. and M. D. Bertness. 1994. Spatial scale effects on secondary succession process and pattern. *Ecology*, 75:564-568.

Bertness, M.D. and S.M. Yeh\*. 1994. Cooperative and competitive interactions in the recruitment of marsh elders. *Ecology*, 75:2416-2429.

Hacker, S. D. and M. D. Bertness. 1995. An herbivore paradox: Why salt marsh aphids live in poor quality plants. *American Naturalist*, 145:192-210

Hacker, S.D. and M.D. Bertness. 1995. Morphological and physiological consequences of a positive plant interaction. *Ecology* 76: 2165-2175.

Trial User 12/14/04 8:13 PM

Deleted:

- Brewer, S.D. and M. D. Bertness. 1996. Natural disturbance and the genetic structure of marsh plant populations. *Oikos* 77:107-116
- Hacker, S.D. and M.D. Bertness. 1996. The trophic consequences of a marsh plant positive interaction. *American Naturalist*.148:559-575.
- Bertness M. D., S. D. Gaines and R. Wahle. 1996. Wind-driven spatial patterns in the settlement of benthic shoreline invertebrates. *Marine Ecology Progress Series*.137:103-110.
- Bertness M. D. and G. Leonard. 1997. The role of positive interactions in communities: Lessons from the intertidal. *Ecology* 78: 1978-1989.
- Karieva, P. and Bertness, M. D. 1997. Rediscovering the role of positive interactions in communities. *Ecology* 78: 1960
- Harley, C\*. and M.D. Bertness. 1997. Structural interdependence in marsh plants: united they stand. *Functional Ecology* 10: 654-661
- Bertness M. D., S. D. Gaines and S.M. Yeh\*. 1998. Making mountains out of barnacles: the causes and consequences of barnacle hummocks. *Ecology* 79: 1382-1394.
- Levine J.\*, S. J. Brewer and M. D. Bertness.1998. Nutrient availability and the zonation of marsh plant communities. *Journal of Ecology*. 86: 285-292.
- Brewer, J. S., J. M. Levine\*, and M. D. Bertness. 1997. Effects of biomass removal and elevation on plant species richness in a New England salt marsh. *Oikos* 80: 333-341.
- Leonard, G., J.M. Levine\*, P. Schmidt and M.D. Bertness. 1998. Flow-generated bottom-up forcing of intertidal community structure in a Maine estuary. *Ecology* 79: 1395-1411.
- Leonard, G., P. Yund and M.D. Bertness. 1998. Predator induced structural defenses in the blue mussel. *Ecology* 80: 1-14.
- Levine J.\*, S. D. Hacker and M.D. Bertness. 1998. The influence of nitrogen availability on a positive interaction among marsh plants. *Oecologia* 117:266-272.
- Brewer, J.S., J.M. Levine, and M.D. Bertness.1998. The role of disturbance in the structure and organization of New England marsh plant communities. *Journal of Ecology* 86:125-136.
- Leonard, G., P.Ewanchuk, and M. D. Bertness. 1999. How recruitment,

interspecific interactions and predation control species borders in a tidal estuary. *Oecologia* 118: 492-502

Bertness, M. D., G. Leonard, J.M. Levine\*, P. Schmidt and A. O. Ingraham\*. 1999. Habitat modification by algal canopies: Testing the relative contribution of positive and negative interactions in rocky intertidal communities. *Ecology* 80: 2711-2726.

Hacker, S.D. and M. D. Bertness. 1999. The role of positive interactions in the plant species diversity of salt marsh plant communities. *Ecology* 80:2064-2073.

Bertness, M. D., G. Leonard, J.M. Levine, and J. F. Bruno. 1999. Climate-driven interactions among rocky intertidal organisms caught between a rock and a hot place. *Oecologia* 120: 446-450

Pennings, S. C. and M. D. Bertness. 1999 Using latitudinal variation to examine effects of climate on coastal salt marsh pattern and process. Proceedings of the OECD Workshop on Global Change and Wetlands. *Journal of Biogeochemistry* 3:100-111.

Amsberry, L.\*, M. A. Baker, P. J. Ewanchuk and M. D. Bertness. 2000. Clonal integration and the expansion of *Phragmites australis* into New England salt marsh plant communities. *Ecological Applications* 10: 1110-1118.

Emery, N.\*, P. Ewanchuk, and M. D. Bertness. 2001 Nutrients, mechanisms of competition and the zonation of plants across salt marsh landscapes. *Ecology* 82: 2471-2485.

Pennings, S. C., E. Siska, and M.D. Bertness. 2001. Latitudinal variation in the palatability of marsh plants. *Ecology* 82: 1344-1359

Schmidt, P., D. Rand, and M. D. Bertness. 2000. Environmental heterogeneity and balancing selection in the acorn barnacle *Semibalanus balanoides*. Proceedings of the Royal Society, Biological Sciences 267(1440) 379-385

Donnelly, J. and M. D. Bertness. 2001. Rapid shoreward encroachment of salt marsh vegetation in response to sea-level rise. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science* 98: 14218-14223

Bertness, M.D. and P. Ewanchuk. 2002. Latitudinal and Climate-Driven Variation in the Strength and Nature of Biological Interactions. *Oecologia* 132: 392-401.

Silliman, B.R. and M.D. Bertness. 2002. A trophic cascade regulates



salt marsh primary production. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science* 99 (16): 10500-10505.

Bertness, M.D., G. Trussell, P. Ewanchuk and B.R. Silliman. 2002. Do alternate community stable states exist on rocky shores in the Gulf of Maine? *Ecology* 83:3434-3448.

Trussell, G.C., P.J. Ewanchuk, and M.D. Bertness. 2002. Field evidence of trait-mediated indirect interactions in a rocky intertidal food web. *Ecological Letters* 5: 1-5.

Bertness, M.D., P. Ewanchuk, and B.R. Silliman. 2002. Anthropogenic modification of New England salt marsh landscapes. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science* 99 (3): 1395-1398.

Bruno, J., J.J. Stackowitz, and M. D. Bertness. 2003. Including positive interactions in ecological theory. *Trends in Ecology and Evolution* 18: 119-125

Minchinton, Todd E., Bertness, Mark D. 2003: Disturbance-mediated competition and the spread of *Phragmites australis* in a coastal marsh. *Ecological Applications*: Vol. 13, No. 5, pp. 1400–1416.

Bertness, M.D., Trussell, G.C., Ewanchuk, P.J., Silliman, B.R. and Mullan, C. 2004. Consumer Controlled Alternate Community States on Gulf of Maine Rocky Shores. *Ecology* 85: 1321-1331.

Bertness, M.D., G. Trussell, P. Ewanchuk and B.R. Silliman. 2004. Do alternate community stable states exist on rocky shores in the Gulf of Maine? A reply. *Ecology* 85: 1165-1167.

Pennings, S. C., E. Selig\*, L. Houser\*, and M. D. Bertness. 2003. Geographic variation in positive and negative interactions among marsh plants. *Ecology* 84:1527-1538.

Ewanchuk, P. J. and M. D. Bertness. 2003. Recovery of a northern New England salt marsh plant community from winter icing. *Oecologia* 136:616-626

Trussell, G.C., P.J. Ewanchuk, and M.D. Bertness. 2003. Trait-mediated effects in rocky intertidal food chains: predator risk cues alter prey feeding rates. *Ecology* 84: 629-640.

Ewanchuk, P. J., and M. D. Bertness. 2004. Structure and Organization of a northern New England salt marsh plant community. *J. Ecology* 92:72-85.

Ewanchuk, P. J., and M. D. Bertness. 2004. Maintenance of high diversity pans in Northern New England salt marshes. *Ecology* 85: 1568-1574.

- Trussell, G.C., P.J. Ewanchuk, B.R. Silliman, and M.D. Bertness. 2004. Indirect effects mediate consumer control of New England tide pool communities. *Oecologia* 139: 427-432.
- Bertness, MD, BR Silliman and R. Jefferies. 2004. Salt marshes under siege. *American Scientist* 92:54-61.
- Silliman, B. R. and M. D. Bertness. 2004. Shoreline Development Drives the Invasion of *Phragmites australis* and the Loss of New England Salt Marsh Plant Diversity. *Conservation Biology* 18: 1424-1434.
- Crain, C. M., B.R. Silliman, S. L. Bertness, and M.D. Bertness. 2004. Mechanisms of the spatial segregation of plants across estuarine salinity gradients. *Ecology* 85: 2539-2549.
- Fogel, B\*, C. M. Crain, and M. D. Bertness. 2004. Community Level Engineering Effects of *Triglochin maritima* (seaside arrowgrass) in a Northern New England Salt Marsh. *Journal of Ecology* 92: 589-597.
- Pennings, S.C., M. Bestor-Grant\* and M. D. Bertness. 2004. Plant zonation in low-latitude salt marshes: disentangling the roles of flooding, salinity and competition. *Journal of Ecology* 93:159-167
- Crain, C.M. and M.D. Bertness. 2005. Community impacts of a tussock forming sedge: Is ecosystem engineering important in benign habitats. *Ecology* 86: 2695-2704.
- Bromberg, K. and M.D. Bertness. 2005. Calculating the loss of New England salt marshes from historical maps. *Estuaries*
- Wolters, M., J.P Bakker, M.D. Bertness, R.L. Jefferies, and I. Moller. 2005. Forum: Salt-marsh erosion and restoration in south-east England: squeezing the evidence requires realignment. Invited commentary. *Journal of Applied Ecology* 42: 844-851.
- Silliman, B.R., J. Van de Koppel. M.D. Bertness, L. Stanton, and I. Mendelssohn. 2005. Drought and herbivory lead to catastrophic salt marsh collapse. *Science* 310:1803-1805.
- Van De Koppel, B.R. Silliman, A. Altieri and M.D. Bertness. 2005. Scale dependent interactions lead to the spatial patterning of cobble beach assemblages. *Ecological Letters* 9: 45-50.
- Minchinton, T.E., J.C. Simpson, and M.D. Bertness. 2006 Mechanisms of exclusion of native coastal marsh plants by an invasive grass. *Journal of Ecology* 94: 342-354.

Bertness, M.D. B. R. Silliman, M. C. Bazterrica, M. V. Reyna, F. Hildago and C. M. Crain 2006. The Community Structure of Western Atlantic Patagonian Rocky Shores. *Ecological Monographs* 76: 439-460.

Crain, CM and MD Bertness. 2006. Ecosystem engineering across environmental stress gradients: implications for conservation and management. *Bioscience* 56: 211-216.

Altieri, A, B.R. Silliman, and M. D. Bertness. 2007. Hierarchical organization via a facilitation cascade in intertidal cordgrass bed communities. *American Naturalist*

Van Wessenbrek, B., A. Altieri, C. Crain and M.D. Bertness. 2007. Landscape spatial scale patterns in the organization of halophytic plant communities in Narragansett Bay. *Marine Ecology progress Series* 349:63-71.

*Halpern, B.S., B.R. Silliman, J.D. Olden, J.P. Bruno, and M.D. Bertness. 2007 Incorporating positive interactions in aquatic restoration and conservation. Frontiers in Ecology and Evolution 5: 153-160*

Alberti, J., M. Escapa, P. Daleo, O. Iribarne, B. R. Silliman, M. Bertness. 2008. Crab herbivory generated marsh plant die off and facilitation in Argentinean salt marshes. *Ecology* 29: 155-164

Daleo, P. Alberti, J., O. Iribarne, B. R. Silliman, M. Bertness. 2007. Fungal mediated crab facilitation of marsh plant production in Argentinean salt marshes. *Ecological Letters* 10: 902-908

Hidalgo, F.J, Silliman, B. R., Bazterrica, M.C., and M.D. Bertness. 2008. Predation Pressure on Rocky Shores of Patagonia, Argentina *Estuaries and Coasts* 30: 886-894

Crain, C. M., L. K. Albertson, and M. D. Bertness. 2008. Secondary succession dynamics in estuarine marshes across landscape-scale salinity gradients. *Ecology* 89:2889-2899

Bromberg, K., C.M. Crain and M. D. Bertness. 2008. Small mammal herbivore control of secondary succession in New England tidal marshes. *Ecology* 90: 430-440.

Bertness, M.D. and B. R. Silliman. 2008. Human Disturbance Driven Consumer Control of Salt Marshes. *Conservation Biology* 22:618-623.

Bertness, M.D., C.M. Crain, C. Holdredge\* and N. Sala. 2008. Eutrophication Triggers Consumer Control of New England Salt Marsh Primary Production. *Conservation Biology* 22: 131-139.

Farina, J., V. Renya, B.R. Silliman and M.D. Bertness. 2009. Can Conservation Biologists Rely on Established Community Structure Rules to Manage Novel Systems? ... Not in Salt Marshes. *Ecological Applications* 19: 413-422.

Sala, N.M., M.D. Bertness and B.R. Silliman. 2008. The Dynamics of Bottom-up and Top-down Control in a New England Salt Marsh. *Oikos* 117:1050-1056

Bazzterrica, M.C., B.R. Silliman, F.J. Hidalgo, C.M. Crain and M.D. Bertness. 2007. Limpet grazing on physically stressful Patagonian rocky shores. *Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology* 353 22-34

Alberti J, M, Escapa, P Daleo, O Irbartne, B. Silliman and M. Bertness. 2007. Local and geographic variation in grazing intensity by herbivorous crabs in SW Atlantic salt marshes. *Marine Ecology Progress Series* 349: 235-243.

Holdredge\*, C., A. Altieri, and M.D. Bertness. 2009. Crab herbivory-driven die off of New England salt marshes. *Conservation Biology* 23: 672-679

Bertness, M.D. and C. Holdredge\*. 2009. Substrate-type, crab densities and consumer control of salt marsh primary production on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. *Ecology* 90: 2108-2117

Irving, A .D. and M.D. Bertness. 2009. Trait-dependent modification of facilitation on cobble beaches. *Ecology* 89: **3042-3050**

Gedan, K.B. and M.D. Bertness. 2009. Experimental warming causes rapid loss of plant diversity in New England salt marshes. *Ecology Letters* 12: 842-848

Gedan, K.B., B.R. Silliman and M.D. Bertness. 2009. Centuries of Human-Driven Change in Salt Marsh Ecosystems. *Annual Review of Marine Science* 1: 117-141.

\*undergraduate coauthors

d. book reviews

Animals of the Tidal Marsh. Franklin C. Daiber. *American Scientist*, 1982, 76:42.

Marine Ecological Processes. Ivan Valiela. *Science*, 1985, 4703:1083-1084.

Marine Ecology: An experimentalist's perspective. Robert T. Paine. *Ecology*, 1995

Concepts and Controversies in Tidal Marsh Ecology, M. Weinstein (ed) *Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology*, 2002

e. invited lectures

- 1979 Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, Panama.  
University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.  
University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- 1980 Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.  
Yale University, New Haven, CT.
- 1981 American Society of Zoologists, Seattle, WA.  
Department of Zoology, University of Rhode Island, RI.
- 1982 Graduate School of Oceanography, University of Rhode Island  
*Littorina* Symposium, Nahant Marine Science Institute, Nahant, MA.
- 1983 Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute.  
Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida.  
Harvard University, Boston, MA.
- 1984 Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York  
Brown University, Geology Dept.  
University of North Carolina  
Northeastern University, Boston, MA.
- 1985 State University of New York, Stony Brook, NY.  
Barrington Conservation Commission, Barrington, RI.
- 1986 Yale University, New Haven, CT.  
Nahant Marine Center, Boston, MA.  
Duke University Marine Laboratory, Beaufort, NC.
- 1987 Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.  
Tufts University, Medford, MA.  
University of Houston, Houston, TX.  
University of South Carolina
- 1988 University of California, Santa Barbara  
University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI.
- 1989 Southern Massachusetts University, Dartmouth, MA.  
Connecticut College
- 1990 Manomet Bird Observatory  
University of California, Davis, CA.
- 1991 Louisiana State University  
Nahant Marine Laboratory
- 1992 Plymouth Polytec, UK  
University of Alabama

University of Maryland  
 1993 Rutgers University  
 University of Rhode Island  
 University of Georgia  
 1994 University of South Florida  
 Graduate School of Oceanography-URI  
 University of New Hampshire  
 1995 University of Wisconsin  
 Academy of Natural Science, Philadelphia  
 Wheaton College  
 University of Connecticut  
 1996 Dalhousie University, Halifax Nova Scotia  
 National Institute of Global Climate Change, UC Davis  
 University of Pennsylvania  
 Barrington Conservation Commission  
 1997 Yale University  
 University of Southern Maine  
 University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth  
 University of New Hampshire  
 University of London  
 University of Connecticut, Avery Point  
 1998 Rhode Island Natural History Survey  
 Academy of Natural Science, Philadelphia  
 University of Chicago  
 Rhode Island EPA Laboratory  
 1999 Bodega Marine Laboratory, Bodega Bay, California  
 University of California, Davis  
 Western Washington University  
 Barrington Conservation Commission  
 Rhode Island Wildflower Society  
 Colorado State University  
 Massachusetts Audubon  
 2000 University of South Carolina  
 University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
 City College of New York  
 Isle of Shoals Marine Laboratory  
 2001 Georgia Tech  
 Institute of Ecosystem Studies, Millbrook, New York  
 University of Mar Del Plata, Marine Station, Argentina  
 2002 Tufts University  
 University of Alaska, Anchorage  
 University of Toronto  
 University of Northern Florida  
 Isle of Shoals Marine Laboratory - CORONA  
 2003 University of Mar De Plata, Biology Department, Argentina  
 State University of New York, Stony Brook  
 University of South Carolina, Columbia  
 University of Zurich, Switzerland

University of California, Davis  
 University of Georgia, Athens  
 National Wetlands Center, Louisiana  
 University of Central Patagonia, Puerto Madryn, Argentina  
 Rhode Island Sea Grant, Narragansett, Rhode Island  
 Tabor Academy  
 The Nature Conservancy, Long Island Chapter  
 Catholic University of Chile, Santiago  
 Duke University  
 Groningen University, Groningen Holland  
 Netherlands Institute of Ecology, Center for Marine Science,  
 Zeeland  
 Queens University, Belfast Ireland  
 2004 Ecosystem Center, Marine Biological Laboratories, Woods  
 Hole  
 University of Rhode Island, Biological Sciences  
 National Marine Fisheries Conservation Biology Laboratory,  
 Seattle  
 Conference of New England Governors, Environmental Change  
 Workshop  
 Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, Coastal Ocean Forum  
 University of Utrecht, Netherlands  
 U Mass, Boston  
 Spartina Invasion Conference, San Francisco  
 Western Society of Naturalists, Sonoma, California  
 University of New Hampshire  
 Mt. Holyoke College  
 2005 Hopkins Marine Station, Stanford University  
 University Of Massachusetts, Dartmouth  
 Groningen University, Ecology Group, Groningen Holland  
 University of St Andrews, Scotland  
 Brown Woman's Club of Rhode Island  
 Georgia Tech  
 Brown Club of Connecticut  
 McGill University  
 Laval University  
 Netherlands Royal Institute of Marine Science  
 Wellesley University  
 University of Mar De Plata, Biology Department, Argentina  
 2006 Graduate School of Oceanography, URI  
 University of Groningen, Marine Biology Department  
 Save the Bay, Providence, RI  
 St Francis Xavier University, Nova Scotia  
 Scripps Institute of Oceanography  
 2007 Rutgers University  
 Cal State University, Los Angeles  
 Miami University of Ohio  
 University of Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wa

University of New Hampshire  
 National Estuarine Research Reserve Annual Meeting  
 Bowdoin College  
 Southeastern New England Marine Educators  
 Boston University  
 Massachusetts Audubon  
 Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole  
 2008 Riser Lecture, Marine Science Center, Northeastern University  
 Restoring America's Estuaries, Providence, RI  
 2009 University of Connecticut  
 Madison Conservation Trust, Connecticut  
 Fudan University Department of Ecology and Evolutionary  
 Biology, Shanghai, China  
 Institute for Coastal Studies, Fudan University, Shanghai, China  
 2010 Wheaton College  
 University of Southern Maine  
 Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom, Annual  
 Meeting Keynote, Plymouth  
 Marine Biological Associations of the United Kingdom and Italy  
 Joint Meeting, Keynote, Malta

## 7. Research Grants:

### Current Grants

"Is overfishing driving the die-off of New England salt marshes?"  
 NSF Biological Oceanography Program (\$500K, 9/09-8/12)

"Is crab herbivory causing the die-off of New England salt  
 marshes? Rhode Island Sea Grant (\$200K, 6/08-5/10)

"Top-Down Control of Southwestern Atlantic Salt Marsh Plant  
 Communities "with Brian Silliman, University of Florida, NSF  
 Ecology Program, (\$275K, 8/06-7/10)

### Completed Grants

"The role of *Geukensia demissa* in the productivity and stability  
 of New England salt marshes," National Science Foundation  
 (\$124,000, 1982-85).

"Animal-sediment interactions and the productivity and structure  
 of salt marsh communities," National Science Foundation  
 (\$79,000, 1984-86).

"The role of *Geukensia demissa* in the productivity and stability



of New England salt marshes: supplement," National Science Foundation (\$18,000, 1985).

"Structure and dynamics of a New England salt marsh plant community," National Science Foundation (\$206,000, 1985-88).

"Plant-Animal interactions in Mangrove plant communities," with A. M. Ellison. Center for Field Research (\$46,000, 1987).

"Patch dynamics of a New England marsh plant community," National Science Foundation (\$210,000, 1989-92).

"Causes and consequences of variable recruitment in acorn barnacles," with S. Gaines and R. Geyer (WHOI). National Science Foundation (\$330,000, 1990-94).

"Recruitment variation in economically important species," with S. D. Gaines. Rhode Island Sea Grant (\$10,000, 1991).

"Coastal ecosystems" with S. D. Gaines. Mellon Foundation (\$310,000, 1992-95)

"The role of facilitative processes in marsh plant communities" NSF (\$150,000, 1993-96)

"Linkages between oceanographic and benthic population processes" NSF (190,000, 1994-97)

"The evolutionary and ecological significance of natural disturbance in a New England salt marsh" with Steven Brewer NSF (\$55,000, 1994)

"The dynamics of marine ecosystems" Mellon Foundation (\$450,000, 1995-2000) with J. Witman

"The molecular genetics of the common acorn barnacle" NSF (\$250,000, 1995-1999) with D. Rand

"Climate-driven process and pattern in western Atlantic salt marsh plant communities" DOE (\$300,000, 1995-1999) with S. Pennings (University of Georgia)

"The role of nutrient limitation in the zonation and structure of New England salt marsh plant communities" NSF (\$210,000, 1996-1999) with S. Brewer (University of Mississippi)

"Towards a unified understanding of the invasion of *Phragmites australis* into New England salt marshes" with Todd Minchinton.

Rhode Island Sea Grant (\$300,000, 1997-2000)

"The ecology of New England cobble beach plant communities"  
National Estuarine Research Reserve Graduate Fellowship  
support for John Bruno (\$45,0000, 1997-2000)

"Patch persistence and seedling dynamics in a southern Maine  
marsh" National Estuarine Research Reserve Graduate  
Fellowship support for Pat Ewanchuk (\$45,0000, 1998-2001)

"Distribution and abundance of forbs across a salt marsh  
landscape: Relative effects of seed supply, physiological stress  
and species interactions" NSF dissertation improvement grant  
for Tatyana Rand (\$4,500, 1998-2001)

"Keystone facilitation by cordgrass on cobble beach plant  
communities" NSF dissertation improvement grant for John  
Bruno (\$4,500, 1998-2000)

"The biogeography and consequences of positive interactions in  
New England rocky intertidal communities" NSF Biological  
Oceanography (\$236,000, 1998-2001)

"The ecology of the pulmanate snail *Melampus* in New England  
salt marsh plant communities" National Estuarine Research  
Reserve Graduate Fellowship support for Brian Silliman  
(\$45,0000, 2000-2003)

"Contrasting the marine communities of North and South  
America" Mellon Foundation with Jon Witman (\$225,000, 7/00-  
6/03)

"A long-term monitoring program for Narragansett Bay salt  
marshes" Rhode Island Sea Grant - (\$200,000, 7/00-6/03)

"Understanding how salt marsh plant communities are  
influenced by estuarine salinity gradients" National Estuarine  
Research Reserve Graduate Fellowship support for Caitlin  
Mullan (\$45,0000, 7/00-6/04)

"Top-down control of Primary Production in Georgia Salt  
marshes" with Brian Silliman, NSF Ecology Program (\$375,000,  
7/00-6/06)

"Understanding the potential for top-down control in  
Southeastern salt marshes" with Brian Silliman. Georgia Sea  
Grant (\$180K, 6/04-5/06)

"Experimental studies of drought effects of New England salt marsh services" National Estuarine Research Reserve Graduate Fellowship support for Kristy Kroecker (\$60,000, 7/06-6/07)

"Elucidating the ecology of tidal estuary plant communities for their conservation and management" with Caitlin Mullan Crain. Rhode Island Sea Grant (\$200K, 6/04-5/07)

"How does shoreline development impact the services provided by New England salt marshes" Rhode Island Sea Grant (\$218K, 6/06-5/08)

"Do Alternate Stable Community States Exist in the Gulf of Maine Rocky Intertidal Zone?" NSF Biological Oceanography. (\$480,000, 7/01-6/08)

"A Graduate Training Exchange Between Program between Brown and Argentina" Mellon Foundation (\$300,000, 7/01-12/09)

#### **8. Service:**

(i) to the University

Concentration Advisor: Aquatic Biology, 1982-84, 1990-91.

Undergraduate Advisor, 1984-86.

Population Biology Seminar series coordinator, Fall 1984, Spring 1987, 1991, 1993, Fall 1996, Spring 1998, Fall 2000, Fall 2001, Fall 2002, Fall 2003, Fall 2006

Greenhouse Renovation Committee, 1981.

Greenhouse Supervisor 1992, 2006

Faculty Search Committees:

Plant Ecologist, 1981

Population Ecologist, 1983

Population Geneticist, 1985

Ecologist, 1987

Evolutionary Morphologist, 1988

Evolutionary Morphologist, 1989

Marine Ecologist, 1993

Conservation biologist, 2000, 2007

Director, Environmental Change Initiative (ECI), 2003

ECI Junior Faculty, 2005, 2006, 2008

University Graduate Council 1985-87.

Brown Continuing Education Program (University Relations)

"Salt Marshes of Rhode Island," April 1982 with W. Prell (Geology).

"Belize: Coral Reef Ecology," 1984, 1985.

High School Teacher Development Program (co-sponsored by the Biology and Education Departments:

"Rhode Island Shorelines as classrooms," April 1985.  
"Rhode Island Salt Marshes," July 1990  
"Teaching hands-on marine ecology" June 1994  
Director Graduate Program in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology,  
1987- 2002  
Academic Priorities Committee, 1999- 2003  
Chair, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, 2002-  
Chair, Brown/MBL graduate program 2003-2006  
Steering Committee, Environmental Change Initiative 2003-  
Steering Committee, Brown/MBL Institutional Partnership  
2003-2006 (chair), 2006- (member)  
Concentration advisor, Marine Biology 2004-  
Search Committee - Director of the Ecosystem Center at the  
Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole 2005-  
Provost's committee to increase the visibility of undergraduate  
science 2005  
Environmental council 2008-

(ii) to the profession

Reviewer for: *Ecology*; *American Naturalist*; *Journal of Experimental Marine Biology and Ecology*; *Journal of Crustacean Biology*; *Science*; *Journal of Chemical Ecology*; *Veliger*; *Biotropica*; *Crustaceana*; *Evolution*; *American Scientist*.  
National Science Foundation (programs in Ecology, Population Biology, and Biological Oceanography).  
Organizing Committee, Population Biologists of New England, Brown University, 1983.  
Editorial Board, *Ecology/Ecological Monographs*, 1989-92.  
Somerset Conservation Commission. 1985-89  
Outside Thesis Examiner: SUNY, Stony Brook, University of Maine (twice), University of Connecticut, University of Alabama (twice), University of Virginia, University of Sydney (twice), University of South Carolina, Colby College (twice), Rutgers University, University of New Hampshire (twice), University of Mar Del Plata (twice), Catholic University of Santiago, Chile, University of Groningen, Holland (three times)  
NYC Natural Resource Council, Wetland Advisory Board 1993  
Panel Member, NSF Dissertation Improvement Awards 1991, 1992, 1994  
Panel Member, NSF Marine Laboratory and Field Station Improvement Awards 1992, 1993  
National Academy of Science Marine Biodiversity Workshop 1994  
Panel Member, NSF Conservation Biology 1995, 1996  
Academy of Natural Sciences, Estuarine Research Committee, 1995  
Panel Member, NOAA - Sea Grant, Invasive Species Awards 1998  
Chair, Editor Search Committee, *The American Naturalist* 1998  
Panel Member, National Estuarine Research Reserve -

Ecological Monitoring Advisory Committee, Ecological Society of America, 1998  
 Ecological Monitoring Advisory Committee, Restoring America's Estuaries, 1999  
 Scientific Advisory Board, Save the Bay 1999-  
 Scientific Advisory Board, Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve 1999-  
 Panel Member, National Estuarine Research Reserve - Invasive Species Monitoring Advisory Committee, 2001  
 Advisory Board, Marine Science Center, Northeastern University 2002-  
 Steering Committee – NSF North Atlantic Project 2002-  
 Scientific Advisor to The Nature Conservancy (TNC), developing a salt marsh conservation strategy for North America 2003-  
 Scientific Advisor, TNC Rhode Island 2004-  
 Editorial Board, Estuaries 2004-2008  
 Trustee, Marine Biological Association, United Kingdom 2004-2008  
 Scientific Advisor, Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Research Committee 2004-  
 Scientific Advisor, Georgia Tech Ecosystem Engineering Workshop 2004-  
 Scientific Advisor, California Department of the Environment, Pelagic Organism Decline in San Francisco Bay Advisory Board, 2005  
 Organizer, Workshop on Marine Experimental Ecology and Conservation Biology, University Mar De Plata, Argentina, 2005  
 Graduate Program Review – SUNY Buffalo 2006  
 Chair American Naturalist Young Investigator Prize Committee, 2007  
 Advisory Committee on the Environment - United States Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (Rhode Island) 2007-  
 Outside Reviewer – Georgia Tech, School of Biology, 2008  
 Ecological Society of America, Eminent Ecologist Award Committee 2009

#### **9. Academic honors:**

1998 Walter W. Annenburg University Professor  
 1999 Elizabeth Leduc Prize for Distinguished Teaching in the Life Sciences  
 2000 Robert P. Brown Professor of Biology  
 2002 Designated ISI Web of Science Highly Cited Researcher in Environmental Science  
 2003 Eminent Ecologist, University of California, Davis  
 2003 Distinguished Wetland Ecologist, Duke University

- 2004 Visiting Chair in Ecology, University of Groningen,  
Holland  
Distinguished Ecologist, Mt Holyoke College  
Senior Fellow, Catholic University of Santiago, Chile  
2008 Riser Lecture, Marine Science Center, Northeastern  
University, Nahant, Mass  
2009 Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of  
Science

## 10. Teaching

- Bio 19: Freshman Seminar in Tropical Biology, fall semester 2004,  
2005, 2006, 2007. responsible for all lectures, laboratories and  
field trips, ~10 students
- Bio 41: Invertebrate Zoology, fall semesters 1980 to 2008, responsible  
for all lectures and laboratories, 35-40 students/year
- Bio 144: Marine Ecology, spring semesters in even numbered years 1980 to  
present, 15 students/year
- Bio 195: Independent Study. I typically have 2-4 undergraduates doing  
independent projects in my lab at any given time
- Bio 294: Graduate Seminar. I teach this course ~ every 3 or 4 years,  
12 student/year
- Bio 295: Graduate Student Tropical Field Course. I teach this course  
every 2-3 years, 1991 to present 12-15 students/year
- ES 150: Human Impacts on Ecosystem Services. With Osvaldo Sala.  
Spring Semester. 20-30 students/year. Course showcasing  
Brown and Marine Biological Laboratory research on Human  
impacts on natural systems 2005- 2008
- ES 140: Coastal Ecology and Conservation. With Heather Leslie.  
Fall Semester. 10-15 students/year. 2009-present

Undergraduate Honors Theses – on average 2-3/year

I typically have 5-10 advises/year

In addition to my teaching at Brown, over the past 10 years (1999-  
2010) with support from the Mellon Foundation and NSF I have been  
the primary advisor to 6 Argentinean graduate students and on the  
thesis committee of 3 others.

Also, as part of my duties as visiting chair in Ecology at the University of Groningen, Holland (2007-2008) I served as an advisor to a half dozen Dutch doctoral students

Many undergraduate researchers from my laboratory have gone on to highly successful careers in ecology and evolutionary biology including:

Cliff Cunningham, professor, Duke University  
Edwin Grosholz, associate professor, UC Davis  
Steve Pennings, associate professor, University of Houston  
Laura Gough, associate professor, U West Texas  
Elizabeth Farnsworth, Bullard Fellow, Harvard  
Tecumseh Fitch, Associate Professor, University of St Andrews  
Chris Harley, assistant professor at U British Columbia  
Eric Sanford, assistant professor at UC Davis  
Kelly Benoit, assistant professor, Oregon State University  
Eric Berlow, research assistant professor, UC Berkeley  
Jonathan Levine, assistant professor, UC Santa Barbara

Graduate Students: 15 total

A. M. Ellison, Ph.D., 1986 – Professor, Harvard University  
F. M. Thomas, M.S., 1987 – Professor, University of South Florida  
D. Hirata, M.S., 1990 – stockbroker and magician, San Francisco  
S. W. Shumway, Ph.D., 1991 – Professor, Wheaton College  
P. Halpin, Ph.D., 1994 – Senior Researcher, UC Santa Barbara  
S. Hacker Ph.D., 1996 – Associate Professor, Oregon State University  
M. Baker M.S., 1996 – high school biology teacher, Portland, OR  
G. Leonard, Ph.D. 1998 – research scientist Monterey Bay Aquarium  
T. Rand, Ph.D., 2000 – Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Dresden  
P. Ewanchuk, Ph.D. 2002 - Assistant professor Providence College  
J. Bruno, Ph.D., 2000 – Assistant professor, UNC, Chapel Hill  
B. Silliman Ph.D. 2004 - Assistant professor, University of Florida  
C. Crain Ph.D. 2006 –Postdoctoral Researcher, UC Santa Cruz  
K. Bromberg (current)

Post-doctoral Associates: 12 total

Phil Yund, 1987-88 – Director, University of New England Marine Research Lab  
Rick Wahle 1990 – Senior scientist Bigelow Marine Lab  
Steve Brewer 1993-95 – Professor, University of Mississippi, Oxford  
Todd Minchinton 1996-98 – Assistant professor, University of Adelaide  
Geoff Trussell 1998- 2001 – Associate professor, Northeastern University  
Alejandro Bortolus 2001-2003 – Research scientist, University of Central

Patagonia

Cesar Costa 2001- 2002 – Professor, University of Rio Grande, Brazil

Eric Sanford 2002- 2004 - Assistant professor, UC Davis

Johan Van de Koppel 2003-2004 – Assistant Professor Netherlands

Institute of Marine Ecology, Zeeland

Andrew Irving 2005-2007, Postdoctoral Researcher, U Adelaide

Erica Garcia 2006-2008, Postdoctoral Researcher, Darwin, Australia

Andrew Altieri 2007-