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- Milá, B. El impacto de las glaciaciones en la filogeografía de aves: repercusiones para la especiación y la evolución de la migración. Invited lecture at the Ecology Seminar of the Instituto de Biología, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), July 29, 2004 .
- Milá, B. The role of glacial cycles in shaping songbird phylogeography: implications for speciation and the evolution of migration. Invited lecture at the Ecology Seminar of the Department of Wildlife Management, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA, USA, March 25, 2004.
- Milá, B., R. K. Wayne, and T.B. Smith. Phylogeography of migratory and sedentary populations of migrant landbirds: insights into the evolution of migration and historical demography. Birds of Two Worlds Symposium, Smithsonian Conservation Center, MD, USA, March 6-9, 2002.
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- Milá, B., D.J. Girman, and T.B. Smith. Pleistocene effects on the phylogeography of MacGillivray's warbler (*Oporornis tolmiei*): implications for speciation and conservation. VI Neotropical Ornithological Congress, Monterrey, Mexico, October 1999.
- Milá, B., B. Woodbridge, and A. Méndez. Bird monitoring and conservation program at El Ocote Reserve in Chiapas, Mexico: a success story in international collaboration. VI Neotropical Ornithological Congress, Monterrey, Mexico, October 1999.
- Milá, B., D.J. Girman, and T.B. Smith. Genetic evidence for a population bottleneck and a Pleistocene expansion in MacGillivray's warbler (*Oporornis tolmiei*), a neotropical migratory bird. VII Annual Meeting of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology (ESEB), Barcelona, Spain, August 1999.
- Milá, B., D.J. Girman, and T.B. Smith. Genetic evidence for Pleistocene effects on the phylogeography of a neotropical migratory landbird. Annual Meeting of the Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE), Madison, WI, USA, July 1999.
- Milá, B. Genetic evidence for a population bottleneck and a Pleistocene expansion in MacGillivray's warbler (*Oporornis tolmiei*), a neotropical migratory bird. 80th Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Pacific Division, San Francisco, USA, June 1999.

- Milá, B. Applications of molecular techniques to bird conservation: case studies with neotropical migratory birds. Invited lecture at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Mexico City, Mexico, October 1998.
- Milá, B., D.J. Girman, and T.B. Smith. Phylogeography and population structure of MacGillivray's warbler (*Oporornis tolmiei*). II North American Ornithological Conference, Joint Meeting of the North American Ornithological Societies (OSNA), Saint Louis, MO, USA, July 1998.
- Milá, B. Training courses in landbird monitoring techniques in Latin America. V Neotropical Ornithological Congress, Asunción, Paraguay, August 1995.
- Ralph, C.J. and B. Milá. Methodological model for monitoring landbird populations in the Neotropics. V Neotropical Ornithological Congress, Asunción, Paraguay, August 1995.
- Ralph, C.J. and B. Milá. Towards an integrated and standardized monitoring program for landbirds in Latin America. International Wildlife Management Congress, San José, Costa Rica, September 1993.

FUNDED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades**, Spain. "Speciation mechanisms in oceanic island birds: linking phenotypic and genomic variation to infer the roles of selective and demographic factors" (PID2024-161206NB-I00), 2026-2028, 218.000€, PI: Borja Milá.
- **Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación**, Spain, "An ecological and genomic approach to mechanisms of evolutionary divergence in birds". Plan Nacional de I+D - Programa Generación de Conocimiento (PID2021-124501NB-I00), 2022-2024, 220.100€, PI: Borja Milá.
- **Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades**, Spain, "Modes of selection in recent avian radiations: linking phenotypic and genomic variation along the speciation continuum". Plan Nacional de I+D - Programa Generación de Conocimiento (PGC-2018-098897-B-I00), 2019-2021, 229.900€, PI: Borja Milá.
- **Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad**, Spain, "Ecological, evolutionary and conservation consequences of resource limitation on oceanic island birds", Plan Nacional de I+D - Proyecto de Excelencia (CGL-2015-66381P), 2016-2018, 226.391€, PI: Borja Milá & Guillermo Blanco.
- **Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación**, Spain, "Evolutionary history, diversification mechanisms, biogeography and species limits in the avian genus *Junco*: a multidisciplinary approach using phenotypic, ecological, phylogeographic, and genomic data", Plan Nacional de I+D - Proyecto de Excelencia (CGL-2011-25866), 2012-2016, 211.750€, PI: Borja Milá.
- **National Geographic Society**, USA, "The role of geography and ecology in driving intra-island bird speciation in the Mascarene Islands", 2011, US\$ 24.100, PI: Borja Milá.
- **SYNTHESES Program**, European Union, "Causes of evolutionary diversification: a study of possible incipient speciation in a bird (*Zosterops borbonicus*) within a small oceanic island", 2010, 5.000€, PI: Borja Milá, Joris Bertrand
- **CSIC-CONACYT, Programa Bilateral**, Spain-Mexico, "Biogeografía molecular y genética de conservación de aves endémicas de México", 2009-2011, 5.500€, PI: Borja Milá, Adolfo Navarro

- **Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación**, Spain, “Dinámica de piedra-papel-tijera y la selección sexual de las hembras en la lagartija de turbera (*Lacerta vivipara*)”, 2009-2011, 189.000€, PI: Patrick Fitze
- **Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS)**, France, “Molecular biogeography and conservation genetics of Neotropical understory forest birds in French Guyana”, 2007-2009, 10.000€, PI: Borja Milá
- **Agence Nationale de la Recherche, CNRS**, France, “Phylogeography and evolutionary ecology of *Zosterops borbonicus* in the Mascarene Islands”, 2007-2010, 120.000€, PI: Christophe Thébaud, Philipp Heeb, Borja Milá
- **UC MEXUS**, University of California, USA, “Evolution of songbird migration in the Mexican highlands: implications for speciation, taxonomy and biodiversity conservation”, 2003-2005, US\$12.500, PI: Borja Milá
- **Jiji Foundation**, San Francisco, USA, “Migratory bird conservation in Western Mexico: Identifying and protecting important riparian corridors”, 1999-2000, US\$20.000, PI: Borja Milá, Geoffrey Geupel

DIRECTION OF STUDENT THESES

Doctoral theses

- Miguel Fernández Janoher, MNCN-CSIC, Madrid. FPI fellowship. Title: “Speciation and local adaptation mechanisms in insular birds”. Defense expected in 2027.
- Javier Sala Garcia, MNCN-CSIC, Madrid. FPI fellowship. Title: “Comparative genomics of recent avian radiations”. Defended 26/2/2026.
- Bárbara Freitas, MNCN-CSIC, Madrid. FCT fellowship (Portugal). Title: “Evolution of song and its role in bird speciation: an integrative study in two recent radiations on oceanic islands”. Defended 18/06/2025.
- María Recuerda, MNCN-CSIC, Madrid. FPU fellowship. Title: “Genomics of speciation in island birds”. Co-directed with Rafael Zardoya and Guillermo Blanco. Defended 24/6/2022.
- Maëva Gabrielli, Université de Toulouse, “Genomic architecture of divergence in *Zosterops borbonicus*”. Co-directed with Christophe Thébaud and Benoit Nabholz. Defended 3/7/2020.
- Guillermo Friis, MNCN-CSIC, Madrid. FPI fellowship. Title: “Genomics of a rapid avian radiation in the genus *Junco*”. Defended 02/02/2018.
- Boris Delahaie, Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse. Title: “Speciation, environmental gradients and hybrid zones: the case of the Mascarene White-eye (*Zosterops borbonicus*).” Co-directed with Christophe Thébaud. Defended 13/3/2015.
- Yann Bourgeois, Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse. Title: “Evolutionary genetics of an extreme case of color polymorphism in an island bird, *Zosterops borbonicus* (Zosteropidae).” Co-directed with Christophe Thébaud. Defended 23/7/2013.

Master’s theses

- Sergio García Gómez, UIMP-CSIC, Spain (2025). Title: “Evolutionary divergence of hummingbirds on Guadalupe Island, México.”
- Miguel Fernández Janoher, UIMP-CSIC, Spain (9/2023), Title: “Detecting selection across the genome of the common chaffinch”.
- Brian Condori Villegas, UIMP-CSIC, Spain (6/2023), Title: “Divergencia adaptativa en la radiación del pinzón vulgar (Aves: *Fringilla coelebs*) en archipiélagos de Macaronesia”.

- Martin Pérez Bono, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Spain (2022), Title: “Estimating dispersal on an island bird using genome-wide markers”.
- Andrea Lirola Jiménez, UIMP-CSIC, Spain (2022), Title: “Activity patterns of the common chaffinch on the island of La Palma”.
- Jorge García Calleja, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain (2021), Title: “Evidencia genómica de un nuevo cromosoma sexual en la chova piquirroja (Corvidae)”.
- Mercè Palacios, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Spain (2021), Title: “Divergencia fenotípica del pinzón vulgar (*Fringilla coelebs*) en la isla oceánica de La Palma”.
- Alejandro Alamán, Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo – CSIC, Spain (2020), Title: “Phylogeography and systematics of passerine species in remote mountain ranges of New Guinea”.
- Pablo Salinas, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Spain (2018), Title: “Genetic diversity and conservation genetics of Iberian rooks *Corvus frugilegus*”.
- Natalia Rojas, Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo – CSIC, Spain (2018), Title: “Population size and genetic diversity in two threatened Central American highland songbirds: estimates from field surveys and molecular data”
- Ester Martínez, Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo – CSIC, Spain (2018), Title: “Habitat use and population viability of the volcano junco *Junco vulcani* in Costa Rica”.
- Alba Aparicio, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (2016). Title: “Diferenciación genética y filogeografía del colibrí de Ana (*Calypte anna*) en isla Guadalupe, México”.
- Laura Mármol, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Madrid, Spain (2015). Title: “Song variation in the *Setophaga coronata* complex (Aves: Parulidae): implications for systematics and the evolution of song structure”.
- Marcel Caminer, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (2014). Title: “Diversidad genética y variabilidad fenotípica dentro del complejo de especies *Dendropsophus leucophyllatus* (Beireis, 1783) y *Dendropsophus triangulum* (Günther, 1869) (Anura: Hylidae)”.
- Alvar Veiga, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (2014). Title: Diferenciación genética, filogeografía y ecomorfología del camachuelo mexicano (*Haemorrhous mexicanus amplus*) en isla Guadalupe, México
- Guillermo Friis Montoya, Universidad Pablo de Olavide, Seville, Spain (2013). Title: “Multiple factors in the diversification of the songbird genus *Junco*: inferences from morphological, spectral and molecular data”.
- Pau Aleixandre Mallol, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (2011). Title: “Genetic and phenotypic divergence of the endangered *Junco insularis* on Guadalupe Island, México”.
- Alberto Muñoz Saldaña, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (2011). Title: “Distancias genéticas intraespecíficas en aves amazónicas: implicaciones para el uso de códigos de barras en la delimitación de especies y la inferencia de procesos evolutivos”.
- Adán Oliveras de Ita, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), México (co-directed with Ken Oyama, 2011). Title: “Genetic evidence for recent range fragmentation and severely restricted dispersal in the critically endangered Sierra Madre sparrow (*Xenospiza bayleyi*)”.

Member of advising committees for doctorate and master candidates

- Maya Mould, University of Toulouse, France (PhD, ongoing)
- Vera Uva, University of Laussane, Switzerland (PhD, ongoing)
- Yuyini Licona Vera, Instituto de Ecología, Xalapa, México (PhD, 2017)
- Cristina González Rubio Sanvicente, CIBNOR, La Paz, Baja California, México (PhD, 2016)
- Víctor Piñero Jiménez, Instituto de Ecología, Xalapa, México (PhD, 2015)
- Sarai Esquivel, CIBNOR, La Paz, Baja California, México (Master, 2013)
- Denisse Maldonado Sánchez, Instituto de Ecología, Xalapa, México (Master, 2011)

Member of doctoral thesis defense tribunals

- Bridget Ogolowa, University of Cyprus, Cyprus (12/05/2025)
- Vicente Castillo, University of Groningen, Netherlands (10/12/2024)
- Andrea Estandia, Oxford University, UK (1/2/2024)
- Sara Ravagni, Universidad de Sevilla, Spain, (21/9/2023)
- Joan Ferrer Obiol, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain (19/3/2021)
- Santiago Montero-Mendieta, Universidad de Sevilla, Spain (4/12/2019)
- Alejandro Llanos, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Madrid, Spain (25/5/2019)
- Sepand Riyahi, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain (21/9/2017)
- Jasper Van Heusden, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (6/6/2017)
- Emilio Valbuena Ureña, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona, Spain (24/7/2015)
- Michelangelo Morganti, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain (22/5/2014)
- Javier Igea de Castro, Universitat de Barcelona, Spain (2013)

Member of master thesis defense tribunals

- Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Master Program in Biodiversity Conservation and Ecology, Sept. 2017
- Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Master Program in Biodiversity Conservation and Ecology, July 2017
- Universidad Rey Juan Carlos, Master Program in Biodiversity Conservation and Ecology, Dec. 2016

Undergraduate research supervision

- Javier Gutiérrez, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, 2018
- Jatziri Alejandra Calderón, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), 2013
- Sofía Alvarez Nordström, MNCN, Fall 2011
- Núria Ortiz Cabrera, MNCN, Fall 2011
- Eva Serrano Davies, MNCN, 2011
- Navi Timber, University of California Los Angeles, Spring 2005
- Samuel López, University of California Los Angeles, Fall 2003-Spring 2004

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor at the *Principles of Evolution* Course, LifeHub, Estación Biológica de Doñana, Sevilla, Spain. October 2023, 2024, 2025.

Professor in the Master Program "Techniques for Biodiversity Conservation and Ecology", Universidad Rey Juan Carlos (URJC), Madrid, Spain. 25-hr class on the Diversity, evolution, ecology and conservation of birds, including lectures, practicals and a field trip. Spring of 2015 till 2024.

Teaching Assistant for Ornithology (OBEE 114) course, UCLA, Spring 2003

Teaching Assistant for Conservation Biology (OBEE 116) course, UCLA, Winter 2002

Teaching Assistant for Ornithology (Bio 580) course, San Francisco State University, Spring 1996

Coordinated and taught 14 field courses in field ornithology in Latin America as coordinator of PRBO's Latin American Program. Two-week long courses included class presentations on introductory ornithology, avian ecology, methodological theory, project design and data analysis, as well as field practice in various ornithological techniques including species identification, mist netting and banding, point counts, transect counts, spot mapping, and nest monitoring. Courses were conducted in collaboration with the following institutions: Instituto Manantlán de Ecología y Conservación de la Biodiversidad (IMECBIO), Universidad de Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico; Universidad Michoacana

San Nicolás de Hidalgo, Michoacán, Mexico; Universidad Autónoma de Morelos, Morelos, Mexico; Universidad Autónoma de Campeche, Campeche, Mexico; Universidad Nacional, Heredia, Costa Rica; Sistema de Parques Nacionales, Tortuguero, Costa Rica; Asociación Nacional para la Conservación de la Naturaleza (ANCON), Ciudad de Panamá, Panamá; Oliver Komar and Universidad de El Salvador, San Salvador, El Salvador.

Guest instructor at the Neotropical Ornithology Course hosted by the Instituto de Ecología in Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico (Hosts: Dr. Francisco Ornelas and Fernando González) in 1996 and 1998. Taught classes on bird monitoring and conservation, applications of molecular techniques to bird conservation, and avian phylogeography.

EDITORIAL TASKS

Associate Editor, Frontiers in Genetics (<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genetics#>). Since 2018.

Associate Editor, Huitzil - Revista Mexicana de Ornitología (www.huitzil.net). Since 2007.

Peer review for scientific journals:

Molecular Ecology (2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2024, 2025); Ecology Letters (2020); Proceedings of the Royal Society B (2009, 2017, 2021); Evolution (2005, 2008, 2017, 2021); BMC Evolutionary Biology (2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2017); Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution (2010, 2011, 2013, 2015); Journal of Biogeography (2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2020); Biology Letters (2023); Evolutionary Ecology (2017, 2019), Ecography (2017), Biological Journal of the Linnean Society (2011, 2013, 2017); Heredity (2013, 2019, 2020); PLoS ONE (2014, 2015, 2017); Conservation Genetics (2010, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2018, 2020, 2021); Biological Conservation (2008); Biodiversity & Conservation (2013); Animal Conservation (2010, 2013); Current Zoology (2010); Evolutionary Applications (2009); Journal of Avian Biology (2015, 2017, 2018, 2020); The Ibis (2014, 2017); The Condor (2008); The Auk/Ornithology (2009, 2011, 2017, 2020, 2021); Wilson Journal of Ornithology (2007, 2009, 2021); Journal of Field Ornithology (2008); Scientia Marina (2010); Annales Zoologici Fennici (2010), Zootaxa (2016), Acta Ethologica (2017), Journal of Natural History (2018).

Evaluation of research projects:

- Agencia Nacional de Evaluación y Prospectiva (ANEP), Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, Secretaría de Estado de Investigación, Spain (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025).
- Fondo para la Investigación Científica y Tecnológica (FONCyT), Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Productiva, Agencia Nacional de Promoción Científica y Tecnológica, Argentina (2009, 2015).
- Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia (FCT), Portugal (2009).
- Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación de Colombia COLCIENCIAS, Colombia (2009).
- National Geographic Society, Research Grants (2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016).

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Scherbaum Award for Outstanding Research, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of California, Los Angeles, 2005

- Dissertation Year Fellowship, Graduate Division, University of California, Los Angeles, 2004 (\$17,000)
- Mildred Mathias Award to the Top-ranked Dissertation Grant Proposal in the Natural Sciences, UC MEXUS, 2003 (\$2,500)
- UC MEXUS Doctoral Dissertation Grant, 2003-2005 (\$12,000)
- American Ornithologists Union Wetmore Award, 2003 (\$1,800)
- Quarter Fellowship, Dept. of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Fall 2003 (\$5,000)
- Tuition Fellowship, Dept. of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, UCLA, 2000-2005 (~\$9,000 annually)
- Geraldine K. Lindsay Award for Excellence in the Natural Sciences, American Society for the Advancement of Science, 80th Annual Meeting of the Pacific Division, San Francisco, June 1999.
- Award for Excellence and First Place among student presentations, 80th Annual Meeting of the American Society for the Advancement of Science Pacific Division, San Francisco, June 1999.
- Percy Sladen Memorial Fund Award, Linnean Society of London, London, U.K., March 1996 (\$1,800)
- Office of the Dean, San Francisco State University, Research and Travel Award, 1996.
- Bachelor of Science *cum laude*, University of Massachusetts, May 1992.

EXPERIENCE IN FIELD BIOLOGY

Lengguru 2014 and 2017 - Field expedition to the karsts of New Guinea, West Papua, Indonesia. Member of the ornithology team (with Christophe Thébaud, U. de Toulouse) that explored the Lengguru area of the Bird's Neck, including Lobo and the Kumawa Mts. Expedition organized by the Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD), France. October-November 2014 and 2017. More information: www.lengguru.org.

Laboratoire Ecologie et Diversité Biologique, Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, France.

Field work on the islands of Reunion and Mauritius to study diversification processes in the gray white-eye (*Zosterops borbonicus*). Bird banding, song recording, taking morphological measurements, collecting blood samples. Month-long field trips in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017.

CNRS, French Guiana, South America.

Field work to sample tropical forest understory birds for research on Amazonian diversification. Month-long field trips to Nouragues in 2007, 2008, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2020, 2022, 2025 and Paracou in 2008.

Dept. of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology and Center for Tropical Research, UCLA, USA, 2000-2005.

Sampled bird populations throughout North America, Mexico, Guatemala and Ecuador for dissertation research on the evolution of migration and speciation in landbirds. Field work included mist-netting, bird banding, song recording, taking morphological measurements, collecting blood samples, and measuring vegetation variables.

Center for Tropical Research, SFSU, CA, USA, September 1995-July 1999

Sampled populations of neotropical migratory birds in North America (Alaska, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming), Mexico (11 states) and Central America (Honduras, El Salvador, Costa Rica) using mist nets. Collected blood samples for a genetic study on population structure and genetic diversity, took morphometric measurements, and collected data on age, sex, molt and fitness.

Center for Tropical Research, Equatorial Guinea, West Africa, May 1998

Conducted surveys of large mammals and birds for a study on the prioritization of conservation areas in Equatorial Guinea. Cut transects in lowland and montane tropical forest and conducted strip-transect counts.

Terrestrial Program, Point Reyes Bird Observatory, Stinson Beach, CA, USA, Dec. 1992-Aug. 1993

Involved in the ongoing Landbird Bio-monitoring Program at the Palomarin Field Station. Collected reproductive data on coastal scrub bird species, spot-mapped a 10 ha-plot daily, found and monitored nests and recorded behavioral observations; operated mist-netting stations which included banding, aging, and sexing of birds captured, recording data on molt, reproductive status, survivorship and morphometric measurements; entering data into computerized databases and performing preliminary analyses.

Museo de Zoología, Barcelona, Spain, Sept.-Nov. 1992

Edited tape recordings of animal sounds for the museum's Library of Natural Sounds (Fonoteca); edited recordings for soundtracks in museum temporary exhibits.

Donald Kroodsma Laboratory of Ornithology, Department of Zoology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts, USA, March 1990-June 1992

Assisted Ph.D. candidates collect field data for research on acoustic communication and territoriality in Prairie Warblers, optimal foraging in Black-capped Chickadees and male-female acoustic communication in Red-winged Blackbirds. Tape-recorded birds in the field, mist-netted and color banded individuals, and collected behavioral data.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Innoko National Wildlife Refuge, McGrath, Alaska, June-August 1990

Participated in the annual duck brood surveys and banded white-fronted Geese at the Innoko National Wildlife Refuge. Training and experience included bear safety and related firearms training, wilderness survival and compass orientation.

BIRD BANDING EXPERIENCE

- Special Bird Banding permit from SEO-BirdLife, Spain, since 2008.
- US Master Bird Banding Permit (#23402) since 2005, and Subpermittee since 1993, issued by the Bird Banding Laboratory, USGS, USA.
- CRBPO (France) banding permit for *Zosterops borbonicus* on Reunion Island, since 2007 and French Guiana since 2016.
- Appointed Official Bird Banding Trainer by the North American Bird Banding Council (NABBC) since 2000.
- As of June 2020, and since 1995, I have banded over 12,000 birds belonging to hundreds of species from the following geographic regions (approximate number of birds banded in parentheses): North America (3817), Mexico and Central America (2597), Ecuador (2863), French Guiana (1200), Reunion and Mauritius Islands (1800) and West Africa (430).

COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

Coalescence theory: foundations and applications, Museo Nacional de Ciencias Naturales, Madrid, 6-8 July 2009. 15-hr course taught by Dr. Marcos Pérez Losada.

Ecology of Animal Migration, April 14-23, 2004, Department of Animal Ecology, Lund University, Sweden. Graduate course on animal migration with an emphasis on bird migration. The course included lectures, seminars and practical work on orientation and navigation, ecophysiology, evolution, genetics of migration, and migration modeling.

NOAAHS Course on Recent Advances in Conservation Genetics, August 1998, Conservation Research Center, Smithsonian Institution, Front Royal, VA, USA. Directed by Dr. Stephen O'Brien, National Cancer Institute. Overview of molecular techniques available for pursuing taxonomic and phylogenetic questions, with a special emphasis on the latest PCR-based technologies of DNA sequencing and microsatellites, and the computer programs available for analysis of molecular genetic data.

DNA Amplification and the Polymerase Chain Reaction, January 1996, Conservation Genetics Laboratory, San Francisco State University. 140-hour intensive course instructed by Dr. Cristián Orrego, U.C. Berkeley. Course covered theory and practice of DNA extraction techniques and amplification using the polymerase chain reaction (PCR).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

European Society of Evolutionary Biology (ESEB), Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE), American Ornithologists' Society (AOS), Sociedad Española de Ornitología (SEO), Sociedad Española de Biología Evolutiva (SESBE), Sociedad Española de Genética (SGE), World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Sociedad Geográfica Española (SGE).

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Fluent in Spanish and English, spoken and written; basic spoken French.
