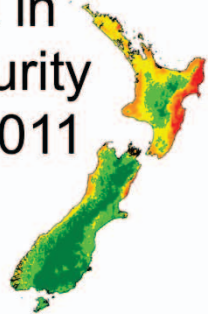




# Joint Graduate School in Biodiversity and Biosecurity Student Seminar Day 2011



9<sup>th</sup> September 2011  
Building 733

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## PROGRAMME

<b>Welcome and Keynote</b>	
9:00	<b>Beggs, J:</b> Welcome to the Joint Graduate School Student Seminar Day
9:05	<b>Jones, D:</b> Reducing the barrier effect of roads: potential for application in New Zealand
<b>Session One</b>	
9:35	<b>Sheppard, C:</b> Potential distribution of three recently naturalised introduced plants under different climate change scenarios
9:50	<b>Damken, C:</b> Spatial pattern of habitat specialists along an altitudinal gradient
10:05	<b>Pather, V:</b> Ecology and invasive potential of <i>Jatropha curcas</i> in New Zealand
10:15	<b>Goodman, T:</b> Interactions among introduced ant species in the Auckland region
<b>10:25-10:55 – Morning Tea</b>	
<b>Session Two</b>	
10:55	<b>Brown, B:</b> A case of mistaken identity: <i>Vespa germanica</i> (Hymenoptera: Vespidae) gynes attract males from the wrong species
11:10	<b>Dhami, M:</b> Scale insects, bacterial symbionts and honeydew consumers: investigating a tri-partite relationship
11:25	<b>Dunning, L:</b> Making mountains out of cold chills: understanding the evolution of cold tolerance in alpine New Zealand stick insects using RNA-Seq
11:40	<b>Myers, S:</b> The evolution of sticks; quantifying clasper morphology across a hybrid zone in the stick insect genus <i>Clitarchus</i>
11:55	<b>Painting, C:</b> Sneaking versus fighting: alternative reproductive tactics in the New Zealand giraffe weevil
12:10	<b>Avila, G:</b> Release of a new biological control agent, <i>Cotesia urabae</i> , against <i>Uraba lugens</i> in New Zealand
<b>12:20-1:20 – Lunch Break</b>	
<b>Session Three</b>	
1:20	<b>Krull, C:</b> Biodiversity impacts of feral pigs in a temperate rainforest ecosystem
1:35	<b>Luna, L:</b> Prey-predator dynamics of cats and mice on Guadalupe Island, México
1:50	<b>Samaniego, A:</b> Ecology and impacts of invasive rodents on tropical islands in relation to eradication planning
2:05	<b>Etherington, T:</b> Predicting possible patterns of landscape patches from a possum's perspective
2:20	<b>Nathan, H:</b> Improving detection probabilities for mammalian pest management
2:30	<b>Galbraith, J:</b> Bird feeding in urban environments: quantifying the effects of a common human activity
<b>2:40-3:10 – Afternoon Tea</b>	
<b>Session Four</b>	
3:10	<b>Wyse, S:</b> Kauri, the ecosystem engineer
3:25	<b>Morales, N:</b> The role of regeneration process in <i>Beilschmiedia tawa</i> forest remnants
3:40	<b>Pothecary, N:</b> Evaluation of restoration over 40 years on Auckland Regional Parks
3:50	<b>Peters, S:</b> Auckland's urban forest: investigating the structure and composition of vegetation in residential gardens
4:00	<b>Johansen, R:</b> Xylariaceous fungal endophytes: is there a 'leaf only' clade?
4:10	<b>Waite, J:</b> Restoration of pollination and seed dispersal in mainland islands
4:20	<b>Soper, J:</b> Wool-carder bees: a novel addition to New Zealand's pollination systems
<b>4:30 onwards – Drinks, nibbles, and networking</b>	