

Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**Postdoc at the University of South Florida, Tampa**  
**Department of Integrative Biology**



I am seeking a postdoctoral candidate to be a part of a diverse research program involving: the ecology and evolutionary biology of *parasite-host interactions* (including plant-insect interactions); *macroevolutionary and coevolutionary theory*; *invasive biology*; ecological *statistics*; and *meta-analysis*. The successful candidate will have excellent field/lab based skills, and/or strong analytical skills (e.g., simulation or analytical modeling). I am expecting the candidate to collaborate closely with me on several research objectives—one of the objectives will be field and lab based research on palm trees and the invasive red palm mite (*Raoiella indica*). Another objective is developing statistical methods for meta-analysis.

The candidate must hold a Ph.D. in a relevant field, and be able to provide references testifying to the following skills: (1) field/lab and/or analytical skills, (2) an ability to work with others, including mentoring of undergraduates, and (3) a commitment to productivity and communication of results in publications and contributed talks at national and international meetings. Experience with grant writing is a plus.

I currently have 2 years of funding for this position. The University of South Florida, Tampa, affords a high quality of living for people interested in outdoor activities and city life. The university is located blocks away from Busch Gardens, 20-30 minutes way from several beaches, and one hour away from Orlando, FL.

Please send the following: (1) a cover letter explaining your interest in the position and abilities with reference to the skills outlined above, and (2) an academic CV. If these materials are competitive, I will ask you to have two letters of reference sent. Start date is flexible but preferably during the summer/fall of 2011. **Applications will be considered until April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011.**

Send your cover letter and CV to: Marc Lajeunesse, [lajeunesse@usf.edu](mailto:lajeunesse@usf.edu)

Cheers,

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