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## EDUCATION

**Texas A&M University (TAMU)**, College Station, TX

Doctor of Philosophy in Entomology

Dissertation Title: The effects of in-hive pesticide exposure during development on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queen reproduction, physiology, and worker behavior

Advisor: Dr. Juliana Rangel; GPA: 3.657 (4.0 scale); Aug 2014–Dec 2019

**Ripon College**, Ripon, WI

B. A. Biology (Honors), English (Honors), Minor in Secondary Education

Magna Cum Laude; 2010–2014

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Texas A&M University Department of Entomology <i>Outstanding Graduate Student Award</i>	2019
Graduate Student Forum (Texas A&M University) <i>3<sup>rd</sup> place: Oral Presentation</i>	2018
American Association Professional Apiculturists <i>Student Research Award</i>	2017
International Union for the Study of Social Insects LaFage Applied Research Award	2017
*Entomological Society of America <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Oral Competition</i>	2017
Texas Apiary Inspection Service <i>Advanced Master Beekeeper</i>	2016
National Science Foundation <i>Honorable Mention: Graduate Research Fellowship</i>	2016
Texas Apiary Inspection Service <i>Advanced Master Beekeeper</i>	2016
United States Department of Agriculture <i>Diversity Student Program</i>	2016
Texas Beekeepers Association <i>Graduate Student Research Award</i>	2015
**Entomological Society of America <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Oral Competition</i>	2015
National Science Foundation <i>Honorable Mention: Graduate Research Fellowship</i>	2015
Texas Apiary Inspection Service <i>Apprentice Master Beekeeper</i>	2015
***Ecological Integration Symposium,	2015

2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: Oral Competition Alltech Agricultural Science Company <i>Young Scientist Award</i>	2015
****Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees <i>Foundation Scholar</i>	2014
National Honor Society in Biology (Beta Beta Beta)	2014-Present
National Honor Society in English (Sigma Tau Delta)	2012-Present

## GRANTS

USDA-AFRI Postdoctoral Fellowship (\$165,000) (With Dr. Jay Evans of USDA-Beltsville)	Pending
North American Pollinator Protection Campaign (\$10,000)	2019
California State Beekeepers Association (\$10,000) <i>Honey Bee Health Research Grant</i> , co-authored	2014
National Science Foundation (\$1,500) <i>Undergraduate Student Travel Grant</i>	2013

## SCHOLARSHIPS

NSF-Close the Gap Fellowship, TX A&M University	2017
Student Scholarship, Texas Beekeeper's Association	2015
Herb Dean '40 Endowed Scholarship, TX A&M University	2015
Graduate Excellence Fellowship, TX A&M University	2014

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

E. M. Walsh, O. Khan, J. Grunseich, A. Helms, N. Ing, and J. Rangel. Queen honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) exposure to pesticides during development does not affect immature feeding rates, brood pheromones, or adult morphology. *Pending submission to Apidologie, expected submission is in the February of 2020.*

E. M. Walsh, M. Janowiecki, K. Zhu, N. Ing, E. Vargo, and J. Rangel. Honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queens exhibit elevated mating frequencies when exposed to miticides, but not agricultural pesticides, during development. *Submitted for an invited research article for a special issue of Annals of the Entomological Society of America.*

E. M. Walsh, S. Sweet, A. Knap, N. Ing, and J. Rangel. Honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen pheromones and reproductive behavior are affected by pesticide exposure during development. *Behav. Ecol. Sociobiol.* 73: 38 doi: 10.1007/s00265-019-2647-2

A. N. Payne, **E.M. Walsh\***, and J. Rangel. 2019. Initial exposure of wax foundation to agrochemicals causes negligible effects on the growth and winter survival of incipient

honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) colonies. Insects. doi:10.3390/insects10010019 (\*Walsh and Payne co-first authors)

## POPULAR PUBLICATIONS

**E.M. Walsh** and J. Rangel. 2018. Extracting honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queen mandibular glands: Methodology for dissection and preparation. *Bee World*. 95 (1): 3-5. DOI: 10.1080/0005772X.2017.1373511.

**E.M. Walsh** and J. Rangel. 2016. Local honey bee queen production and quality. *Bee World*. 93 (2): 30-32. DOI: 10.1080/0005772X.2016.1211501.

A. Fisher II, **E.M. Walsh** and L. Ward. 2015. Catch the buzz—a bunch of ways to keep honey bees away from your outdoor meals. *Bee Culture*. <https://www.beeculture.com/catch-the-buzz-a-bunch-of-ways-to-keep-honey-bees-away-from-your-outdoor-meals/>

Monthly columnist for the Kelley Beekeeping Newsletter from 2016-2018, for a total of 18 articles. This is a free online newsletter with approximately 60,000 subscribers worldwide.

## PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of pesticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera* L.) queen reproductive physiology and behavior. *Bee World*. 93 (4). 2 March, 2017. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/0005772X.2017.1294471>

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. Synergistic effects of acaricides used to control the ectoparasitic mite *Varroa destructor* on the reproductive health of honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queens. 29 September, 2016. DOI: 10.1603/ICE.2016.112977

## PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

**E.M. Walsh**. The effects of pesticides on honey bee queen health. CO State Beekeepers Association. 2 November, 2019.

**E.M. Walsh**. Integrated Pest Management: Myths, History, and Practice. Keynote speaker. CO State Beekeepers Association. 2 November, 2019.

**E.M. Walsh**, Mark Janowiecki, Edward Vargo, and Juliana Rangel. The effects of agrochemicals on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen mating frequency and sperm viability. Student presentations. American Bee Research Conference. Tempe, Arizona. 11 January, 2019.

**E.M. Walsh**, Mark Janowiecki, Edward Vargo, and Juliana Rangel. Effects of pesticide exposure during development on the mating frequency of honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queens. Student competitor. Entomological Society of America. Vancouver, Canada. 12 November, 2018.

**E.M. Walsh**, Stephen Sweet, Anthony Knap, and Juliana Rangel. The impact of in-hive pesticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queen behavior and physiology. Invited presenter. IONs at Work. College Station, TX. 5 October, 2018.

**\*E.M. Walsh**, Mark Janowiecki, Edward Vargo, Stephen Sweet, and Juliana Rangel. Honey bee (*Apis mellifera* L.) queen rearing environment affects behavior and physiology. Student competitor. Entomological Society of America. Denver, CO. 6 November, 2017.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of pesticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queen reproductive physiology and behavior. Student competitor. Ecological Integration Society. College Station, TX. 24 March, 2017.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of pesticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*, L.) queen reproductive physiology and behavior. Student competitor. Association of American Professional Apiculturists and American Beekeeping Federation meeting. Galveston, TX. 13 January, 2017.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of agrochemicals on the reproductive health of honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queens. Texas Beekeepers Association's annual meeting. Belton, TX. 4 November, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of agrochemicals on the reproductive health of honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queens. Student competitor. SEX in the post-genomic era. College Station, TX. 10 October, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. Synergistic effects of acaricides used to control the ectoparasitic mite *Varroa destructor* on the reproductive health of honey bee (*Apis mellifera* L.) queens. Invited speaker in the Acarology symposium. International Congress of Entomology. Orlando, FL. 29 September, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh**. IPM and IPC: Why it matters to "US" rather than "YOU". Invited speaker. Williamson County Beekeepers Association Meeting. 26 May, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh**. Queen quality and rearing. Invited speaker. Williamson County Beekeepers Association Meeting. 26 May, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The synergistic effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen retinue and mandibular glands. Student competitor. Ecological Integration Symposium at TAMU. 1 April, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of miticides on honey bee queens: are we sabotaging ourselves?. Speaker. American Beekeepers Association. Jacksonville, FL. 8 January, 2016.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. 2016. The synergistic effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera* L.) queens. Student competitor. American Association of Professional Apiculturists. Jacksonville, FL. 8 January, 2016.

**\*\*E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera* L.) queen mandibular pheromones. Student competitor. Entomological Society of America's annual meeting. Minneapolis, MN. 9 November, 2015.

**E.M. Walsh**. Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees (FPHB) scholar presentation. Invited speaker. Wisconsin Honey Producer's Association. Steven's Point, WI. 7 November, 2015.

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera* L.) mature queens. Invited speaker. Wisconsin Honey Producer's Association. Steven's Point, WI. 6 November, 2015.

**\*\*\*E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen retinue and mandibular glands. Student competitor. Ecological Integration Symposium at TAMU, College Station, TX. 26 March, 2015

**E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen retinue and mandibular glands. Student competitor. Student Research Week at TAMU, College Station, TX. 27 March, 2015.

**E.M. Walsh.** Introduction to Queen Rearing. Invited speaker. Williamson County Beekeepers Association Meeting. 21 January, 2015.

\*\*\*\***E.M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel. The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen retinue and mandibular glands. Invited student. American Beekeeping Federation's Annual Meeting. Anaheim, CA. 9 January, 2015.

**E.M. Walsh.** The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queens. Invited speaker. Southeastern Wisconsin Honey Producers Annual Meeting. 5 November, 2014.

**E. M. Walsh.** The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queens. Invited speaker. South-Central Wisconsin Honey Producers Annual Meeting. 10 July, 2013.

**E. M. Walsh** and Juliana Rangel-Posada. The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen retinue response. Student competition. Presented at the Entomological Society of America's annual meeting. 2013.

**E. M. Walsh.** Feral Africanized honey bee hunting in Southern Texas. Invited speaker. Dodge/Jefferson Beekeeping Club Meeting. 2013.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society of Environment Toxicology and Chemistry, TX A&M University	2015-16
Williamson County Area's Beekeeping Association, TX	2014-17
Texas Beekeepers Association, TX	2014-Present
Entomology Graduate Student Organization, TX A&M University	2014-Present
Entomological Society of America	2013-Present
Wisconsin Honey Producers Association, WI	2009-Present
East Central Beekeepers Association, WI	2010-Present
Dodge/Jefferson County Beekeeping Club, WI	2010-2014

## SERVICE

Volunteer, STEM Night, TX A&M High School	2017
Monthly columnist, XYZ of Beekeeping, <i>Kelley Online Newsletter</i>	2015-2017
Volunteer, Wish Upon a Butterfly, Brazos Natural History Museum	2014, 2015
VP and founder, Soc. of Env. Toxicology and Chemistry, TAMU Chapter	2015
Seminar Chair, Entomology Graduate Student Organization of TAMU	2015-2017
Volunteer, Insect Expo, Entomological Society of America	2015
Volunteer, Green Prairie STEM Night, Green Prairie Elementary School	2014
Volunteer, Boonville Days, Brazos Natural History Museum	2014, 15, 16
Outreach Coordinator, East Central Wisconsin Beekeepers Association	2012-2014
Beekeeping Chair, Environmental Club of Ripon	2010-2014
Honey Queen, Dodge/Jefferson Beekeepers Club	2010-2012
Beekeeping Mentor, Wisconsin 4-H Association	2009-2014

## GUEST LECTURER

Speaker, "Bee School," Brazos Valley Beekeepers, TAMU	2017-2019
Instructor, "Art of Queen Rearing," Rangel Honey Bee Lab, TAMU	2015-2019
Instructor, "Bee School," Austin Annual Bee School	2015-2017

Instructor, “Annual Bee School,” Central TX Beekeepers	2015-2019
Instructor, “Summer Clinic,” Texas Beekeepers Association	2015-2019
Speaker, Walworth County Bee Club, WI	July 2016
Speaker, Williamson County Beekeepers Association	May 2016
Speaker, Annual Meeting, American Beekeeping Federation	January 2015,16
Speaker, Summer Meeting, Wisconsin Honey Producers Association	November 2015
Speaker, Williamson County Beekeepers Association	October 2015
Keynote Speaker, Harris County Beekeepers	October 2015
Speaker, Walworth County Bee Club, WI	June 2015

## PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

### Texas A&M University, Entomology Department—College Station, TX

*Graduate Research Assistant* 2014-2019

“The Effects of In-Hive Miticides on Honey Bee (*Apis mellifera*) Queens”

Helped care for 40-80 honey bee colonies, authored successful grant proposals, and authored peer-reviewed research while researching, teaching, and taking classes.

#### *Teaching Assistant*

ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, 250 students	Fall 2019
ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, 203 students	Spring 2019
ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, 157 students	Summer 2019
ENTO 320 (online and in-person): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, 241 students	Spring 2019
ENTO 320 (online and in-person): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, ~260 students	Fall 2018
ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, 140 students	Spring 2018
ENTO 321: Beekeeping Laboratory Instructor: Dr. Juliana Rangel, 14 students	Spring 2018
ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Tonya Shepherd, 100 students	Fall 2017
ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Ms. Ashley Jones, 100 students	Spring 2017
ENTO 320: Honey bee biology Instructor: Dr. Juliana Rangel, 31 students	Fall 2016
ENTO 320 (online): Honey bee biology Instructor: Ms. Lauren Ward, 88 students	Fall 2016
ENTO 401: Principles of integrated pest management Instructor: Dr. Raul Medina, 18 students	Fall 2016

*Research Experience for Undergraduates (NSF)* Summer 2013

Title of project: The effects of in-hive miticides on honey bee (*Apis mellifera*) queen retinue behavior

**Dadant and Sons Beekeeping Supplies—Watertown, WI** 2010-2014  
Answered new beekeepers' questions, assisted in package bee selling and care

**Queen B Honey** 2009-2017  
Owner, founder, and beekeeper

## REFERENCES

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