# Smart surveillance and mitigation for plant diseases that threaten food security

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### Outline

- Intro to network analysis
- Microbiome networks
- Effective altruism & research priorities
- Epidemic networks
- Impact network analysis

### Annual Review of Phytopathology

Network Analysis: A Systems Framework to Address Grand Challenges in Plant Pathology

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### Major societal projects

- Food security
- Food safety
- Wildlands conservation
- Scientific understanding of the world



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### Threats due to plant disease

- Lower crop yields, higher yield variability, lower farm profit margins
- Toxin production in foods, synergies with human pathogens
- Plant species extinction or diminished ecological function, disease management effects on nontarget species



#### Inherent challenges for plant pathology

- Global change: climate, trade, land use, political instability, human population growth
- Pathogen invasions
- Pathogen evolution



Operational challenges for plant pathology



inequality

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- A Identify geographic and temporal priorities for interventions
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- C Link plant pathology with socioeconomics to reach low-income farmers and increase agricultural development impacts

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Operational challenges for plant pathology

#### A Limited resources

- **B** System complexity
- C Global economic inequality

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Data: global availability

Data: phytobiomes

New opportunities

E Leveraging progress in other disciplines, including the science of science

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- Integrate global data layers across scales
- E Clarify phytobiome interactions and identify key players
- F Integrate plant pathology with progress in disciplines such as human epidemiology, physics, electrical engineering, and sociology

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Technology adoption often occurs on an individual level through observation and mimicry of other people's technology use



Many individuals will not adopt technologies until a social threshold is reached, in terms of the number of their associates who adopt

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### Infinite possibilities for network model structures

- Nodes could be
  - Locations in spatial networks (counties, fields, plants, leaves, cells, organelles, microbes, ...)
  - Entities
    - Individual people
    - Species (perhaps in food webs or the phytobiome)
    - Genes
    - Molecules
- Links could be
  - Strength or likelihood of influence, triggering, information flow, ...
  - Dependent on environmental variables



### Traits of network nodes

- In a socioeconomic network, nodes are people or human institutions (managers/farmers, extension agents, scientists, ...)
- In a biophysical network, nodes are geographic locations (individual plants, farms, storage facilities, wildlands, ...)
- Degree centrality number of links
- Closeness centrality measure of how readily other nodes can be reached
- Betweenness centrality importance as a bridge between other nodes
- Centrality of neighbors importance in terms of importance of neighbors

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Microbiome systems analysis can mobilize high-throughput sequencing to inform strategies for making the most of microbiomes



#### Microbiome Networks: A Systems Framework for Identifying Candidate Microbial Assemblages for Disease Management

R. Poudel, A. Jumpponen, D. C. Schlatter, T. C. Paulitz, B. B. McSpadden Gardener, L. L. Kinkel, and K. A. Garrett Phytopathology 2016 [open access link]

#### Network Analysis of the Papaya Orchard Virome from Two Agroecological Regions of Chiapas, Mexico

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### Viromes and phytosanitary standards



 Opening Pandora's box with virome analysis





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### Effective altruism as an ethical lens on research priorities:

- K. A. Garrett, R. I. Alcalá-Briseño, K. F. Andersen, J. Brawner, R. A. Choudhury, E. Delaquis, J. Fayette, R. Poudel, D. Purves, J. Rothschild, I. M. Small, S. Thomas-Sharma, and Y. Xing
- Phytopathology



Potential prioritization of research by stakeholders, pathosystems, and experimental questions and techniques

Prioritizing stakeholders					
Food security & food safety	Wildlands conservation				
<ul> <li>People at greatest risk</li> <li>People underserved</li> <li>People who will experience the greatest gain</li> <li>Greatest number benefiting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Endangered species</li> <li>Biodiversity hotspots</li> <li>Systems providing greatest ecosystem services</li> </ul>				

#### **Prioritizing pathosystems**

- Diseases causing the greatest yield loss or quality loss
- Diseases causing the greatest health risks by toxin production
- Systems that would otherwise not receive attention
- · Orphan crops and orphan pathosystems
- Geographic locations of greatest importance in epidemic networks

Prioritizing experimental questions and technologies

Examples, see also Table 1

#### Avoiding the tragedy of the microbiome commons

- Regional microbiomes can be considered a common pool good like air or water, degraded by individuals who manage plant diseases poorly
- Research providing global public goods can support technology spread and durability (Fig. 5)

#### Value of information (Vol)

 Providing information that will have a substantial effect to improve key decision-making outcomes

#### Big ethics for big data

- Addressing costs and benefits of data collection and data availability for the range of stakeholders
- Addressing new ethical questions as networking of digital agriculture advances

#### Doomsday pathogens

Addressing low-probability existential risks

### Avoiding the tragedy of the microbiome commons

Consumption	Access				
	Exclusive			Non-exclusive	
	<i>Private:</i> e. g.,	food		Common pool: e. g., air, water Regional microbiome Regional pathogen meta- communities	
Rival	Pesticides vulnerable	Formal seed systems	Informal seed systems		
		to antibiotic resistance	Private non- durable resistance genes	Public non-durable resistance genes	
	Club/Toll: e. g., private not	Private durable resistance genes	Public durable resistance genes	<i>Public: e. g.,</i> sunshine	
Non-rival	schools	vulnerable to antibiotic resistance	Private data and models for disease management	Public data and models for disease management	

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#### **POLICY FORUM**

#### **FOOD SECURITY**

### A global surveillance system for crop diseases Global preparedness minimizes the risk to food supplies

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oping and maintaining surveillance systems with well-established network labs for diagnosis and promoting norms for sharing data and information during outbreaks (5). In a similar spirit, with the United Nations General Assembly having proclaimed 2020 as the International Year of Plant Health to increase awareness among the public and fectively screened; thus, actual movement of potential biological invasive species through official entry points is barely constrained (8).

General or passive surveillance is aimed at detecting and diagnosing all pests and crop diseases, not just those that are regulated. Passive surveillance personnel either spot diseases during field surveys or re-

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ate linkages between general and specific surveillance entities across countries to increase coordination in high-consequence disease detection, allowing optimization of early response and control. It would function through five interconnected networks: (i) diagnostic labs, (ii) risk assessment modeling teams, (iii) data standardization and management specialists, (iv) regular expert communications, and (v) a distributed operations management system, all sharing a crosscutting capacity-development component. A pilot phase would focus on high-risk diseases

It would cre-



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### Connectivity of the American Agricultural Landscape: Assessing the National Risk of Crop Pest and Disease Spread



MARGARET L. MARGOSIAN, KAREN A. GARRETT, J. M. SHAWN HUTCHINSON, AND KIMBERLY A. WITH OPEN ACCESS link

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February 2009 / Vol. 59 No. 2 · BioScience 141

Nodes: US counties Links: measures of likelihood of pathogen movement based on host availability





Maize



Red = connected areas for pathogens that require **high** maize density to spread



#### Sweta Sutrave

Figure 2. Prediction for soybean rust infection in the United States in September 2007 based on 2007 observations through August. Dark red nodes represent counties which were predicted to be infected with high probability, green nodes represent counties which were predicted to be uninfected with negligible probability of infection, and all other shades from green to dark red represent increasing probability of infection.

#### Identifying Highly Connected Counties Compensates for Resource Limitations when Evaluating National Spread of an Invasive Pathogen

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### Network of Countries Connected by Hurricanes

Caribbean Countries



Robin Choudhury

Saint Pierre and Kingebing Carcos Islands Anguilla **Greater Atlantic** Antigua and Barbuda Jamaica Barbados Ireland Countries Greenland Dominica Dominican Republic Cuba France Canada Grenada Cabo Verde **British Virgin Island** Haiti **Netherlands** Panama Nicaragua **Puerto Rico** Mexico Saint Lucia Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Honduras **Trinidad and Tobago** Guatemala **Central American** United States Minor Outlying Islands United States Virgin Islands Costa Rica **El Salvador** Saint Kitts a **Countries** 

Choudhury and Garrett

### Aggregated Number of Storm Events





Robin Choudhury

Choudhury and Garrett, in revision

### Ecological Networks in Stored Grain: Key Postharvest Nodes for Emerging Pests, Pathogens, and Mycotoxins

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John Hernandez Nopsa







A network depicting both wheat movement (links) and production (nodes) in the United States in 2006–2010



John F. Hernandez Nopsa et al. BioScience 2015;biosci.biv122



#### A hypothetical scenario for a multilayer network in the stored-grain system



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# Obstacles to integrated pest management adoption in developing countries

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- **RCH** Research weaknesses
- **Outreach** weaknesses
- **IPM** IPM weaknesses
- **PST** Pesticide industry interference
- **FRM** Farmer weaknesses

Others



### Impact Network Analysis (INA)



- The Garrett Lab is developing INA as a general platform for evaluating system management strategies (such as crop breeding networks, seed systems, and regional integrated pest and disease management)
- Impact <u>OF</u> research products such as information/training, disease resistance, and disease-free seed production technologies
- Impact <u>**ON</u></u> spatial ecological processes, such as gene/genotype spread, pathogen invasions or ecosystem services more broadly</u>**
- Impact <u>THROUGH</u> communication and decision-making networks, and linked biophysical networks



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**Biophysical network** Movement of plants, pathogens, and vectors, with pathogen establishment influenced by management

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### System over time

- Individuals in the socioeconomic network can influence what happens at individual locations in the biophysical network
- For example,
  - Farmers in the socioeconomic network make decisions about management (e.g., whether to buy good seed) influenced by their associates and prices
  - The decision influences the likelihood of the spread of disease in the biophysical network

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### Impact networks, broadly

**Generality** Questions like: How can a change in impact network components compensate for increased risk to maintain system sustainability?

**Realism** Questions like: How do changes in network traits, such as changes in mechanisms for interpersonal influence, affect system outcomes?

> **Precision** Questions like: Which particular communication or land nodes are key control points for transmission through the landscape?

> > Garrett 2018

#### **Resistance Genes in Global Crop Breeding Networks**

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Linked networks and landscapes through which resistance genes move

Crop wild relatives, land races, and germplasm collections (in situ and ex situ conservation) System stressors and shocks

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Linked networks and landscapes through which resistance genes move

Crop wild relatives, land races, and germplasm collections (in situ and ex situ conservation)

System stressors and shocks

Land use change, climate change, & war

Prebreeding programs to make resistance genes available in elite lines

Intellectual property laws & ITPGRFA

Breeding programs to develop elite lines, where decisions are made about which genes to deploy

Seed systems, which determine which resistance genes are present in available varieties

Farmers' fields, where pathogen populations determine which resistance genes are most useful



Privatization, disruptive technologies, & phytosanitary laws



Disease emergence & climate change

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#### Three potential scenarios for crop breeding networks



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Can global crop breeding networks adapt to new disease challenges under global change?



Principles for supporting system resilience (adapted from Biggs et al. 2012)

- Diversity and redundancy
- Management of connectivity
- Management of feedbacks
- Fostering understanding of complex adaptive systems
- Broadening participation
- Promoting polycentric governance systems

#### Directionality and the likelihood that resistance genes are available to farmers where needed

A. Privatization: If genes are "sequestered" by private breeders, are resistance genes distributed widely enough through seed systems? B. Public systems: If genes are made available through prebreeding programs, is human capital for plant breeding available to develop regional varieties and distribute seed?



International private breeding group International public breeding group

Regional public breeding group



REVIEW

#### Seed degeneration in potato: the need for an integrated seed health strategy to mitigate the problem in developing countries

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Sara Thomas-Sharma

Table 3 Percentage contribution of formal potato seed systemainformal potato seed systemsb in some developing countries

	Formal seed	Informal seed	
Country	system	system	Reference
Afghanistan	0	100	Kadian <i>et al.</i> (2007)
Bangladesh	5	95	llangantileke <i>et al.</i> (2001)
Bhutan	2	98	Kadian <i>et al.</i> (2007)
Bolivia	2	98	Hidalgo <i>et al.</i> (2009)
China	20	80	Muthoni <i>et al.</i> (2013)
Columbia	2–10	90–98	FEDEPAPA (2010), Guzmán-Barney et al. (2012)
Ecuador	1–3	97–99	Thiele (1999), ESPAC (2012)
Ethiopia	11 <sup>c</sup>	89 <sup>c</sup>	Gildemacher <i>et al.</i> (2009)
India	20	80	Kadian <i>et al.</i> (2007)
Indonesia	6	94	Muthoni <i>et al.</i> (2013)
Kenya	0.5 <sup>c</sup>	99.5 <sup>c</sup>	Gildemacher et al. (2009)
Pakistan	5	95	Muthoni <i>et al.</i> (2013)
Peru	0.5	99	Hidalgo <i>et al.</i> (2009)
Uganda	4 <sup>c</sup>	96 <sup>c</sup>	Gildemacher et al. (2009)

## Epidemic network analysis for mitigation of invasive pathogens in seed systems: Potato in Ecuador





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Potato production in Tungurahua Province, Ecuador

Photos: J Hernandez Nopsa

In this analysis, we have survey data for both potato transactions and sources of information for IPM



Scenario analysis indicating how effective monitoring of the spread of a pathogen would be at each node, based on location in network and IPM information sources

Buddenhagen, Hernandez Nopsa, et al. 2017

## Modeling Epidemics in Seed Systems and Landscapes to Guide Management Strategies: The Case of Sweetpotato in Northern Uganda

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Andersen et al. 2019 Phytopathology



Kelsey Andersen

## Sweetpotato vine sellers were surveyed in 2014 in the Gulu Region of Northern Uganda



- Seller visited 2x/week
- 27 sellers, sold to farmers form 99 villages
- 878 unique transactions



### Estimated village-to-village spread

- A second set of geo-spatially derived links were added to the network based on distance
- Links represent exchange between farmers of neighboring villages
- This network was utilized in experiments to model disease spread in the region



Using network analysis we evaluated a set of questions in simulation experiments

- 1. What are the optimum surveillance locations to detect disease spread, given equal likelihood of disease introduction at each node?
- 2. Does the starting position of the epidemic influence epidemic progress and final outcome?
- 3. How much can disease spread be limited by implementing a quarantine?
- 4. How do network statistics compare for their utility for selecting quarantine locations?

Andersen et al 2019



#### Kelsey Andersen













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Integrating data sources to evaluate risk of cassava mosaic disease: an emerging threat in Southeast Asia

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### Cassava mosaic disease (CMD)

Cassava is a critical food and industrial crop in tropical countries

Cassava is grown on > 2.5 M acres in Southeast Asia, mostly by smallholder farmers, & acreage has rapidly expanded in the last 10 years

CMD has had major yield impacts for decades on cassava production in Africa and India

CMD is caused by cassava mosaic viruses Family Geminiviridae, genus Begomovirus

Vectored by whitefly (*Bemisia tabaci*)





Andersen et al

### In 2015, *Sri Lankan cassava mosaic virus* was first reported in Cambodia



![](_page_58_Figure_2.jpeg)

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## Cassava planting material is transported in large volumes across national borders

frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems

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![](_page_59_Picture_3.jpeg)

#### Raising the Stakes: Cassava Seed Networks at Multiple Scales in Cambodia and Vietnam

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### Next steps / model improvement

- Refine risk models with updated data, particularly for Lao PDR and Thailand
- Incorporate whitefly survey data into the model

Use model to recommend key sampling / surveillance locations

• Use high risk regions to inform riskbased sampling and surveillance strategies conduced by CIAT and national ministries

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![](_page_64_Figure_0.jpeg)

Management performance mapping: the value of information for regional prioritization of project interventions

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bioRxiv 2018

Generation of maps of [seed health] management performance for donors/funders deciding on prioritization for investment, extension agents deciding on priorities, etc.

![](_page_65_Figure_0.jpeg)

![](_page_65_Figure_1.jpeg)

Management performance mapping for Ecuador and surroundings, with potato production indicated based on MapSpam estimates. Pixels labelled above (green)
 and below (white) 2895 masl

Benefit of informed site selection: 7.7 t/ha Benefit of random site selection: 6.5 t/ha The potato **cropland connectivity risk index** (CCRI) estimated for Ecuador and southern Colombia, based on the mean from uncertainty quantification

CCRI provides a regional criterion for site selection

Xing et al 2018 bioRxiv