

## **Shoyo Sato, Ph.D.**

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### **EDUCATION**

**Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.....April 2023**  
*Ph.D. Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology*  
*Advisor: Dr. Gonzalo Giribet*

**Boston University, Boston, MA.....May 2016**  
*Bachelor of Arts- magna cum laude*  
*Major: Ecology and Conservation Biology*  
*Minor: Marine Science*

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

*As a teaching fellow/teaching assistant*  
*Responsibilities include lab design and supervision, lecturing, course planning, course logistics, and fieldwork training*

**Boston University.....Fall 2016**

- BI438E: Tropical Montane Ecology
- BI439E: Tropical Rainforest Ecology
- BI440E: Tropical Coastal Ecology
- BI441E: Studies in Tropical Ecology

**Harvard University.....Spring 2019-present**

- OEB51: Biology and Evolution of Invertebrate Animals
- OEB11: Introduction to Tropical Ecology
- OEB112: Arthropod Biology- Arachnida and Myriapoda, Their Biology and Evolution
- OEB60: Fundamentals of Marine Biology

### **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

**Daniel A. Buckley Scholarship.....Fall 2017**  
*Harvard University*

**Certificate of Distinction and Excellence in Teaching.... Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Spring 2022**  
*Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Harvard University*

**Putnam Expedition Grant - \$4850.....Fall 2022**  
*Jamaican Velvet Worms: Colonization and Radiation on a Caribbean Island*  
*Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University*

**Harvard Horizons Finalist.....Fall 2022**  
*Harvard University*

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- **Sato, S.**, Buckman-Young, R.S., Harvey, M.S., Giribet, G. 2018. Cryptic speciation in a biodiversity hotspot: multilocus data reveal new velvet worm species from Western Australia (Onychophora: Peripatopsidae: *Kumbadjena*). *Invertebrate Systematics* **32**(6): 1249-1246. <https://doi.org/10.1071/IS18024>.
- **Sato, S.**, Law, A., Giribet, G. 2022. Evidence for spatial niche partitioning in the ectocommensal *Symbion americanus* (Cycliophora) on its lobster host, *Homarus americanus* (Arthropoda, Malacostraca). *Invertebrate Biology* **141**(2): e12370. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ivb.12370>.
- **Sato, S.**, Cunha, T.J., de Medeiros, B.A.S., Khost, D.E., Sackton, T.B., Giribet, G. 2023. Sizing up the onychophoran genome: repeats, introns, and gene family expansion contribute to genome gigantism in *Epiperipatus broadwayi*. *Genome Biology and Evolution* **15**(3): evad021. <https://doi.org/10.1093/gbe/evad021>.
- Lord, A., Cunha, T.J., de Medeiros, B.A.S., **Sato, S.**, Khost, D.E., Sackton, T.B., Giribet, G. 2023. Expanding on our knowledge of ecdysozoan genomes: a contiguous assembly of the meiofaunal priapulan *Tubiluchus corrallicola*. *Genome Biology and Evolution* **15**(6): evad103. <https://doi.org/10.1093/gbe/evad103>.
- **Sato, S.**, Derkarabetian, S., Valdez-Mondragón, Pérez-González, A., Benavides, L.R., Daniels, S.R., Giribet, G. 2024. Under the hood: Phylogenomics of hooded tick spiders (Arachnida, Ricinulei) uncovers discordance between morphology and molecules. *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution* **193**: 108026. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ympev.2024.108026>.
- **Sato, S.**, Derkarabetian, S., Lord, A., Giribet, G. 2024. An ultraconserved element probe set for velvet worms (Onychophora). *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution* **197**: 108115. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ympev.2024.108115>.
- **Sato, S.**, Appeldorf, C., Wangensteen, O.S., Garcés-Pastor, S., Laumer, C.E., Herranz, M., Giribet, G., Renault, D., Rask Møller, P., Worsaae, K. 2025. Phylogenomics of the rarest animals: a second species of Micrognathozoa identified by machine learning. *Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences* **292**: 20242867. <https://doi.org/10.1098/rspb.2024.2867>.

## **INVITED TALKS**

- *GIGA IV: Fourth International Meeting of the Global Invertebrate Genomics Alliance*, online, 16-18 Nov. 2021  
The final frontier of panarthropodian genomics: the genome of the onychophoran *Epiperipatus broadwayi* (Onychophora: Peripatidae)

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- *5<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Invertebrate Morphology*, Vienna, 8-12 Aug. 2022  
Peeling back the Onychophora: an exploration of the genome of *Epiperipatus broadwayi* with notes on the evolution of ecdysis

## **MENTORING**

- Allison Law.....(2019-2020)**  
*Senior thesis: Consider the lobster ectocommensal, *Symbion americanus*: phylogeographic analysis reveals spatial niche partitioning on host mouthparts*  
*Awarded Thomas T. Hoopes Prize for undergraduate research*