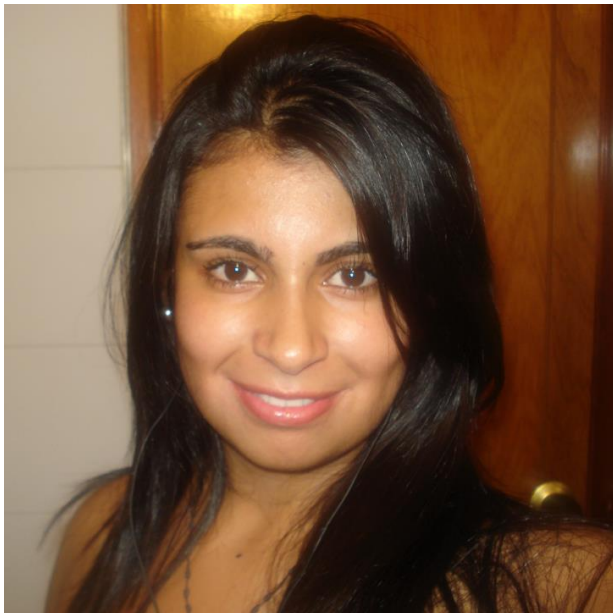




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**IPBGG EXTENDS A HEARTY WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING
THREE NEW STUDENTS FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2015:**



Carolina Ballen Taborda

Ms. Ballen Taborda is a PBGG Research Assistant in the Ph.D. program for 2015. She is working with Dr. Scott Jackson, and her duties include bioinformatics analysis of plant genomes looking specifically at disease resistance in peanut.

Carolina received a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogota, in 2009. She served as a research assistant at the International Center for Tropical Agriculture in Cali, Colombia, 2009-2013. She also served as a visiting researcher at Yale University in 2010.

Carolina arrived at UGA in February 2014, where she served as a laboratory technician in the Jackson Lab at CAGT, with a focus on legumes. Please

welcome Carolina, her work space is located in Dr. Jackson's Graduate Assistant Office in the CAGT building, room 248. Her email address is: cballen@uga.edu.



Jacob Hoyle

Mr. Hoyle is a PBGG Research Assistant for 2015, in the master's program. He is working with Dr. Wayne Parrott. His duties will include research on genome editing or transposon mutagenesis.

Jacob received a Bachelor of Science degree from Appalachian State University in 2013. He studied in the College of Arts and Sciences with a major in cell and molecular biology and a minor in chemistry.

Jacob arrived at UGA from North Carolina in December. His previous work experience includes Duke Energy in Huntersville, N.C., where he served as a laboratory analyst as well as an environmental analyst, 2013-2014. Additionally, he was employed

at Two-Rivers Utilities, Gastonia, N.C., as a laboratory technician, 2014. Please welcome Jacob, he works in CAGT, room 141. His email address is: JHoyle@uga.edu.



Evan McCoy

Mr. McCoy is a PBGG Research Assistant for 2015, in the master's program. He is working with Dr. Wayne Parrott and Dr. Zenglu Li. His duties include research on furthering the understanding of the genetic basis to insect resistance in soybean.

Evan received a Bachelor of Science degree from Purdue University in 2014. He studied in the College of Science with a major in biology and minor in entomology.

Evan arrived at UGA from Indiana in December. His internship experience includes research work in a landscape ecology lab as well as a plant genomics lab, 2012-2013. Evan also served as an intern for Dow AgroSciences Midwest Research

Center during the summer of 2012, and 2013-2014. Please welcome Evan to UGA. He works in CAGT, room 141. His email address is: emccoy50@uga.edu.