

Curriculum Vitae: Lyubov Evgenievna Burlakova

Education

Institute of Zoology, Belarusian Academy of Science, Minsk, Belarus; Candidate of Science (Ph. D.); 1998; Aquatic Biology

Belarusian State University, Minsk, Belarus; M. Sc., 1985; Biophysics.

Employment and Experience

2014 – Present: Senior Research Scientist, Great Lakes Center, Research Foundation of SUNY, SUNY Buffalo State College, Buffalo, New York

2007 – Present: Adjunct Associate Professor, Biology Department, SUNY Buffalo State College, Buffalo, New York

2007 – 2014: Research Scientist, Great Lakes Center, Research Foundation of SUNY, SUNY Buffalo State College, Buffalo, New York

2001 – 2007: Adjunct Professor, Research Scientist, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas

2001: Research Ecologist, University of the State of New York Museum Field Research Lab

1998 – 2000: Assistant Professor, General Ecology Department, Biology Faculty, Belarusian State University

1997 – 1998: Senior Scientist, Laboratory of Aquatic Ecology, Biology Faculty, Belarusian State University

1996 – 1997: Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1996 – 1997: Senior Scientist, Department of Aquatic Ecology, Lakes Research Laboratory, Geography Faculty, Belarusian State University

1994 – 1996: Scientist, Department of Aquatic Ecology, Lakes Research Laboratory, Geography Faculty, Belarusian State University

1992 – 1994: Junior Scientist, Department of Aquatic Ecology, Lakes Research Laboratory, Geography Faculty, Belarusian State University

1985 – 1992: Junior Scientist, Biophysics Department, Physics Faculty, Belarusian State University

Research Interests

Ecology and diversity of freshwater benthic communities

Aquatic invasive species: Ecology, spread, and role in ecosystems

Biodiversity and conservation of freshwater molluscs Family Unionidae

Growth, reproduction, parasitology, spread, and ecology of zebra and quagga mussels and their role in aquatic ecosystems

Grants/Contracts Received (Principle Investigator and Co-PI)

2022 – 2028: Watkins J., L. Rudstam, L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and A. Hrycik. Great Lakes Biology Monitoring Program: Zooplankton, Mysis, and Benthic Components. GLRI, U.S. EPA. \$6,750,000 (\$3,040,000 for BSC).

2021 – 2023: Burlakova, L.E., and L. Rudstam. Great Lakes Long-Term Biological Monitoring. U.S. EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. Subaward Amendment. \$287,676 (for BSC). 2021-2022.

2017 – 2022: Rudstam, L., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and J. Watkins. Great Lakes Long-term Biological Monitoring Program. U.S. EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. \$5,999,903 (\$2,700,000 for BSC).

2017 – 2022: Molloy, D., and L. Burlakova. The Natural Enemies of Dreissenid Mussels: An update of the seminal monograph published in 1997. Hudson River Foundation. \$65,200.

2017 – 2021: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. DNA Barcode Reference Library: Mollusca, Annelida, and minor phyla. U.S. EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. \$400,000.

2016 – 2018: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Lake Superior Benthos: Cooperative Science & Monitoring Initiative. US Geological Survey. \$150,000.

2014 – 2018: Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. Gorsky. Investigating Lake Sturgeon habitat use, feeding ecology and benthic resource availability in the lower Niagara River. Ecological Greenway Fund. \$835,829.

2014 – 2017: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Lake Erie and Lake Michigan Benthos: Cooperative Science and Monitoring Initiative. US Geological Survey. \$500,000.

2012 – 2018: Rudstam, L., A. Y. Karatayev, and L. E. Burlakova. Great Lakes Long-Term Biological Monitoring of Zooplankton, Benthos, and Chlorophyll a. U.S. EPA. \$3,867,525 (\$1,094,726 for BSC).

2012 – 2013: Snyder, R. J., L. E. Burlakova, D. B. MacNeill, and A. Y. Karatayev. Enhanced Early Detection of Invasive Ponto-Caspian Fishes in the Great Lakes. U.S. EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. \$99,756.

2012 – 2013: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. Zebra/Quagga Mussel Viability Test. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Region. \$24,962.

2011 – 2013: Zanatta, D., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, R. Krebs, M. Hoggarth, F. de Szalay, J. Bossenbroek, E. Meyer, and M. Walsh. Collaborators: M. Schlesinger, R. Haas, T. Crail, P. Badra, N. Welte, and L. Holst. Conservation of Native Freshwater Mussel Refuges in Great Lakes Coastal Zones. Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. \$366,412.

2011 – 2013: Pennuto, C. M., A. Y. Karatayev, A. Pérez-Fuentetaja, L. E. Burlakova, D. Bade, G. Matisoff, J. Kramer, and C. Mayer. The Lake Erie Nearshore and Offshore Nutrient Study (LENONS). U.S. EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. \$615,813.

2010 – 2013: Burlakova, L. E., A.Y. Karatayev, M. E. May, and B. Lang. Survey of Texas Hornshell Populations in Texas. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Traditional Section 6 Joint Project with New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. \$143,000.

2011 – 2012: Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karatayev, M. E. May, M. D. Warriner, and B. Gottfried. Survey of threatened freshwater mussels (Bivalvia: Unionidae) in Texas. State Wildlife Grant Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. \$38,000.

2010 – 2011: Snyder, R. J., L. E. Burlakova, D. B. MacNeill, and A. Y. Karatayev. Evaluating Ponto-Caspian Fishes for Risk of Great Lakes Invasion. U.S. EPA Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. \$111,264.

2010: Burlakova, L., A. Karatayev, and M. Goehle. Preliminary Risk Assessment of the Parasites of Aquatic Exotic Invertebrates in the Great Lakes Region. New York Great Lakes Protection Fund Small Grants Program (Great Lakes Research Consortium, New York Department of Environmental Conservation, New York Great Lakes Basin Advisory Council). \$9,473.

2009: Pennuto, C. M., A. Y. Karatayev, A. Pérez-Fuentetaja, L. E. Burlakova, G. Matisoff, J. Kramer, and J. Conroy. The Nearshore and Offshore Lake Erie Nutrient Study (NOLENS). U.S. EPA. \$150,000.

2008 – 2009: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. State-Wide Assessment of Unionid Diversity in Texas. State Wildlife Grant Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. \$67,514.

2006 – 2009: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. Assessing Potential Impacts of Channeled Applesnail to Wetlands in the Galveston Bay Watershed. Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. \$20,000.

2007 – 2008: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Effect of Natural Factors on Rate of Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species. Buffalo State College Research Council Incentive Funds. \$6,284.

2007 – 2008: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. State-Wide Assessment of Unionid Diversity in Texas. State Wildlife Grant Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. \$69,375.

2006 – 2008: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Potential effects of Zebra mussels in the Madison lakes. Wisconsin DNR Aquatic Invasive Species Grants Program. \$49,037.

2006 – 2007: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. East Texas Mussel Surveys. State Wildlife Grants, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. \$32,056.

2006 – 2007: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Status of Invasive Freshwater Mollusks in Texas. State Wildlife Grants, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. \$17,795.

2006 – 2007: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karatayev. Distributional survey and habitat utilization of freshwater mussels. Texas Water Development Board. \$65,000.

2006 – 2007: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Predicting the spread and ecosystem impact of exotic bivalve *Limnoperna fortunei* on North American freshwaters. SFA Faculty Research Grant. \$15,704.

2004 – 2006: Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Freshwater mussel survey in Texas. State Wildlife Grants, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. \$120,000.

2006: SFA Research Enhancement Minigrant. \$500.

2006: Karataev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. SFA Research Enhancement Minigrant. \$750.

2004 – 2006: Assessing potential impacts of Channeled Applesnail to wetlands in the Galveston Bay watershed. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and USDA Cooperative Agriculture Pest Survey (CAPS) Program for 2005 surveys. \$117,544.

2004 – 2006: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karataev. Survey of Benthic Macroinvertebrates at Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG) Facility Fort Wolters, Parker County, Texas. Texas Army National Guard. \$16,024

2003 – 2005: Karataev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. The impact of invasive molluscs Corbicula fluminea and Dreissena polymorpha on benthic communities of aquatic ecosystems. SFA Faculty Research Grant. \$15,872.

2003 – 2005: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karataev. Monitoring of Unionid Populations at Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG) Facility Camp Maxey, Lamar County, Texas. Texas Army National Guard. \$44,900.

2003 – 2005: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karataev. Survey of Benthic Macroinvertebrates at Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG) Facility Camp Swift, Bastrop County, Texas. Texas Army National Guard. \$15,800.

2003 – 2004: Burlakova, L. E., and A. Y. Karataev. Survey of Benthic Macroinvertebrates at Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG) Facility Camp Maxey, Lamar County, Texas. Texas Army National Guard. \$15,500.

1998 – 2000: Burlakova, L. E. Study the Potential Spread of Zebra Mussels and Develop Fundamentals of Impact of Species-filtrator on Water Ecosystems using Lakes of Belarus and United States as an Example. Ministry for Education and Science Republic of Belarus. \$1,000.

1995 – 1997: Karataev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, et al. Study of Zebra Mussel Effects on Ecological Systems of Belarusian Lakes and Development of Methods for Using Zebra Mussels to Improve Water Quality and Increase Fish Productivity. Ministry for Education and Science Republic of Belarus. \$12,000.

1993 – 1994: Karataev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, et al. Development of a Mathematical Model of the Ecological System of Lake Lukomskoe. Novolukomskij Town Executive Committee. \$2,200.

1990 – 1991: Karataev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. Environmental Monitoring of Lukomskoe Lake Focusing on Anthropogenic Influences. Novolukomlskaya Thermal Electric Power Plant. \$800.

Professional Publications and Presentations

Peer-review Publications: 121

Presentations at Scholarly Meetings and Invited Talks: 108

Papers in Proceedings: 11

Reports: 12

Published Abstracts: 216

Publications

Reviewed Publications:

Gerasimova, L. K., L. E. Burlakova, and B. A. Tatarinov. 1985. Comparative study of the effect of ultraviolet rays, alpha radiation and ozone on apple induviate tissue. *Vestnik Belorusskogo Universiteta*. Ser. 2 (3): 14-18. (in Russian).

Zhukovskaya, L. N., L. E. Burlakova, L. E. Gorbatshevich, T. M. Novikova, B. A. Tatarinov, and S. N. Ustichenko. 1988. Efficiency of short-term methods for storage of fruits and vegetables at high temperatures. *Vestsi Akademii Navuk BSSR*. Seriya selskagospadarchikh navuk 1. Dep. in VNIITISX, № 11, BC-87, Dep. 24 p. (in Russian).

Tatarinov, B. A., T. M. Novikova, L. N. Zhukovskaya, and L. E. Burlakova. 1988. Methods for storage of fruits and berries transporting in airplane containers at high temperatures. *Vestsi Akademii Navuk BSSR*. 2: 11-18. (in Russian).

Karatayev, A. Y., and L. Y. Burlakova. 1992. Changes in trophic structure of macrozoobenthos of an eutrophic lake, after invasion of *Dreissena polymorpha*. *Biologiya Vnutrennikh Vod. Inform. Byull.* 93: 67-71 (in Russian).

Karatayev, A. Y., I. A. Rudakovskiy, and L. E. Burlakova. 1993. Cs 137-distribution and dynamic in the lakes with different levels of radioactive contamination. *Vestnik Belorusskogo Universiteta*. Ser. 2 (3): 57-61 (in Russian).

Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. 1994. The rate of filtration. In: Y. I. Starobogatov (ed.). Freshwater Zebra Mussel *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pall.) (Bivalvia, Dreissenidae). Systematic, Ecology, Practical Meaning, pp. 132-137. Nauka Press, Moscow (in Russian).

Karatayev, A. Y., V. P. Lyakhovich, S. A. Afanasiev, L. E. Burlakova, V. P. Zakutskiy, S. M. Lyakhov, M. P. Miroshnichenko, T. G. Moroz, M. Y. Nekrasova, S. P. Nechvalenko, I. A. Skalskaya, T. G. Kharchenko, and A. A. Protasov. 1994. The place of species in ecosystem. In: Y. I. Starobogatov (ed.) Freshwater Zebra Mussel *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pall.) (Bivalvia, Dreissenidae). Systematic, Ecology, Practical Meaning, pp. 180-195. Nauka Press, Moscow (in Russian).

Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. 1995. Present and further patterns in *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas) population development in the Narochanskaya lakes system. *Vestsi Akademii Navuk Belarusi*. Seriya biyalagichnikh navuk 3: 95-99 (in Belarussian).

Karatayev, A. Y., and L. E. Burlakova. 1995. The role of *Dreissena* in lake ecosystems. *Russian Journal of Ecology* 26(3): 207-211. Translated from *Ecologiya* 26(3), 1995, pp. 232-236. (in English).

Karatayev, A. Y., V. M. Samoilenco, L. E. Burlakova, Z. K. Kartashevich, and A. N. Rachevskij. 1995. Recommendations for the Restoration of Lakes under Strong Anthropogenic Influence. Belgosuniversitet Press, Minsk. 73 p. (in Russian).

- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, I. A. Rudakovskiy, and Z. K. Kartashevich. 1996. Radioactive contamination of Belarussian lakes. In: T. V. Belookaya et al. (eds.) Ecological anthropology. Annual issue, pp. 46-58. Belarussian Committee "Deti Chernobilya" Press, Minsk (in Russian with English summary).
- Molloy, D. P., A. Y. Karatayev, L. E. Burlakova, D. P. Kurandina, and F. Laruelle. 1997. Natural Enemies of Zebra Mussels: Predators, Parasites and Ecological Competitors. *Reviews in Fisheries Science* 5(1): 27-97.
- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. 1997. The effect of *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas) invasion on aquatic communities in Eastern Europe. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 16(1): 187-203.
- Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karatayev, and D. P. Molloy. 1998. Field and laboratory studies of zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha*) infection by the ciliate *Conchophthirus acuminatus* in the Republic of Belarus. *Journal of Invertebrate Pathology* 71(3): 251-257.
- Burlakova, L. E. 1998. Ecology of mussel *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas) and its role in structure and function of aquatic ecosystems. Candidate Dissertation, Zoology Institute of the Academy of Science Republic Belarus, Minsk, Belarus, 168 pp. (in Russian with English abstract).
- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. 1998. Physical factors that limit the distribution and abundance of *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pall.). *Journal of Shellfish Research* 17(4): 1219-1235.
- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. P. Molloy. 2000. Seasonal dynamics of *Conchophthirus acuminatus* (Ciliophora, Conchophthiridae) infection in *Dreissena polymorpha* and *D. bugensis* (Bivalvia, Dreissenidae). *European Journal of Protistology* 36, pp. 397-404.
- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, D. P. Molloy, and L. K. Volkova. 2000. Endosymbionts of *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas) in Belarus. *International Review of Hydrobiology*. 85(5-6), pp. 543-559.
- Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karatayev, and D. K. Padilla. 2000. The impact of *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas) invasion on unionid bivalves. *International Review of Hydrobiology* 85(5-6). pp. 529-541.
- Kraft, C. E., P. J. Sullivan, A. Y. Karatayev, L. E. Burlakova, J. C. Nekola, L. E. Johnson, and D. K. Padilla. 2002. Landscape patterns of an aquatic invader: assessing dispersal extent from spatial distributions. *Ecological Applications* 12(3): 749-759.
- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, D. P. Molloy, L. K. Volkova, and V. V. Volosyuk. 2002. Field and laboratory studies of *Ophryoglena sp.* (Ciliata: Ophryoglenidae) infection in zebra mussels, *Dreissena polymorpha* (Bivalvia: Dreissenidae). *Journal of Invertebrate Pathology* 79(2002): 80-85.
- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova and D. K. Padilla. 2002. Impacts of Zebra Mussels on aquatic communities and their role as ecosystem engineers. In: Leppäkoski, E., S. Gollasch and S. Olenin (eds). Invasive Aquatic Species of Europe - Distribution, Impacts and Management. Kluwer Academic Publishers, Dordrecht, The Netherlands, pp 433-446.
- Karatayev A. Y., S. E. Mastitsky, L. E. Burlakova, D. P. Molloy, and G. G. Vezhnovets. 2003. Seasonal dynamics of endosymbiotic ciliates and nematodes in *Dreissena polymorpha*. *Journal of Invertebrate Pathology* 83 (1): 73-82.

Karatayev, A. Y., S. E. Mastitsky, D. P. Molloy, and L. E. Burlakova. 2003. Patterns of emergence and survival of *Conchophthirus acuminatus* (Ciliophora: Conchophthiridae) from *Dreissena polymorpha* (Bivalvia: Dreissenidae). *Journal of Shellfish Research* 22(1): 495-500.

Karatayev A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, T. Kesterton, and D. K. Padilla. 2003. Dominance of the Asiatic clam, *Corbicula fluminea* (Müller) in the benthic community of a reservoir. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 22(2): 487-493.

Karatayev A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, D. K. Padilla, and L. E. Johnson. 2003. Patterns of spread of the zebra mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas)): the continuing invasion of Belarussian lakes. *Biological Invasions*. 5(3): 213-221.

Howells, R. G., J. B. Wise, A. Y. Karatayev, and L. E. Burlakova. 2004. New "old records" of Asian clam *Corbicula fluminea* in Texas. *Ellipsaria* 6(3):11. (Scientific note).

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. 2005. Contrasting distribution and impacts of two freshwater exotic suspension feeders, *Dreissena polymorpha* and *Corbicula fluminea*. In: R. Dame and S. Olenin (eds.) The Comparative Roles of Suspension Feeders in Ecosystems. NATO Science Series: IV – Earth and Environmental Sciences. Springer, pp 239-262.

Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karatayev, and D. K. Padilla. 2005. Functional changes in benthic freshwater communities after *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas) invasion and consequences for filtration. In: R. Dame and S. Olenin (eds.) The Comparative Roles of Suspension Feeders in Ecosystems. NATO Science Series: IV – Earth and Environmental Sciences. Springer, pp 263-275.

Karatayev, A. Y., R. G. Howells, L. E. Burlakova, and B. D. Sewell. 2005. History of spread and current distribution of *Corbicula fluminea* (Müller) in Texas. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 24(2): 553-559.

Karatayev A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and S. I. Dodson. 2005. Community analysis of Belarusian lakes: relationship of species diversity to morphology, hydrology, and land use. *Journal of Plankton Research* 27(10): 1045-1053.

Burlakova, L. E., D. K. Padilla, A.Y. Karatayev, and D. Minchin. 2006. Endosymbionts of *Dreissena polymorpha* in Ireland: evidence for the introduction of adult mussels. *Journal of Molluscan Studies* 72: 207-210.

Karatayev, A.Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. 2006. Growth rate and longevity of *Dreissena polymorpha* (Pallas): a review and recommendations for future study. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 25(1): 23-32.

Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karatayev, and D. K. Padilla. 2006. Changes in the distribution and abundance of *Dreissena polymorpha* within lakes through time. *Hydrobiologia* 571:133–146.

Howells, R. G., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, R. K. Marfurt, and R. L. Burks. 2006. Native and introduced Ampullariidae in North America: history, status, and ecology. In: R. C. Joshi, L. S. Sebastian, eds. Global Advances in Ecology and Management of Golden Apple Snails. Philippine Rice Research Institute (PhilRice), Philippines. 73-112.

- Karatayev, A. Y., D. K. Padilla, D. Minchin, D. Boltovskoy, and L. E. Burlakova. 2007. Changes in global economies and trade: the potential spread of exotic freshwater bivalves. *Biological Invasions* 9:161–180.
- Karatayev, A. Y., D. Boltovskoy, D. K. Padilla, and L. E. Burlakova. 2007. The invasive bivalves *Dreissena polymorpha* and *Limnoperna fortunei*: parallels, contrasts, potential spread and invasion impacts. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 26 (1): 205-213.
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- Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and S. I. Dodson. 2008. Community analysis of Belarusian lakes: correlations of species diversity with hydrochemistry. *Hydrobiologia* 605: 99-112.
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Karatayev, A.Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. 2010. *Dreissena polymorpha* in Belarus: history of spread, population biology, and ecosystem impacts. Chapter 9 in G. van der Velde, S. Rajagopal and A. bij de Vaate (eds), The Zebra Mussel in Europe. Backhuys Publishers, Leiden/ Margraf Publishers, Weikersheim. p. 101-112.

Mastitsky, S. E., A. Y. Karatayev, L. E. Burlakova, and D. P. Molloy. 2010. Parasites of exotic species in invaded areas: does lower diversity mean lower epizootic impact? *Diversity and Distributions* 16: 798–803.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, V. A. Karatayev, and D. Boltovskoy. 2010. *Limnoperna fortunei* vs. *Dreissena polymorpha*: Population densities and benthic community impacts of two invasive freshwater bivalves. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 29(4): 975-985.

Karatayev, A. Y., S. E. Mastitsky, D. K. Padilla, L. E. Burlakova, and M. M. Hajduk. 2011. Differences in growth and survivorship of zebra and quagga mussels: size matters. *Hydrobiologia* 668(1):183-194.

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Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karatayev, V. A. Karatayev, M. E. May, D. L. Bennett, and M. J. Cook. 2011. Biogeography and conservation of freshwater mussels (Bivalvia: Unionidae) in Texas: Patterns of diversity and threats. *Diversity and Distributions* 17: 393-407.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, S. E. Mastitsky, D. K. Padilla, and E. L. Mills. 2011. Contrasting rates of spread of two congeners, *Dreissena polymorpha* and *Dreissena rostriformis bugensis*, at different spatial scales. *Journal of Shellfish Research* 30(3): 1–9.

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Mayer, D., A. Pérez-Fuentetaja, K. Nishikawa, H. Shi, M. Gaikowski, D. Aloisi, T. Hubert, M. Gaylo, L. Burlakova, A. Karatayev, M. Clapsadl, T. Brady, J. Luoma, and D. Molloy. Potential to manage the impacts of invasive species on endangered wildlife in the Great Lakes. 53rd Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. The International Association for Great Lakes Research. May 17-21, 2010. Toronto, Ontario.

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Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, S. E. Mastitsky, D. K. Padilla, E. L. Mills, and V. A. Karatayev. Competitive ability versus invasion rate: which is a better invader, *Dreissena polymorpha* or *Dreissena rostriformis bugensis*? 2010 American Association of Limnology and Oceanography ASLO/NABS Summer Meeting. June 6-10, 2010. Santa Fe, New Mexico. Abstracts.

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Burlakova, L. E., F. E. Lucy, A. Y. Karataev, S. E. Mastitsky, and D. T. Zanatta. *Dreissena* impacts on Unionida: A synthesis of trends in North America and Europe. 54th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 30 – June 3, 2011. Duluth, Minnesota.

Bade, D., J. Conroy, C. Pennuto, L. Burlakova, A. Karataev, A. Pérez-Fuentetaja, D. Kane, D. Culver, J. Kramer, and W. Edwards. 54th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. The International Association for Great Lakes Research. May 30 – June 3, 2011. Duluth, Minnesota.

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Karataev, A. Y., S. E. Mastitsky, L. E. Burlakova, V. A. Karataev, D. B. Conn, and M. Hajduk. Exotic molluscs in the Great Lakes region host pathogenic trematodes. 54th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 30 – June 3, 2011. Duluth, Minnesota.

Burlakova, L. E., A. Y. Karataev, V. A. Karataev, M. E. May, D. L. Bennett, and M. J. Cook. Biogeography and conservation of freshwater mussels (Bivalvia: Unionidae): drivers of diversity and threats. 7th Biennial Symposium of the Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society. April 11-15, 2011. Louisville, Kentucky.

Karataev, A. Y., T. D. Miller, and L. E. Burlakova. Long-term changes in unionid assemblages in the Rio Grande, one of the World's top 10 rivers at risk. 12th Annual 2011 Faculty and Staff Research and Creativity Fall Forum, Buffalo State College. October 2011. Buffalo, New York. Poster.

Karataev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. Distribution, population dynamics and ecosystem impacts of *Dreissena polymorpha* and *Dreissena rostriformis bugensis*. IV International Conference "Lake Ecosystems: Biological Processes, Anthropogenic Transformation, Water Quality." September 12-17, 2011. Naroch-Minsk, Belarus.

Tulumello, B. L., L. E. Burlakova, and A. Y. Karataev. Estimating the change in weight of *Dreissena polymorpha* and *Dreissena r. bugensis* fixed in ethanol. 22nd Annual Great Lakes Research Consortium Conference in SUNY-Oswego. March 30-31, 2012. Oswego, New York. Poster.

Juette, P. M., A. Y. Karataev, and L. E. Burlakova. Reconstruction of dreissenid biomass dynamics in Lake Erie. 22nd Annual Great Lakes Research Consortium Conference in SUNY-Oswego. March 30-31, 2012. Oswego, New York. Poster.

Karataev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and S. E. Mastitsky. Predicting the zebra mussels spread: what can we learn from 200 years of continuous invasion. 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada.

Karataev, V. A., A. Y. Karataev, L. G. Rudstam, and L. E. Burlakova. A century of change in molluscan community in Lake Oneida: Evidence of recovery? 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada.

Hannes, I. P., H. R. Lasker, and L. E. Burlakova. Proposed study of unionid community below and above escarpments from Lake Ontario and Lake Erie tributaries. 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada. Poster.

Snyder, R. J., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and D. B. MacNeill. Evaluating Ponto-Caspian fishes for risk of Great Lakes invasion. 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada.

Tulumello, B. L., L. E. Burlakova, and A. Y. Karatayev. Estimating the change in weight of *Dreissena polymorpha* and *Dreissena r. bugensis* fixed in ethanol. 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada. Poster.

Zanatta, D. T., J. Bateman, J. L. Bergner, J. Bossenbroek, L. E. Burlakova, T. Crail, F. de Szalay, T. Griffith, M. Hickin, D. Kapusinski, A. Y. Karatayev, L. Kolich, R. A. Krebs, G. Longton, E. Meyer, W. Paterson, T. Prescott, M. T. Rowe, D. W. Schloesser, M. Scott, M. Shackelford, K. Shreve, and M. Walsh. Survey and reassessment of Unionidae in Lake Erie and Lake St. Clair, 25 years after the dreissenid invasion. 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada.

Pennuto, C.M., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, A. Perez-Fuentetaja, J. Kramer, G. Matisoff, D. L. Bade, C. Mayer, and T. Bridgeman. Benthos and water column correlations in nearshore Lake Erie. 55th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 13-17, 2012. Cornwell, Ontario, Canada.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, D. P. Molloy, S. E. Mastitsky, V. A. Karatayev, and D. B. Conn. Parasites of exotic species in invaded areas: does lower diversity mean lower epizootic impact? Invited talk at the Cornell University Biological Field Station, Bridgeport, New York. July 20, 2012.

Karatayev, A., T. Miller, and L. Burlakova. Long-term changes in unionid assemblages in the Rio Grande, one of the World's top 10 Rivers at Risk. International Meeting on Biology and Conservation of Freshwater Bivalves. September 4-7, 2012. Braganca, Portugal.

Karatayev, A., L. Burlakova, and T. Miller. Long-term changes in the distribution range and population size of Texas hornshell *Popenaias popeii*. 8th Biennial Symposium of the Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society. April 10-15, 2013. Guntersville, Alabama.

Zanatta, D., J. Bateman, J. Bossenbroek, L. Burlakova, T. Crail, F. de Szalay, T. Griffith, D. Kapusinski, A. Karatayev, R. Krebs, G. Longton, E. Meyer, W. Paterson, T. Prescott, M. Rowe, D. Schloesser, D. Shackelford, and M. Walsh. Reassessment of the remnant unionid community in Lake Erie and Lake St. Clair, 25 years after the dreissenid invasion. 8th Biennial Symposium of the Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society. April 10-15, 2013. Guntersville, Alabama.

Hannes, I., H. Lasker, and L. Burlakova. Determination of dispersal and gene flow at multiple scales in unionids: from sperm to species. 8th Biennial Symposium of the Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society. April 10-15, 2013. Guntersville, Alabama. Poster.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, S. E. Mastitsky, and D. K. Padilla. Predicting the zebra mussels spread: what can we learn from 200 years of continuous invasion? 18th International Conference on Aquatic Invasive Species. April 21-25, 2013. Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada.

Karatayev, V. A., A. Y. Karatayev, L. E. Burlakova, and L. G. Rudstam. Eutrophication versus *Dreissena*: a century of change in the Lake Oneida's molluscan community. 56th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 3-6, 2013. West Lafayette, Indiana.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, C. M. Pennuto, J. Ciborowsky, V. A. Karatayev, P. Juette, and M. Clapsadl. Twenty-five years of changes in *Dreissena spp.* populations in Lake Erie. 56th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 3-6, 2013. West Lafayette, Indiana.

Snyder, R. J., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and D. B. MacNeill. Enhanced early detection of invasive Ponto-Caspian fishes in the Great Lakes. 56th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 3-6, 2013. West Lafayette, Indiana.

Juette, P., A. Y. Karatayev, and L. E. Burlakova. Factors affecting dreissenid allometry. 56th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 3-6, 2013. West Lafayette, Indiana. Poster.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. The most aggressive freshwater invaders: Parallels, contrasts, spread, and ecosystem impacts of zebra and quagga mussels. World Congress of Malacology. July 22-26, 2013. Azores, Portugal.

Burlakova, L., A. Karatayev, S. Daniel, B. Tulumello, J. Fisher, K. Hastings, and K. Pawlowski. Great Lakes Center participates in EPA's Long-Term Biological Monitoring of Great Lakes. 14th Annual 2013 Faculty and Staff Research and Creativity Fall Forum, Buffalo State College. October 2013. Buffalo, New York. Poster.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. Spread, population dynamics and ecosystem impacts of zebra versus quagga mussels. 57th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 26-30, 2014. Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

Daniel, S., L. Burlakova, A. Karatayev, B. Tulumello, J. Fisher, K. Hastings, and K. Pawlowski. Long-Term Benthic Monitoring of Laurentian Great Lakes. 57th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 26-30, 2014. Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.

Pawlowski, K., L. E. Burlakova, and A. Y. Karatayev. Do quagga mussels (*Dreissena rostriformis bugensis*) found in shallow and deep environments differ in their wet to dry weight ratios? 16th Annual Student Research and Creativity Celebration, SUNY Buffalo State. April 28, 2014. Buffalo, New York. Poster.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. Zebra versus quagga mussels: Spread, population dynamics and ecosystem impacts. 15th World Lake Conference. September 1-5, 2014. Perugia, Italy.

Karatayev, V. A., A. Y. Karatayev, L. E. Burlakova, and L. Rudstam. Eutrophication and *Dreissena* invasion as drivers of biodiversity: a century of change in a diverse mollusc community. 15th World Lake Conference. September 1-5, 2014. Perugia, Italy.

Hannes, I. P., H. R. Lasker, and L. E. Burlakova. Blurred lines in conservation: Freshwater mussel gene flow and species boundaries. 5th Annual Student Conference on Conservation Science New York (SCCS-NY). October 14-17, 2014 (poster). Best Poster Award.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and K. Mehler. Preliminary results of *Dreissena spp.* study in Lake Erie using traditional sampling and Video Imaging Analysis. Invited talk presented February 12, 2015, at EPA Great Lakes National Program Office, Chicago, Illinois.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and D. K. Padilla. Difference in spread, population dynamics, and ecosystem impacts of two *Dreissena* congeners. ASLO Aquatic Sciences Meeting. February 2015. Granada, Spain.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, and K. Mehler. Long-term dynamics of *Dreissena spp.* in Lake Erie: Insights for population boom and bust. 58th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 25-29, 2015. Burlington, Vermont.

Mehler, K., A. Karatayev, L. Burlakova, and D. Gorsky. Benthic habitat mapping using remote sensing and GIS in the Niagara River. 58th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 25-29, 2015. Burlington, Vermont.

Daniel, S. E., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and B. L. Tulumello. Effect of *Dreissena* on profundal Oligochaeta community. 58th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 25-29, 2015. Burlington, Vermont. Poster.

Paterson, W. L., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and J. M. Watkins. An international approach to improve early detection of alien species in the Great Lakes. 58th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. May 25-29, 2015. Burlington, Vermont. Poster.

Porto-Hannes, I., L. Burlakova, and H. Lasker. Species boundaries and levels of intermixing between two freshwater mussel species (Family: Unionidae). Second International Meeting on Biology and Conservation of Freshwater Bivalves. October 4-8, 2015. Buffalo, New York.

Collas, F. P. L., A. Y. Karatayev, L. E. Burlakova, and R. S. E. W. Leuven. Boat hull mediated overland dispersal chance of dreissenid mussels. Second International Meeting on Biology and Conservation of Freshwater Bivalves. October 4-8, 2015. Buffalo, New York.

Dascher E., J. Olson, L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, T. Bonner, and A. N. Schwalb. How does the distribution of unionid freshwater mussels in Texas relate to the distribution of fishes? Second International Meeting on Biology and Conservation of Freshwater Bivalves. October 4-8, 2015. Buffalo, New York.

Mehler, K., A. Y. Karatayev, and L. E. Burlakova. Estimation of exotic bivalve distribution and abundance in a large river using traditional sampling, remote sensing, and GIS-derived benthic habitat maps. Second International Meeting on Biology and Conservation of Freshwater Bivalves. October 4-8, 2015. Buffalo, New York.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, K. Mehler, V. A. Karatayev, T. F. Nalepa, A. K. Baldridge, and E. K. Hinckley. Underwater video is an effective tool to reveal *Dreissena* spatial distribution and biomass. 59th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 6-10, 2016. Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

Mehler, K., L. E. Burlakova, A. Y. Karatayev, and A. G. Cevaer. Benthic invertebrate assessment in the lower Niagara River: Distribution and community structure. 59th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 6-10, 2016. Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

Daniel, S. E., L. E. Burlakova, and A. Y. Karatayev. The effect of *Dreissena* on vertical distribution and abundance of Oligochaeta in Lake Erie. 59th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 6-10, 2016. Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

Cevaer, A. G., K. Mehler, L. E. Burlakova, and A. Y. Karatayev. Historic and current benthic macroinvertebrate community in the Niagara River. 59th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 6-10, 2016. Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

Vanderploeg, H. A., J. F. Cavaletto, A. K. Baldridge, L. E. Burlakova, H. J. Carrick, A. Y. Karatayev, G. A. Lang, J. R. Liebig, D. M. Mason, T. F. Nalepa, S. A. Pothoven, M. D. Rowe, E. S. Rutherford, and D. J. Wells. Spatial organization of pelagic and benthic food webs in southern Lake Michigan in 2015. 59th Annual Conference on Great Lakes Research. June 6-10, 2016. Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, K. Mehler, S. A. Bocaniov, P. D. Collingsworth, G. Warren, R. T. Kraus, and E. K. Hinchey. Bottom hypoxia is a major driver of *Dreissena* spp. distribution in Lake Erie. XXXIII Congress of the International Society of Limnology. July 31 - August 5, 2016. Turin, Italy.

Barbiero, R., B. Lesht, G. Warren, L. Burlakova, and L. Rudstam. A comparison of recent changes in nutrients and the lower food web in Lake Huron and Lake Michigan: synchronous changes, dyssynchronous causes? XXXIII Congress of the International Society of Limnology. July 31 - August 5, 2016. Turin, Italy.

Daniel, S., L. E. Burlakova, and A. Y. Karatayev. The effect of *Dreissena* on the vertical distribution and abundance of Oligochaeta in Lake Erie. 17th Annual Faculty/Staff Research and Creativity Fall Forum, Buffalo State College. October 27, 2016. Buffalo, New York. Poster.

Mehler, K., A. Y. Karatayev, and L. E. Burlakova. Integrating remote sensing techniques and spatial modelling to better understand benthos distribution in the Niagara River. 17th Annual Faculty/Staff Research and Creativity Fall Forum, Buffalo State College. October 27, 2016. Buffalo, New York. Poster.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, K. Mehler, V. A. Karatayev, T. F. Nalepa, A. K. Elgin, and E. K. Hinchey. Underwater video is an effective tool to reveal *Dreissena* spatial distribution and densities. Cooperative Science and Monitoring Initiative – Lake Michigan. January 26, 2017. Chicago, Illinois.

Karatayev, A.Y., L. E. Burlakova, K. Mehler, S. A. Bocaniov, P. D. Collingsworth, G. Warren, R.T. Kraus, and E. K. Hinchey. Biomonitoring using invasive species in a large lake: *Dreissena* distribution maps hypoxia zones. Status of Lake Erie: Understanding the Nearshore and Its Connections. The 8th Binational Meeting of the Lake Erie Millennium Network. February 21-23, 2017. Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Karatayev, V. A., T. F. Nalepa, A. Y. Karatayev, B. Weidel, L. G. Rudstam, and L. E. Burlakova. Living fast or slow: habitat-specific demography of invasives regulates their large-scale food web impacts. American Society of Limnology and Oceanography 2017 Aquatic Sciences Meeting. February 27 - March 3, 2017. Honolulu, Hawaii.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, K. Mehler, V. A. Karatayev, T. Nalepa, A. Elgin, and E. Hinchey. Underwater video is an effective tool to reveal *Dreissena* spatial distribution. American Society of

Limnology and Oceanography 2017 Aquatic Sciences Meeting. February 27 - March 3, 2017. Honolulu, Hawaii.

Karatayev, A. Y., L. E. Burlakova, K. Mehler, V. A. Karatayev, T. F. Nalepa, A. K. Elgin, and E. K. Hinchey. Underwater video is an effective tool to reveal *Dreissena* spatial distribution. 10th Biennial Symposium of the Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society. March 26-30, 2017. Cleveland, Ohio.

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Professional Societies

International Association for Great Lakes Research

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Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society

Great Lakes Unified Malacologists

International Research Consortium on Molluscan Symbionts

Baltic Marine Biologists (BMB)

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International Group on Aquatic Alien Species

Teaching Experience

USA

Great Lakes Seminar GLC 600 (1 credit). Great Lakes Ecosystem Science Master's programs, Fall 2014.

Biostatistics and Biological Data Analysis (4 credits, Lecture and Lab). Developed as a new graduate/undergraduate course. Fall 2008, 2011.

Biological Experimental Design and Analysis (3 credits; Lecture and Lab). Developed as a new graduate course. Fall 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006.

Population Biology (3 credits). Developed as a new graduate course. Spring 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007.

Conservation Biology (3 credits). Developed as a new graduate/undergraduate course. Fall 2005, 2006.

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Ph.D. Thesis by Sara Meehan, "Assessment and Utilisation of Zequanox for Zebra Mussel (*Dreissena polymorpha*) Control in Irish Waters." Institute of Technology, Sligo, Ireland, September 2014.

M.Sc. Thesis by Elaine Keenan, "Changes in Littoral Invertebrate Communities in Lough Corrib in Response to an Invasion by *Lagarosiphon major*." College of Life Sciences, School of Biology and Environmental Science, University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland, June 2010.

Service

Organizer, special sessions at ASLO Aquatic Sciences Meetings (2017, 2019).

Organizer, special sessions at the Annual Meetings of the International Association of Great Lakes Research in 2009 – 2019.

Co-chair, special session at the International Conference “Big Lakes, Small World,” European Large Lakes Symposium and International Association for Great Lakes Research (ELLS-IAGLR-2018), September 23-28, 2018, Evian, France.

Organizer, special session at the XXXIII Congress of the International Society of Limnology, July 31 - August 5, 2016.

Member of the Organizing Committee for the Second International Freshwater Bivalves Conference. Buffalo, NY, October 4-8, 2015.

Stephen F. Austin State University Department Graduate Committee (2003 – 2007).

Panel Member, Council for Computer-aided Teaching at the Biology College, Belarusian State University, 1998 – 2000.

Workshops and International Activities

1994 (December): International Workshop on Zebra Mussel Parasites, Minsk, Belarus

1995 (October): International Workshop on Zebra Mussel Parasites, France

1997 (June): International Workshop on Zebra Mussel Parasites, Minsk, Belarus

1998 (February): International Workshop on Zebra Mussel Parasites, Cornwall-on-Hudson, USA

2004 (October): "The Comparative Roles of Suspension Feeders in Ecosystems," NATO Advanced Research Workshop, Nida, Lithuania

2005 (May): International Research Workshop "Portrait of marine and freshwater invertebrate invaders," Ireland

2017 (July); International Workshop to explore the effect of biological invasions on aquatic ecosystems in Belarus and in North America, Cornell Biological Field Station, Bridgeport, NY.

2018 (December): Ecological Risk Assessment of Black Carp (*Mylopharyngodon piceus*) for the Great Lakes Basin Peer Review Meeting.