

Statement:

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I work in comparative genomics of cotton. The Comparative & Bioinformatic chair would be a good fit with my research interests. I am leading a larger resequencing project for the NSF of cotton germplasm of the USDA. We are also generating de novo sequences of several difference cotton species. As chair of the Comparative and Bioinformatic I could help organize and direct ICGI's activities and the activities between members so that genomic efforts are non-redundant, but also publicly available. I am working with CottonGen to have all of the genomic data for cotton available to researchers for cotton improvement and to address basic biological questions of the cotton genome.