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TITLE: Ancient DNA in Lake Sediment

OBJECTIVES OF RESEARCH:

The Arctic is currently warming twice as fast as the global average with summer temperatures predicted to be 4 to 6°C above late 20th Century averages by 2100 CE. Amplified warming in the Arctic is expected to result in a northward shift in plant ranges. We proposed to sample Baffin Island lake sediment that preserves ancient DNA from the current warm times (the last 10,000 years) and the much warmer previous warm time about 125,000 years ago. Ancient DNA will document how different plants were in those earlier warm times, and organic molecules allow us to estimate how much warmer the summers were then. By combining these data with modern vegetation studies and climate monitoring, an ecosystem-climate model will be developed to predict the likely evolution of Arctic ecosystems by 2100 CE

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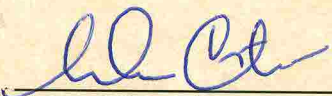
DATA COLLECTION IN NU:

DATES: May 10, 2019-August 25, 2019

LOCATION: Clyde River Area, Pond Inlet Area

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