

THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE VARIATION AND EXTREMES ON TROPHIC-LEVEL RESPONSES IN DESERT SCRUB COMMUNITIES

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DR. ANDERSON'S RESEARCH FOCUSES ON HOW THE BEHAVIORAL, PHYSIOLOGICAL, AND MORPHOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES AMONG INDIVIDUALS, POPULATIONS, AND SPECIES OF LIZARDS RELATE TO THE UNIQUE SETS OF ECOLOGICAL CHALLENGES THE LIZARDS ENCOUNTER. HIS COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH WITH STUDENTS HAS INCLUDED STUDY OF FOOD ACQUISITION, PREDATOR EVASION AND AVOIDANCE, AND THE TEMPERATURE EFFECTS ON LOCOMOTOR PERFORMANCE, BITE PERFORMANCE, AND RISK TAKING.

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