
2002 Edward S. Deevey Award: Lynn L. Anderson

Edward S. Deevey, a founder of modern paleoecology, was a dedicated student advisor who mentored many investigators active in the field today. To honor his memory and encourage high-quality research by graduate students, the Paleocology Section presents an award to the student making the best oral or poster presentation in paleoecology at the ESA Annual Meeting.

Lynn L. Anderson, a graduate student in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of Illinois, won the 2002 Deevey award for her talk “A molecular-genetic approach to understanding the migration history of *Picea* (spruce) in North America,” which she co-authored with F. S. Hu and K. N. Paige. Ms. Anderson is testing several hypotheses about the late Quaternary migration history of spruce by analyzing noncoding genetic markers from the chloroplast, mitochondrial, and nuclear genomes of modern spruce needles. The committee was particularly impressed with the careful construction of the hypotheses and the innovative techniques used to test them, as well as the clarity of Ms. Anderson’s presentation. She completed her B.S. in zoology at Eastern Illinois University in



1995 and her M.S. in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences at the University of Illinois in 2000.

The Paleocology Section is proud of the students who competed for this year’s Deevey Award and encourages others to participate in the 2003 competition, to be held at the Annual Meeting in Savannah, Georgia. The Section appreciates the efforts of the 2002 Deevey Award Selection Committee: Emily Heyerdahl (Chair), Dan Gavin, Jack Williams, and Jesse Ford.
