



Talya Wawrow, B.Sc.
Senior Taxonomist

Talya has been with Entomogen since 2004 and is an expert in larvae and adult mosquito identification. Each year she identifies thousands of mosquitoes as part of our West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus Surveillance Programs. Talya is familiar with all the steps of Entomogen's protocols from mosquito trap sorting to data entry. She often assists in training new staff members, and conducts quality control audits to ensure accurate identification. Talya has also assisted with the identification of mosquitoes from Costa Rica.

She also oversees our Benthic Identification team, and has extensive experience working with CABIN protocols for identification. Talya possesses her Society for Freshwater Science (formerly NABS) certification to Family level and is intimately familiar with OBBN protocols for sampling and processing Benthic samples. She is Entomogen's primary benthic invertebrate identifier and has also conducted 3rd party quality control audits for clients.

Talya has participated in a variety of field work ranging from Stormwater Pond Surveillance for West Nile virus to stream sampling. She has conducted benthic sampling at numerous sites in Ontario in addition to participating in Odonate and Lepidopteran surveys for landowners.