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Chelsea Wood is an Associate Professor in the School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences at the University of Washington. Her research addresses the question: is the world wormier than it used to be? That is, she is interested in the historical ecology of parasitism. She uses multiple techniques to resurrect information on parasite populations of the past, supplying historical context that can reveal whether and why the abundance of parasites is changing through time. Chelsea has accumulated over 50 peer-reviewed publications, US\$7.5M in grant funding for parasite research, and some of the most prestigious awards available to early-career scientists, including the US National Academy of Sciences Kavli Fellowship, the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Sloan Research Fellowship, the Ecological Society of America's Early Career Fellowship, and the *Science* Magazine and SciLifeLab Prize for Young Scientists. She has appeared as a featured guest on podcasts by Bill Nye and NPR and has been profiled in *The Atlantic*, *Scientific American*, and *The Scientist*. Chelsea holds degrees in ecology from Stanford University and Dartmouth College and completed postdoctoral fellowships at the University of Colorado and the University of Michigan.