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Education

Ph.D., Plant Biology. 2004. University of Maryland, College Park, MD
Bachelor of Science, Botany. 1992. University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Professional Experience

Associate Curator Emeritus. 2025-Present. Center for Biodiversity and Evolution, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
Adjunct Associate Professor. 2008-Present. Biological Sciences, Fordham University, Bronx, NY
Doctoral Faculty. 2007-Present. City University of New York, Graduate Center, Biology Program, Plant Sciences sub-program, New York, NY
Associate Curator. 2014-2025. Center for Biodiversity and Evolution, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
Guest Faculty. 2008-2023. Biology, Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
Graduate Faculty. 2020-2022. Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI
Assistant Curator. 2007-2014. Cullman Program, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
Chair - Phycological Section, Botanical Society of America. 2006-2009.
Postdoctoral Fellow. 2006-2007. National Institutes of Health - National Research Service Award, Genomics/Biology, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
LBNA Guest Researcher. 2005-2008. Department of Energy Joint Genome Institute, Walnut Creek, CA
Research Associate (post-doc). 2004-2006. US National Science Foundation Tree of Life Program, Biology, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Graduate Student. 1998-2004. Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
Research Assistant. 1999-2003. US National Science Foundation PEET Program, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
Graduate Admissions Committee. 2001 & 2002. Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
Executive Committee. 1999-2000. Green Plant Phylogeny Research Coordination Group
Biological Research Technician. 1997-1998. Laboratory of Molecular Systematics, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC
Contract Researcher. 1997. Laboratory of Molecular Systematics, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC
Research Technician. 1993-1996. Biological Sciences, DePaul University, Chicago, IL
Visiting Scientist. 1995. Paleobotany, Université des Sciences et Techniques du Languedoc, Montpellier, France
Research Technician III. 1993. Zoology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
Research Technician II. 1991-1993. Botany, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI

Teaching Experience

Curriculum Courses – Sarah Lawrence College (11)

- Guest Faculty.* 2023. Plant Systematics and Evolution, Biology 3128R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2022. Principles of Botany, Biology 3121R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2022. Plant Systematics and Evolution, Biology 3128R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2021. Principles of Botany, Biology 3121R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2019. Plant Systematics and Evolution, Biology 3128R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2018. Principles of Botany, Biology 3121R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2018. Photosynthetic Life, General Biology Series 3017R. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2017. Plant Systematics and Evolution, Biology 3128R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2016. Principles of Botany, Biology 3121R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2015. Plant Systematics and Evolution, Biology 3128R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2014. Principles of Botany, Biology 3121R1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY

Independent Study Courses – Sarah Lawrence College (8)

- Guest Faculty.* 2021. Conservation Status of Potentially Endangered Freshwater Algae, Biology 6731I1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2021. Herbaria Classification and Digitization: Moving the Sarah Lawrence Herbarium Towards the Contemporary Age, Biology 6732I1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2019. DNA Barcoding: Investigation into Genomes of Characeae Chloroplasts, Biology 6725I1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2018. Mapping the Distribution of an Aquatic Invasive in Michigan, Biology 6903I1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2017. Phylogenetic Theory and Applications: An Evolutionary Study of *Chara* Subsection Willdenowia, Biology 6718I1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2016. DNA Barcoding & Phylogeny: Study of Characeae, a Family of Green Algae, Biology 6717I1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2015. Identification of indet. Characeae specimens in the NYBG herbarium using DNA barcoding, Biology 6406W1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
- Guest Faculty.* 2015. Exploring Historic Collections to Better Understand Algae Utilities, Biology 6404W1. Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY

Other Courses (8)

- Guest Lecturer.* 2023. Evolution of the Klebsormidiophyceae, Seminar in Special Topics, BIOL 79302. City University of New York, New York, NY
- Guest Lecturer.* 2020. Algal Diversity and Systematics, Current Topics in Plant Biology, BIOL 79302. City University of New York, New York, NY
- Guest Lecturer.* 2018. The Characeae of the Upper Midwest. *Aquatic Plant Identification and Sampling*, UW - Stevens Point. Stevens Point, WI
- Guest Lecturer.* 2006. Inferring Phylogenies, Genetics 570 (Instructor: J. Felsenstein). University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- Guest Lecturer.* 2006. Phycology: Introduction to Algae, Biology 446 (Instructors: R.J. Waaland & R.A. Cattolico). University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- Graduate Teaching Assistant.* 1998-1999. Plant Biology 101, University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- Instructor.* 1998. Segundo Curso en Técnicas de Genética Molecular para la Conservación y Uso de la Biodiversidad, Centro Internacional de Agricultura Tropical (CIAT), Palmira, Colombia
- Teaching Assistant.* 1996. Phycology 361/461, DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Awards and Honors

- MN-LCCMR/Environment and Natural Resources Trust 2021-055*. 2021-2025. Protecting Minnesota's Beneficial Macroalgae: All Stoneworts Aren't Starry, \$811,325 (\$403,900 to Co-PI Karol); with Principal Investigator Donna J. Perleberg. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- WI-DNR Aquatic Invasive Species Grant Program AIRD10716*. 2016-2023. Desiccation, Freezing, and Dispersal of *Nitellopsis obtusa*, \$110,325. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- State of Minnesota Annual Plan Agreement*. 2019. Macroalgae (Characeae) Collection and Identification Workshop, \$4,998. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- State of Minnesota Annual Plan Agreement*. 2018. Macroalgae (Characeae) Collection and Identification Workshop, \$3,520. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- NSF Research Grant DBI-1701691*. 2017-2018. Dissertation Research: Quantifying Rapid Adaptation in an Aquatic Invasive Algal Species, \$19,751; with Co-Principal Investigator Robin S. Sleith. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- State of Minnesota Annual Plan Agreement*. 2017. Macroalgae (Characeae) Collection and Identification Workshop, \$2,745. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- State of Minnesota Annual Plan Agreement*. 2016. Macroalgae (Characeae) Collection and Identification Workshop, \$3615. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- NSF Research Grant DBI-1348920*. 2014-2017. CSBR: Expansion of the New York Botanical Garden Herbarium to Incorporate Newly Acquired Specimens and Improve Curation, \$330,806; with Principal Investigator Barbara M. Theirs and Co-Principal Investigators Roy E. Halling, Andrew J. Henderson and James C. Lendemer. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- Sarah K. deCoizart Perpetual Charitable Trust*. 2014-2016. Starry Stonewort: Assessing the Threat of an Invasive Freshwater Macro-alga in the Northeast, \$100,000. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- NSF Research Grant EF-1304933*. 2013-2018. Digitization TCN: Collaborative Research: The Macroalgal Herbarium Consortium: Accessing 150 Years of Specimen Data to Understand Changes in the Marine/Aquatic Environment, \$3,200,000 (\$694,370 to Co-PI Karol); forty-nine institutions, Principal Investigator Christopher D. Neefus (NHA) plus 5 collaborative proposals (MICH, NCU, NY, UC, WTU). New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- NSF REU Site Grant DBI-1063076*. 2011-2017. REU Site: Calder Summer Undergraduate Research (CSUR) Program in Conservation and Urban Ecology, \$207,058; Senior Personnel with Principal Investigator John D. Wehr and Co-Principle Investigator James D. Lewis. Fordham University, Bronx, NY
- NSF Research Grant DEB-1036466*. 2010-2017. ATOL: Collaborative Research: Assembling the Green Algal Tree of Life (GrAToL), \$2,706,890 (\$561,000 to PI Karol); with Co-Principal Investigators Charles F. Delwiche, Louise A. Lewis, Paul O. Lewis, Juan M. Lopez-Bautista and Richard M. McCourt. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- NSF Research Grant DEB-1020660*. 2010-2016. Collaborative Research: Phylogeny and Systematics of the Characeae (Charales), \$445,000 (\$415,000 to PI Karol); with Co-Principal Investigator Richard M. McCourt. New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- The Yosemite Fund*. 2008-2009. Unusual Lake Floras, \$174,526 (\$14,800 to K.G. Karol). New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- National Institutes of Health - National Research Service Award*. 2006-2007. Genomics/Biology, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- AAAS/Science Sponsored Membership*. 2004-2006. AAAS/Science Program for Excellence in Science. Nominated by the Dean of the Graduate School, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- Graduate School Dean's Fellowship*. 2002-2003. University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- College Travel Award*. 2001, 2002. University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Award*. 2000. University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- Hoshaw Travel Award - Phycological Society of America*. 2000. San Diego, CA
- National Museum of Natural History Graduate Fellowship*. 1999. Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

International Botanical Congress - Green Plant Phylogeny Research Coordination Group Travel Award. 1999.

Cell Biology and Molecular Genetics Outstanding Teaching Assistant. 1998-1999. University of Maryland, College Park, MD

Personal Recognition for Ingenuity, Drive and Excellence (PRIDE) Award. 1998. Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

Visiting Fellowship. February-March 1996. University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

University Bookstore Academic Excellence Award. 1991-1992. University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Publications — Peer Reviewed Journals (71) (*contributed equally to this work)

- Labiak, P.H.*, L-Y Kuo*, B.D. Fauskee & K.G. Karol. 2025. Evolutionary mobility and genetic dynamics of MORFFO genes: shuttling among ancient plant lineages. (in revision)
- Crowell, R.M., K.G. Karol & M.L. Vis. 2025. Phylogenetic relationships among seven freshwater red algal genera in the Batrachospermaceae (Batrachospermales, Rhodophyta) using complete chloroplast genome data. *J. Phycol.* 61: 1640-1651. doi.org/10.1111/jpy.70095
- Moore, E.K., B.L. Keck, K.G. Karol, S.A. Woznicki & S.E. Hamsher. 2025. Growth of starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa* (Desvaux) J. Groves, Characeae) in two Michigan, USA drowned river mouth lakes. *J. Great Lakes Res.* 51: 102687. doi.org/10.1016/j.jglr.2025.102687
- McManus, H.A., K.G. Karol & J. Lenarczyk. 2025. Finding *Euastropsis* Lagerheim (Chlorophyceae): Insights into morphological and genome evolution in the green algal family Hydrodictyaceae. *J. Phycol.* 61: 1083-1091. doi.org/10.1111/jpy.70073
- Fisher, J.P., J.D. Hall & K.G. Karol. 2025. *Chara brittonii* T. F. Allen ex C. B. Robinson. *The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species* 2025: e.T192252A2061313
- Gottschalk, S.D., A. Boissezon, S.E. Hamsher, R.M. McCourt, D.J. Perleberg, P.M. Skawinski, R.S. Sleith & K.G. Karol. 2024. We do not see evidence for the presence of female gametangia (oospores) in North American *Nitellopsis obtusa* (Desvaux) J. Groves. *Botany*. 00: 1-4. dx.doi.org/10.1139/cjb-2023-0102
- Glass, S.E., R.M. McCourt, L.M. Louise & K.G. Karol. 2023. Chloroplast genome evolution and phylogeny in the Klebsormidiophyceae and *Streptofilum*. *J. Phycol.* 59: 1133-1146. doi.org/10.1111/jpy.13359
- Casanova, M.T. & K.G. Karol. 2023. Charophytes of Australia's Northern Territory. II Tribe *Nitelleae*. *Aust. Syst. Bot.* 36: 322-353. doi.org/10.1071/SB22029
- Neuman, E.K., S.A. Woznicki, K.G. Karol & S.E. Hamsher. 2023. Modeling of suitable habitats for starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa*) in inland lakes in the Midwest and northeast U.S.A. *Biol. Invasions*. doi.org/10.1007/s10530-023-03111-6
- Casanova, M.T. & K.G. Karol. 2023. Charophytes of Australia's Northern Territory. I Tribe *Chareae* (Leonh.) Zaneveld. *Aust. Syst. Bot.* 36: 38-79. doi:10.1071/SB22023
- Holzhausen A., P. Nowak, A. Ballot, R. Becker, J. Gebert, T. Gregor, K.G. Karol, E. Lambert, W. Pérez, U. Raabe, S.C. Schneider, N. Stewart, K. van de Weyer, V. Wilde & H. Schubert. 2023. Plastid DNA sequences and oospore characters of some European species of *Tolypella* section *Tolypella* (Characeae) identify five clusters, including one new cryptic *Tolypella* species from the Mediterranean island Sardinia, but they do not coincide with current morphological descriptions. *Front. Plant Sci.* 14: doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2023.1096181
- Hoffman, J.R., K.G. Karol, Y. Ohmura, C.S. Pogoda, K.G. Keepers, R.T. McMullin & J.C. Lendemer. 2023. Mitochondrial genomics in the iconic reindeer lichens: architecture, variation and synteny across multiple evolutionary scales. *Mycologia*. 115: 187-205. https://doi.org/10.1080/00275514.2022.2157665
- Ke, B-F., G-J. Wang, P.H. Labiak, G. Rouhan, Goflag Consortium, C-W. Chen, L. Shepherd, D.J. Ohlsen, M.A. Renner, K.G. Karol, F-W. Li & L-Y. Kuo. 2022. Systematics and plastome evolution in Schizaeaceae. *Front. Plant Sci.* 13: 885501. doi: 10.3389/fpls.2022.885501
- Sleith, R.S. & K.G. Karol. 2021. Global high-throughput genotyping of organellar genomes reveals the origin and spread of invasive starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa*). *Biol. Invasions* 23: 3471-3482. doi:10.1007/s10530-021-02591-8

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- Fučíková, K., P.O. Lewis, S. Neupane, K.G. Karol & L.A. Lewis. 2019. Order, Please! Uncertainty in the Ordinal-Level Classification of Chlorophyceae. *PeerJ* 7:e6899. doi:10.7717/peerj.6899
- Muthukrishnan, R., R.S. Sleith, K.G. Karol & D.J. Larkin. 2018. Prediction of starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa*) invasion risk in upper Midwest lakes using ecological niche models. *Aquatic Bot.* 151: 43-50, doi:10.1016/j.aquabot.2018.08.001
- Nishiyama, T., H. Sakayama, J. de Vries, H. Buschmann, D. Saint-Marcoux, K.K. Ullrich, F.B. Haas, L. Vanderstraeten, D. Becker, D. Lang, S. Vosolsobě, S. Rombauts, P.K.I. Wilhelmsson, P. Janitza, R. Kern, A. Heyl, F. Rümpler, L.I.A. Calderón Villalobos, J.M. Clay, R. Skokan, A. Toyoda, Y. Suzuki, H. Kagoshima, E. Schijlen, N. Tajeshwar, B. Catarino, A.J. Hetherington, A. Saltykova, C. Bonnot, H. Breuninger, A. Symeonidi, G.V. Radhakrishnan, F. Van Nieuwerburgh, D. Deforce, C. Chang, K.G. Karol, R. Hedrich, P. Ulvskov, G. Glöckner, C.F. Delwiche, J. Petrásek, Y. Van de Peer, J. Friml, M. Beilby, L. Dolan, Y. Kohara, S. Sugano, A. Fujiyama, M. Quint, P.-M. Delaux, G. Theissen, M. Hagemann, J. Harholt, C. Dunand, S. Zachgo, J. Langdale, F. Maumus, D. Van Der Straeten, S. Gould & S.A. Rensing. 2018. The *Chara* genome: secondary complexity and implications for plant terrestrialization. *Cell* 171: 448-464, doi: 10.1016/j.cell.2018.06.033
- Karol, K.G., M.S. Alix, R.W. Scribailo, P.M. Skawinski, R.S. Sleith, J.A. Sardina & J.D. Hall. 2018. New records of the rare North American endemic *Chara brittonii* (Characeae), with comments on its distribution. *Brittonia* 70:277-288, doi: 10.1007/s12228-018-9527-3
- Larkin, D.J., A.K. Monfils, A. Boissezon, R.S. Sleith, P.M. Skawinski, C.H. Welling, B. Cahill & K.G. Karol. 2018. Biology, ecology, and management of starry stonewort (*Nitellopsis obtusa*; Characeae): A Red-listed Eurasian green alga invasive in North America. *Aquatic Bot.* 148: 15-24, doi: 10.1016/j.aquabot.2018.04.003
- Sleith, R.S., J.D. Wehr & K.G. Karol. 2018. Untangling climate and water chemistry to predict changes in freshwater macrophyte distributions. *Ecol. Evol.* 8: 2802–2811, doi: 10.1002/ece3.3847
- McManus, H.A., K. Fučíková, P.O. Lewis, L.A. Lewis & K.G. Karol. 2018. Organellar phylogenomics inform systematics in the green algal family Hydrodictyaceae (Chlorophyceae) and provide clues to the complex evolutionary history of plastid genomes in the green algal tree of life. *Amer. J. Bot.* 105: 315–329, doi:10.1002/ajb2.1066
- Karol, K.G. & R.S. Sleith. 2017. Discovery of the oldest record of *Nitellopsis obtusa* (Charophyceae, Charophyta) in North America. *J. Phycol.* 53: 1106-1108. doi:10.1111/jpy.12557
- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski, R.M. McCourt, M.E. Nault, R. Evans, M.E. Barton, M.S. Berg, D.J. Perleberg, & J.D. Hall. 2017. First discovery of the charophycean green alga *Lychnothamnus barbatus* (Charophyceae) extant in the New World. *Amer. J. Bot.* 104: 1108-1116. doi:10.3732/ajb.1700172
- Labiak, P.H. & K.G. Karol. 2017. Plastomes sequences of the fern family Schizaeaceae reveal remarkable changes in gene content and architecture. *Amer. J. Bot.* 104: 1008-1018. doi:10.3732/ajb.1700135
- McManus, H.A.*, D.J. Sanchez & K.G. Karol*. 2017. Plastomes of the green algae *Hydrodictyon reticulatum* and *Pediastrum duplex* (Sphaeropleales, Chlorophyceae). *PeerJ* 5:e3325. doi:10.7717/peerj.3325
- Pérez, W., J.D. Hall, R.M. McCourt, M.T. Casanova & K.G. Karol. 2017. Phylogenetic congruence of ribosomal operon and plastid genes sequences for the Characeae with an emphasis on *Tolypella* (Characeae, Charophyceae). *Phycologia* 56: 230-237.
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- Hall, J.D. & K.G. Karol. 2016. An inventory of the algae (excluding diatoms) of lakes and ponds of Harriman and Bear Mountain State Parks (Rockland and Orange Counties, New York, U.S.A.). *Brittonia* 68: 148-169. doi:10.1007/s12228-016-9409-5
- Sleith, R.S., A.J. Havens, R.A. Stewart & K.G. Karol. 2015. Distribution of *Nitellopsis obtusa* in New York, USA. *Brittonia* 67: 166-172. doi:10.1007/s12228-015-9372-6

- Pérez, W., J.D. Hall, R.M. McCourt & K.G. Karol. 2015. Oospore dimensions and morphology in North American *Tolypella* (Charophyceae, Charophyta) *J. Phycol.* 51: 310-320. doi:10.1111/jpy.12275
- Pérez, W., J.D. Hall, R.M. McCourt & K.G. Karol. 2014. Phylogeny of North American *Tolypella* (Charophyceae, Charophyta) based on plastid DNA sequences with a description of *Tolypella ramosissima* sp. nov. *J. Phycol.* 50: 776-789. doi:10.1111/jpy.12219
- Casanova, M.T. & K.G. Karol. 2014. A revision of ecorticate species of *Chara* (subg. *Charopsis*, sect. *Protochara* (Womersley and Ophel) Casanova and K.G. Karol, *comb. et stat. nov.*) (Characeae: Charophyceae). *Aust. Syst. Bot.* 27: 23-27. doi:10.1071/SB13016
- Meyer, R.S., S. Knapp, K.G. Karol, D.P. Little, M.H. Nee & A. Litt. 2013. Reply to J. Samuels: Taxonomic notes on several wild relatives of *Solanum melongena* L. *Mol. Phylo. Evol.* 69: 306-307. doi:10.1016/j.ympev.2013.05.025
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- Meyer, R.S., K.G. Karol, D.P. Little, M.H. Nee & A. Litt. 2012. Phylogeographic relationships among Asian eggplants and new perspectives on eggplant domestication. *Mol. Phylo. Evol.* 63: 685-701. doi:10.1016/j.ympev.2012.02.006
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- Karol, K.G. 2014. From collections to clades: Insights into the evolution of green plants. *Botany Seminar Series*, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY
- Karol, K.G. 2013. From collections to clades: Insights into the evolution of green plants. *Botany Seminar Series*, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC
- Karol, K.G. 2011. Genes and genomes: What they reveal about freshwater green algal diversity and early land plant evolution. *Appalachian Laboratory Seminar Series*, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, Frostburg, MD
- Karol, K.G. 2010. Genes and genomes: What they reveal about the evolution of green plants. *Harvard University Herbaria Seminar Series*, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
- Karol, K.G. 2009. Genes, gyrogonites and genomes: What they reveal about the evolution of green plants. University of Buffalo, Buffalo, NY
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- Karol, K.G., R.E. Weitzell Jr., J.D. Hall & D.J. Perleberg. 2024. The Characeae of Minnesota. *MN-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Itasca, MN
- Karol, K.G., R.E. Weitzell Jr., J.D. Hall & D.J. Perleberg. 2024. The Characeae of Minnesota. *Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe/MN-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Cass Lake, MN
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- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2023. The Characeae of Wisconsin. *WI-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Woodruff, WI
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- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2017. The Characeae of Minnesota. *MN-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Itasca, MN
- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2017. The Characeae of Wisconsin. *WI-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Woodruff, WI
- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2017. The Characeae of Wisconsin. *WI-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Amherst Junction, WI

- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2016. The Characeae of Minnesota. *MN-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Itasca, MN
- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2016. The Characeae of Wisconsin. *WI-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. Woodruff, WI
- Karol, K.G., P.M. Skawinski & J.D. Hall. 2015. The Characeae of Wisconsin. *WI-DNR Aquatic Plant Training Workshop*. East Troy, WI
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