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Bio:

After an early tertiary education misspent in fine arts programs, (BMus. Uvic, 1973; School of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet 1974-76), productive employment was procured with the Coastal Douglas-fir Forest Genetics Program of the Province of British Columbia (1976 – 1979). This was followed by a BSc in Forest Biology (UBC, 1984) and a MS in Wood Science and Technology at UC Berkeley (1988). From that point forward there were contracts with the Research Branch of the BC Forest Service, followed by joining staff as a science officer (1994). Initial endeavours were in tree improvement of western redcedar and Alaska yellow cedar, then western hemlock and Sitka spruce. As our science staff dwindled our responsibilities expanded so that currently my work includes hemlock, Sitka spruce, true firs and gene conservation. With whitebark pine gaining endangered status in Canada, action was required, so my tree improvements skills were applied to it as to half a dozen species previously.

Title:

Early results from whitebark pine genecology trials in British Columbia