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Being a marine microbial ecologist, Dr. Forest Rohwer sees a coral reef as a finely-tuned community in which the microbes and viruses are major players. Recognizing their importance, he pioneered the use of metagenomics as a means to characterize these previously inscrutable organisms and to investigate their role in coral reef health and disease.

He has experience communicating with the media - lots of his publications have received media attention. He wrote a book called "Coral Reefs in the Microbial Seas". He has a good balance of everything - Science communication, ecology, marine biology, pathogens, microbes, and hosts (the rest of the cell biologists!).