

Child Health Research Directory

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Research Interests: Dr.

Annunziato's research focuses primarily on the psychosocial needs of medically ill children and adults. She is interested in the transition to adulthood for adolescents with a medical illness. Her research in this area aims to develop interventions to improve medical and mental health outcomes when patients are shifted from pediatric to adult oriented settings.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Baruch Levine, R. & **Annunziato, R.A.** Outcomes of combined treatment: Evaluating split versus integrated treatment for depression. *Professional Psychology: Research and Practice*. (In press).

Jossen, J., **Annunziato, R.A.**, Kim, H-S., Chu, J., & Arnon, R. Liver Transplantation for Children with Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis and Autoimmune Hepatitis: UNOS Database Analysis. *Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology*. 2017; 64(4), e83-e87.

Annunziato, R.A., Lee, S.G., Galici, E., & Arnon, R. Children with HCV: The impact of disease and treatment on patients, caregivers and families. *Journal of Pediatric Nursin*. 2017; 32, 8-11.

Supelana, C., **Annunziato, R.A.**, Kaplan, D., Helcer, J., Stuber, M.A., & Shemesh, E. PTSD in transplant recipients: Current understanding and future implications. *Pediatric Transplantation*. 2016; 20(1), 23-33.

Arnon, R., **Annunziato, R.A.**, D'Amelio, G., Chu, J., & Shneider, B. Liver transplantation for biliary atresia: Is there a difference in outcome for infants? *Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology*. 2016; 62(2), 220-225.



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Research Interests: Dr. Arora conducts laboratory and epidemiologic studies on environmental health. His team has developed a biomarker of fetal exposure to environmental chemicals using deciduous and permanent teeth. He also studies the environmental determinants of oral health.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Arora M, Reichenberg A, Willfors C, Austin C, Gennings C, Berggren S, Lichtenstein P, Anckarsäter H, Tammimies K, Bölte S. Fetal and postnatal metal dysregulation in autism. *Nature Communications*. 2017 Jun 1;8:15493.

Smith TM, Austin C, Hinde K, Vogel ER, **Arora M**. Cyclical nursing patterns in wild orangutans. *Science Advances*. 2017 May 17;3(5):e1601517.

Morishita H, **Arora M**. Tooth-Matrix Biomarkers to Reconstruct Critical Periods of Brain Plasticity. *Cell: Trends in Neuroscience*. 2017 Jan;40(1):1-3.

Joshy G, **Arora M**, Korda RJ, Chalmers J, Banks E. Is poor oral health a risk marker for incident cardiovascular disease hospitalisation and all-cause mortality? Findings from 172 630 participants from the prospective 45 and Up Study. *BMJ Open*. 2016 Aug 30;6(8):e012386.

Hare DJ, **Arora M**, Jenkins NL, Finkelstein DI, Doble PA, Bush AI. Is early-life iron exposure critical in neurodegeneration? *Nature Reviews Neurology*. 2015 Sep;11(9):536-44.



Margaret Baron, M.D., Ph.D.

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Research Interests: The research in the Baron lab combines embryology and stem cell biology, with a focus on hematopoietic development. The lab has a longstanding interest in embryonic hematopoiesis and more recently has been studying mechanisms regulating the development and maturation of adult-type (definitive) erythroid progenitors.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Barminko, J., Reinholt, B., and **Baron, M.H.** Development and differentiation of the erythroid lineage in mammals. *Dev Comp Immunol* 2016; 58, 18-29.

Baron, M.H., and Barminko, J. Chromatin Condensation and Enucleation in Red Blood Cells: an Open Question. *Dev Cell* 2016; 36: 481-482.

Zhang, H., Nieves, J.L., Fraser, S.T., Isern, J., Douvaras, P., Papatsenko, D., D'Souza, S., Lemischka, I.R., Dyer, M.A., and **Baron, M.H.** Expression of Podocalyxin separates the hematopoietic and vascular potentials of mouse ES cell-derived mesoderm. *Stem Cells* 2014; 32(1): 191-203.

Vacaru, A., Isern, J., Fraser, S.T., and **Baron, M.H.** Analysis of primitive erythroid cell proliferation and enucleation using a cyan fluorescent reporter in transgenic mice. *Genesis* 2013; 51(11): 751-62.

Isern, J., He, Z., Fraser, S.T., Nowotschin, S., Ferrer-Vaquer, A., Moore, R., Hadjantonakis, A.-K., Schulz, V., Tuck, D., Gallagher, P.G., and **Baron, M.H.** Single Lineage Transcriptome Analysis Reveals Key Regulatory Pathways in Primitive Erythroid Progenitors in the Mouse Embryo, *Blood* 2011; 117: 4924-4934.

**Keith Benkov, M.D.**

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Research Interests: Dr. Benkov investigates the outcomes of children and adolescents with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), based on a large national registry of over 27,000 patients. His particular interests include the genetic aspects of IBD, the unique clinical phenotype on young children presenting with IBD, transition of grown patients to adult providers and the role of anxiety in IBD.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Solomon AB, Reed R, **Benkov K**, Kingsbery J, Lusman SS, Malter LB, Levine J, Rabinowitz S, Wolff M, Zabar S, Weinshel E. Using the Objective Structured Clinical Exam (OSCE) to Assess ACGME Competencies in Pediatric Gastroenterology Fellows. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr.* 2017 Apr;64(4): 92-5.

Carlsen K, Haddad N, Gordon J, Phan BL, Pittman N, **Benkov K**, Dubinsky MC, Keefer L. Self-efficacy and Resilience Are Useful Predictors of Transition Readiness Scores in Adolescents with Inflammatory Bowel Diseases. *Inflamm Bowel Dis.* 2017 Mar;23(3):341-346.

Gordon J, Ramaswami A, Beuttler M, Jossen J, Pittman N, Lai J, Dunkin D, **Benkov K**, Dubinsky M. EBV Status and Thiopurine Use in Pediatric IBD. *J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr.* 2016 May;62(5):711-4.

Rosen D, Annunziato R, Colombel JF, Dubinsky M, **Benkov K**. Transition of Inflammatory Bowel Disease Care: Assessment of Transition Readiness Factors and Disease Outcomes in a Young Adult Population. *Inflamm Bowel Dis.* 2016 Mar;22(3):702-8.

Reigada LC, Satpute A, Hoogendoorn CJ, Cohen BH, Lai J, Bao R, Dubinsky MC, **Benkov KJ**. Patient-reported Anxiety: A Possible Predictor of Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease Health Care Use. *Inflamm Bowel Dis.* 2016 Sep;22(9):2127-33.

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Research Interests: Dr. Berin studies mechanisms of tolerance and allergy to foods. Using mouse models of food allergy as well as samples from patients enrolled in clinical trials, her goal is to understand how allergic sensitization to foods occurs, and to identify ways to manipulate the immune response to re-establish immune tolerance.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Goswami R, Blazquez AB, Kosoy R, Rahman A, Nowak-Wegrzyn A, **Berin MC**. Systemic innate immune activation in food protein-induced enterocolitis syndrome. *J Allergy Clin Immunol.* 2017 Jun;139(6):1885-1896.e9.

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Kosoy R, Agashe C, Grishin A, Leung DY, Wood RA, Sicherer SH, Jones SM, Burks AW, Davidson WF, Lindblad RW, Dawson P, Merad M, Kidd BA, Dudley JT, Sampson HA, **Berin MC**. Transcriptional Profiling of Egg Allergy and Relationship to Disease Phenotype. *PLoS One.* 2016 Oct 27;11(10):e0163831.

Tordesillas L, Rahman AH, Hartmann BM, Sampson HA, **Berin MC**. Mass cytometry profiling the response of basophils and the complete peripheral blood compartment to peanut. *J Allergy Clin Immunol.* 2016 Dec;138(6):1741-1744.e9.

Tordesillas L, Goswami R, Benedé S, Grishina G, Dunkin D, Järvinen KM, Maleki SJ, Sampson HA, **Berin MC**. Skin exposure promotes a Th2-dependent sensitization to peanut allergens. *J Clin Invest.* 2014 Nov;124(11):4965-75.

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Research Interests: We are actively pursuing the mechanism of action of the EKLF (KLF1) transcription factor using biochemical, molecular, cellular, and developmental approaches. Our focus is on illuminating EKLF-directed transcriptional and epigenetic controls that lead to regulated erythroid gene expression, and in determining whether mutations are causative for aberrant or malignant hematology.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Planutis A, Xue L, Trainor CD, Dangeti M, Gillinder K, Siatecka M, Peters LL, Perkins AC, **Bieker JJ**, Neomorphic effects by the *neonatal anemia* (*Nan-EKLF*) mutation contribute to deficits throughout development. *Development*. 2017 Feb 1;144(3):430-440.

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Aimola IA, Inuwa HM, Nok AJ, Mamman AI, and **Bieker JJ**, Cis-vaccenic acid induces differentiation and up-regulates gamma globin synthesis in K562, JK1, and transgenic mice erythroid progenitor stem cells. *European Journal of Pharmacology*. 2016; 776:9-18. [highlighted in *Hematopoiesis News*]

Lohmann F*, Dangeti M*, Soni S, Chen X, Planutis A, Baron MH, Choi K, and **Bieker JJ**, The DEK oncoprotein is a critical component of the EKLF/KLF1 enhancer in erythroid cells. *Molecular and Cellular Biology*. 2015; 35:3726-3738. [*co-first authors] [highlighted in *Exp Hem* 43, 827 (15)]

**Dusan Bogunovic, Ph.D.**

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Research Interests:

Dr. Bogunovic's research focuses on human immunogenetics. He studies individuals with severe

clinical presentations of infections usually causing mild or no clinical disease. The hypothesis of the lab is that inter-individual variability in susceptibility to infectious agents can also be explained by the immune genetic composition of the host.

Type of Research Basic/Translational

Publications:

Hermann M, **Bogunovic D**. ISG15: In Sickness and in Health. *Trends Immunol*. February 2017. pii: S1471-4906(16)30181-8.

Roberts EW, Broz ML, Binnewies M, Headley MB, Nelson AE, Wolf DM, Kaisho T, **Bogunovic D**, Bhardwaj N, Krummel MF. Critical Role for CD103(+)/CD141(+) Dendritic Cells Bearing CCR7 for Tumor Antigen Trafficking and Priming of T Cell Immunity in Melanoma. *Cancer Cell*. 2016 Aug 8;30(2):324-36.

Meuwissen ME, Schot R, Buta S, Oudesluijs G, Tinschert S, Speer SD, Li Z, van Unen L, Heijnsman D, Goldmann T, Lequin MH, Kros JM, Stam W, Hermann M, Willemsen R, Brouwer RW, Van IJcken WF, Martin-Fernandez M, de Coo I, Dudink J, de Vries FA, Bertoli Avella A, Prinz M, Crow YJ, Verheijen FW, Pellegrini S, **Bogunovic D**, Mancini GM. Human USP18 deficiency underlies type 1 interferonopathy leading to severe pseudo-TORCH syndrome. *The Journal of Experimental Medicine*. 2016 Jun 27;213(7):1163-74.

Speer SD, Li Z, Buta S, Payelle-Brogard B, Qian L, Vigan F, Rubino E, Gardner TJ, Wedeking T, Hermann M, Duehr J, Sanal O, Tezcan I, Mansouri N, Tabarsi P, Mansouri D, Francois-Newton V, Daussy CF, Rodriguez MR, Lenschow DJ, Freiberg AN, Tortorella D, Piehler J, Lee B, Garcia-Sastre A, Pellegrini S, **Bogunovic D**. ISG15 deficiency and increased viral resistance in humans but not mice. *Nature Communications*. 2016 May 7:11496.

Bogunovic D. Type I Interferons in Newborns-Neurotoxicity versus Antiviral Defense. *MBio*. 2016 May 17;7(3). pii: e00639-16.



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Research Interests: Dr. Brown is deciphering the molecular networks that regulate the immune system, and exploiting this information to develop strategies that can enhance or subdue immune responses. The goal of his work is to develop a vaccine that can educate the immune system to prevent or reverse autoimmune diseases, such as type I diabetes.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Kidd BA, Wroblewska A, Boland MR, Agudo J, Merad M, Tatonetti NP, **Brown BD**, Dudley JT. Mapping the effects of drugs on the immune system. *Nature Biotechnology*. 2016 Jan;34(1):47-54.

Brown BD, Merad M. Archives and citation miss equal authors. *Nature*. 2015 Dec. 16;528(7582):333.

Agudo JA, Ruzo A, Park E, Sweeney R, Kana V, Wu M, Zhao Y, Egli D, Merad M, **Brown BD**. GFP-specific T cells enable targeted cell depletion and visualization of T-cell interactions. *Nature Biotechnology*. 2015 Dec;33(12):1287-1292.

Israelow B, Mullokandov G, Agudo J, Sourisseau M, Bashir A, **Brown BD** and Evans MJ. Hepatitis C virus genetics affects miR-122 requirements and response to miR-122 inhibitors. *Nature Communications*. 2014 Nov 18;5:5408.

Agudo JA, Ruzo A, Tung N, Salmon H, Leboeuf M, Hashimoto D, Becker C, Garrett-Sinha LA, Baccarini A, Merad M, **Brown BD**. The microRNA-126/VEGFR2 axis controls the innate response to pathogen-associated nucleic acids. *Nature Immunology*. 2014 Jan;15(1):54-62.



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Research Interests: Dr. Bunyavanich combines tools in epidemiology, genomics, and sequence analysis to study asthma and allergic diseases in human cohorts.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Savage JH, Lee-Sarwar KA, Sordillo J, **Bunyavanich S**, Zhou Y, O'Connor G, Sandel M, Bacharier L, Zeiger R, Sodergren E, Weinstock GM, Gold DR, Weiss ST, Litonjua AA. A Prospective Microbiome-wide Association Study of Food Sensitization and Food Allergy in Early Childhood. *Allergy*. 2017 Jun 20. [Epub ahead of print]

Egan M, Lee T, Andrade J, Grishina G, Mishoe M, Gimenez G, Sampson HA, **Bunyavanich S**. Partially Hydrolyzed Whey Formula Intolerance in Cow's Milk Allergic Patients. *Pediatric Allergy and Immunology*. 2017 Jun;28(4):401-405.

Huang YJ, Marsland BJ, **Bunyavanich S**, O'Mahony L, Leung DY, Muraro A, Fleisher TA. The Microbiome in Allergic Disease: Current Understandings and Future Opportunities. 2017 PRACTALL Document of the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology and the European Academy of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*. 2017 Apr;139(4):1099-1110.

Bunyavanich S, Shen N, Grishin A, Wood R, Burks W, Dawson P, Jones SM, Leung D, Sampson H, Sicherer S, Clemente JC. Early-life gut microbiome composition and milk allergy resolution. *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*. 2016 Oct;138(4):1122-1130.

Sann J, **Bunyavanich S**, Wang J. Epinephrine Autoinjector Prescribing Patterns in an Urban Pediatric Population. *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology: In Practice*. 2016 Sep-Oct;4(5):989-90.

**Joseph Buxbaum, Ph.D.**

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Research Interests: Dr. Buxbaum is interested in understanding the causes of childhood onset psychiatric disorders so that he can develop new treatments. He leads a very extensive program in autism including genetics, model systems, clinical research, and treatment research.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Kosmicki JA, Samocha KE, Howrigan DP, Sanders SJ, Slowikowski K, Lek M, Karczewski KJ, Cutler DJ, Devlin B, Roeder K, **Buxbaum JD**, Neale BM, MacArthur DG, Wall DP, Robinson EB, Daly MJ. Refining the role of de novo protein-truncating variants in neurodevelopmental disorders by using population reference samples. *Nat Genet.* 2017 Apr;49(4):504-510.

Jamison JM, Fourie E, Siper PM, Trelles MP, George-Jones J, Buxbaum Grice A, Krata J, Holl E, Shaoul J, Hernandez B, Mitchell L, McKay MM, **Buxbaum JD**, Kolevzon A. Examining the Efficacy of a Family Peer Advocate Model for Black and Hispanic Caregivers of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *J Autism Dev Disord.* 2017 May;47(5):1314-1322.

Harony-Nicolas H, Kay M, Hoffmann JD, Klein ME, Bozdagi-Gunal O, Riad M, Daskalakis NP, Sonar S, Castillo PE, Hof PR, Shapiro ML, Baxter MG, Wagner S, **Buxbaum JD**. Oxytocin improves behavioral and electrophysiological deficits in a novel Shank3-deficient rat. *Elife.* 2017 Jan 31;6.

Sicherman N, Loewenstein G, Tavassoli T, **Buxbaum JD**. Grandma knows best: Family structure and age of diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder. *Autism.* 2016 Dec 1.

Ionita-Laza I, McCallum K, Xu B, **Buxbaum JD**. A spectral approach integrating functional genomic annotations for coding and noncoding variants. *Nat Genet.* 2016 Feb;48(2):214-20.

**Minji Byun, Ph.D.**

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Research Interests: Byun laboratory is interested in

understanding the genetic basis of immune dysregulation disorders. Using various cutting-edge human genetics tools including next-gen sequencing, we identify germline and somatic mutations in patients with rare and severe immune dysregulation disorders. We then conduct functional studies of the candidate sequence variants to evaluate the evidence supporting their causality and to elucidate immunological mechanisms underlying the disease.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Belkaya S*, Kontorovich AR*, **Byun M***, Mulero-Navarro S, Bajolle F, ... Gelb BD, Casanova JL. Autosomal Recessive Cardiomyopathy Presenting as Acute Myocarditis. *Journal of the American College of Cardiology.* 2017; 69(13):1653-1665. (*Co-first authors)

Byun M*, Ma CS, Akcay A, Pedergrana V, Palendira U, ... Croft M, Tangye SG, Casanova JL. Inherited human OX40 deficiency underlying classic Kaposi sarcoma of childhood. *Journal of Experimental Medicine.* 2013; 210(9):1743-59. (*Corresponding author)

Bolze A, Mahlaoui N, **Byun M**, Turner B, ... Conley ME, Selleri L, Casanova JL. Ribosomal Protein SA Haploinsufficiency in Humans with Isolated Congenital Asplenia. *Science.* 2013; 340(6135):976-8.

Bogunovic D, **Byun M**, Durfee LA, Abhyankar A, ... Gros P, Huibregtse JM, Abel L, Boisson-Dupuis S, Casanova JL. Mycobacterial Disease and Impaired IFN- γ Immunity in Humans with Inherited ISG15 Deficiency. *Science.* 2012; 337(6102):1648-8.

Byun M*, Abhyankar A, Lelarge V, ... Abel L, Casanova JL*. Whole-exome sequencing-based discovery of STIM1 deficiency in a child with fatal classic Kaposi sarcoma. *Journal of Experimental Medicine.* 2010; 207(11):2307-12. (*Corresponding authors)

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Research Interests: The Cagan lab uses *Drosophila* to explore cancer, diabetes, and rare Mendelian diseases with the goal of developing drug therapeutics designed to account for whole animal complexity. Using current human sequencing efforts, they have developed multigenic cancer models designed to capture the complexity observed in human disease. In addition, the lab has developed a collaborative platform that combines fly genetics with medicinal and computational chemistry to build a new generation of 'polypharmacology' leads designed to address disease complexity.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Levinson S and **Cagan R.** *Drosophila* Cancer Models Identify Functional Differences between Ret Fusions. *Cell Reports* 2016 Sep 13;16(11):3052-61.

Bangi E, Murgia C, Teague A, Sansom O, and **Cagan R.** Functional exploration of colorectal cancer genomes using *Drosophila*. *Nature Communications* 2016 Nov 29;7:13615.

Levine B and **Cagan R.** *Drosophila* Lung Cancer Models Identify Trametinib Plus A Statin as a Candidate Therapeutic. *Cell Reports* 2016.

Na J, Sweetwyne M, Park A, Susztak, K, and Ross L. **Cagan, R.** Diet Induced Podocyte Dysfunction in *Drosophila* and in Mammals. *Cell Reports* 2015 Jul 28;12(4):636-47.

Hirabayashi S and **Cagan R.** Salt-Inducible Kinases Mediate Nutrient-Sensing To Link Dietary Sugar and Tumorigenesis in *Drosophila*. *eLife* 2015 17;4.

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Research Interests: The main research interests in the Cai laboratory are to define the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying heart development, disease and regeneration. Specifically, we aim to understand how distinct origins of cardiac progenitor cells form the heart, whether these progenitor cells contribute to heart repair or regeneration upon injury. In addition, we try to understand how diverse signals, especially transcriptional factors, regulate heart formation and function.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Cai CL, Molkentin JD. The Elusive Progenitor Cell in Cardiac Regeneration: Slip Slidin' Away. *Circ Res.* 2017 Jan 20;120(2):400-406.

Yan J, Zhang L, Sultana N, Oh JG, Wu B, Hajjar RJ, Zhou B, **Cai CL.** A series of robust genetic indicators for definitive identification of cardiomyocytes. *Journal of Molecular and Cellular Cardiology.* 2016 Jun 3;97:278-285.

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Yan J, Sultana N, Zhang L, Park DS, ... **Cai CL,** Generation of a tamoxifen inducible *Tnnt2^{MerCreMer}* knock-in mouse model for cardiac studies. *Genesis.* 2015 Jun;53(6):377-86.

Zhang L, Nomura-Kitabayashi A, Sultana N, Cai W, Cai X, Moon AM, **Cai CL,** Mesodermal Nkx2.5 is necessary and sufficient for early second heart field development. *Dev Biol.* 2014 Jun 1;390(1):68-79.

Cai X, Zhang W, Hu J, ... **Cai CL,** Tbx20 acts upstream of Wnt signaling to regulate endocardial cushion formation and valve remodeling during mouse cardiogenesis. *Development.* 2013 Aug;140(15):3176-87.



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Research Interests: Dr. Casaccia's lab adopts state-of-the art molecular and cellular techniques to define key questions related to environment/gene interaction in physiological brain development and in pathological conditions. Her research addresses mechanisms relevant to pathogenesis and treatment of neurodevelopmental disorders characterized by impaired myelin formation as detected in premature babies, genetic disorders, traumatic brain injury.

Type of Research: Basic and Clinical Translational

Publications:

Liu J, Moyon S, Hernandez M, **Casaccia P.** Epigenetic control of oligodendrocyte development: adding new players to old keepers. *Curr Opin Neurobiol.* 2016 Aug;39:133-8.

Laitman BM, Asp L, Mariani JN, ...**Casaccia P**, John GR. TheTranscriptional Activator Krüppel-like Factor-6 Is Required for CNS Myelination. *PLoS Biol.* 2016 May 23;14(5):e1002467.

Gacias M, Gaspari S, Santos PM, ...**Casaccia P.** Microbiota-driven transcriptional changes in prefrontal cortex override genetic differences in social behavior. *Elife.* 2016 Apr 20;5.

Moyon S, Huynh JL, Dutta D, ...**Casaccia P.** Functional Characterization of DNA Methylation in the Oligodendrocyte Lineage. *Cell Rep.* 2016 Apr 13. pii: S2211-1247(16)30331-X.

Liu J, Dupree JL, Gacias M, Frawley R, Sikder T, Naik P, **Casaccia P.** Clemastine Enhances Myelination in the Prefrontal Cortex and Rescues Behavioral Changes in Socially Isolated Mice. *J Neurosci.* 2016 Jan 20;36(3):957-62.

Hernandez M, Patzig J, Mayoral SR, Costa KD, Chan JR, **Casaccia P.** Mechanostimulation Promotes Nuclear and Epigenetic Changes in Oligodendrocytes. *J Neurosci.* 2016 Jan 20;36(3):806-13.



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Research Interests: Dr. Chehade's research is focused on allergic eosinophilic gastrointestinal disorders, including eosinophilic esophagitis and eosinophilic gastroenteritis. She studies clinical outcomes of therapies as well as the immunopathogenesis of these diseases, and is examining for non-invasive blood and urine biomarkers for these diseases.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Kagalwalla AF, Wechsler JB, Amsden K... **Chehade M.** Efficacy of a 4-Food Elimination Diet for Children With Eosinophilic Esophagitis. *Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol.* 2017 June 8.

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Research Interests: Chen's lab uses a molecular epidemiology approach to understand complex interactions between the environment and genome/epigenome in human diseases. Her lab performs genomic and epigenomic analyses in population studies to elucidate disease mechanisms and to identify/validate biomarkers for disease risk and prognosis.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Dr. Chu's research is focused on investigating a novel intersection of p53 and congenital disorders of glycosylation (CDG). Children with CDG have defects in N-glycosylation and present with debilitating, multi-systemic disease, including liver fibrosis. Her lab studies the role of sugar metabolism in liver fibrosis, and in embryonic and cancer cell survival.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Dr. Coffey has focused on the clinical course, comorbidity, phenomenology, and treatment of Tourette Disorder.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Murphy TK, Fernandez TV, **Coffey BJ**, Rahman O, Gavaletz A, Hanks CE, Tillberg CS, Gomez LI, Sukhodolsky DG, Katsovich L, Scahill L. Extended-Release Guanfacine Does Not Show a Large Effect on Tic Severity in Children with Chronic Tic Disorders. *J Child Adolesc Psychopharmacol.* 2017 Jul 19.

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Research Interests: Dr. Cunningham-Rundles is interested in the pathogenesis, characterization and treatment of primary human immune deficiency diseases. Her lab investigates the genetics and functions of B cells in primary immune defects and autoimmunity.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Mayor PC, Eng KH, Singel KL, Abrams SI, Odunsi K, Moysich KB, Fuleihan R, Garabedian E, Lugar P, Ochs HD, Bonilla FA, Buckley RH, Sullivan KE, Ballas ZK, **Cunningham-Rundles C**, Segal BH. Cancer in primary immunodeficiency diseases: Cancer incidence in the United States Immune Deficiency Network Registry. *J Allergy Clin Immunol.* 2017 Jun 9. 30925-9.

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Kuehn HS, Boisson B, **Cunningham-Rundles C**, ...Kumnovics A, Conley ME, Rosenzweig SD. Loss of B Cells in Patients with Heterozygous Mutations in IKAROS. *N Engl J Med.* 2016 Mar 17;374(11):1032-43.



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Research Interests:

Dr. Desnick's research interests include genomics, gene discovery, pharmacogenetics, and inborn errors of metabolism. His translational research includes drug development for treatment of genetic diseases.

Type of Research: Basic, Clinical, Translational

Publications:

Balwani M, Wang B, Anderson KE, Bloomer J, Bissell DM, Bonkovsky HL, Phillips J, and **Desnick, RJ.** Acute Hepatic Porphyrrias: Recommendations for evaluation and long term management. *Hepatology*. [Epub June 12, 2017].

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Sanderson SC, Linderman MD, Suckiel SA, Zinberg R, Wasserstein M, Kasarskis A, **Diaz GA**, Schadt EE. Psychological and behavioural impact of returning personal results from whole-genome sequencing: the HealthSeq project. *Eur J Hum Genet.* 2017 Feb;25(3):280-292.

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Diaz GA, Krivitzky LS, Mokhtarani M, ... Coakley DF, Scharschmidt BF, Lee B. Ammonia control and neurocognitive outcome among urea cycle disorder patients treated with glycerol phenylbutyrate. *Hepatology.* 2013 Jun;57(6):2171-9.



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Research Interests: Dr. Dubinsky's main research interests are the influence of genetics and immune responses on the variability in clinical presentations of early-onset IBD and prognosis. Additional interests include the study of pharmacogenetics to evaluate how heredity influences drug responses and optimizing and individualizing the management of IBD as well as the impact of IBD on fertility and pregnancy

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: The research in the Dubois lab focuses on understanding development and disease of the human heart using the pluripotent stem cell model. Specifically, the lab is interested in investigating the molecular mechanisms directing lineage specification with the aim to translate our knowledge to better understand human congenital heart disease.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Bardot E, Calderon D, Santoriello F, Han S, Cheung K, Jadhav B, Burtscher I, Artap S, Jain R, Epstein J, Lickert H, Gouon-Evans V, Sharp AJ, **Dubois NC**. Foxa2 identifies a cardiac progenitor population with ventricular differentiation potential. *Nat. Commun.* 2016 Oct 3.

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Dr. Dumitriu studies the neurobiological basis for resilience to social stress in a mouse model. Her lab utilizes a combination of state-of-the-art techniques, including viral-mediated circuit mapping, high resolution confocal microscopy of dendritic spines, quantitative whole-brain immunohistochemistry, and graph theory analysis of network dynamics.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Pereira AC, Lambert HK, Grossman YS, **Dumitriu D**, Waldman R, Jannetty SK, Calakos K, Janssen WG, McEwen BS, Morrison JH. Glutamatergic regulation prevents hippocampal-dependent age-related cognitive decline through dendritic spine clustering. *Proc Natl Acad Sci* 2014; Dec 30; 111(52): 18733-8

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Research Interests: Dr. Dunkin is interested in understanding the mechanism by which the human body develops or fails to develop tolerance to foreign antigens including food and intestinal flora that leads to diseases such as allergies and inflammatory bowel disease. Using animal models, he is investigating the mechanisms of epicutaneous exposure leading to the induction of tolerance to antigens. The goal is to apply this knowledge towards the treatment of diseases including food allergies and IBD. In addition, Dr. Dunkin and his collaborators in the Center for Chinese Medicine are investigating the use of Chinese herbal therapies in both murine models and in humans for the treatment of IBD.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Dunkin DS, Berin MC, Mondoulet L, Tobar S, Yeretsian G, Tordesillas L, Iuga A, Larcher T, Gillespie V, Benhamou PH, Colombel JF, Sampson HA. Epicutaneous Tolerance Induction to a Bystander Antigen Abrogates Colitis and Ileitis in Mice, *Inflammatory Bowel Diseases*. June 2017.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Eiland L, Romeo RD, Stress and the developing adolescent brain. *Neuroscience*. 2013 Sep 26;249:162-71.

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Research Interests: Dr. Gabbay studies the neurological and immunological mechanisms that contribute to the development and maintenance of mood disorders in youth. Her research efforts utilize an array of sophisticated, cutting-edge techniques, including functional magnetic resonance (MR) imaging, MR spectroscopy, immunological and genetic assays, and comprehensive clinical evaluations.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Van Dam NT, O'Connor D, Marcelle E, Ho EJ, Craddock RC, Tobe RH, **Gabbay V**, Hudziak JJ, Castellanos FX, Leventhal BL, Milham MP. Data-driven phenotypic categorization for neurobiological analyses: Beyond DSM-5 labels. *Biological Psychiatry*. 2017; 81 no. 6: 484-494.

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Parvaz MA, **Gabbay V**, Malaker P, Goldstein RZ. Objective and Specific Tracking of Anhedonia via Event-Related Potentials in Individuals with Cocaine Use Disorders. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*. 2016; 164: 158-165.



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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Windham GC, Lum R, Voss R, Wolff M, Pinney SM, Teteilbaum SL, Sosnoff CS, Dobraca D, Biro F, Hiatt RA, Greenspan LC, **Galvez MP**, Kushi LH. Age at Pubertal Onset in Girls and Tobacco Smoke Exposure during Pre- and Post-natal Susceptibility Windows. *Epidemiology*. 2017 Jun 28.

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Research Interests: Dr. Garcia-Ocaña's research focuses on tissue regeneration, growth factors and intracellular signaling. More specifically, his group is analyzing the therapeutic potential of growth promoting agents to induce pancreatic beta cell regeneration for diabetes treatment.

Type of Research: Basic

Publications:

A.I. Sacaan, S. Thibault, M. Hong, N.K. Guthalu, T. Nichols, R. Li, C. Rosselot, W. Evering, R. Fenutria, A. Vitsky, T. Brown, M. Finkelstein, **A. Garcia-Ocaña**, N. Khan, A.F. Stewart, R.C. Vasavada. The Effects of Inhibition of Cyclin-Dependent Kinase 4/6 on Glucose and Pancreatic Beta Cell Homeostasis in Young and Aged Rats. *Molecular Cancer Research*, in press, 2017.

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Research Interests: Dr. Gelb is interested in uncovering and then understanding the genetic causes of congenital heart defects (CHD). Using state-of-the-art genomic approaches, his research group is studying Mendelian and complex traits with CHD, and then models disease genes in cells and animals.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Josowitz R, Mulero-Navarro S, Rodriguez NA, Falce C, Cohen N, Ullian EM, Weiss LA, Rauen KA, Sobie EA, **Gelb BD**. Autonomous and non-autonomous defects underlie hypertrophic cardiomyopathy in BRAF-Mutant hiPSC-Derived Cardiomyocytes. *Stem Cell Reports*. 2016 Sep 13;7(3):355-69.

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Gennings' research focuses on development of novel biostatistical methods for designing and analyzing studies of mixtures, including environmental chemical mixtures and nutrients. An example includes the development of a method to estimate the "bad actors" in a mixture that are most related to a health outcome.

Type of Research Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Abdulkadir M, Londono D, Gordon D , Fernandez TV, Brown LW, Cheon KA, Coffey BJ, Elzerman L, Fremer C, Fründt O, Garcia-Delgar B, Gilbert DL, **Grice DE**, Hedderly T, Heyman I, ...Heiman GA, Hoekstra PJ, and Dietrich A. Investigation of previously implicated genetic variants in chronic tic disorders: a transmission disequilibrium test approach. *Eur Arch Psychiatry Clin Neurosci.* 2017 May 29.

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Chun N, Fairchild R, Li Y, Liu J, Zhang M, Baldwin WM III, **Heeger PS**. Complement dependence of murine costimulatory blockade-resistant cellular cardiac allograft rejection. *Am J Transplantation*. 2017 (in press).

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Hildebrandt T, Grotzinger A, Schulz K. Anorexia nervosa, emotional go/no-go, and the distinct effect of testosterone. *International Journal of Eating Disorders*. 2016; 49; 69-76.

Jacobs S, Radnitz C, **Hildebrandt T**. Adherence as a predictor of weight loss in a commonly used smartphone application. *Obesity Research and Clinical Practice*. 2016, pii: S1871-403X(16)30029-1.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Sanderson S, Armand A, Myers M, Connolly J, **Horowitz CR**, Williams J, Jarvik G, ...Derveloy BD, Holm I. Public attitudes towards consent and data sharing in biobank research: a large multi-site experimental survey in the US. *Am J Hum Genet.* 2017 Feb 4. pii: S0002-9297(17)30021-6

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Research Interests: Dr. Horton's research focuses on understanding the mechanisms through which prenatal and early childhood exposure to environmental toxicants adversely affect children's health.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Horton MK, Bouselman S, Jones R, Sjodin A, Liu X, Whyatt R, Wapner R, Factor-Litvak P. Predictors of serum concentrations of polybrominated flame retardants among health pregnant women in an urban environment; a cross sectional study. *Env Health.* 2013; 12:23.

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Research Interests: Dr.
Jabs has a strong interest in
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of birth defects. Her research is focused on craniofacial disorders including craniosynostosis and cleft lip and palate. Her group uses developmental biology and “omic” approaches to study the pathogenetic mechanisms, signaling pathways and networks involved in developmental processes. Based on these findings, therapeutic strategies are being tested in animals models.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Just AC, Miller RL, Perzanowski MS, Rundle AG, Chen Q, Jung KH, Hoepner L, Camann DE, Calafat AM, Perera FP, Whyatt RM. Vinyl flooring in the home is associated with children’s airborne butylbenzyl phthalate and urinary metabolite concentrations. *J Expo Sci Environ Epidemiol.* 2015 Nov-Dec;25(6):574-9.

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Research Interests: Dr. Kolevzon's research is focused on developing new pharmacological treatments in autism spectrum disorders. He collaborates with basic scientists at the Seaver Autism Center where genetic discovery in autism leads to the use of model systems and testing targeted molecular therapeutics. Dr. Kolevzon leads the clinical research team to then study these compounds in clinical trials.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Gu X, Zhou TJ, Anagnostou E, Soorya L, **Kolevzon A**, Hof PR, Fan J. Heightened Brain Response to Pain Anticipation in High-Functioning Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *Eur J Neurosci*. 2017 Apr 27.

Siper PM, **Kolevzon A**, Wang AT, Buxbaum JD, Tavassoli T. A clinician-administered observation and corresponding caregiver interview capturing DSM-5 sensory reactivity symptoms in children with ASD. *Autism Res*. 2017 Mar 11.

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Jamison JM, Fourie E, Siper PM, Trelles MP, George-Jones J, Buxbaum Grice A, Krata J, Holl E, Shaoul J, Hernandez B, Mitchell L, McKay MM, Buxbaum JD, **Kolevzon A**. Examining the Efficacy of a Family Peer Advocate Model for Black and Hispanic Caregivers of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. *J Autism Dev Disord*. 2017 Feb 6.

Muzar Z, Lozano R, **Kolevzon A**, Hagerman RJ. The neurobiology of the Prader-Willi phenotype of fragile X syndrome. *Intractable Rare Dis Res*. 2016 Nov;5(4):255-261.



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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Belkaya, S., **Kontorovich, A.**, Byun, M., Bajolle, F., Mulero-Navarro, S., Josowitz, R., Itan, Y., Lorenzo, L., Boucherit, S., Laux, D., Poupelin, E., Di Filippo, S., Abel, L., Zhang, S-Y., Bonnet, D., Gelb, B. and Casanova, J-L. Autosomal recessive cardiomyopathy presenting as acute myocarditis. *Journal of the American College of Cardiology*. 69(13):1653-65, 2017.

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Research Interests: Dr. Krauss, a cell and developmental biologist, is interested in mechanisms of cell adhesion and signal transduction during fetal development and how when these processes go awry it contributes to birth defects and disease. One area of focus is the role of the Hedgehog pathway in midline patterning, defects in which cause the common and devastating birth defect holoprosencephaly.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Hong M, Srivastava K, Kim S, Allen BL, Leahy DJ, Hu P, Roessler E, **Krauss RS**, Muenke M. BOC is a modifier gene in holoprosencephaly. *Hum Mutat.* 2017 Jul 4.

Hong M, **Krauss RS**. Ethanol itself is a holoprosencephaly-inducing teratogen. *PLoS One.* 2017 Apr 25;12(4):e0176440.

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Krauss RS, Hong M. Gene-environment interactions and the etiology of birth defects. *Curr. Top. Dev. Biol.* 2016; 116:569-580.



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Research Interests: Dr. Landrigan has a strong interest in discovering how environmental exposures in prenatal and early postnatal life – in particular, to toxic chemicals – influence health and development in children and across the entire human lifespan. He has studied the developmental toxicity of heavy metals, pesticides and endocrine disruptors. He is currently studying the impacts of global pollution on child health and co-chairs a Lancet Commission on Pollution & Health.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Dr. Li's research focuses on understanding the mechanisms underlying the pathogenesis of allergic diseases including food allergy and allergic asthma, and on developing novel therapies for these diseases, including immunomodulators, natural products, and novel active compounds isolated from natural products.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

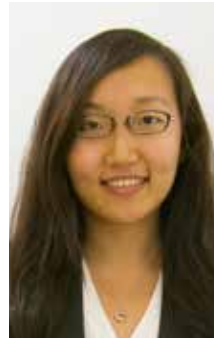
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Smith PK, Masilamani M, **Li X-M**, Sampson H. "The False Alarm" hypothesis. Food allergy is associated with high dietary advanced glycation end products and pro-glycating dietary sugars that mimic alarmins. *J Allergy Clin Immunol*. 2016; Jul 15. pii: S0091-6749(16)30618-2.

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Research Interests: Dr. Liu is a biostatistician, focusing on longitudinal data analysis, Bayesian statistics, latent class analysis and statistical issues arising from cohort studies. She is interested in developing statistical methods for environmental health research, such as estimating the health effects associated with exposure mixtures, and identifying critical time windows of vulnerability.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Liu SH, Erion G, Novitsky V, DeGruttola V. Viral genetic linkage analysis in the presence of missing data. *PLoS ONE*. 2015 10(8): e0135469.

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Research Interests: Dr. Loos' interests focus on the identification of genetic loci contributing to risk of obesity and related metabolic traits. She has led several large-scale gene-discovery efforts for obesity-related traits and has contributed to similar efforts for metabolic traits. Increasingly, her gene discovery work focuses on the identification of low-frequency variants through the implementation of exomechip and sequencing projects, in particular in non-white ancestry populations. Her work also assesses the predictive value of established genetic loci and their interaction with lifestyle factors.

Type of Research: Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Dr. Lucchini's research focuses on neurotoxic effects from occupational and environmental exposure to chemicals including manganese, lead, mercury, PCB, solvents, pesticides. A variety of motor, cognitive, sensory and endocrine outcomes are related to the exposure in different age groups including children, workers, and elderly.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Interests of the Mlodzik lab focus on the regulation of Wnt-Planar Cell Polarity (PCP) signaling and its involvement in embryonic development and organogenesis, utilizing a combination of Drosophila genetics and cell biology state-of-the-art techniques to dissect the molecular framework underlying cell polarity and patterning aspects of PCP during development and disease.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Chmurzynska A, **Mlodzik MA**. Genetics of fat intake in the determination of body mass. *Nutr Res Rev*. 2017 Jun;30(1):106-117.

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Research Interests: The goal of Dr. Morishita's research is to identify the cortical mechanisms of developmental critical periods to establish (1) perception and (2) cognition such as attention and social cognition relevant to neurodevelopmental and psychiatric disorders. We take an integrated approach combining molecular, anatomical, imaging, electrophysiological, and behavior methodologies using mouse models.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Dr. Nestler's research focuses on identifying the neurobiological basis of drug addiction and depression in rodent models. He studies the molecular and cellular changes that occur in regions of the brain important for reward and motivation in response to chronic administration of a drug of abuse or chronic exposure to stress. He is particularly interested in long-lasting changes that are mediated via alterations in gene expression and chromatin remodeling. The result of his research will guide future efforts toward the development of more effective treatments for addiction and depression.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Bagot, RC, Cates, HM, Purushothaman, I, Lorsch, ZS, Walker, DM, Wang, J, Huang, X, Schlüter, OM, ...Shen, L, Zhang, B, **Nestler, EJ**. Circuit-wide transcriptional profiling reveals brain region-specific gene networks regulating depression susceptibility. *Neuron*. 2016 90:969-983.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Liu T, Zhang H, Sun L, Zhao D, ...**New MI**, Zaidi M, Yuen T, Liu C. FSIP1 binds HER2 directly to regulate breast cancer growth and invasiveness. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A*. 2017 Jul 18;114(29):7683-7688.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Agyemang A, Feuille E, Tang J, Steinwandtner I, Sampson H, **Nowak-Wegrzyn A**. Outcomes of 84 consecutive open food challenges to extensively heated (baked) milk in the allergy office. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract.* 2017 Jun 29. pii: S2213-2198(17)30378-1.

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Research Interests: Dr. Paisan-Ruiz's laboratory focuses on elucidating and understanding the molecular basis underlying and contributing to movement disorders, such as Parkinson's disease, atypical parkinsonism, and essential tremor. By collaborating with internationally recognized physicians and employing state-of-art molecular techniques, her research team has identified the first pathogenic mutations in genes underlying Mendelian forms of movement disorders.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Taghavi S, Chaouni R, Tafakhori A, Azcona LJ, Firouzabadi SG, Omrani MD, ...Habibi A, Taherian-Esfahani Z, Darvish H, **Paisán-Ruiz C**. A Clinical and Molecular Genetic Study of 50 Families with Autosomal Recessive Parkinsonism Revealed Known and Novel Gene Mutations. *Mol Neurobiol.* 2017 May 13.

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Lee JJ, Galatioto J, Rao S, **Ramirez F**, Costa KD. Losartan attenuates degradation of aorta and lung tissue micromechanics in a mouse model of severe Marfan syndrome. *Ann Biomed Eng.* 2016;44:2994-3006.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

McCormack SE, Li D, Kim YJ, Lee JY, Kim SH, **Rapaport R**, Levine MA. Digenic Inheritance of PROKR2 and WDR11 Mutations in Pituitary Stalk Interruption Syndrome. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2017 Apr 27.

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational/Clinical

Publications:

Mollon J, **Reichenberg A.** Cognitive development prior to onset of psychosis. *Psychol Med.* 2017 Jul 24:1-12.

Fryk JJ, Marks DC, Hobson-Peters J, Watterson D, Hall RA, Young PR, **Reichenberg S**, ...Seltsam A, Faddy HM. Reduction of Zika virus infectivity in platelet concentrates after treatment with ultraviolet C light and in plasma after treatment with methylene blue and visible light. *Transfusion.* 2017 Jul 17.

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Type of Research: Basic/ Translational

Publications:

Steiner F, Hauser-Kronberger C, **Rendl G**, Rodrigues M, Pirich C. Expression of Tenascin C, EGFR, E-Cadherin, and TTF-1 in Medullary Thyroid Carcinoma and the Correlation with RET Mutation Status. *Int J Mol Sci.* 2016 Jul 9;17(7). pii: E1093

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Dr. Saland participates in local and multicenter clinical studies of chronic kidney disease. He has focused on disorders of lipoprotein metabolism and cardiovascular complications in children with CKD. Dr. Saland has also been active in developing treatment for children with atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Zheng LY, Sanders AP, **Saland JM**, Wright RO, Arora M. Environmental exposures and pediatric kidney function and disease: A systematic review. *Environ Res.* 2017 Jul 17;158:625-648.

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Research Interests: Dr. Sampson's research interests have focused on food allergic disorders including work on the immuno-pathogenic role of food hypersensitivity in atopic dermatitis, the pathogenesis of food-induced anaphylaxis, characterization of food-induced gastrointestinal hypersensitivities, molecular characterization of food allergens, and more recently immunotherapeutic strategies for treating food allergies.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

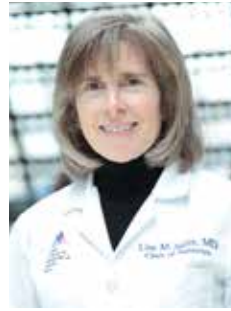
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Tordesillas L, Berin MC, **Sampson HA**. *Immunity.* 2017 Jul 18;47(1):32-50.



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Research Interests:

Dr. Satlin's developmental physiology lab focuses on exploring the molecular mechanisms underlying the ability of the maturing kidney to adjust sodium and potassium balance during periods of somatic growth, and the role of variations in urinary flow rate in the mechanoregulation of ion channels and transport proteins in the kidney in health and disease.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Research Interests: Dr. Schulz has a long record of translational research on the pathophysiology

of neurodevelopmental disorders and the identification of biomarkers for treatment response. His research has focused on the role of prefrontal cortex maturation as a mechanism for the recovery from ADHD and the therapeutic actions of stimulant and non-stimulant medications for ADHD on these prefrontal processes.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Schulz KP, Bedard AV, Fan J, Hildebrandt TB, Stein MA, Ivanov I, Halperin JM, Newcorn JH. Striatal activation predicts differential therapeutic responses to methylphenidate and atomoxetine. *J Am Acad Child Adolesc Psychiatry*. 2017;56(7):602-609

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Hildebrandt T, Grotzinger A, **Schulz K**. Anorexia nervosa, emotional go/no-go, and the distinct effect of testosterone. *Int J Eat Disord*. 2016;49:69-76

Berlin HA, **Schulz KP**, Zhang S, Turetzky R, Rosenthal D, Goodman W. Neural correlates of emotional response inhibition in obsessive-compulsive disorder: A preliminary study. *Psychiatry Res*. 2015;234:259-264.

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Shtraizent N, Nayar S, DeRossi C, Sachidanandam R, Katz LS, Prince A, Koh AP, Hoshida Y, **Scott DK**, Eliyahu E, Freeze HH, Sadler KC, Chu J. MPI depletion enhances the O-GlcNAcylation of p53 and suppresses the Warburg Effect. 2017 (in press, *eLife*).

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Research Interests: The Sharp lab is an integrated research

environment combining both experimental and bioinformatic approaches. Dr. Sharp's research uses genomic approaches to perform basic studies of human genome function, and a wide variety of diseases, including congenital disorders such as cleft lip/palate and spina bifida, and chromosomal disorders such as translocations and microdeletions.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Bardot E, Calderon D, Santoriello F, Han S, Cheung K, Jadhav B, Burtscher I, Artap S, Jain R, Epstein J, Lickert H, Gouon-Evans V, **Sharp AJ**, Dubois NC. Foxa2 identifies a cardiac progenitor population with ventricular differentiation potential. *Nat Commun*. 2017 Feb 14;8:14428.

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Barber JCK, **Sharp AJ**, Hollox EJ, Christine Tyson C (2016) Copy number variation of the *REXO1L1* gene cluster; euchromatic deletion variant or susceptibility factor? *Eur J Hum Genet* 25:8-9

Joshi R, Garg P, Zaitlen N, Lappalainen T, ...Wassink T, **Sharp AJ** (2016) DNA methylation profiling of uniparental disomy subjects provides a map of parental epigenetic bias in the human genome. *Am J Hum Genet* 99:555-66

Peter CJ, Fischer LK, Garg P, Kundakovic M, Ginns EI, Galdzicka M, Bryce CP, Medford G, **Sharp AJ**, Galler JR, Akbarian S (2016) Long-term and intergenerational DNA methylation signatures of early childhood malnutrition associated with impaired cognition and attention. *Biological Psych* 80: 765-774

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Research Interests: Dr. Shemesh, who trained as both a pediatrician and a child psychiatrist, studies ways to assess and then improve the well-being (especially emotional well-being) of children and adults who suffer from medical illnesses and their families, with a particular focus on traumatic stress reactions and nonadherence to medical regimens.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Shemesh E, Duncan S, Anand R, Shneider BL, Alonso EM, Mazariegos GV, Venick RS, Annunziato RA, Bucuvalas JC. Trajectory of adherence behavior in pediatric and adolescent liver transplant recipients - the MALT cohort. *Liver Transpl*. 2017 Aug 5.

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Shemesh E, D'Urso C, Knight C, Rubes M, Picerno KM, Posillico AM, Atal Z, Annunziato RA, Sicherer SH. Food-Allergic Adolescents at Risk for Anaphylaxis: A Randomized Controlled Study of Supervised Injection to Improve Comfort with Epinephrine Self-Injection. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract*. 2017 Mar - Apr;5(2):391-397.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Shemesh E, D'Urso C, Knight C, Rubes M, Picerno K, Posillico A, Atal Z, Annunziato RA, **Sicherer SH**. Food-allergic adolescents at risk for anaphylaxis: A randomized controlled study of supervised injection to improve comfort with epinephrine self-injection. *J Allergy Clin Immunol Pract* 2017; 5:391-97.

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Research Interests: Dr. Soriano is a developmental biologist who studies growth factor signaling pathways that have important roles in mouse craniofacial development and in stem cells of the early embryo. His laboratory uses state-of-the-art molecular genetic approaches in the mouse to address the general question of how biological specificity is acquired upon engagement of growth factor signaling.

Type of Research: Basic

Publications:

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Research Interests: The Stewart lab is interested in drug discovery for human beta cell and expansion of human pancreatic beta cells for regenerative and replacement therapies for Types 1 and 2 diabetes mellitus.

Type of Research: Basic

Publications:

Wang H, Bender A, Wang P, Inabnet WB, Libutti SK, Arnold A, Lambertini L, Stang MT, Chen H, MD, Kasai Y, Mahajan M, Kinoshita Y, Fernandez-Ranvier G, Becker TC, Takane KK, Karakose E, Walker LA, Saul S, Chen R, PhD, Scott DK, Ferrer J, Antipin Y, Donovan M, Uzilov AV, Reva B, PhD, Schadt EE, Losic B, Argmann C, **Stewart AF**. Insights into Human Beta Cell Regeneration for Diabetes via Integration of Molecular Landscapes in Human Insulinomas. *Nature Communicaitons*. 2017 (in revision).

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Research Interests: Dr. Stroustrup's research focuses on modifiable causes of adverse outcomes following preterm birth or neonatal illness. She is particularly interested in understanding the impact of the hospital environment on neurodevelopmental outcomes of NICU graduates.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Stroustrup A, Tetelbaum SL, Aschner JL. The canary in the coal mine: The value of preterm environmental health cohorts. 2017; *in press*.

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Scharf RJ, **Stroustrup A**, DeBoer MD. Growth and development in children born very low birth weight. *Arch Dis Child Fetal Neonatal Ed* 2016;101(5):F433-8.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Sathyanarayana S, Butts S, Wang C, Barrett E, Nguyen R, Schwartz SM, Haaland W, **Swan SH**; TIDES Team. Early Prenatal Exposure, Sex Steroid Hormones, and Birth Outcomes. *J Clin Endocrinol Metab.* 2017 Jun 1;102(6):1870-1878.

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Research Interests: Dr. Teitelbaum is a classically trained environmental and cancer epidemiologist with extensive experience in conducting epidemiologic field studies, assessing complex environmental exposures and performing advanced statistical analysis of large epidemiologic data sets. Her research focuses on the influence of the environment on children's health as well as breast cancer.

Type of Research: Epidemiology

Publications:

Stingone JA, Buck Louis GM, Nakayama SF, Vermeulen RC, Kwok RK, Cui Y, Balshaw DM, **Teitelbaum SL**. Toward Greater Implementation of the Exposome Research Paradigm within Environmental Epidemiology. *Annu Rev Public Health.* 2017 Mar 20;38:315-327.

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Research Interests: Dr. Vangeepuram aims to lead national efforts to prevent and treat childhood obesity and

related conditions in underserved, ethnic-minority youth by leveraging the assets of community-academic partnerships. Current grant funding includes a career development award (K23, funded by NIDDK) which supports training and a study using community-based participatory research methodology as well as novel methods (peer education and mobile health technologies) to develop a model for diabetes prevention for at-risk youth. If proven effective, this model may be further tested and disseminated to other vulnerable communities with high disease burden.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Vangeepuram N, Mervish N, Galvez MP, Brenner B, Wolff MS. Dietary and physical activity behaviors of New York City children from different ethnic minority subgroups. *Acad Pediatr*. 2012 Nov-Dec;12(6):481-8.



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Research Interests: Dr. Vasavada's research has focused on understanding the pathways and mechanisms that regulate pancreatic beta cell growth, survival, and function, in normal beta cell physiology and in the pathophysiological settings of diabetes and islet transplantation, specifically centered on the role of growth factors and the signaling and molecular pathways through which they mediate their effects.

Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

Mozar A, Lin H, Williams K, Chin C, Guthalu NK, Stewart AF, Garcia-Ocana A, **Vasavada RC**. Parathyroid Hormone-Related peptide (1-36) enhances beta cell regeneration and increases beta cell mass in a mouse model of partial pancreatectomy. *PLOS ONE*. 2016; 11:e0158414.

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Mozar A, Guthalu NK, Pollack I, Fenutria R, **Vasavada RC**. The role of PTHrP in pancreatic beta cells and implications for diabetes pathophysiology and treatment. *Clinical Reviews in Bone and Mineral Metabolism*. 2014; 12:165-177.



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Research Interests: Dr. Vicencio is investigating sub-clinical

fungal infection as a potential cause of severe, refractory asthma. Together with collaborators, he is studying deficiencies in airway immune factors that could potentially contribute to infection, and is also analyzing fluid collected from the lower airways of children for molecular evidence of infection.

Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Spencer CY, Harkin T and **Vicencio AG**. Cryotherapy to treat and prevent airway stenosis in an adolescent with granulomatosis with polyangiitis. *Pediatric Pulmonology*. 2017; in press.

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Basic

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Publications:

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Basic/Translational

Publications:

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

Tauheed J, Sanchez-Guerra M, Lee JJ, Paul L, Ibne Hasan MO, Quamruzzaman Q, Selhub J, **Wright RO**, Christiani DC, Coull BA, Baccarelli AA, Mazumdar M. Associations between post translational histone modifications, myelomeningocele risk, environmental arsenic exposure, and folate deficiency among participants in a case control study in Bangladesh. *Epigenetics*. 2017 Apr 7:0.

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Type of Research: Clinical/Translational

Publications:

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