

Commencement 2020 Ceremony

*Thursday, May Twenty-first
Two Thousand and Twenty
6:00 p.m.*

*Baylor College of Medicine
One Baylor Plaza
Houston, Texas*



PROGRAM

Welcome *Dr. Alicia D.H. Monroe, Provost
Senior Vice President of Academic and Faculty Affairs*

Remarks *David C. Baldwin, Chair
Board of Trustees*

Introduction of Awardees *Dr. Paul E. Klotman
President and Chief Executive Officer
Executive Dean*

Conferral of Honorary Degrees *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

Doctor of Humanities in Medicine

John Damonti
President of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation
Vice President of Corporate Philanthropy and Patient Assistance

Doctor of Letters in Medicine

Peter B. Dervan, Ph.D.
Professor of Chemistry, California Institute of Technology
Chair of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Welch Foundation

Presentation of Distinguished Leadership Awards *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

Grace Chimene
President
Texas League of Women Voters

William F. McKeon
President and Chief Executive Officer
Texas Medical Center

Dr. Esmail Porsa
President and Chief Executive Officer
Harris Health System

Commencement Address *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

**School of Health Professions
Genetic Counseling**

Remarks by the President of the Graduating Class..... *Hannah Leigh Helber*

Presentation of the Candidates for the Degree Master of Science..... *Dr. Robert J. McLaughlin*
Dean

Conferral of Degrees *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Remarks by the Student Representative *Dr. Alexandra Leigh Chang-Graham*

Presentation of the Candidates for the Degree Doctor of Philosophy
and the Degree Master of Science *Dr. Carolyn L. Smith*
Dean

Conferral of Degrees *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

School of Medicine

Remarks by the President of the Graduating Class..... *Mr. Andrew Wallace Jensen*

Administration of the Physician's Pledge *Dr. Joseph S. Kass*
Associate Dean of Student Affairs

Presentation of the Candidates for the Degree Doctor of Medicine *Dr. Jennifer Christner*
Dean

Conferral of Degrees *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

Closing Remarks *Dr. Paul E. Klotman*

JOHN DAMONTI

John Damonti is the president of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation, as well as the vice president of corporate philanthropy and patient assistance of the Bristol-Myers Squibb Company. He has more than 25 years of experience working in health policy, government affairs and corporate social responsibility.

Through his leadership, Damonti remains a strong partner with Baylor and the Baylor International Pediatrics AIDS Initiative at Texas Children's Hospital (BIPAI). Over the last 20 years, Bristol-Myers Squibb has provided BIPAI with over \$100 million of support.

PETER B. DERVAN, PH.D.

Dr. Peter B. Dervan is a professor of chemistry at the California Institute of Technology. He serves as the chair of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Welch Foundation. His research in the development and study of small organic molecules using sequence-specific recognition of DNA has been internationally recognized. He is credited with influencing the course of research in organic chemistry through his studies at the interface of chemistry and biology.

Dervan is the co-founder and founding member of the Scientific Advisory Board for Gilead Sciences and a member of the National Academy of Sciences. He has received a number of awards for his research, and was named one of eight recipients of the 2006 National Medal of Science.

GRACE CHIMENE

A retired pediatric nurse practitioner, Grace Chimene serves as the president of the Texas League of Women Voters. The organization was founded in 1920 after women won the right to vote to help them take a larger role in public affairs.

The Texas League of Women Voters provides nonpartisan information on candidates and proposes amendments to empower voters about issues prior to voting. This resource has been implemented at Baylor to inform the community about elections and people on the ballot.

WILLIAM F. McKEON

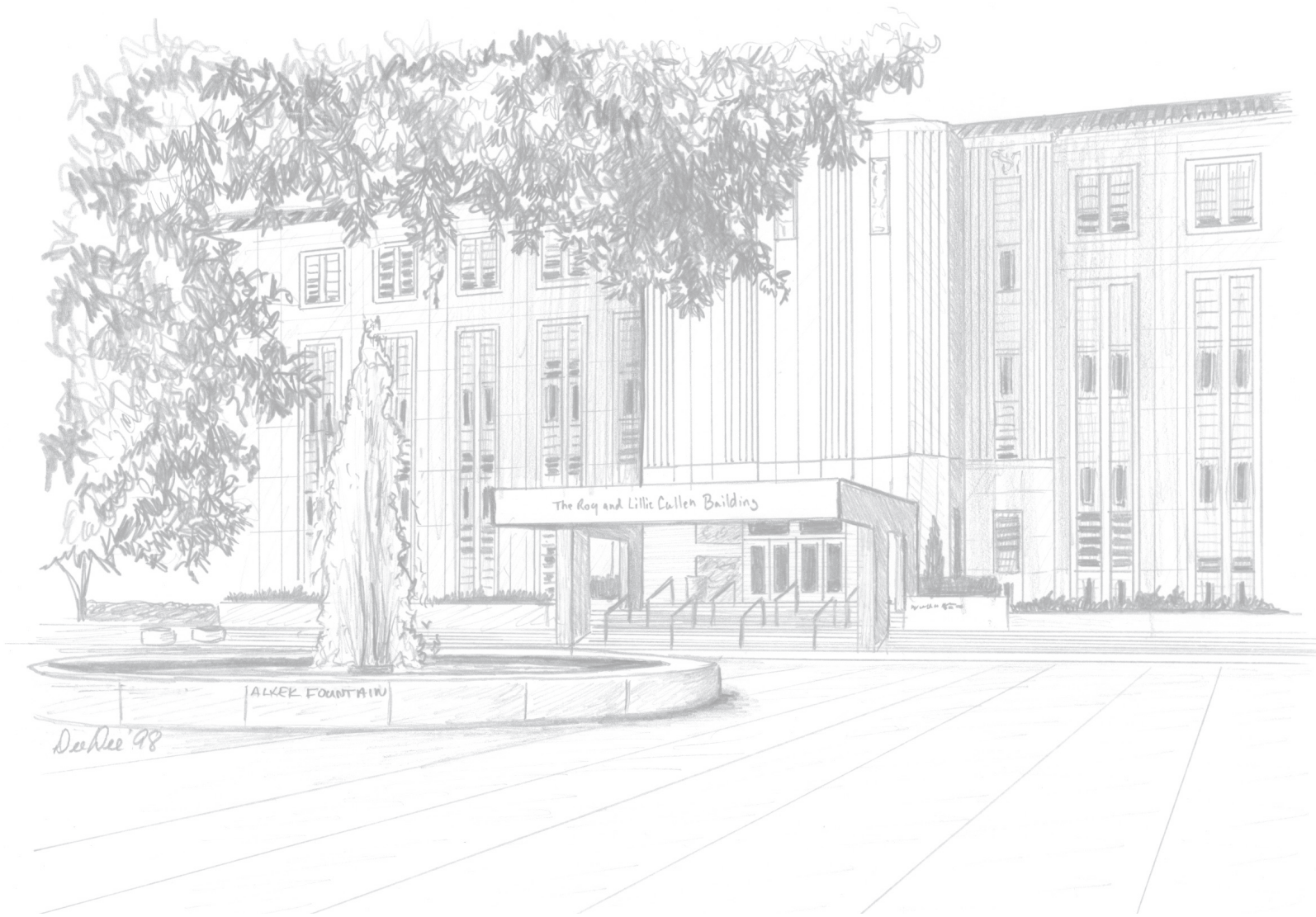
William McKeon is the president and chief executive officer of the Texas Medical Center. He is responsible for driving strategic, operational and programmatic initiatives across the Texas Medical Center's member institutions to enhance its leadership position in the life sciences. He has been part of the Texas Medical Center since 2013 as executive vice president and chief operating and strategy officer.

McKeon has served as an executive for many leading organizations, including DuPont, Stanford University Medical Center, Raytel, US Oncology and Medtronic. He received a Bachelor of Science in legal studies from Roger Williams University and earned a Master's Degree from the University of San Francisco – School of Management.

ESMAEL PORSÁ, M.D.

Dr. Esmail Porsa is the president and chief executive office of the Harris Health System. He previously served as the executive vice president and chief strategy and integration officer at Parkland Health & Hospital System in Dallas. His clinical research has focused on the management of tuberculosis as well as a group of infections resistant to commonly used antibiotics in correctional health settings.

Porsa has more than 20 years of experience in providing healthcare within county jail facilities in Texas, including Harris County and Dallas County, and was the medical director of correctional health services at Parkland for over 7 years. He also served as senior vice president of professional academic affairs and interim chief medical officer. Porsa is a member of the CCHP Board of Trustees at the National Commission on Correctional Health Care and the vice chair of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.



The Roy and Lillie Cullen Building

The Baylor University College of Medicine moved to Houston in 1943 from Dallas to launch the proposed Texas Medical Center. The building to house Baylor's medical school was named after Hugh Roy and Lillie Cullen who moved to Houston in 1911 and made their fortune in oil. The Cullen Foundation's first check was written in 1947 to fund the new medical building. Architects Hedrick and Lindsley designed the building with modern deco elements and Texas cream limestone. A portico was added in 1982 to enhance the main entrance. The Cullen building remains at the heart of the Texas Medical Center.

Recorded Texas Historic Landmark - 2014

School of Health Professions
Genetic Counseling
Candidates for the Degree, Master of Science

FARAH AMMOURI

B.S., The University of Texas at Dallas
Thesis: The Implications of Genetic Causes of Epilepsy on Surgery Outcomes
Thesis Chair: Lisa Emrick, M.D., B.A.
High Honors

STACEY EDWARDS

B.S., University of Houston
Thesis: Characterization of the Distal 1q21.1 Microdeletion Phenotype
Thesis Chair: Pengfei Lui, Ph.D.
High Honors

YOHEVED (KEVI) SHIRA GERSTEIN

B.S., University of Illinois at Chicago
Thesis: Knowledge, Perceptions, and Current Trends in Carrier Screening Among Orthodox Jewish Young Adults
Thesis Chair: Samantha Stover, M.S., CGC
Honors

ALYSSA ANN GRYGIEL

B.S., Baldwin Wallace University
Thesis: Sickle Cell Disease in Grenada: Quality of Life and Barriers to Care
Thesis Chair: Sarah Elsea, Ph.D.
Honors

HANNAH LEIGH HELBER

B.S., The Ohio State University
Thesis: Assessment of Understanding and Satisfaction of Clinical Whole Exome Sequencing: Video Consent vs Telephone Consent
Thesis Chair: Haley Streff, M.S., CGC
Highest Honors

HEATHER MACDONALD LUCAS

B.S., Texas A&M University
Thesis: Parental Perceptions of Genetic Testing for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder
Thesis Chair: Christian Schaaf, M.D., Ph.D.
Honors

EMILY CATHERINE MAGNESS

B.S., Trinity University
Thesis: Characterizing the Role of Genetic Counselors in Inpatient Care Settings
Thesis Chair: Elizabeth Mizerik, M.S., CGC
Highest Honors

RACHEL ELIZABETH THOMAS

B.S., Texas A&M University
Thesis: Patient Knowledge, Attitudes Toward, and Perceived Utility of Carrier Screening in an Obstetric Practice
Thesis Chair: Salma Nassef, M.S., CGC
Honors

All degrees to be awarded are contingent upon satisfactory completion of all degree requirements.

Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences
Candidates for the Degree, Doctor of Philosophy

REEM SHARON ABO-ZAHRAH

B.S., Centenary College of Louisiana
Ph.D., Molecular Physiology and Biophysics
Advisor: George Rodney, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Redox Regulation of Autophagy and the Cytoskeletal Network in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy”

JOSHUA M. ADAMS

B.A., State University of New York at Buffalo
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Hamed Jafar-Nejad, M.D.
Dissertation: “SOX9 Expression Level Determines the Severity of Liver Disease in a Mouse Model of Alagille Syndrome”

ANDREW PETER PORTEN ANDERSON

B.A., Cornell College
Ph.D., Quantitative and Computational Biosciences
Advisor: Y. Whitney Yin, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Mechanisms and Effects of Oxidative Damage to the Mitochondrial Replisome”

BRANDON AUGUST

B.A., Rollins College
Ph.D., Molecular Physiology and Biophysics
Advisor: Ergun Sahin, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “CRISPR/Cas9-Mediated Generation of Human Telomerase Knock-in Cell Lines to Identify Regulators of Telomerase and Telomere Maintenance in Unbiased Genetic Screens”

KEVIN AVILÉS-PADILLA

B.S., University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Silke Paust, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Unique Phenotypic and Functional Attributes of CXCR6+ Versus NKG2C+ Natural Killer Cells Following Bone Marrow Transplantation”

PRADIP BAJGAIN

B.S., Brigham Young University
Ph.D., Translational Biology & Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Ann Leen, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Genetic Engineering Strategies to Enhance CAR T Cell Therapy for Solid Tumors”

CHRISTIAN VALLADOLID BROWN

B.A., California State University, Northridge
Ph.D., Molecular Physiology and Biophysics
Advisor: Miguel A. Cruz, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Novel Insights into the A2 Domain of Von Willebrand Factor: Implications for Fibrin Clot Formation”

ROGERS MILTON BROWN II

B.S., Texas Lutheran University

Ph.D., Neuroscience

Advisor: Andrew Groves, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “The Role of Notch-Mediated Lateral Induction in Inner Ear Development”

ALEXANDRA LEIGH CHANG-GRAHAM

B.A., Amherst College

Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences

Advisor: Joseph Hyser, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Calcium Signaling Dynamics and Intercellular Calcium Waves in Rotavirus Infection Using Human Intestinal Enteroids”

CHIEN-JU CHEN

B.S., National Taiwan University

M.S., National Taiwan University

Ph.D., Neuroscience

Advisor: Mauro Costa-Mattioli, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “The Role of Mechanistic Target of Rapamycin Complex 2 in Synaptic Plasticity and Neurodevelopmental Disorders”

JENNIFER LYNN SPENCER CLINTON

B.S., California State University Fullerton

Ph.D., Molecular Virology and Microbiology

Advisor: Rebecca Rico-Hesse, MPH, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Zika Virus Tropism and Innate Immunity in Human Prostate Infection”

EMELINE HAIT CRUTCHER

B.S., Angelo State University

Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine

Advisor: Christian Patrick Schaaf, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: “From Disease Pathogenesis to Clinical Outcome Measures: Neurodevelopmental Disorders of Chromosome 15Q”

RACHAYATA DHARMAT

B.S., Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences,

M.S., Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences,

Ph.D., Molecular and Human Genetics

Advisor: Rui Chen, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Multi-omic Portraits of Inherited Retinal Ciliopathies”

KENNETH EAGLE

B.S., State University of New York at Buffalo

M.S., California Institute of Technology

M.B.A., Cleveland State University

Ph.D., Quantitative and Computational Biosciences

Advisor: Charles Y. Lin, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Integration of Pan-Cancer Functional Genomics and Chromatin Profiling to Identify Ultra-selective Tumor-specific Dependencies”

TIMOTHY DANIEL FARINHOLT

B.S., Baylor University
Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Advisor: Adam Kuspa, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “How Social Amoebae Manage Diverse Bacterial Interactions with Secreted Lectins”

ROBERT STEVENS FULTZ

B.S., Sam Houston State University
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: James Versalovic, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Histamine Receptor Signaling Modulates Inflammation-Associated Colorectal Cancer and Macrophage-Mediated Phagocytosis”

COURTNEY DAWN GARCIA

B.A., Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Ph.D., Neuroscience
Advisor: Michael Beauchamp, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Subcortical Neuronal Thresholds and Noise Correlations During Rotational Motion Discrimination”

SAVANNAH GOSNELL

B.S., Baylor University
Ph.D., Neuroscience
Advisor: Ramiro Salas, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Brain Imaging Biomarkers of Mental Illness”

JOSHUA DANIEL GRAVES

B.S., University of Texas at Austin
B.S., University of Washington-Seattle
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Weei-Chin Lin, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “E2F1 Sumoylation as a Protective Cellular Mechanism in Oxidative Stress Response”

NATHANAE H. GREEN

B.S., Sam Houston State University
Ph.D., Pharmacology
Advisor: Farhad Danesh, M.D.
Dissertation: “Exploring the MTHFD2-Dependent Regulation of Metabolic Reprogramming Through Modulation of the Epitranscriptomic Landscape in Renal Cell Carcinoma”

ANNE ELIZABETH HALL

B.S., Case Western Reserve University
M.S., University of Akron
Ph.D., Molecular Virology & Microbiology
Advisor: James Versalovic, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Regulatory Mechanisms and Probiotic Properties of Amino Acid Metabolites Produced by LACTOBACILLUS REUTERI”

ASANTÉ I. HATCHER

B.S., University of Maryland Baltimore County
Ph.D., Neuroscience
Advisor: Jeffrey Noebels, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Modulation of Peri-Tumoral Hyper Excitability in Glioma”

MATTHEW VALLE HOLT

B.S., Florida Gulf Coast University
Ph.D., Biochemistry
Advisor: Nicolas L. Young, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Quantitative Top-down Chromatin Proteomics”

YI-CHEN HSIEH

B.S., National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan
M.S., National Taiwan University, College of Medicine, Taiwan
Ph.D., Genetics and Genomics
Advisor: Joshua M. Shulman, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Tau-mediated Disruption of the Spliceosome in Alzheimer’s Disease”

JOANNE INO HSU

B.S., University of Washington
Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Margaret A. Goodell, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “The Role of PPM1D in Clonal Hematopoiesis and Therapy-Related Myeloid Neoplasms”

YUNG-HSIN HUANG

B.S., National Taiwan University
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Margaret A. Goodell, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “The Role of DNMT3A in Gene Regulation and Multiple Diseases”

HSIN-I JEN

B.S., Fu-Jen University
M.S., National Taiwan University
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Andrew Groves, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “The Role of ATOH1 in hair Cell Development and Regeneration”

YAJIAN JIANG

M.B., Zhejiang University
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Daisuke Nakada, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “The Role of Metabolic and Epigenetic Interaction in Acute Myeloid Leukemia”

EVAN MICHAEL JONES

B.S., Abilene Christian University
Ph.D., Molecular and Human Genetics
Advisor: Rui Chen, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Furthering the Genetic Diagnosis of Inherited Retinal Disease”

IK-SUN KIM

B.S., Yonsei University
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Xiang Zhang, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Immunosubtyping of Breast Cancer Reveals Distinct Myeloid Cell Biology and Immunotherapy Resistance Mechanisms.”

PETER KUNDERT

B.S., University of Notre Dame
Ph.D., Genetics & Genomics
Advisor: Gad Shaulsky, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “GoldenBraid Cloning Enables New Insights Into Allorecognition in a Social Amoeba”

MICHAEL TUAN LAM

B.S.B.E., Rice University
Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Jordan Scott Orange, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Identification and Characterization of a Novel Multicomponent Syndrome Affecting Natural Killer Cells Due to Aberrant CDC42 Function”

YU-JU LEE

B.S., China Medical University
M.S., Georgetown University
Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Weei-Chin Lin, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “CGRRF1, a Growth Suppressor, Regulates EGFR Ubiquitination in Breast Cancer”

STEPHANIE LYNN LEVALLEY

B.S., Michigan State University
Ph.D., Molecular Virology and Microbiology
Advisor: Robert Britton, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Microbial Modulation of Glucagon-like Peptide-1: Implications for Metabolic Disease”

CHIH-HSU LIN

B.S., National Taiwan University
M.S., National Taiwan University
Ph.D., Quantitative and Computational Biosciences
Advisor: Olivier Lichtarge, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Applying Information Diffusion and Visible Neural Networks to Advance Precision Medicine”

ALEXANDRA LITVINCHUK

B.S., Lomonosov Moscow State University
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Hui Zheng, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Complement C3 and C3AR Signaling Regulates Neuropathology and Neuro-Immune Network in Alzheimer’s Disease”

GARY LIU

B.S., University of California San Diego
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Benjamin R. Arenkiel, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Dissecting Interneuron Functions in Olfactory Circuits”

HSUAN-CHEN LIU

B.S., National Taipei University of Technology
M.S., National Taipei University of Technology
Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Andrew Sikora., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Concurrent In Vitro and In Silico Approach for the Identification of Surface Proteome Targets on HPV-Associated Cancer Cells”

EUGENE LURIE

B.S., University of California, Davis
Ph.D., Genetics and Genomics
Advisor: Aleksandar Milosavljevic, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Utility of DNA Methylation as a Footprint of Cell-type Identity in Pancreatic Cancer and of the Regulatory Effects of Non-Coding Genetic Variation”

BOXUE MA

B.S., Nankai University
Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Advisor: Wah Chiu, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Structural Study on Protein Folding Mechanism of Chaperonin TRiC by Cryo-electron Microscopy”

MATTHEW CAMERON MADISON

B.S., Southeastern University
Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Farrah Kheradmand, M.D.
Dissertation: “Electronic Cigarettes Disrupt Lung Lipid Homeostasis and Local Innate Immunity Independent of Nicotine”

VENA KAY MARTINEZ

B.S., Texas A&M University
Ph.D., Pharmacology and Chemical Biology
Advisor: Russell S. Ray, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Habituation to the DREADD-based Plethysmographic Assay May Protect Against Sex-specific Clozapine-N-oxide (CNO) Off-target Effects in Stress Response”

ANNA BARKER McMULLIN

B.S., Texas A&M University
Ph.D., Molecular Virology & Microbiology
Advisor: David Bates, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “The Influence of DNA Supercoiling on Replication Fork Progression and Arrest”

AMANDA LOUISE MINOGUE

B.S., University of California Riverside

Ph.D., Developmental Biology

Advisor: Swathi Arur, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Determining the Role of DROSHA and MIRNAS During oocyte Development in *C. Elegans*”

PATRICK G. MITCHELL

B.S., Walsh University

Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences

Advisor: Wah Chiu, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Into the Cell: New Tools for Cryo Electron Tomography Reveal Ultrastructural Details of Previously Unreachable Targets”

SAYANTAN MITRA

B.S., Calcutta University

M.S., Calcutta University

Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Advisor: B. V. Venkatar Prasad, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Influenza A Virus Protein NS1 Exhibits Strain-Independent Conformational Plasticity”

CHRISTINA NARIE MORRA

B.S., Cedar Crest College

Ph.D., Integrative molecular and Biomedical Sciences

Advisor: James Versalovic, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: “A Phylogenic Framework of Bacterial Folate Metabolism and Corresponding Interactions with Human Folate Receptors”

NICHOLAS JAY NEILL

A.S., Spokane Community College

B.S., Eastern Washington University

Ph.D., Molecular and Human Genetics

Advisor: Thomas Westbrook, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Exploiting Conserved Vulnerabilities to Target Undruggable Cancer Drivers”

ISAIAH ADAM ALEXANDER NEVE

B.S., University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D., Genetics and Genomics

Advisor: Meng Wang, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “The Effects of Gene-Environment Interactions on *C. ELEGANS* Reproduction and Physiology”

JARED MICHAEL NEWTON

B.S., Texas A&M University

Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine

Advisor: Andrew Gregory Sikora, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Modulating the Tumor Immune Microenvironment to Enhance Immunologic Responses of Solid Tumors”

ILYA NOVIKOV

B.S., Texas A&M University
Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Advisor: Olivier Lichtarge, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Function Prediction in RNA and Proteins”

PAUL D. PANG

B.S., University of Maryland, College Park
M.A., Boston University
A.L.M., Harvard University
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Thomas A. Cooper, M.D.
Dissertation: “Mis-Splicing of SCN5A in Myotonic Dystrophy”

JAY MAHENDRA PATEL

B.S., Northwestern University
Ph.D., Neuroscience
Advisor: Benjamin Arenkiel, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Sensory Perception Drives Food Avoidance Through Excitatory Basal Forebrain Circuits”

VALENCIA LENORA POTTER

B.S., Xavier University of Louisiana
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Theodore Wensel, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Super-resolution Microscopy Reveals Photoreceptor-specific Subciliary Location and Function of CEP290”

JOHN PRIBIS

B.S., Drexel University
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Susan Rosenberg, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Discovery and drug inhibition of Gamblers: an Antibiotic-Induced Evolvable Cell Subpopulation”

NICHOLAS ERIC PROPSON

B.S., University of Wisconsin - Madison
Ph.D., Molecular and Cellular Biology
Advisor: Hui Zheng, Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Endothelial C3aR Mediates Vascular Inflammation and Blood-Brain Barrier Permeability during Aging”

MD SHOAIBUR RAHMAN

B.S., University of Texas at Austin
Ph.D., Molecular Virology and Microbiology
Advisor: James Johnson Doe, M.D., Ph.D.
Dissertation: “Bimanual Touch and Cortical Encoding Models of Sensory Cue Integration”

ALEXANDER RENWICK

B.A., Rice University

M.A., Rice University

Ph.D., Quantitative and Computational Biosciences

Advisor: Chad A. Shaw, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “A Network Method for Phenotype to Transcriptome Analysis with Application to Cancer”

DANY ROMAN

B.S., California State University Northridge

Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences

Advisor: Graeme Mardon, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “At the Crossroads of Light and Dark: The Role of Potassium Channel KCNJ13 in Outer Retinal Function and Survival”

ETHAN ROY

B.S., New Mexico State University

Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine

Advisor: Hui Zheng, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Microglial Type I Interferon Response to Complex Amyloid Drives Neuroinflammation and Synapse Loss in Alzheimer Disease”

KATHARINA V. SCHULZE

B.S., Rochester Institute of Technology

M.S., Rochester Institute of Technology

Ph.D., Molecular & Human Genetics

Advisor: Neil Hanchard, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: “The Effects of Environmental Stress on DNA Methylation Exemplified in Infants of Diabetic Mothers and Children with Severe Acute Malnutrition”

JASON MALCOLM SCOVELL

B.B.A., Baylor University

Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine

Advisor: Frank Smith, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Insertional Mutagenesis Identifies Genetic Drivers of Papillary Renal Cell Carcinoma”

KUANWEI SHENG

B.S., Wuhan University

Ph.D., Molecular and Human Genetics

Advisor: Chenghang Zong, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Development of Highly Sensitive Single-Cell RNA-Seq Technologies and Their Applications”

XIAOFEI SONG

B.S., China Agricultural University

Ph.D., Molecular and Human Genetics,

Advisor: James R. Lupski, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Interpreting Locus Variation Causing Human Disease Traits”

AARON JONATHAN SPIKE

B.S., University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Ph.D., Molecular and Cellular Biology

Advisor: Jeffrey M. Rosen Ph.D.

Dissertation: "LIP Enhances T-Cell Homing by Regulation of CCL5 Expression"

ALICIA CHRISTINE STRIAK

B.A., Augustana University

Ph.D., Integrative Molecular & Biomedical Sciences

Advisor: Joseph Hyser, Ph.D.

Dissertation: "Contributions of NS1-2 Viroporin Activity on Dysregulated Host Calcium Signaling in Enteric Calicivirus Infections"

ANN TABITHA SUKUMAR

B.S., University of Massachusetts Boston

Ph.D., Molecular and Human Genetics

Advisor: Alison Ann Bertuch, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: "On the Roles of Human Ku's DNA End-Binding Activity and $\alpha 5$ Regions in Telomeric Association and Function"

HUAYU SUN

B.S., Sichuan University

Ph.D., Molecular and Cellular Biology

Advisor: Richard N. Sifers, Ph.D.

Dissertation: "ON THE Roles of Human KU's DNA End-Binding Activity and $\alpha 5$ Regions in Telomeric Association and Function"

YU SUN

B.S., Peking University,

Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences

Advisor: Weiwei Dang, Ph.D.

Dissertation: "A Quantitative Yeast Aging Proteomics Analysis Reveals Novel Aging Regulators"

AARON MICHAEL TAYLOR

B.S., University of Michigan

Ph.D., Quantitative and Computational Biosciences

Advisor: Ching C. Lau, M.D., Ph.D.

Dissertation: "Outcome-oriented Analysis of Integrated Genomic Data to Discover Biomarkers and Therapeutic Targets in Pediatric Cancer"

BURAK TEPE

B.S., Bogazici University

Ph.D., Developmental Biology

Advisor: Benjamin R. Arenkiel, Ph.D.

Dissertation: "Molecular mechanisms of circuit integration and cellular heterogeneity of adult-born neurons in olfactory bulb"

LINDA LIEN TRAN

B.S., University of California, Los Angeles
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: David Rowley, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “ELF3 Mediates IL-1alpha-Induced Differentiation of Pro-Inflammatory Fibroblasts in the Tumor Microenvironment”

KEVIN UNG

B.S., Georgia Institute of Technology
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Benjamin Arenkiel, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Cellular Interactions of Sensory Processing Circuits in the Olfactory Bulb”

GABRIEL ENRIQUE VAZQUEZ VELEZ

B.S., University of Puerto Rico Rio Piedras
Ph.D., Developmental Biology
Advisor: Huda Y. Zoghbi, M.D.

Dissertation: “A Druggable Genome Screen Identifies Doublecortin Like Kinase 1 as a Regulator of Alpha-Synuclein Levels and Toxicity”

ALEX CHRISTOPHER VEITH

B.S., The Ohio State University
Ph.D., Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine
Advisor: Bhagavatula Moorthy, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Mechanistic Role of Cytochrome P4501B1 in Hyperoxic Lung Injury”

MEGAN BRITTANY VOGT

B.S., Colorado State University
Ph.D., Integrative Molecular and Biomedical Sciences
Advisor: Rebecca Rico-Hesse, Ph.D., M.P.H

Dissertation: “Bad Blood: Manipulation of Hematopoietic Cells by Dengue Viruses and Mosquito Saliva”

EDGAR Y. WALKER

B.S., Washington University in St. Louis
Ph.D., Neuroscience
Advisor: Andreas S. Tolias, Ph.D.

Dissertation: “Encoding and Decoding of Sensory Information in Primary Visual Cortex”

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B.S., National Taiwan University
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Dissertation: “ β IV Spectrinopathies Cause Profound Intellectual Disability, Congenital Hypotonia, and Motor Axonal Neuropathy”

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Dissertation: “Dissecting RNA Processing Stress in MYC-driven Breast Cancer”

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Dissertation: “MARRVEL to Accelerate the Discovery and Diagnosis of Rare Disease and OXR1 as the Cause of a Novel Recessive Lysosomal Disease”

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Dissertation: “Volatile Signals Synchronize Development in Social Amoebae”

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Dissertation: “Reconstructing Human Pancreatic Niche Reveals Signals For Beta Cell Development”

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Dissertation: “Towards a Molecular Understanding of Neuronal Endolysosomal Trafficking by the Retromer Complex”

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Dissertation: “Using *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* to Decipher the Relationship Between Histone and Aging”

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B.S., Purdue University

Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

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Dissertation: “Opening of the TrkH Ion Channel by a Tetramer-to-dimer Conversion of the Associated TrkA”

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Dissertation: “A Rare Variant Nonparametric Linkage Method for Qualitative and Quantitative Traits on Pedigrees with Application to Alzheimer's Disease Using WGS Data”

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Thesis: “Differences in Plasma Membrane Mechanics Between Neuronal Domains and Underlying Membrane Cytoskeleton Interaction”

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Thesis: “Understanding the Role of Estrogen in Vaginal Wound Healing: Reducing Vaginal Scarring”

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Thesis: “The Role of Estrogen Receptor Alpha in Bone Metastasis and Analysis of Brain Metastasis RNA-Sequencing Data”

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Thesis: "Determination of the Circulating Factors Involved in Small Bowel Adaptation Following Intestinal Resection in Human Intestinal Enteroids"

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Jessica Ellen Messier
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The first recorded administration of the Hippocratic Oath in a medical school was at the University of Wittenberg, Germany in 1508. However, only after World War II did oath-taking play an important role in U.S. medical school graduation ceremonies. Today, nearly every U.S. medical school administers some type of professional oath at graduation.

In 1948, responding to the role physicians played in violating human rights during World War II, the World Medical Association (WMA) adopted the Declaration of Geneva to serve as a contemporary successor to the Hippocratic Oath. The Declaration of Geneva, most recently revised in 2017 as the Physician's Pledge, embodies a number of principles fundamental to the ethical practice of medicine in the 21st century, such as respect for patient autonomy, attention to physician self-care, and a commitment to practicing medicine in accordance with appropriate medical standards. Because the core values memorialized in the WMA Physician's Pledge reflect the core values of contemporary medicine, Baylor College of Medicine medical students, through their Student Senate, adopted the WMA Physician's Pledge as their "Hippocratic Oath for the 21st Century Physician."

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As a physician I solemnly pledge to dedicate my life to the service of humanity;

The health and well-being of my patient will be my first consideration;

I will respect the autonomy and dignity of my patient;

I will maintain the utmost respect for human life;

I will not permit considerations of age, disease or disability, creed, ethnic origin, gender, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, social standing, or any other factor to intervene between my duty and my patient;

I will respect the secrets that are confided in me, even after the patient has died;

I will practice my profession with conscience and dignity and in accordance with good medical practice;

I will foster the honor and noble traditions of the medical profession;

I will give to my teachers, colleagues, and students the respect and gratitude that is their due;

I will share my medical knowledge for the benefit of the patient and the advancement of healthcare;

I will attend to my own health, well-being, and abilities in order to provide care of the highest standard;

I will not use my medical knowledge to violate human rights and civil liberties, even under threat;

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