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**EDUCATION**

- 2001 Ph.D., Human Genetics, School of Health Sciences, Griffith University, Gold Coast (Australia).  
Dissertation: The use of microsatellite markers to study essential hypertension genes.
- 1994 Grad.Dip.Ed., High School Teaching, Dept of Education, University of Queensland, Brisbane (Australia).
- 1993 Grad.Dip.Sc., Biochemistry/Pharmacology, University of Queensland, Brisbane (Australia).  
Dissertation: Debrisoquine hydroxylase gene polymorphism and susceptibility to Parkinson's disease
- 1992 B.Sc., University of Queensland, Brisbane (Australia).

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2017- present *Research Professor*  
Dept of Biobehavioral Health, College of Health and Human Development, Penn State University, University Park, PA.
- 2017- present *Telomere Specialist*  
Biomarker Core Lab, College of Health and Human Development, Penn State University, University Park, PA
- 2014-2017 *Associate Research Professor (Senior Research Associate),*  
Dept of Biobehavioral Health, College of Health and Human Development, Penn State University, University Park, PA.
- 2011-2014 *Assistant Professor*  
Dept of Biochem & Mol Biol, College of Medicine, Penn State University, Hershey, PA.
- 2009-2011 *Research Associate*  
Dept of Anthropology, College of Liberal Arts, Penn State University, University Park, PA
- 2008-2014 *Adjunct Research Fellow, Molecular Basis of Disease Division*  
Griffith Institute for Health and Medical Research, Griffith Health, Gold Coast, Australia
- 2006- 2009 *Staff Scientist I*  
Department of Genetics, Texas Biomedical Research Institute, San Antonio, TX.
- 2005-2006 *Postdoctoral Scientist*  
Department of Genetics, Texas Biomedical Research Institute, San Antonio TX.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (cont.)**

- 2003-2005 *Postdoctoral Fellowship, American Heart Association Award*  
School of Medicine, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD.
- 2002-2003 *Postdoctoral Fellow, National Institute of Health (NIH)*  
School of Medicine, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD.
- 2000-2002 *Postdoctoral Fellow, National Organization of Rare Disorders (NORD)*  
Department of Pathology, University of Virginia, Charlottesville VA.
- 1999-2000 *Postdoctoral Fellow, Defense Force Project Grant*  
Department of Pathology, University of Virginia, Charlottesville VA.
- 1995-1998 *NH&MRC Postgraduate Scholar and Teaching Assistant*  
School of Health Sciences, Griffith University-Gold Coast (Australia).
- 1997 *Associate Lecturer in Genetics*  
School of Health Sciences, Griffith University- Gold Coast (Australia).
- 1995 *Lecturer in Molecular Genetics*  
School of Health Sciences, Griffith University- Gold Coast (Australia).
- 1994 *Student Teacher (High School)*  
Department of Education, University of Queensland. (diploma conferred 1994)
- 1993-1994 *Research Assistant*  
Department of Medicine, University of Queensland (Australia).

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- 2022- SCASD Delta High School, Experiential Day Travel Instructor  
Thursday May 26 8.40am-11.40am "Stress and the Body Response"  
Friday May 27 8.40am-9.40am "Stress and Cortisol Debrief"
- 2019, 2022- Director, Biobehavioral Health DNA summer camp for high school students.  
present Dept of Biobehavioral Health, College of Health and Human Development, Penn State University, University Park, PA
- 2018- 2019 Summer lab supervisor to BBH 490 (Introduction to Internship Experience) undergrad students  
2021 Dept of Biobehavioral Health, College of Health and Human Development, Penn State University, University Park, PA
- 2018- 2020 HPRF Laboratory supervisors to SCASD high school  
Dept of Biobehavioral Health, College of Health and Human Development, Penn State University, University Park, PA (Jennie Berda: 2019-2020; Supriya Kumar: 2018-2019)
- 2011- 2013 Laboratory supervisor to high school student and Stanford University undergraduate student  
Dept of Biochem & Mol Biol, College of Medicine, Penn State University, Hershey, PA.
- 2006 Lecturer in SNP genotyping to graduate students  
Department of Genetics, Texas Biomedical Research Institute
- 2003- 2005 Laboratory supervisor to high school and PhD candidate student  
School of Medicine, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD
- 1998 Lecturer in Molecular Genetics and Diseases  
School of Nursing, Griffith University, Gold Coast (Australia)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE (cont.)**

- 1998 Lecturer in Molecular Genetics, Cell Biology and Biochemistry.  
Health and Applied Science, Griffith University, Gold Coast (Australia)
- 1995-1998 Laboratory instructor for Molecular Genetics, Cell Biology and Biochemistry.  
Health and Applied Science, Griffith University, Gold Coast (Australia)
- 1993 Teaching Assistant  
Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, University of Queensland (Australia).

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### ***Advisory Panels/Committees/Workgroups***

- 2022-2024 Elected member to Faculty, Rights and Responsibilities Committee, Penn State Faculty Senate
- 2022-2023 Panel Member, Office of the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs (VPFA) Non Tenure Exit Interview Survey
- 2022-2023 Co-Chair, Search Committee for Environmental Health and Neurotoxicology Associate or Full Professor (tenure), Department of Biobehavioral Health
- 2021-2022 Member, Search Committee for Associate Dean for Equity, Inclusion, Diversity and Faculty Affairs, College of Health and Human Development
- 2021 BBH Precision Population Health tenure track interview panel for 4 candidates
- 2021-present Chair, Department of Biobehavioral Health Non-Tenure Promotion Committee
- 2021-2022 Co-Chair, Faculty Rights and Privacy, Faculty Affairs subcommittee, PSU Faculty Senate
- 2020-2021 Member, Department of Biobehavioral Health Non-Tenure Promotion Committee
- 2020 Faculty Affairs Faculty Senator Interview Committee for Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs-Faculty Development to select Ann Clements, Penn State University
- 2019-2023 Member, Faculty Affairs Standing Committee, Faculty Senate Penn State University
- 2019-2023 Secretary, HHD Faculty Council, Penn State University
- 2019- HHD Senator elected, HHD Faculty Council, Penn State University
- 2018-2023 Member, HHD Sustainability Council
- 2018-2021 Member, College of HHD Non-Tenure Promotion Ad Hoc Committee
- 2018 Member, HHD Faculty Council Interview Committee for Dean of HHD to select Craig Newschaffer, College of Health and Human Development. Penn State University
- 2018-2019 Member, CHHD Faculty Senate Committee (alternate senator)

### ***Thesis Dissertation Committees***

- 2023 PhD Thesis examiner for School of Biomedical Sciences, QUT, Brisbane(Australia)
- 2021 PhD Thesis examiner for School of Biomedical Sciences, QUT, Brisbane(Australia)
- 2019 PhD Thesis examiner for School of Biomedical Sciences, QUT, Brisbane (Australia)
- 2019 Masters in Diagnostic Genomics dissertation examiner for QUT, Brisbane (Australia)
- 2014 PhD Thesis examiner for Griffith University (Australia)

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### ***Thesis Dissertation Committees (cont.)***

- 2013 PhD Thesis examiner for Griffith University (Australia)
- 2012 PhD Thesis examiner for School of Medical Science, Griffith University
- 2011 PhD Thesis examiner for Griffith Institute for Health and Medical Research, Griffith University (Australia)
- 2009 PhD Thesis examiner for Griffith Institute for Health and Medical Research, Griffith University (Australia)

### ***Professional Societies***

- 2006- present Member, American Heart Association and Council for High Blood Pressure Research
- 1999- present Member, American Society of Human Genetics
- 1995- 2007 Member, Australian Society for Medical Research
- 1995- 2007 Member, Human Genetics Society of Australasia
- 1999- 2000 Associate Member, American Association for Cancer Research
- 1995-1999 Member, High Blood Pressure Research Council of Australia

### ***Research Service***

- 2001-2005 Work experience supervisor for 5 undergraduate students
- 2005-2008 Judge for San Antonio High School science awards, Texas
- 2008 Scientific journal peer reviewer for American Journal for Human Genetics
- 2009 Scientific journal reviewer for American Journal of Hypertension
- 2009 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Journal of Orthopaedic Research
- 2010 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Brain Research
- 2010-2016 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Cephalalgia
- 2010-present Judge for the Penn State University Graduate Exhibition
- 2011-2016 Scientific journal peer reviewer for The Journal of Pain
- 2011-2018 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Journal of Neurological Sciences
- 2011-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Gene
- 2011-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Molecular Biology Reviews
- 2012 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Clinical and Experimental Pathology
- 2012-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for International Journal of Molecular Sciences
- 2012-present Editorial Board member, Gene
- 2012-2018 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Neurology
- 2013-2015 Associate Editor, MetaGene
- 2013-2018 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Current Cancer Drug Targets
- 2018-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Research Square
- 2018-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Cells
- 2019-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Nutrients
- 2020-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Biomedicines
- 2020-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Vaccines
- 2021 Judge for BBH undergraduate research forum
- 2022-present Scientific journal peer reviewer for Biochimie
- 2023 Scientific journal peer reviewer for Molecular Neurobiology

## EXTRAMURAL APPOINTMENTS, AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2012-present Editorial Board member for the scientific journal GENE
- 2013-2014 Associate Editor for the scientific journal Meta Gene
- 2009-2010 **GRC Distinguished Visiting Researcher Award**, Griffith University, Gold Coast (Australia)
- 2006 **International Congress for Human Genetics Travel Grant** Awarded for conference presentation, *American Society for Human Genetics*
- 2003-2005 **Postdoctoral Fellowship** awarded for grant application titled “Investigation of chromosome 2q31-q34 for blood pressure variation in the Amish”, *Mid-Atlantic Affiliate Research Committee of the American Heart Association.*
- 2003-2004 **Applied Biosystems SNP Genotyping Supplementary Grant** awarded to identify a hypertension gene on human chromosome 2 in the Old Order Amish, *Applera Corporation- Applied Biosystems (Foster City, CA)*
- 2000 **Patent no.** US006156510 – Griffiths LR, Rutherford S and Morris B. Polymorphisms in a microsatellite region of a glucocorticoid receptor gene (Gemini Genomics Ltd Licensed)
- 1998 **AMRAD Young Investigator** Awarded for conference presentation, *Australian Society for Medical Research*
- 1996 **Travel Grant** Awarded for student conference presentation, *High Blood Pressure Research Council of Australia*
- 1995 **Travel Grant** Awarded for student conference presentation *Australian Society for Medical Research*
- 1995-1998 NHMRC Postgraduate Scholarship

## PUBLICATIONS (ORCHID ID# 0000-0003-3884-9766)

### Theses

*BSc/GradDip Sc:* Debrisoquine hydroxylase gene polymorphism and susceptibility to Parkinson’s disease

*PhD Thesis:* The use of microsatellite markers to study essential hypertension genes

### Articles

1. **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Curtain RP, Quinlan SR, Gaffney PT, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR (1997) Association of an Low Density Lipoprotein Receptor (LDLR) microsatellite marker with obesity, *Int J Obes Relat Metab Disord*, 21:1032-1037.
2. **Rutherford S**, Boatwright SD, Samwell GA, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR (1998) A linkage and cross-sectional study of hypertension and obesity using a poly (A) Alu-repeat polymorphism at the glucagon receptor gene locus (17q25). *Clin Exp Pharmacol Physiol* 25:627-629.
3. Curran J, Lea RA, **Rutherford S**, Weinstein SR, Griffiths LR. (2001) Association of estrogen receptor and glucocorticoid receptor gene polymorphisms with sporadic breast cancer, *Int J Cancer*, 95: 271-275.
4. El-Rifai W, **Rutherford S**, Knuutila S, Frierson HF, Moskaluk CA. (2001) Novel DNA copy number losses in chromosome 12q12-q13 in adenoid cystic carcinoma. *Neoplasia*, 3:173-178. [PMC1505590]
5. **Rutherford S**, Johnson MP, Curtain RP, Griffiths LR. (2001) Chromosome 17 and the inducible nitric oxide synthase gene in human essential hypertension, *Hum Genetics*, 109: 408-415.
6. **Rutherford S**, Johnson MP, Griffiths LR. (2004). Sib pair studies implicate chromosome 18 in essential hypertension, *Am J Med Genet*, 126: 241-247.
7. **Rutherford S**, Hampton GM, Frierson HF, Moskaluk CA. (2005) Mapping of candidate tumor suppressor genes on chromosome 12 in adenoid cystic carcinoma. *Lab Invest*, 85:1076-1085.

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8. **Rutherford S**, Yongtoa Y, Frierson HF, Moskaluk CA. (2006) Chromosome 6 deletion and candidate tumor suppressor genes in adenoid cystic carcinoma. *Cancer Letters*, 236:309-317.
9. **Rutherford S**, Cai G, Lopez-Alvarenga JC, Kent JW, Voruganti VS, Proffitt JM, Curran JE, Johnson MP, Jowett JB, Bastarrachea RA, Atwood LD, Göring HHH, MacCluer JW, Moses EK, Blangero J, Comuzzie AG, Cole SA. (2007) A chromosome 11q QTL influences change of blood pressure measures over time in Mexican Americans of the San Antonio Family Heart Study. *Am J Hum Genet*; 81(4):744-755. [PMC2227924]. <https://doi.org/10.1086/521151>
10. Franceschini N, MacCluer JW, Rose KM, **Rutherford S**, Cole SA, Laston S, Göring HHH, Diego V, Roman MJ, Lee ET, Best LG, Howard BV, Fabsitz RR, North KE. (2008) Genome-wide linkage analysis of pulse pressure in American Indians: The Strong Heart Study. *American Journal of Hypertension*; 21:194-199. [PMC2812893]
11. McArdle PF, **Rutherford S**, Mitchell BD, Damcott CM, Wang Y, Ott S, Chang YPC, Levy D, Shuldiner AR, Steinle N. (2008) Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor subunit variants on chromosome 2q are associated with blood pressure related traits in the Old Order Amish and the Framingham Heart Study. *BMC Medical Genetics*; 9:67. 67 [PMC2478679]. doi: 10.1186/1471-2350-9-67
12. Rainwater DL, **Rutherford S**, Dyer TD, Rainwater ED, Cole SA, VandeBerg JL, Stern MP, MacCluer JW, Blangero J, Mahaney MC. (2009) Determinants of Variation in Human Serum Paraoxonase Activity; *Heredity*; 102:147-154. [PMC2643132]
13. Franceschini N, Rose KM, Storti KL, **Rutherford S**, Voruganti VS, Laston S, Göring HH, Dyer TD, Umans JG, Lee ET, Best LG, Fabsitz RR, Cole SA, MacCluer JW, North KE.. (2009) Social- and behavioral-specific genetic effects on blood pressure traits: the Strong Heart Family Study. *Circ Cardiovasc Genet*; 2:396-401. [PMC2742382]
14. Cole S, Voruganti VS, Romans M, Bella JN, Okin PM, Haack K, Laston S, Göring HH, Almasy L, **Rutherford S**, Proffitt JM, Best LG, Fabsitz RR, Lee ET, Howard BV, Comuzzie AG, MacCluer JW, Devereux RB. (2009) *Circulation* 119 (10): E329-E329
15. Melton PE, **Rutherford S**, Voruganti VS, Göring HHH, Laston S, Haack K, Comuzzie AG, Dyer TD, Johnson MP, Kent JW Jr, Curran JE, Moses EK, Blangero J, Barac A, Lee ET, Best LG, Fabsitz RR, Devereux RB, Okin PM, Bella JN, Broeckel U, Howard BV, MacCluer JW, Cole SA, Almasy L. (2010) Bivariate genetic association of *KIAA1797* with heart rate in American Indians: The Strong Heart Family Study. *Hum Mol Genetics*, 9:3662-71.[PMC2928129] <https://doi.org/10.1093/hmg/ddq274>
16. Ramagopalan SV, Hoang U, Handel A, Giovannoni G, **Rutherford Siegel S**, Ebers GC, Goldacre MJ, Chaplin G. (2011) Period Prevalence of Multiple Sclerosis in England: Relationship to UV Exposure, *Neurology*, 76:1410-1414. [PMC3087404] doi: [10.1212/WNL.0b013e318216715e](https://doi.org/10.1212/WNL.0b013e318216715e)
17. Quillen E, Rainwater D, Dyer T, Carless M, Curran J, Johnson M, Goring H, Cole S, **Rutherford S**, MacCluer J Moses E, Blangero J, Almasy L, Mahaney M. (2012) Novel associations of non-structural loci with
18. **Rutherford Siegel S**, MacKenzie J, Chaplin G, Jablonski NG, Griffiths LR. (2012) Circulating microRNAs involved in multiple sclerosis. *Molecular Biology Reports*, 39(5): 6219-25. [PMID: 22231906] DOI: [10.1007/s11033-011-1441-7](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11033-011-1441-7).
19. Franceschini N, Tao R, Liu L, **Rutherford S**, Haack K, Almasy L, Göring HHH, Laston S, Lee ET, Best L, Fabsitz R, Cole SA, North KE. (2014) Comprehensive Mapping of a Blood Pressure QTL on Chromosome 17 in American Indians of the Strong Heart Family Study. *BMC Cardiovasc Disord*, 14:158. [PMC4246441].
20. Mitchell C, Hobcroft J, McLanahan SS, **Rutherford Siegel S**, Berg A, Brooks-Gunn J, Garfunkel I, Notterman D. (2014) Social Disadvantage, Genetic Sensitivity and Children's Telomere Length. *PNAS*. 111(16):5944-5949. [PMC4000782].

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### Articles (cont.)

21. Acknowledgement for work performed in: James S, McLanahan SS, Brooks-Gunn J, Mitchell C, Schneper L, Wagner B, Notterman D. (2017). Sleep Duration and Telomere Length. *J Pediatr.* 187:247-252.e1. DOI: 10.1016/j.jpeds.2017.05.014 [PMC5662004]
22. Cells Editorial Office. Acknowledgment to Reviewers of Vaccines in 2018. *Cells* 2019, 8, 251. doi: [10.3390/cells9010251](https://doi.org/10.3390/cells9010251)
23. Shalev I, Hastings W, Etzel L, Israel S, Russell MA, Hendrick KA, Zinobile M, **Rutherford Siegel S.** (2020) Investigating the impact of early-life adversity on physiological, immune, and gene expression responses to acute stress: A pilot feasibility study. *PLOS ONE*, 15(4): e0221310 doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0221310
24. Acknowledgement for work performed in: Hastings WJ, Einsberg DTA, Shalev I. (2020) Uninterruptible Power Supply Improves Precision and External Validity of Telomere Length Measurement via qPCR. *Experimental Results.* e52. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1017/exp.2020.58>
25. Acknowledgement of thanks for Drury SS. (2020) Little book of telomeres. A primer for the ties between telomeres, health and disease. A publication of the Telomere Research Network. <https://tulane.app.box.com/s/z7zldv77elulktjosexqehgad21s6zso>
26. Ensminger DC, **Siegel SR**, Owens DAS, Sheriff MJ, Langkilde T. (2021) Elevated glucocorticoids during gestation suggests sex-specific effects in offspring telomere lengths in wild lizard. *Comp Biochem Physiol A Mol Integr Physiol.* 257:110971.
27. Acknowledgement for work performed in: Hastings WJ, Einsberg DTA, Shalev I. (2021). Impact of Amplification Efficiency Approaches on Telomere Length Measurement via Quantitative-Polymerase Chain Reaction. *Frontiers in Genetics.* 12:728603. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fgene.2021.728603>
28. Acknowledgement for designing and developing work performed in: Zeid D, Mooney-Leber S, Seemiller L, Goldberg L, Gould T (2021), *Terc* Gene Cluster Variants Predict Liver Telomere Length in Mice, *Cells.* 10 (10): 2623 doi: 10.3390/cells10102623
29. Vaccines Editorial Office. Acknowledgment to Reviewers of Vaccines in 2020. *Vaccines* 2021, 9, 89. <https://doi.org/10.3390/vaccines9020089>
30. Etzel L, Apsley AT, Mattern BC, Hastings WJ, Heller T, Ram N, **Rutherford Siegel S**, Shalev I. (2022) Immune cell dynamics in response to an acute laboratory stressor: a within-person between-group analysis of the biological impact of early life adversity. *Stress.* 25(1):347-356. PMC9704543 doi: 10.1080/10253890.2022.2148100.
31. Irvin MR, Roth D, Haley W, Blink M, Armstrong N, Kamin Mukaz, Mathias R, **Rutherford Siegel S**, Shalev I, Patki A. (2022) Telomere shortening and the Transition to Family Caregiving. *PLOS one* 17 (6): e0268689, doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0268689
32. Vaccines Editorial Office. Acknowledgment to Reviewers of Vaccines in 2021. *Vaccines* 2021, 10, 213. doi: 10.3390/vaccines10020213
33. Biomedicines Editorial Office. Acknowledgment to Reviewers of Biomedicines in 2021. *Vaccines* 2022, 10, 313. doi: 10.3390/biomedicines10020313
34. **Rutherford Siegel S**, Ulrich M, Logue SF. Comparison qPCR study for selecting a valid single copy gene for measuring absolute telomere length. *Gene.* 2023 Jan 11;:147192. doi: 10.1016/j.gene.2023.147192. [Epub ahead of print] PubMed PMID: 36641077.

### Books

1. **Rutherford S**, Shuldiner AR, Mitchell BD. (2004) Genome scans of type 2 diabetes mellitus. In: DeFronzo, R.A., Ferrannini, E., Keen, H., Zimmet, P eds. *International Textbook of Diabetes Mellitus – 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition.* John Wiley & Sons Ltd, Chichester, pp 439-450.

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2. Acknowledgement for consulting work performed in: Matovinovic, Elizabeth (PhD thesis). (2012) *Heritability and genome-wide linkage of complex diseases in the Norfolk Island population isolate*. Griffith Research Online. <https://doi.org/10.25904/1912/3056>

### *Press Releases*

1. DNA camp: (2022) HHD Digest Highlight of the Week; Day in the life at DNA Camp, <https://mailchi.mp/psu/hhd-digest-july-14-2022?e=21f721baad>
2. Science News: Maternal stress during pregnancy may shorten lifespans of male lizard offspring by Sarah Lajeunesse (2021) May 17 <https://science.psu.edu/news/maternal-stress-during-pregnancy-may-shorten-lifespans-male-lizard-offspring>
3. BBH news: News for alumni and friends of the Department of Biobehavioral Health. Spring (2019) <https://issuu.com/pennstatehhd/docs/bbh-newletter-2019>

### *Abstracts*

1. **Rutherford S**, Quinlan SA, Curtain RP, Nyholt DR, Morris BJ, Gaffney P, Griffiths LR. (1995) Low Density Lipoprotein Receptor gene studies in hypertension and obesity. *Human Genetics Society of Australia 17th Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, September, P349.
2. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Friend LR, Gaffney PT, Morris BJ. (1995) Hypertension candidate gene studies. *Federation of Asian and Oceanian Biochemists and Molecular Biologists Congress 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Program Addendum*, September, A215.
3. **Rutherford S**, Morris BJ, Gaffney PT, Griffiths LR. (1995) A cross-sectional analysis using an LDLR microsatellite marker to study obesity. *The Australian Society for Medical Research 34<sup>th</sup> National Scientific Conference Program Addendum*, November, 439.
4. **Rutherford S**, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1996) A cross-sectional hypertension analysis using an angiotensinogen microsatellite marker. *Human Genetics Society of Australia 18th Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, September. P574.
5. **Rutherford S**, Gaffney PT, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1996) An obesity association study using a glucocorticoid receptor microsatellite marker, *Australian Society for Medical Research 35th National Scientific Conference Program Addendum*, November, 550.
6. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Morris BJ. (1996) Sib-pair analysis of angiotensinogen and insulin receptor microsatellite markers in human hypertension, *Australian Society for Medical Research 35th National Scientific Conference Program Addendum*, November, 498
7. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Morris BJ. (1996) Hypertension genome scanning using affected sibships. *The High Blood Pressure Research Council of Australia Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, December, A212.
8. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Morris BJ. (1997) Sib-pair analysis of angiotensinogen and insulin receptor microsatellite markers in human hypertension. *The Human Genome Project Europe; Genomes, Diseases, Drugs, Diagnostics Program Addendum*, May, 150.
9. **Rutherford S**, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1997) In search of hypertension gene loci: a genome-wide scan using affected siblings. *Human Genetics Society of Australia 19th Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, July, P453.



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10. Zhang W, Jeyasingam CL, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Griffiths LR, Morris BJ. (1997) Genome scanning reveals a hypertension locus on chromosome 1 coinciding with the angiotensinogen gene. *The High Blood Pressure Research Council of Australia Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, December, A247
11. **Rutherford S**, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1997) A linkage and cross-sectional study of hypertension using a poly(A) *Alu* repeat at the glucagon receptor gene locus (17q25). *The High Blood Pressure Research Council of Australia Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, December, A173.
12. Nyholt DR, **Rutherford S**, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1997) Analysis of angiotensinogen genotypes in hypertension sibships. *Am J Hum Genet*, 61: A288.
13. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR. (1998) Linkage of AGT microsatellite to Australian hypertensive Caucasians. *The International Society of Hypertension 17<sup>th</sup> Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, June.
14. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Zee RYL, Nyholt DR, Jeyasingam CL, Zhang W, Morris BJ. (1998) ACE and hypertension genetics. *The International Society of Hypertension ACE Symposium Program Addendum*, June.
15. **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Jeyasingam CL, Curtain RP, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1998) Identification of a hypertension susceptibility locus on chromosome 17 using an affected sib-pair approach. *Human Genetics Society of Australasia 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, July, P119.
16. Nyholt DR, **Rutherford S**, Jeyasingam CL, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1998) Comparison of software packages and statistics used in the linkage analysis of affected sib-pair data. *Human Genetics Society of Australasia 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, July, P253.
17. Jeyasingam CL, Zhang W, Nyholt DR, Schrader AP, **Rutherford S**, Griffiths LR, (1998) Morris BJ. Genome Scan of chromosome 1 in essential hypertension: A role for angiotensinogen. *Human Genetics Society of Australasia 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, July, P443.
18. Jeyasingam CL, Curtain RP, Nyholt DR, Wang WYS, **Rutherford S**, Schrader AP, Adams DJ, Griffiths LR, Morris BJ. (1998) Inducible nitric oxide synthase gene (*NOS2A*) polymorphisms in essential hypertension. *Human Genetics Society of Australasia 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting Program Addendum*, July, P121.
19. **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Morris B, Griffiths LR. (1998) Identification of a hypertension susceptibility locus and a *NOS2A* microsatellite on chromosome 17. *The Australian Society for Medical Research 37<sup>th</sup> National Scientific Conference Program Addendum*. November, 90.
20. Hutchins C, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Morris B, Griffiths LR. (1998) A hypertension genome scan using microsatellite markers in EST rich regions. *The Australian Society for Medical Research 37<sup>th</sup> National Scientific Conference Program Addendum*. November, 320.
21. **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Jeyasingam CL, Curtain RP, Morris BJ, Griffiths LR. (1998) An affected sib pair approach implicates a hypertension susceptibility locus and a *NOS2A* microsatellite on chromosome 17. *Am J Hum Genet*, 63: 16.
22. Griffiths LR, **Rutherford S**, Curtain RP, Nyholt DR. (1999) An affected sib-pair approach implicates a hypertension susceptibility locus and a *NOS2A* tetranucleotide repeat on chromosome 17. *Boden Conference Statistical Methods for Human Genome Analysis: Application in the Discovery of Genes Involved in Complex Human Diseases Program Addendum*. February, 89.
23. Hutchins C, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Griffiths LR. (1999) A hypertension genome scan using microsatellite markers in est rich regions. *The Australian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Australian and New Zealand Society for Cell and Development Biology and Australian Society for Plant Physiologists Program Addendum*, September, 370.

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24. Warchalowski AM, **Rutherford S**, Griffiths LR. (1999) A chromosome 17 investigation of the human growth hormone microsatellite locus in human hypertension. *The Australian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Australian and New Zealand Society for Cell and Development Biology and Australian Society for Plant Physiologists Program Addendum*, September, 392.
25. Curtain RP, **Rutherford S**, Nyholt DR, Griffiths LR. (1999) Inducible nitric oxide synthase gene in human essential hypertension. *The Australian Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Australian and New Zealand Society for Cell and Development Biology and Australian Society for Plant Physiologists Program Addendum*, September, 387.
26. Griffiths LR, Rutherford S, Curtain RP, Nyholt DR. (1999) An affected sib pair approach implicates a hypertension susceptibility locus and a NOS2A tetranucleotide repeat on chromosome 17. 6<sup>th</sup> IUBMB Conference Program Addendum, October, 790.
27. **Rutherford S**, Saadut R, Marshall CR, Rumpel CA, Frierson HR Jr, Moskaluk CA. (1999) Loss of heterozygosity analysis in the chromosome 6q region in adenoid cystic carcinoma. *Am J Hum Genet*, 65: 319.
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## RESEARCH SUPPORT

### Current

#### NIH/NIEHS

R24 OD035455-01

Rutherford Siegel (PI)

04/01/23-03/31/24

Automated Liquid Handling Platform for Biomarker Core Lab

The major goal of this grant is to provide modernized equipment (liquid handler robot) for the shred use facility.

Role: Principal Investigator

#### **Penn State Conferences and Institutes (C&I) Endowment**

HHD Partnership Funds: DNA Camp: DNA and Your Health Rutherford Siegel (PI) 01/01/23-12/31/23

The major goal of this funding is to provide financial accessibility to high school students to attend PSU Summer Youth programs.

## **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

### **Completed**

#### **NIH/NIEHS**

U01ES030949

Shalev (PI)

9/13/19-05/31/22

The Comparability and Reproducibility of Telomere Length Measurements for Population-based Studies

The major goal of this grant was to standardize the telomere length assays to produce reproducible results independent of samples and lab running conditions. Role: Consultant

#### **PSU College of Health and Human Development Undergraduate and Outreach Programs**

The Mary Magino Community Service Endowment

Rutherford Siegel (PI)

1/1/20-6/30/21

DNA and Your Health camp

The major goal of this grant was to introduce electrophoresis methods to the HHD summer camp to enhance high schoolers interest in precision medicine by identifying DNA polymorphisms and the behavioral modification of their genetic makeup for better health and wellbeing.

Role: Principal Investigator

#### **PSU College of Health and Human Development Undergraduate and Outreach Programs**

The Dr. Thomas M. Nardozzo Community Service Endowment Fund. Rutherford Siegel (PI) 1/1/19-6/30/20

Telomere Length Camp

The major goal of this grant was to establish a summer camp to enhance high schoolers interest in precision medicine by DNA extractions of their own saliva and identifying their biological age.

Role: Principal Investigator

#### **American Heart Association, National Affiliate**

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Rutherford (PI)

07/01/08-06/30/12

Investigating a chromosome 18 region for involvement in hypertension and systolic blood pressure.

The major goal of this study is to identify the evolution of genes and gene variants affecting systolic blood pressure variation in Mexican American participants of the San Antonio Family Heart Study with a high salt diet and susceptibility to hypertension in Australian Caucasians hypertensive subjects with a Westernized diet.

Role: Principal Investigator

#### **Toray Industries 3D Gene**

Rutherford Siegel (PI)

01/01/10-12/31/10

MicroRNA transcripts involved in multiple sclerosis

The major goal of this pilot study is to identify serum microRNA transcripts involved in MS and test the influence of Vitamin D in regulating the expression levels of these transcripts in the disease.

Role: Principal Investigator

#### **NIH/NHLBI**

R01 HL089651-01A1

North (PI)

04/01/08-01/31/09

Comprehensive Mapping of a Blood Pressure QTL on chromosome 17

The major goal of this subproject is to identify genes involved in sex specific blood pressure variation in Native American females of the Strong Heart Family Study (SHFS). Role: Co-Investigator (PI subcontract)

#### **Voelcker Foundation Pilot Grant**

Rutherford (PI)

09/01/08-01/31/09

Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research

Investigation of Gene Expression in Systolic Blood Pressure

The major goal of this project is to generate preliminary data in 10 gene transcripts influencing systolic blood pressure in Mexican Americans with a high salt diet. Role: Principal Investigator

## **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

### **Completed (cont.)**

**Semp Russ Foundation of the San Antonio Area Foundation.** Rutherford (PI) 06/30/07-11/30/08  
The role of chromosome 11 in blood pressure variation

The major goal of this project is to investigate the interaction of a high salt diet and blood pressure genes and associated polymorphisms on chromosome 11 in Mexican Americans of the San Antonio Family Heart Study.

**SW Foundation for Biomedical Research Forum** Rutherford (PI) 10/01/07-9/30/08  
Involvement of chr 11 microRNA transcripts in change in blood pressure over time in Mexican Americans of the San Antonio Family Heart Study. Role: Principal Investigator

The major goal of this project is to investigate the interaction of a high salt diet and three gene regulatory regions (microRNA) on chromosome 11 for involvement in blood pressure regulation in Mexican Americans of the San Antonio Family Heart Study. Role: Principal Investigator

**ABI-Celera SNP Genotyping Supplementary Grant** Rutherford (PI) 06/2004-12/2004

The major role of this project was to identify a gene associated with hypertension that was mapped to human chromosome 2 in the Old Order Amish. Role: Principal Investigator

### **Previously submitted**

#### **NIH/NINDS**

1R01 NS076822-01 Rutherford Siegel (PI) 12/1/11-11/30/16

Transcriptional and Quantitative assessment of miRNAs involved in MS brain lesions

The major goal of this study is to identify the behavioral specific microRNAs and their gene targets involved in white matter brain lesions from MS individuals. Role: Principal Investigator

**National Multiple Sclerosis Society** Rutherford Siegel (PI) 01/09/11-12/31/12

Next generation sequencing of microRNAs involved in multiple sclerosis

The major goal of this study is to identify microRNA transcripts involved in multiple sclerosis, their gene targets and to identify polymorphisms in the transcripts involved in the disease. Role: Principal Investigator