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Bio

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Pediatrics - Gastroenterology
- Member, Maternal & Child Health Research Institute (MCHRI)

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Faculty Senator, Stanford University, (2019-2021)
- Associate Chair for Academic Affairs, Department of Pediatrics, (2016-2021)
- Co-Director, Stanford Gastroenterology NIH T32 Training Program, (2011- present)
- Assistant Dean for Academic Advising, Stanford University School of Medicine, (2012- present)
- Director, Junior Faculty Mentoring Program, North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition, (2016-2018)
- Associate Director (Research), Stanford Pediatric Gastroenterology Training Program, (2004- present)
- Mentor and Steering Committee, Stanford Pediatric Mentoring Program, (2007- present)
- Senator, School of Medicine Faculty Senate, (2009-2018)
- Chair/Vice-Chair, Growth, Development and Aging Section, American Gastroenterology Association, (2007-2011)
- Editor-In-Chief, Journal of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition, (2006-2010)
- Member, Clinical and Integrative Gastrointestinal Pathobiology Study Section, NIH, (2004-2007)
- Admissions Committee, Stanford University School of Medicine, (1998-2001)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- The Bernard A. Newcomb Distinguished Packard Fellow, Stanford University Department of Pediatrics (2018-2021)
- Distinguished Service Award, North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition (2017)
- Member, American Clinical and Climatological Association (2010-present)
- Council, elected, American Gastroenterology Association (2007-2011)
- Council, elected, Society for Pediatric Research (2005-2008)
- Named Investigator Award, Stanford Digestive Disease Center (2002-2003)
- Young Faculty Investigator Award, North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition (1998)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Undergraduate Education, Harvard College , A.B., Biochemical Sciences (1982)
- Graduate Education, Johns Hopkins University , Ph.D., Biological Chemistry (1990)

LINKS

- Sibley Lab home page: http://med.stanford.edu/labs/eric_sibley/

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

Transcriptional Regulation of Intestine-Specific Gene Expression during Gut Development and Maturation.

The mammalian gastrointestinal tract matures from a primitive tube into morphologically and functionally distinct regions during development. The mature small intestine functions in the digestion and absorption of ingested nutrients. Expression of several nutrient hydrolases is spatially restricted to distinct segments along the cephalo-caudal axis of the small intestine and is temporally regulated during postnatal maturation. Intestinal lactase, the hydrolase responsible for the digestion of lactose in milk, is expressed at highest levels in the jejunal segment of the small intestine shortly after birth and then declines dramatically just prior to weaning in most mammals.

Our research is directed towards defining the mechanisms regulating the spatial and temporal restriction of lactase gene expression during intestinal development. The normal maturational decline in lactase enzymatic activity is correlated with a decline in lactase messenger RNA levels and is transcriptionally regulated. We are currently identifying maturation-specific lactase gene cis elements and characterizing the nuclear proteins interacting with those elements in cell culture and transgenic animals. We seek to define the interactions of the lactase gene elements and nuclear factors involved in mediating transcriptional control. The overall goal is to relate these lactase control mechanisms to the broader pathways specifying acquisition of a small intestinal phenotype. We are also investigating gene transfer methods to deliver specific genes to the intestine.

Teaching

STANFORD ADVISEES

Academic Advising Dean

Isabel Beshar, Kathrine Casillas, Elizabeth George, Natasha Glenn, Lichy Han, Yu-Jin Lee, Grant Lin, George Liu, David Mahoney, Owen Marecic, Mee Won Park, Edward Pham, Arifeen Rahman, Daniel Stoltz, Mallika Tamboli, Diane Tseng, Daniel Vail, Maite Van Hentenryck, Clare Wise, Catherine Yao, Wendy Zhang, Bright Zhou

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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- **PDX1 regulation of FABP1 and novel target genes in human intestinal epithelial Caco-2 cells** *BIOCHEMICAL AND BIOPHYSICAL RESEARCH COMMUNICATIONS*
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Sibley, E.
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- **Congenital Disorders of Digestion and Absorption** *DIARRHEA: DIAGNOSTIC AND THERAPEUTIC ADVANCES*
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- **-13915*G DNA polymorphism associated with lactase persistence in Africa interacts with Oct-1** *HUMAN GENETICS*
Olds, L. C., Ahn, J. K., Sibley, E.
2011; 129 (1): 111-113
- **Increased HLA-DR Expression on Tissue Eosinophils in Eosinophilic Esophagitis** *JOURNAL OF PEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY AND NUTRITION*
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- **Three-dimensional optical method for integrated visualization of mouse islet microstructure and vascular network with subcellular-level resolution** *JOURNAL OF BIOMEDICAL OPTICS*
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- **Ciao and Shalom** *JOURNAL OF PEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY AND NUTRITION*
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- **Microtome-Free 3-Dimensional Confocal Imaging Method for Visualization of Mouse Intestine With Subcellular-Level Resolution** *GASTROENTEROLOGY*

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- **Genetic modification of somatic gut mucosa: An adeno-associated virus approach** *JOURNAL OF PEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY AND NUTRITION*
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