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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Adjunct Staff Member, Carnegie Institution for Science, Department of Plant Biology, (2016-2020)
- Committee on Research, Stanford, (2016-2019)
- Committee on Research, Stanford University, (2016-2019)
- Representative to the Global Plant Council, American Society of Plant Biology, (2016-2019)
- Committee on Health and Safety, Stanford University, (2014-2016)
- Elected to Faculty Senate, Stanford, (2009-2011)
- Elected to the Steering Committee of the Faculty Senate, Stanford, (2009-2011)
- Committee on Research, Stanford, (2003-2005)
- Committee on Committees, Stanford, (2000-2001)
- Elected to Faculty Senate, Stanford, (1999-2001)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Predoctoral fellowship, NSF (1969-1972)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship, NIH (1972-1975)
- Fellow, American Assn. Advancement of Science (1981)
- Belk Award, Miami University of Ohio (1985)
- Lamb Award, University of Nebraska (1985)
- Fellow, Guggenheim Foundation (1987)

- Eppley Award, Eppley Foundation (1993)
- Explorer Award, National Geographic Society (1998)
- Joan V. Wood Lectureship, Indiana University (1999)
- Hageman Lectureship, Kansas State University (2001)
- Cooresponding Member, Mexican Academy of Sciences (2004)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Committee Member, Stanford Committee on Research (2016 - present)
- Representative, American Society Plant Biology to the Global Plant Council (2016 - present)

PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Center for Latin American Studies

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Postdoc, Univ. Georgia , Biochemistry (1975)
- Ph.D., Yale University , Biology (1972)
- M. Phil., Yale University , Biology (1969)
- A. B., Stanford , Biology (1967)

COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL WORK

- UV-B Irradiation, Stanford
- Corn cancer caused by Ustilago maydis, Stanford CA
- Cell Fate Acquisition, Cal Poly and Stanford
- DNA Methylation Society

LINKS

- Walbot Lab: http://web.stanford.edu/~walbot/

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Research Interests

The key features of plant development are that the body plan is indefinite, with continual stem cell activity producing new organs, and that there is an alternation of generations in which the phenotypes of haploid cells are determined mainly by their genotype. These life cycle features allow somatic and gametic selection to operate more stringently than in complex animals with a fixed body plan and in animal gametes. Historically our primary focus has been the regulation of MuDR/Mu transposable elements in the context of the maize life cycle. The transposons switch from "cut and paste" to a net replicative mode of transposition in cells that have acquired pre-meiotic fate. To understand how MuDR/Mu exploit this cell fate specification event, we swtiched to studying cell fate specification in maize anthers to understand the basic biology of this organ.

Plants do not have a germ line. Instead, within each flower a small number of somatic cells must be programmed to adopt a pre-meiotic fate. On the male side, this cell fate specification event occurs in the anthers when pluripotent stem cells become archesporial cells. The anther lobes have just 5 cell types, including the cells that ultimately undergo meiosis. Using a panel of male sterile mutants, transcriptome profiling, proteomics, and genetic analysis we are defining how these archesporial and somatic cells acquire their fates, and then maintain them. We recently discovered that hypoxia,

generating a signal mediated by the MSCA1 glutaredoxin, establishes which cells differentiate as pre-meiotic cells and then in turn program the somatic niche surrounding them using a secreted protein. Mobile secreted proteins play key roles in establishing cell fate and programming particular cell division patterns. MAC1 also inhibits archesporial cell division -- either directly or as a consequence of somatic differentiation -- until there is an entire column of such cells in each anther lobe; then the archesporial cells start transit amplifying divisions and a 5 days later start meiosis synchronously.

Using additional mutants and laser capture microdissection we are analyzing the steps in differentiation of individual cell types and investigating whether there are changes in DNA methylation. We are particularly interested in characteristics of the archesporial cells and the neighboring tapetum. Many male sterile mutants have defects in tapetal cell fate specification, commitment, or differentiation, later resulting in meiotic arrest. Our most intriguing finding about the archesporial cells is that as soon as they are specified they being making both the mRNA and proteins utilized in meiosis.

We have intriguing clues that a novel type of small RNA (phasiRNAs = phased small RNAs of 21 or 24 nucleotides) are critical for early steps in in anther development. PHAS loci are non repetitive, transcribed by RNA Pol II but do not encode proteins; the long non-coding transcript is processed into precisely the same 21 or 24 nt pieces by the binding of a 22 nt trigger molecule and the action of a specific Dicers (DCL4 for the 21 nt type and DCL5 for the 24 nt class). Only grass anthers produce the 24 nt phasiRNAs, and in maize they appear shortly before the start of meiosis. Based on current evidence, we hypothesize that epidermal cells make the 21 nt phasiRNAs and the tapetal cells adjacent to the meiotic cells make the 24 nt phasiRNAs. Genetic and molecular approaches are being used to discover the functions of these fascinating small molecules.

Teaching

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

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GRADUATE AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Biology (School of Humanities and Sciences) (PhD Program)
- Cancer Biology (PhD Program)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **A multi-omics approach to maize (Zea mays) tassel development.** *BMC plant biology*
  Hartmann, F., Mathioni, S., Kakrana, A., Meyers, B. C., Walbot, V., van der Linde, K.
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- **FX-Cell: a method for single-cell RNA sequencing on difficult-to-digest and cryopreserved plant samples.** *Nature methods*
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  2024
- **Ribosome binding of phasiRNA precursors accelerates the 24-nt phasiRNA burst in meiotic maize anthers.** *The Plant cell*
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  2024
- **Anther Development - The Long Road to Making Pollen.** *The Plant cell*
  Marchant, D. B., Walbot, V.

2022

- **24-nt phasiRNAs move from tapetal to meiotic cells in maize anthers.** *The New phytologist*
  Zhou, X., Huang, K., Teng, C., Abdelgawad, A., Batish, M., Meyers, B. C., Walbot, V.
  2022
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  1800
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- **Sugar partitioning between Ustilago maydis and its host Zea mays L during infection.** *Plant physiology*
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  2018
- **Pathogen Trojan Horse Delivers Bioactive Host Protein to Alter Maize Anther Cell Behavior in Situ** *PLANT CELL*
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