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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Medicine - Endocrinology, Gerontology, & Metabolism
- Member, Bio-X
- Member, Maternal & Child Health Research Institute (MCHRI)
- Member, Stanford Cancer Institute

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Director, MSTP MD-PhD program, (2018- present)
- Director of Admissions, MSTP MD-PhD program, (2016-2017)
- Associate Director, MSTP MD-PhD program, (2014-2018)
- Member, Stanford Diabetes Research Center, (2023- present)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Sackler Scholar in Psychobiology, Harvard University (1995-1996)
- Fellow of the Jane Coffin Childs Memorial Fund For Medical Research, Jane Coffin Childs Memorial Fund For Medical Research (2001-2002)
- Pfizer Postdoctoral Fellow in Rheumatology/Immunology, Pfizer (2002-2005)
- Paul Beeson Scholar in Aging Research, National Institute on Aging/American Federation for Aging Research (2006-)
- Ellison Medical Foundation New Scholar in Aging, Ellison Medical Foundation/AFAR (2008-2012)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Harvard Medical School , Neuroscience/Cell Biology (2001)
- M.D., Harvard Medical School , Medicine (2001)
- B.A., Harvard University , Biochemistry/Molecular Biology (1991)

LINKS

- Katrin Chua lab website: <https://chualab.stanford.edu>

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Our lab is interested in understanding molecular processes that underlie aging and age-associated pathologies in mammals. We focus on a family of genes, the SIRT6s, which regulate stress resistance and lifespan in lower organisms such as yeast, worms, and flies. In mammals, we recently uncovered

a number of ways in which SIRT factors may contribute to cellular and organismal aging by regulating resistance to various forms of stress. We have now begun to characterize the molecular mechanisms by which these SIRT factors function. In particular, we are interested in how SIRT factors regulate chromatin, the molecular structure in which the DNA of mammalian genomes is packaged, and how such functions may link genome maintenance to stress resistance and aging.

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Physician Scientist Hour: INDE 217 (Aut, Win)

2024-25

- MSTP Journal club: INDE 231 (Aut)
- Physician Scientist Hour: INDE 217 (Aut, Win, Spr)

2023-24

- Physician Scientist Hour: INDE 217 (Aut, Win, Spr)

2022-23

- MSTP Journal club: INDE 231 (Aut)
- Physician Scientist Hour: INDE 217 (Aut, Win, Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Orals Chair

Samuel Kim

Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

Dylan Husmann, Lu Wang

GRADUATE AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Cancer Biology (Phd Program)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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