

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **EDUCATION**

Post-doctoral Research Fellow, National Human Genome Research Institute 2006–2012  
National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD  
Laboratory of Dr. Francis Collins

Ph.D. in Environmental Health/Toxicology, University of Washington, Seattle WA 2006

Internship, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Office of Genomics and Disease Prevention, Atlanta, GA 2000

M.P.H. in Environmental Health and Certificate in Public Health Genetics 2000  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

B.S. in Biological Chemistry University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI 1997

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Associate Professor, Department of Genetics 2018-present  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Assistant Professor, Department of Genetics 2012-2018  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

University of North Carolina Affiliations

Member, Marsico Lung Institute	2012-present
Faculty, Curriculum in Genetics & Molecular Biology	2012-present
Faculty, Curriculum in Toxicology	2012-present
Faculty, Curriculum in Bioinformatics & Computational Biology	2012-present

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

NIEHS Outstanding New Environmental Scientist Award 2015  
Joy Cappel Young Investigator Award, Rockland Immunochemicals 2014  
University of North Carolina Junior Faculty Development Award 2013  
NIH Fellows Award for Research Excellence 2011  
Thomas L. Petty Travel Award, Aspen Lung Conference 2010  
Graduate Student of the Year, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences, University of Washington 2005  
Pre-doctoral Training grant fellowship, Environmental Toxicology & Pathology

University of Washington (NIEHS funded training grant)	2001-2006
Magnuson Health Sciences Scholar, University of Washington	2003-2004
Graduate Student Scholarship, University of Michigan School of Public Health	1999

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3. **Kelada S. N.**, Checkoway H., Costa L. G., 2006 Neurodegenerative Diseases. In: Costa LG, Eaton DL (Eds.), *Gene-Environment Interactions: Fundamentals of Ecogenetics*, John Wiley & Sons, Ltd., Hoboken, NJ, pp. 253–270.

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4. Donoghue LJ, McFadden KM, Vargas D, Smith GJ, Immormino RM, Moran TP, **Kelada SNP**. Collaborative Cross Strain CC011/UncJ as a novel mouse model of T2-high, severe asthma. *Respiratory Research* 2023;24(1):153.

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7. Tovar A, Smith GJ, Nalesnik MB, Thomas JM, McFadden KM, Harkema JR, Kelada SNP. A Locus on Chromosome 15 Contributes to Acute Ozone-Induced Lung Injury in Collaborative Cross Mice. *Am J Respir Cell Mol Biol.* 2022;67: 528–538.
8. Rogers T.D., Button B., **Kelada S.N.P.**, Ostrowski LE, Livraghi-Butrico A., Gutay M.I., Esther C.R. Jr, Grubb B.R. Regional Differences in Mucociliary Clearance in the Upper and Lower Airways. *Front Physiol.* 2022;13. doi:10.3389/FPHYS.2022.842592
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13. Crouse W. L., **Kelada S. N. P.**, Valdar W., Inferring the Allelic Series at QTL in Multiparental Populations. *Genetics* 2020; 216(4): 957-983.
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  17. Smith GS, Walsh W, Higuchi M, **Kelada SNP**. Development of a large-scale computer-controlled ozone inhalation exposure system for rodents. *Inhalation Toxicology* 2019;1-12.
  18. Tsai Y, Parker JS, Yang IV, **Kelada SN**. Meta-analysis of Airway Epithelia Gene Expression in Asthma. *European Respiratory Journal* 2018; 51(5):1701962.
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  22. **Kelada SN**. Plethysmography Phenotype QTL in Mice Before and After Allergen Sensitization and Challenge. *Genes | Genomes | Genetics* 2016; 6(9):2857-2865.
  23. Rutledge H, Baran-Gale J, Chessler EJ, Churchill GA, Pardo-Manuel de Villena F, Sethupathy P\*, **Kelada SNP\***. Identification of microRNAs Associated with Allergic Airway Disease Using a Genetically Diverse Mouse Population. *BMC Genomics* 2015; 25;16(1):633.
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30. **Kelada SNP**, Wilson MS, Tavarez U, Borate B, Whitehead GS, Maruoka S, Roy MG, Olive M, Carpenter DE, Brass DM, Wynn TA, Cook DN, Evans CM, Schwartz DA, Collins FS. Strain-Dependent Genomic Factors Affect Allergen-Induced Airway Hyper-responsiveness in Mice. *The American Journal of Respiratory Cellular Molecular Biology* 2011; 45(4):817-24.
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2. **Kelada SN**, Shelton E, Kaufmann RB, Khoury MJ.  $\delta$ -Aminolevulinic Acid Dehydratase (ALAD) Genotype and Lead Toxicity: A HuGE Review. *American Journal of Epidemiology* 2001; 154(1):1-13.

#### Oral Presentations

##### Invited Oral Presentations:

Society of Toxicology, Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT, March 2024  
University of Utah, Department of Human Genetics, December 2022  
University of North Carolina, Marsico Lung Institute, May 2021 (Virtual)  
University of Washington Center for Lung Biology, November 2020 (Virtual)  
North Carolina State University, Program in Toxicology, September 2019  
University of Alabama School of Medicine, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, January 2020  
Gordon Research Conference, Cilia, Mucus & Mucociliary Interactions, Barga, Italy, February 2019.

NIEHS Outstanding New Environmental Scientist Symposium, Research Triangle Park, NC, May 2018.  
Center for Excellence in Environmental Toxicology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA, November 2017.  
NIEHS Annual Core Center Meeting. Atlanta, GA, June 2017.  
Lung Biology Seminar Series, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY, March 2017.  
NIEHS Environmental Health Science Fest. Durham, NC, December 2016.  
Groningen Research Institute for Asthma and COPD Seminar Series, Groningen Medical Center. Groningen, The Netherlands. November 2016.  
NIEHS Outstanding New Environmental Scientist Symposium, Research Triangle Park, NC, May 2016.  
Respiratory Research Initiative Jaqua Foundation Seminar, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI April 2016.  
Cardiovascular Disease Group Seminar, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, October 2015.  
Genetics and Environmental Mutagenesis Society Meeting, Research Triangle Park, NC, April 2015.  
Toxicology Program Seminar, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, April 21, 2015.  
National Health and Environmental Effects Research Division Seminar Series, EPA, Research Triangle Park, NC, September 30, 2014.  
Center for Lung Biology Seminar, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, July 2014.  
Laboratory of Respiratory Biology Seminar, NIEHS, Research Triangle Park, NC, November 2012.

Additional Oral Presentations at Conferences:

The Allied Genetics Conference, Washington, DC, March 2024  
International Mammalian Genome Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, October 2018  
Complex Trait Community, Memphis, TN, June 2017  
From Pathway Biology to Precision Therapeutics, Keystone Symposia Conference, February  
Keystone, CO, 2017  
Society of Toxicology, Baltimore, MD, March 2017  
Complex Trait Consortium 2015. Portland, OR, June 2015  
Gordon Research Conference on Cilia, Mucus & Mucociliary Interactions, Galveston, TX, February 2015  
American Society of Human Genetics, Boston, MA, October 2013  
International Mammalian Genome Conference, Salamanca, Spain, September 2013  
Gordon Research Conference on Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, Galveston, TX, February 2011  
Aspen Lung Conference, Aspen, CO, June 2010  
International Mammalian Genome Conference, Prague, Czech Republic, October 2008

Published Meeting Abstracts (underlined names denote trainees in my lab; unless otherwise noted, abstracts were presented in poster format)

1. **Kelada SNP**. Evidence that Orthologous Loci Containing R-spondin 2 Regulate Respiratory Responses to Air Pollution in Mice and Humans, The Allied Genetics Conference, Washington DC, March 2024.
2. **Kelada SNP**. Gene-Environment Interactions with Single and Repeated Ozone Exposures in Genetically Diverse Mice, Society of Toxicology, Salt Lake City, March 2024
3. **Kelada SNP**, Smith GJ, Wells H, Almond M, Alexis N, Peden DB. A Shared Genetic Locus is Associated with Airway Inflammatory Response to Acute Ozone Exposure in Mice and Humans. American Thoracic Society International Conference, Washington, DC, May 2023.
4. **Kelada SNP**, van Buren E, Radicioni G, O’Neal WK, Dang H, Kasela S, Garudadri S, Curtis JL, Han M, Krishnan J, Wan ES, Silverman EK, Hastie A, Ortega VE, Lappalainen T, Christenson S, Li Y, Cho MH, Kesimer M. Genetic Regulators of Sputum Mucin Concentration Revealed by GWAS and Their Associations with Chronic Bronchitis and Acute Exacerbations of COPD. American Thoracic Society International Conference, San Francisco, CA, May 2022.
5. **Kelada SN**, Li Y, van Buren E, Ford AA, Radicioni G, O’Neal WK, Ortega VE, Prescott G, Woodruff, Eugene R. Bleecker, Boucher RC, and Kesimer M. Genome-Wide Association Study of Sputum Mucin Concentrations in The Subpopulations and Intermediate Outcomes in COPD Study (SPIROMICS). American Thoracic Society International Conference, Dallas, TX, May 2019.
6. Tovar A, Smith G, Thomas JM, McFadden K, **Kelada SN**. Investigating Susceptibility to Ozone-Induced Lung Inflammation and Injury Using the Collaborative Cross Mouse Genetic Reference Population. American Thoracic Society International Conference, Dallas, TX, May 2019. Oral presentation
7. Smith GJ, Tovar A, Kanke M, Sethupathy P, **Kelada SN**. Airway Transcriptomic Responses to Ozone: Altered Extracellular Vesicle MicroRNA and Alveolar Macrophage mRNA Expression Profiles. Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 2019.
8. Crouse W, **Kelada S**, Valdar W. “Tree-based Inference of Multiallelism via Bayesian Regression.” Gordon Research Seminar on Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, Lucca, Italy, February 2019. Oral presentation
9. Tovar A, Speen A, Jaspers I, Purvis J, Furey T, **Kelada SN**. Dynamics of Alveolar Macrophage Transcriptional Regulation Following Sterile Inflammation. Cold Spring Harbor Meeting on Systems Immunology, Cold Spring Harbor Labs, March 2019.
10. Tovar A, Smith G, Thomas JM, McFadden K, **Kelada SN**. Exploring Mouse Strain-by-Exposure Interactions in Pulmonary and Systemic Inflammatory Responses to the Air Pollutant Ozone. International Mammalian Genome Society Conference, Rio Mar, Puerto Rico, November 2018.

11. Donoghue LJ, Patterson MS, McFadden K, Thomas JM, Tovar AE, Parker JS, **Kelada SNP**. Pairing Systems Genetics and Longitudinal Analyses to Identify Regulators of Complex Lung Phenotypes. International Mammalian Genome Conference, Rio Mar, Puerto Rico, Nov 2018. Oral Presentation.
12. Tovar A, Smith G, Thomas JM, McFadden K, **Kelada SN**. Murine Strain Differences in Neutrophil Recruitment and Lung Injury Following Acute Ozone Exposure. North Carolina Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting, NIEHS, October 2018.
13. Smith GJ, Sethupathy P, **Kelada SN**. Ozone exposure alters murine airway extracellular vesicle microRNA profiles. North Carolina Regional Chapter, Society of Toxicology Meeting, Research Triangle Park, October 2018.
14. Tovar A, Smith G, Thomas JM, McFadden K, **Kelada SN**. Using a Systems Genetics Approach to Interrogate Alveolar Macrophage Contributions to Ozone Responses. Duke University BioCoRE Symposium, Durham, NC, July 2018.
15. Smith GJ, Sethupathy P, **Kelada SN**. Ozone exposure increases extracellular vesicles in the murine respiratory tract. Early Stage Investigator Presentation, NIEHS P30 Core Centers Meeting, Davis, CA, July 2018. Oral Presentation
16. Donoghue LJ, Livraghi-Butrico A, Thomas JM, McFadden K, O’Neal WK, Grubb BR, Doerschuk CM, Boucher RC, **Kelada SNP**. Genetic Analysis of Major Secreted Airway Mucins in Reveals a Novel Regulator of MUC5B. FASEB Conference – The Lung Epithelium in Health and Disease, Olean, NY. July 2018. Oral Presentation.
17. Crouse W, **Kelada S**, Valdar W. “Tree-based Inference of Multiallelism via Bayesian Regression.” Population, Evolutionary and Quantitative Genetics Conference, Madison, WI, June 2018.
18. Smith GJ, **Kelada SN**. Ozone Exposure Increases Exosome-sized Vesicles In Murine Bronchoalveolar Lavage Fluid. Society of Toxicology Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2018.
19. Tovar A, Speen A, Moran T, Jaspers I, **Kelada SN**. Characterization of the murine alveolar macrophage response to *in vitro* ozone exposure. Society of Toxicology, San Antonio, TX, March 2018.
20. Laudermilk LT, Thomas JM, **Kelada SN**. Identification of a Causal Variant and Mechanism for a Lung eQTL Related to Neutrophil Chemotaxis. Mammalian Genetics and Genomics: From Molecular Mechanisms to Translational Applications (hosted by the European Molecular Biology Laboratory and the International Mammalian Genome Society, Heidelberg, Germany), October 2017.

21. **Smith GJ, Kelada SN.** Development of a feedback-controlled ozone inhalation exposure system for large-scale in vivo studies in rodents. North Carolina Regional Chapter Meeting, Society of Toxicology, Research Triangle Park, October 2017.
22. **Crouse W, Kelada S, Valdar W.** Tree-based Inference of Multiallelism via Bayesian Regression. Complex Trait Community Meeting, Memphis, TN, June 2017. (Oral presentation)
23. **Kelada SN, Donoghue LJ, Livraghi-Butrico A, Crouse W, Thomas JM, McFadden K, Kim Y, Valdar W, O'Neal WK, Boucher RC.** Genetic Analysis of Allergen-Induced Secreted Mucins Identifies *Bpifb1* as a Regulator of MUC5B in the Airway. American Thoracic Society, Washington, D.C., May 2017.
24. **Donoghue LJ, Livraghi-Butrico A, Crouse W, Thomas JM, McFadden K, Kim Y, Valdar W, O'Neal WK, Boucher RC, Kelada SN.** Quantitative Genetic Analysis of Major Secreted Mucin Glycoproteins in a Mouse Model of Asthma. Asthma: Pathways and Therapeutics (Keystone Conference), Keystone, CO, February 2017.
25. **Crouse W, Kelada S, Valdar W.** Bayesian Inference of the Allelic Series at Quantitative Trait Loci in Multiparent Populations. Gordon Research Conference on Quantitative Genetics and Genomics, Galveston, TX, February 2017.
26. **Laudermilk LT, Kelada SN.** Interrogating the Regulation and Function of *Zfp30*. The Allied Genetics Conference (Genetics Society of America), Orlando, FL, July 2016.
27. **Kelada SN, Donoghue LJ, Livraghi-Butrico A, Thomas JM, McFadden K, O'Neal WK, Boucher RC.** Quantitative Genetic Analysis of MUC5AC and MUC5B in a Mouse Model of Asthma. The Allied Genetics Conference (Genetics Society of America), Orlando, FL, July 2016.
28. **Donoghue LJ, Livraghi-Butrico A, Crouse W, Thomas JM, McFadden K, Kim Y, Valdar W, O'Neal WK, Boucher RC, Kelada SN.** Quantitative Genetic Analysis of the Major Secreted Mucins. International Conference on Quantitative Genetics, Madison, WI, June 2016.
29. **Crouse W, Kelada S, Valdar W.** Bayesian Inference of the Allelic Series at Quantitative Trait Loci in Multiparent Populations. International Conference on Quantitative Genetics 5, Madison, WI, June 2016.
30. **Kelada SN, Donoghue LJ, Livraghi-Butrico A, Thomas JM, McFadden K, O'Neal WK, Boucher RC.** Quantitative Genetic Analysis of MUC5AC and MUC5B in a Mouse Model of Asthma. American Thoracic Society, San Francisco, CA, May 2016.
31. **Kelada SN.** Identifying Genetic Predictors of Response to Respiratory Toxicants Using the Collaborative Cross Mouse Genetic Reference Population. Poster Presentation, Society of Toxicology, March 2016, New Orleans, LA.

32. Crouse W, Valdar W, Kelada, S. Efficient Detection of Trans-eQTL in Incipient Lines of the Collaborative Cross. Complex Trait Community Meeting, Portland, OR, June 2015.
33. Livraghi-Butrico A, Wilkinson KJ, Volmer AS, Miller DR, Shaw GD, Grubb BR, **Kelada SN**, Pardo-Manuel de Villena F, Boucher, RC, O’Neal WK. Development of a Mouse Model of Spontaneous Bronchiectasis. American Thoracic Society International Conference, Denver, CO, May 2015.
34. Crouse W, Valdar W, **Kelada, S**. Efficient Detection of Trans-eQTL in Incipient Lines of the Collaborative Cross. Population-Based Rodent Resources for Environmental Health Sciences Meeting, Durham, NC, March 2015.
35. Sethupathy P, Miller D, Chesler E, Churchill G, Pardo Manuel de Villena F, **Kelada SN**. Gene Expression Modules Associated with Allergen-Induced Airway Inflammation in Mice. Keystone Meeting on Asthma and COPD, Santa Fe, NM, February 2013.
36. **Kelada SN**, Carpenter D, Tavarez U, Chessler E, Miller D, Threadgill D, Churchill G, Pardo Manuel de Villena F, Schwartz DA, Collins FS. Gene Expression Modules Associated with Allergen-Induced Airway Inflammation in Mice. American Thoracic Society, San Francisco, CA, May 2012.
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## TEACHING RECORD

### Courses

Course Co-Director, Genetics 647: Human Genetics and Genomics, Graduate students, 13 contact hours, 2015-2024. Lecturer, 2.5 contact hours, 2013-2015.

Course Co-Director, Genetics 702: Genetics & Molecular Biology Student Seminar Series, 2014-2015. 14 contact hours.

Course Instructor, Biological & Biomedical Sciences Program 901, 902: First Year Group, Graduate Students, 2017-2022, 37.5 contact hours. Course co-instructor, 2016-2017, 18.75 contact hours. First Year Group Mentor, 2013-2015, 10 contact hours.

Lecturer, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology 722: Population Genomics, Graduate students, 2013-2015. 1.25 contact hours.

Lecturer, Toxicology 442: Biochemical Toxicology, Graduate and undergraduate students, 2014-present. 1.25 contact hours.

### Post-doctoral Fellow Advisor

Gregory J. Smith, PhD, Toxicology	2016-2021
Sabri Abdelwahab, PhD, Genetics	2022-2024

Graduate Student Thesis Advisor

Julia Walker, Ph.D. student, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, co-mentored with Dr. Will Valdar	2024-
Sarah Lester, Ph.D. student, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2022-
Lauren Donoghue, Ph.D. student, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2016-2021
Adelaide Tovar, Ph.D. student, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2016-2021
Wesley Crouse, Ph.D. student, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, co-mentored with Dr. Will Valdar	2015-2020
Luke Laudermilk, Ph.D., Genetics & Molecular Biology	2014-2019

Graduate Rotation Advisory

Chloe Chou (2024), Yu-Chen Huang (2024), Sarah Lester (2022), Brian Gural (2022), Morgan McCullough (2021), Morgan Nalesnik (2020), Nicole Kramer (2019), Syed Masood (2018), Adelaide Tovar (2016), Lauren Donoghue (2016), Wesley Crouse (2015), Luke Laudermilk (2014), Amanda Raimer (2014), Rachel McMullan (2014), Phillip Clapp (2014), Bryan Quach (2013)

Graduate Student Thesis Advisory Committees (Chair position denoted by \*)

Uche Chimeh, Ph.D. student, Genetics, NCSU	2023-
Yuriko Harigawa, Ph.D. student, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology	2023-
Aiman Abzhanova, Ph.D. student*, Toxicology and Environmental Medicine	2022-
Morgan Narain, Ph.D. student, Toxicology and Environmental Medicine	2022-
Victoria Parsons, Ph.D. student*, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2020-
Sonja Mihailovic, Ph.D. student*, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2020-2023
Taylor Tibbs, Ph.D. student, Microbiology & Immunology	2020-2022
Jessica Jimenez, Ph.D. student, Toxicology and Environmental Medicine	2020-2022
Sarah Brotman, Ph.D. student*, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2019-2022
Hannah Perrin, Ph.D. student, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2019-2022
Kyle Martin, Ph.D. student, Toxicology and Environmental Medicine	2019-2021
Alexia Perryman, Ph.D. student, Toxicology and Environmental Medicine	2018-2022
Brea Hampton, Ph.D. student*, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2017-2022
Yanwei Cai, Ph.D. student, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology	2017-2020
Gregory Keele, Ph.D. student, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology	2016-2018
Alisha Coffey, Ph.D. student, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2016-2018
Michelle Engle, Ph.D. student, Genetics & Molecular Biology	2016-2018
Adam Speen, Ph.D. student, Toxicology	2016-2018
Bryan Quach, Ph.D. student, Bioinformatics & Computational Biology	2016-2017
Kathie Sun, MPH student, Environmental Sciences and Engineering	2016

Awards to Trainees

Sarah Lester, NIH/NHLBI F31 Graduate Trainee Fellowship, 2024

Wesley Crouse, NIGMS T32 Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Training Grant fellow, 2015-2016

Lauren Donoghue, NIH/NHLBI F31 Graduate Trainee Fellowship, 2017; NIGMS T32 Genetics

Training Grant fellow, 2016-2017; Travel Scholarship, Keystone Conference - Asthma Pathways and Therapeutics, 2017; Honorable Mention - Graduate Research Fellowship Program, National Science Foundation, 2017; 1st Place Best Graduate Student Poster Award, UNC Women in Science Symposium, 2017; 3rd Place Best Graduate Student Poster Award, Visiting Pulmonary Scholars Symposium, 2017; Outstanding Oral Presentation Award, 32<sup>nd</sup> International Mammalian Genome Conference, November 2018; Lorraine Flaherty Award, 32<sup>nd</sup> International Mammalian Genome Conference; Jo Rae Wright Outstanding Young Investigator of the Year Award, FASEB Lung Epithelium in Health and Disease Conference, July 2018.

Lucas Laudermilk, International Mammalian Genome Society Travel Award, 2016 and 2017; Outstanding Research Poster Award, International Mammalian Genome Society, 2017; Outstanding Research Poster Award, The Allied Genetics Conference, 2016.

Gregory Smith, Ph.D., NIEHS T32 Training grant fellow, 2016-present; Gabriel L. Plaa Education Award, Mechanisms Specialty Section, Society of Toxicology, 2017; Leon and Bertha Golberg Fellowship in Toxicology, Curriculum in Toxicology, University of North Carolina, September 2018; President's Award for Research Competition (2nd Place), North Carolina Society of Toxicology, October 2018; Postdoctoral Poster Award (1st Place), Curriculum in Toxicology, University of North Carolina, June 2018; Pilot Project Award, Center for Environmental Health and Susceptibility, University of North Carolina, April 2017.

Adelaide Tovar, University of Washington Department of Biostatistics Summer Institute in Statistical Genetics Scholarship, April 2019; American Thoracic Society Environmental, Occupational, and Population Health Assembly Abstract Award, April 2019; American Thoracic Society Minority Trainee Development Scholarship, March 2019; UNC Graduate School Travel Award, March 2019; International Mammalian Genome Society Graduate Student Travel Scholarship, September 2018.

## GRANTS

### Active

1R01ES034260-01	4/18/2022-2/28/27	25% effort
Regulatory Genomics of Ozone Air Pollution Response in Vitro and In Vivo		
NIH/NIEHS	\$424,000 direct costs	
Role: Co-PI (contact)		
U19 AI100625 (MPI:Heise/Baric)	09/01/21-8/31/23	5% effort
NIH/NIAID		
Systems Immunogenetics of Biodefense Pathogens in the Collaborative Cross		
Role: Co-Investigator on Project 2		
UNC School of Medicine	8/1/2023	0% effort
Bridge Funding	\$50,000	

Completed:

1R21ES032089 A1                      7/1/2021-6/30/2023                      10% effort  
 NIH/NIEHS                              \$275,000 direct costs  
 A Murine Gene-by-Ozone Interaction Model of Non-atopic Asthma  
 Role: PI

1R21AI162084-01                      5/19/2021-4/30/2023                      13% effort  
 NIH/NIAID                              275,000 direct costs  
 A new mouse model of severe asthma  
 Role: PI

UNC Center for Environmental Health & Susceptibility Pilot Grant, 4/1/21-3/31/22  
 \$25,000              0% effort  
 Understanding Adaptation to Ozone Using Single Cell Genomics  
 Role: PI

UNC School of Medicine Emerging Challenges in Biomedical Research Grant, 2/20/20 -  
 8/19/21  
 \$50,000              0% effort  
 A Mouse Genetics Approach to Understand E-cigarette or Vaping Associated Lung Injury  
 Role: co-PI

UNC School of Medicine                      10/1/2021                      0% effort  
 Bridge Funding                              \$50,000

1R01ES024965-S1 (Kelada)                      7/1/2016-10/31/2019                      0% effort  
 NIH/NIEHS                              \$153,247 total direct costs  
 Administrative Supplement to Gene-Environment Interactions with Ozone in Experimental  
 Asthma  
 Role: Sponsor and mentor

1R01ES024965-01 (Kelada)                      01/05/2015 – 10/31/2019                      50% effort  
 NIH/NIEHS                              \$1,688,962 total direct costs  
 Gene-Environment Interactions with Ozone in Experimental Asthma  
 Role: PI

1R01HL122711-01A1 (Kelada)                      08/15/2015 – 05/31/2019                      25% effort  
 NIH/NHLBI                              \$1,259,437 total direct costs  
 Systems-level transcriptomic analysis of mouse models of allergic airway disease  
 Role: PI

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**Service to DisciplineEditorial

Associate Editor, Toxicological Sciences, 2023-

Reviewer, Grants

NIH Systemic Injury by Environmental Exposure Study Section, Ad Hoc Member, 2018, 2021  
UK Medical Research Council, Ad Hoc Member, 2018, 2019, 2022  
NIH/National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease Study section for Asthma and Allergic Diseases Cooperative Research Centers (U19), 2017  
NIH Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel on Epidemiology of Environmental Exposures, Metabolism, and Kidney, Lung, and Infectious Disease, 2017  
Health Effects Institute, Health Effects of Air Pollution Proposals, 2016

Reviewer, Journals

American Journal of Respiratory Cellular and Molecular Biology, BMC Genomics, BMC Pulmonary Medicine, Clinical and Experimental Allergy, Environmental Health Perspectives, Genes|Genomes|Genetics, Journal of Allergy & Clinical Immunology, Journal of Clinical Investigation, Immunogenetics, Pharmacogenetics and Genomics, Respiratory Research, Toxicological Sciences

Reviewer, Scientific Presentations

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences “Science Days” (Annual Intramural Research Showcase), 2015-2019, 2022, 2024

Service within UNC-Chapel Hill

Genetics Mentoring Geneticists, Founder, 2021-present  
Department of Genetics Computational Biology Faculty Search, 2021  
Department of Genetics Diversity Committee, 2020-present  
Department of Genetics Strategic Hiring Committee, 2019  
Creativity Hub Reviewer, 2018-2019  
Department of Genetics Space Committee, 2017-2018  
Curriculum in Genetics & Molecular Biology Executive Committee, 2018-present  
Curriculum in Toxicology & Environmental Medicine Executive Committee, 2018-2021  
Department of Genetics Systems Immunology Faculty Search Committee, 2017  
BBSP Graduate Admissions Committee for Bioinformatics & Computational Biology, 2016  
School of Medicine Committee on Human Resources, 2014

Department of Genetics Faculty Mentorship

Jesse Raab  
Gregory Smith  
Prabuddha Chakraborty

Memberships in Professional Societies

Society of Toxicology, 2014-present  
Genetics Society of America, 2014-present  
American Thoracic Society, 2009-present  
International Mammalian Genome Society, 2008-present

Research Statement

My long-standing research interest has been in gene-environment interactions (GxE) with environmental health hazards. My motivation stems from the desire to understand inter-individual variation in response to exposures associated with disease, and my training in both toxicology and genetics allows me to marry these two disciplines. My lab's research is focused on the identification of GxE that affect the development of common airway diseases like asthma and COPD, with the mindset that identifying GxE provides an important means to gain information about mechanisms underlying the association between exposure (e.g., to air pollution) and disease.

Our work to date has heavily relied upon use of genetically diverse mice as a model system to detect GxE, the logic being that by controlling the exposure side of the equation in these experiments, we can illuminate novel genetic signals which can then be examined in human studies. To that end, we have worked heavily with the Collaborative Cross (CC), a relatively new mouse genetics reference population that features abundant genetic variation in format of inbred lines. We have exposed CC lines to the common indoor allergen house dust mite, which is linked to onset and exacerbation of allergic asthma, and the secondary air pollutant ozone, which has also been linked the development of asthma. Using this type of approach, we have identified genes that regulate key aspects of response to allergen and ozone. This includes identification of the gene *Bpifb1* as a regulator of mucus levels in the lung after allergen exposure, and more recently a region on mouse chromosome 15 containing three genes (*Angpt1*, *Rspo2*, and *Oxr1*) that affects the degree of lung injury caused by ozone exposure. The results of these studies have been used to guide experiments and/or data analysis of human data; as an example, we are currently conducting an association analysis of genetic variants (SNPs) in *ANGPT1*, *RSPO2*, and *OXR1* in subjects exposed to ozone at UNC (through the Center for Environmental Medicine, Asthma, and Lung Biology).

As part of this work, we have put considerable effort into developing statistical methods for analysis of Collaborative Cross data (in collaboration with Dr. William Valdar). This includes a detailed description of statistical power for QTL mapping studies in the CC (published in 2019) and an important study describing a novel statistical approach to infer the allelic series at QTL in multi-parental populations such as the Collaborative Cross and Diversity Outbred populations. These research products have enabled other researchers to more effectively use the Collaborative Cross, as well as other multi-parental populations, and analyze their data more rigorously.

A second emphasis of our recent work has been on developing and utilizing inhalation exposure systems to enable precise studies with rodents. In 2019, we built a state-of-the-art ozone exposure facility to facilitate large-scale studies in mice. This new facility makes UNC one of the few places in the country where controlled ozone exposure studies can be conducted in both humans (through the Center for Environmental Medicine, Asthma and Lung Biology) and rodents, allowing for cross-species comparisons. We are currently building an e-cigarette exposure system that we expect will be utilized by multiple labs on campus.

My vision for the future of the Kelada Lab is that we both continue to exploit the strengths of genetic reference populations like the Collaborative Cross and Diversity Outbred for GxE discovery and also expand our toolkit for GxE discovery and validation using human studies and human *in vitro* models. With respect to the latter goal, we have developed ambitious but feasible plans. First, we will compile and analyze data from multiple studies of ozone response in humans

to enable a genome-wide association study. Second, we have begun to utilize primary human bronchial epithelial cells to study ozone response *in vitro*, and are working with Dr. Scott Randell (Director of the Marsico Lung Institute's Tissue Procurement and Cell Culture Core) to enable large scale studies with hundreds of donors so that we can identify QTL for ozone response.

### **Teaching Statement**

My teaching activities span two contexts, one in the classroom environment and one in the laboratory.

#### Human Genetics and Genomics (GNET 647), 2013-2024

I co-direct and lead the class by presenting lectures covering fundamental and cutting-edge topics in human genetics. To engage and involve students more directly, I lead a group discussion on evaluating causality for particular genetic variants in disease by evaluating recent research papers. This strategy requires students to examine the robustness of study findings, particularly by critiquing a weak paper, and to evaluate how researchers frame their arguments scientifically and persuasively. Student pairs also present recent papers on human genetics topics covered in the course; this strategy requires students to apply their understanding of human genetics principles and methods and to critique the authors' presentation and interpretation. I guide the students in the process of developing their ability to understand and critique the primary literature, and to apply fundamental concepts in human genetics to their own research.

#### First Year Group (BBSP 901-902), 2017-2022

Whereas GNET 647 is a typical didactic course, the course content of BBSP 901-902 is about professional skills development. The course has three foci: communication in scientific arenas, research ethics (i.e., the responsible conduct of research), and mentorship. Collectively, these three sets of topics address fundamental aspects of research and training. I personally value that we as educators at UNC stress these areas of training because they are critical, often undervalued in conventional curricula, and set the stage for successful careers for our students.

#### Laboratory Teaching/Mentorship

I mentor Ph.D. students, post-doctoral fellows and technical staff through daily interactions in the laboratory. My mentorship practice in this setting is based on two main ideas: (1) sharing my enthusiasm for learning and exploration in the laboratory, and (2) preparing trainees by exposing them to all aspects of the research endeavor so that they are aware of what a research intensive involves. In addition to stressing principles of rigor and reproducibility in data generation and analysis, I focus on developing strong communication skills (oral and written) because I know that this is often a make-or-break issue for scientists. I also require each trainee to generate an Individual Development Plan, which we review and revise annually based on the trainee's development and evolving future goals. Academically, I mentor trainees in three curricula, namely Genetics & Molecular Biology, Toxicology, and Bioinformatics & Computational Biology. These two aspects of diversity enhance my laboratory's training environment by providing collaborative and unique learning experiences that will benefit trainees throughout their careers.