Curriculum Vitae

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#### ACADEMIC DEGREES

| 1991-1997 | PhD, Department of Cell Biology, Neurobiology, and Anatomy, University of Cincinnati; Cincinnati, OH |
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| 1987-1991 | BS, Biology, University of Dayton; Dayton, OH  |

#### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

| 2018-present<br>2018-present | M1 Component Director, Creighton University School of Medicine; Omaha, NE<br>Graduate Program Director, MS in Clinical Anatomy, Creighton University; Omaha, NE |
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| 2018-present                 | Associate Professor, Department of Medical Education, Creighton University; Omaha, NE   |
| 2018-present                 | Associate Professor, Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University; Omaha, NE   |
| 2017-2018                    | Assistant Professor, Department of Medical Education, Creighton University; Omaha, NE   |
| 2011-2018                    | Assistant Professor, Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University; Omaha, NE   |
| 2010                         | Visiting Instructor, Department of Neurobiology and Anatomy, University of Maryland;  |
|                              | Baltimore, MD   |
| 2004-2011                    | Investigator, Genetics and Developmental Biology Center, National Heart, Lung, and Blood<br>Institute, National Institutes of Health; Bethesda, MD              |
| 1998-2004                    | Postdoctoral Fellow, Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah; Salt Lake City, UT  |
| 1995-1996                    | Adjunct Instructor, Department of Biology, Raymond Walters College, University of Cincinnati;<br>Cincinnati, OH   |

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

| 2017         | Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research |
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| 2001-2004    | Society for Developmental Biology              |
| 1999-2013    | Society for Glycobiology                       |
| 1998-present | American Association of Anatomists             |

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES: INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL, STATE

| 2019         | Representative, FASEB Capitol Hill Day, Washington, DC                                       |
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| 2018-2019    | Grant Awards Task Force, American Association of Anatomists                                  |
| 2018         | Platform Chair, "Stem Cells, Regeneration and Tissue Engineering", Experimental Biology, San |
|              | Diego, CA  |
| 2017-present | Nebraska State Anatomical Board  |
| 2017         | Plenary Symposium Chair, "Organoids: Recapitulating Anatomy in a Dish", Experimental         |
|              | Biology, Chicago, IL   |
| 2016         | Symposium Chair, "Tissue Generation & Transplantation" Experimental Biology, San Diego, CA   |
| 2016         | Symposium Chair, "Molecular Mechanisms of Tissue Dynamics", Experimental Biology, San        |
|              | Diego, CA  |
| 2015         | Symposium Chair, "Endothelial-to-Mesenchymal Transition", Experimental Biology, Boston, MA   |
| 2014         | Symposium Chair, "Stem Cells and Tissue Injury", Experimental Biology, San Diego, CA         |
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| Presenter, Nebraska Science Festival  |
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| Creator, BioEYES Omaha (an outreach program using zebrafish to help teach genetics in the |
| Omaha Public Schools)   |
| Judge, Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum  |
| Program Committee, American Association of Anatomists                                     |
| Symposium Chair, "Sweet Cells: Glycans in Evolution, Development & Disease", Experimental |
| Biology, Anaheim, CA  |
| Nominating Committee Task Force, American Association of Anatomists                       |
| Chair, Advisory Committee for Young Anatomists, American Association of Anatomists        |
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# PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES: UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL, DEPARTMENT

| 2019-present | Course Director, Clinical Rotations, Creighton Univ Graduate School                            |
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| 2018-present | Co-Chair, Curriculum Assessment Work Group, Creighton University School of Medicine            |
| 2018-present | Medical Education Management Team, Creighton University School of Medicine                     |
| 2018-present | Student Advancement Committee, Creighton University School of Medicine                         |
| 2018         | Course Director, Pre-Medical Anatomy, Creighton University Health Sciences                     |
| 2017-2018    | Physician Assistant Curriculum Committee, Creighton University School of Medicine              |
| 2017-present | Course Director, Teaching Practicum in Medical Anatomy, Creighton Univ Graduate School         |
| 2017-present | Course Director, Current Topics in Clinical Anatomy (G2), Creighton University Graduate School |
| 2017         | Chair, Curriculum Keyword Work Group, Creighton University School of Medicine                  |
| 2017-present | Accreditation and Quality Improvement Work Group, Creighton University School of Medicine      |
| 2017-2018    | Admission's Committee, Clinical Anatomy Program, Creighton University School of Medicine       |
| 2017-2018    | Anatomy Faculty Search Committee, Creighton University Department of Medical Education         |
| 2017-2018    | Course Director, Medical Anatomy, Creighton University School of Medicine                      |
| 2017-2018    | M1-M2 Curriculum Revision Council, Creighton University School of Medicine                     |
| 2017-2019    | Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, Creighton University                              |
| 2016-present | Course Co-Director, Research Methods, Creighton University Graduate School                     |
| 2016         | Associate Course Director, Medical Anatomy, Creighton University School of Medicine            |
| 2016-present | Faculty Advisory Committee to the Dean, Creighton University School of Medicine                |
| 2016-present | Student Research and Scholarly Activity Committee, Creighton University School of Medicine     |
| 2016-present | Graduate Program Committee, Creighton Biomedical Sciences Department                           |
| 2016         | Judge, Honor's Program, Creighton University   |
| 2015-2016    | Reviewer, Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships, Creighton University                      |
| 2014-present | Educational Policy Committee, Creighton University School of Medicine                          |
| 2014         | Comparative Anatomist Faculty Search Committee, Creighton University Biology Department        |
| 2013-2014    | Graduate School Internal Review Committee, Creighton University School of Medicine             |
| 2013-present | Judge, St. Albert's Research Day, Creighton University   |
| 2010-2011    | Organizing Committee, NIH Glycobiology Interest Group  |
| 2009-2010    | NIH Electronic Lab Notebook Committee  |
| 2005-2010    | Co-Chair, NHLBI DIR Seminar Series   |

# COMMUNITY SERVICE (Primary roles last 3 years)

| 2017         | Co-Chair, Angel Flight (school's primary fundraising event), Skutt Catholic High School |
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| 2016-2018    | Chairman, Troop Committee, Boy Scout Troop 448  |
| 2016-present | Timer, Nebraska High School State Swimming Championships                                |
| 2016-present | Sacristan, St Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church  |
| 2015-present | Co-Director, Skutt Catholic High School Swimming Invitational                           |
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## AWARDS/FELLOWSHIPS

2019 Nomination, Teaching for Tomorrow Faculty Award, Creighton University

| 2018                   | Course/Clerkship Director Award, Creighton University  |
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| 2018                   | Dedicated Teaching Award, Creighton University   |
| 2015                   | Basic Science Teaching Scholar Award, Creighton University   |
| 2005-2011              | NIH Intramural Grant, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute: The role of proteoglycans in zebrafish development (HL005201)         |
| 2005                   | NIH Intramural Grant, Imaging Probe Development Center: Cell-specific tools for imaging glycans  |
| 2004                   | Susan Cooper Jones Memorial Research Award (Outstanding Postdoctoral Fellow), Huntsman Cancer Institute                                |
| 2003-2004<br>2000-2003 | NIH/NHLBI Cardiology training grant (HL07576)<br>NIH/NHLBI Individual NRSA: Molecular Role of Syndecans in Heart Development (HL10382) |

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

| 2018-present | Instructor, Pre-Medical Anatomy, Creighton University Health Sciences                     |
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| 2017-present | Instructor, Current Topics in Clinical Anatomy, Creighton University Graduate School      |
| 2017-present | Instructor, Research Methods, Creighton University Graduate School                        |
| 2017-present | Instructor, Endocrine/Reproductive System, Creighton University School of Medicine        |
| 2016-present | Instructor, Advanced Cell and Molecular Biology, Creighton University Graduate School     |
| 2015-present | Instructor, Neurosciences, Creighton University School of Medicine                        |
| 2014         | Instructor, Bioinformatics, Creighton University Graduate School                          |
| 2013         | Lab Instructor, Developmental Biology, Creighton University School of Medicine            |
| 2012-2018    | Instructor, Molecular and Cellular Biology, Creighton University School of Medicine       |
| 2012-2018    | Instructor, Medical Anatomy, Creighton University   |
| 2012-2018    | Lab Instructor, Medical Anatomy, Creighton University                                     |
| 2010         | Instructor, Structure and Development, Univ of Maryland                                   |
| 2010         | Lab Instructor, Structure and Development, Univ of Maryland                               |
| 2010         | Instructor, Developmental Biology, FAES Graduate School at NIH                            |
| 1996         | Lab Instructor, Human Physiology and Anatomy, Raymond Walters College, Univ of Cincinnati |
| 1995-1996    | Instructor, Human Sectional Anatomy, Raymond Walters College, Univ of Cincinnati          |
| 1995         | Lab Instructor, Fundamentals in Biology, Raymond Walters College, Univ of Cincinnati      |
| 1994         | Instructor, Human Physiology and Anatomy, Raymond Walters College, Univ of Cincinnati     |
| 1993         | Instructor, Basics of Cell Biology, College of Medicine, Univ of Cincinnati               |
| 1992-1994    | Teaching Assistant, Human Gross Anatomy, College of Medicine, Univ of Cincinnati          |
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#### **GRANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE/PANELS**

| 2011      | Early Career Reviewer (Inaugural), Intracellular Interactions Study Section, NIH         |
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| 2010-2014 | Research Outreach Grant Committee, American Association of Anatomists                    |
| 2008-2010 | Advisor, NHLBI RFA Initiative 0165, "Roles of Glycans in Heart, Lung and Blood Diseases" |

#### ONGOING RESEARCH SUPPORT

Health Science Strategic Investment FundShibata (PI)7/1/18 - 6/30/20Role of long non-coding RNA in regulating immune responses in the brain.The long-term goal of our work is to understand the contribution of long chain fatty acid  $\beta$ -oxidation toneurodevelopment by combining analyses in clinical psychiatry with zebrafish cell biology.Role: Collaborator\$50,000

Bellucci DePaoli Foundation

Kramer (PI) 1/1/18 – 12/31/19

Kinocilia-Specific Proteins in Hair Cell Stability and Function

As part of a collaborative Hair Cell Restoration Group at Creighton, this project aims to supports joint research projects with the labs of Drs David He and Garrett Soukup.

| Role: Pl   | \$33,000                                      |  |
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| COMPLETED RESEARCH SUPPORT<br>Health Science Strategic Investment Fund<br><i>Role of Kinocilia-Specific Proteins in Zebrafish Vestibula</i><br>This project supports investigations into how the prote<br>and balance. Since these proteins are uniquely express<br>they have specific roles in mediating hair cell function.<br>Role: Pl  | eins Kinocilin and S<br>sed in sensory hair   | ÷  |
| CURAS Faculty Research Fund<br><i>Role of</i> gpc3 <i>in Xenopus tropicalis Fear Behavior</i><br>This Creighton Center for Undergraduate Research and<br>research in my lab that is focused on determining if a<br>humans ( <i>gpc3</i> ) has a conserved role in mediating fear<br>Role: Pl   | proteoglycan that is                          | s associated with behavior deficits in                     |
| State of NE LB-692<br><i>Role of Glycosaminoglycans in Zebrafish Development</i><br>This project provided seed funding to support investig<br>mediate both zebrafish blood vessel and ear developn<br>directly imaging the carbohydrates.<br>Role: PI  | ations into how str                           |  |
| NCCR 5P20RR018788/NIGMS 8P20GM103471<br>Nebraska Center for the Molecular Biology of Neurose<br>This NIH Center of Biomedical Research Excellence pro<br>facilities for junior faculty working toward attaining th<br>Role: PI on sub-project "Role of Keratan Sulfate in Zeb  | oject provided men<br>eir first NIH R01 gra   | ant.   |
| Haddix President's Research Fund<br>Gene Regulation of Fear Behaviors: Creating Mutant Z<br>This project aimed to better understand the evolution<br>amygdalar neurons that are hypothesized to be essent<br>specifically eliminated these amygdalar neurons in the<br>lines, and determined their roles in fear behaviors.<br>Role: Co-PI | of fear. We are foo<br>tial for fear behavio  | ors. Using genetic approaches, we                          |
| President's Faculty Research Fund<br><i>ZOIC-Zebrafish in Omaha Inner City Classrooms</i><br>This project supported hands-on science projects for C<br>Role: PI  | Kramer (PI)<br>Omaha public high s<br>\$5,000 | 3/1/12 – 2/28/13<br>school and middle school students.     |
| EPSCoR First Award<br>Direct Analysis of Glycans During Zebrafish Developme<br>This NSF-supported project investigated how the glyca<br>growth, and function using a novel chemoenzymatic a<br>Role: Pl  | an keratan sulfate n                          | 5/15/2013-5/14/2014<br>nediates zebrafish ear development, |

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**GRANTS SUBMITTED BUT NOT FUNDED** NIBIB R21 Zhang (PI) Submitted 2/16/18 Real time monitoring of Epstein-Bar virus infection and transformation in vivo. This project attempted to establish an in vivo Epstein Barr virus (EBV) infection and transformation model in zebrafish using human hematopoietic cells xenografts. Role: Co-PI Macy Faculty Scholar Program Kramer (PI) Submitted 2/14/18 The First Patients in a Fully Integrated Anatomy Curriculum The overall objective of this proposal was to initiate and evaluate peer-assisted and individualized learning strategies that enable medical students to apply anatomy to clinical disciplines. Role: PI **NE-INBRE Developmental Research Project Program** Ekpenyong (PI) Submitted 1/17/17 Mechanotransduction in Leukocytes in vitro and in vivo Role: Co-PI Submitted 1/14/15 **NSF-IOS Preliminary Proposal** Bruce (PI) Fear Development: Evolution of Genes, Neurons and Behavior Role: Co-PI **NSF-IOS Preliminary Proposal** Bruce (PI) Submitted 1/14/14 Evolution of Amygdalar Neurons in the Regulation of Fear Role: Co-PI **NSF-IOS Preliminary Proposal** Bruce (PI) Submitted 1/18/13 Fear Development: Evolution of Genes, Neurons and Behavior Role: Co-PI NSF-IOS Preliminary CAREER Proposal Kramer (PI) Submitted 1/18/13 Direct Analysis of Glycans During Zebrafish Otolith Development Role: PI **JOURNAL REFEREE** Anatomical Record Biology Open Developmental Dynamics Experimental Neurology Journal of Visualized Experiments genesis

## PUBLICATIONS

- 14. KD Thiessen, SJ Grzegorski, LN Higuchi, JA Shavit, and **KL Kramer** (2019) Zebrafish Otolith Biomineralization Requires Polyketide Synthase. Submitted.
- 13. CL Barta, H Liu, L Chen, Y Li, KP Giffen, **KL Kramer**, KW Beisel, DZ He. (2018) RNA-seq transcriptomic analysis of adult zebrafish inner ear hair cells. <u>Scientific Data 5: 180005</u>.
- 12. C Inserra and **KL Kramer**. (2015) Visualization of Stereocilin in the Developing Zebrafish Ear. <u>The Medical</u> <u>Student Press Journal, 2(2)</u>.
- 11. MV Galanternik, KL Kramer, T Piotrowski. (2015). Heparan Sulfate Proteoglycans regulate Fgf signaling, ligand diffusion and cell polarity during collective cell migration. <u>Cell Reports 10(3): 414–428.</u>
- 10. YW Lundberg, Y Xu, KD Thiessen, and **KL Kramer.** (2015) Mechanisms of otoconia and otolith development. Developmental Dynamics 244(3): 239-53.

- 9. B Gorsi, F Liu, X Ma, TJ Chico, A Srinivasan, **KL Kramer**, E Bridges, R Monteiro, AL Harris, R Patient, and SE Stringer. (2014). The heparan sulfate editing enzyme Sulf1 plays a novel role in zebrafish VegfA mediated arterial venous identity. <u>Angiogenesis 17(1): 77-91.</u>
- ST Gee, SL Milgram, KL Kramer, FL Conlon, and SA Moody. (2011). Yes-Associated Protein 65 (YAP) Expands Neural Progenitors and Regulates Pax3 Expression in the Neural Plate Border Zone. <u>PLoS</u> <u>ONE 6(6): e20309.</u>
- 7. **KL Kramer.** (2010). Specific sides to multifaceted glycosaminoglycans are observed in embryonic development. <u>Semin Cell Dev Biol 21(6)</u>; 631-7.
- Z Zhang, D Alpert, R Francis, B Chatterjee, Q Yu, T Tansey, SL Sabol, C Cui, Y Bai, M Koriabine, Y Yoshinaga, JF Cheng, F Chen, J Martin, W Schackwitz, TM Gunn, **KL Kramer**, PJ De Jong, LA Pennacchio, and CW Lo. (2009). Massively parallel sequencing identifies the gene Megf8 with ENU-induced mutation causing heterotaxy. <u>Proc Natl Acad Sci 106:3219-24.</u>
- 5. **KL Kramer**, and HJ Yost. (2003). Heparan sulfate core proteins in cell-cell signaling. <u>Annu Rev Genet 37: 461-</u> <u>84.</u>
- 4. **KL Kramer**, and HJ Yost. (2003). Cardiac left-right development: Are the early steps conserved? In <u>Cold</u> <u>Spring Harb Symp Quant Biol 67: 37-44</u>
- 3. **KL Kramer**, JE Barnette, and HJ Yost. (2002). PKCγ regulates syndecan-2 inside-out signaling during *Xenopus* left-right development. <u>Cell 111(7): 981-90</u>.
- 2. **KL Kramer** and HJ Yost. (2002). Ectodermal syndecan-2 mediates left-right axis formation in migrating mesoderm as a cell-nonautonomous Vg1 cofactor. <u>Developmental Cell 2(1): 115-24</u>.
- 1. **KL Kramer**, BF Giffin, JW Fox, and RL Drake. (1999). Insulin replacement therapy in diabetic rats using an osmotic pump normalizes expression of enzymes key to hepatic carbohydrate metabolism. Archives of Biochemistry and Biophysics *368(2)*: 291-7.

### STUDENT-BASED PRESENTATIONS

- 50. KD Thiessen, EM Supe, and **KL Kramer**. (2019). Otol1a as a Biomarker for Vestibular Dysfunction in Zebrafish. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 49. AJ Blanck and **KL Kramer**. (2019). Characterizing the Role of Kinociliin in the Zebrafish Inner Ear. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 48. CJ Altfillisch and **KL Kramer**. (2019). The Role of Stereocilin-B in Otolith Attachment. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 47. KP Giffen, H Liu, **KL Kramer**, and DZ He. (2019). Characterizing the Role of Kcnq5a in Zebrafish Inner Ear Hair Cells. Poster Presentation at Experimental Biology Annual Meeting.
- 46. LL Bruce, E Dorchuck, BN Hassman, A Mezher, O Olucha, and **KL Kramer**. (2018). The role of grp and grpr in the extinction of cued fear memory in zebrafish. Poster Presentation at Society for Neuroscience.
- 45. KD Thiessen, EM Supe, and **KL Kramer**. (2018). Zebrafish Otolith Biomineralization Requires Polyketide Synthase. Poster presentation at International Zebrafish Society Conference.
- 44. KD Thiessen, EM Supe, and **KL Kramer**. (2018). Otolin-1a as a Biomarker for Vestibular Dysfunction Following Microgravity Exposure in Zebrafish. Poster presentation at COBRE Annual Meeting.
- 43. KD Thiessen, EM Supe, and **KL Kramer**. (2018). Otolin-1a as a Biomarker for Vestibular Dysfunction Following Microgravity Exposure in Zebrafish. Oral presentation at Nebraska Academy of Sciences Annual Meeting.
- 42. KD Thiessen, EM Supe, and **KL Kramer**. (2018). Zebrafish as a Model for Benign Paroxysmal Positional Vertigo. Poster Presentation at Experimental Biology Annual Meeting.
- 41. B Hassman, E Dorchuck, C Prince, K Reidelberger, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2018). Comparison of behavioral tests to assess fear and anxiety in a teleost, *Danio rerio*, and an amphibian, *Xenopus tropicalis*. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.
- 40. E Supe, KD Thiessen, and **KL Kramer**. (2018). Zebrafish as a Model for Benign Paroxysmal Positional Vertigo. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.

- 39. KP Giffen, H Liu, L Chen, ST Stringham, **KL Kramer**, KW Beisel, and DZ He. (2018). Unique Expression of Gene Orthologs in Zebrafish and Mouse Non-sensory Supporting Cell Populations of the Inner Ear. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 38. ST Stringham, KP Giffen, H Liu, **KL Kramer**, and DZ He. (2018). Enrichment of Glutamate Transporter *slc1A3* Orthologs in Zebrafish and Mouse Hair Cells of the Inner Ear. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 37. A Mezher, LL Bruce, **KL Kramer.** (2018). Evolution of Genetic Networks Regulating Fear Behaviors. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 36. H Liu, L Chen, KP Giffen, Y Li, **KL Kramer**, KW Beisel, and DZ He. (2018). Molecular Mechanisms Underlying Differences Between Zebrafish and Mouse Hair Cell Specializations. Poster Presentation at the Association of Research Otolaryngology Annual Meeting.
- 35. KP Giffen, H Liu, L Chen, ST Stringham, **KL Kramer**, KW Beisel, and DZ He. (2018). Unique Expression of Gene Orthologs in Zebrafish and Mouse Non-sensory Supporting Cell Populations of the Inner Ear. Poster Presentation at the Association of Research Otolaryngology Annual Meeting.
- 34. B Hassman, E Dorchuck, C Prince, K Reidelberger, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2017). Comparison of behavioral tests to assess fear and anxiety in a teleost, *Danio rerio*, and an amphibian, *Xenopus tropicalis*. Poster Presentation at Society for Neuroscience.
- 33. CJ Altfillisch, DB Nerland, CJ Inserra, MF Chlopek, and **KL Kramer**. (2017). Stereocilin-b Tethers the Zebrafish Otolith to Sensory Hair Cell in the Inner Ear. Poster at Experimental Biology Annual Meeting.
- 32. KD Thiessen, LN Higuchi, and **KL Kramer**. Polyketide Synthase is Required for Zebrafish Otolith Biomineralization. (2017). Poster Presentation at Experimental Biology Annual Meeting.
- 31. B Hassman, E Dorchuck, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2017). Behavioral Tests for Assessing Learning in *Xenopus Tropicalis*. Oral Presentation at the Nebraska Academy of Sciences Annual Meeting.
- 30. CL Harrison and **KL Kramer**. Characterization of Specific Glycans in the Zebrafish Inner Ear. (2017). Poster Presentation at Creighton Honors Day.
- 29. SH Byer, LL Bruce, and **KL Kramer**. Understanding the Role of Amygdalar Proteoglycan Glypican-3 in Zebrafish Aversive Behavior Response. (2017). Poster Presentation at Creighton Honors Day.
- 28. CJ Altfillisch, DB Nerland, CJ Inserra, MF Chlopek, and **KL Kramer**. (2017). Stereocilin-b Tethers the Zebrafish Otolith to Sensory Hair Cell in the Inner Ear. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.
- 27. E Supe, KD Thiessen, and **KL Kramer**. (2017). Zebrafish as a Model for Benign Paroxysmal Positional Vertigo. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.
- 26. HJ Lang, and **KL Kramer**. (2017). Investigation of Enhancers that Drive Specific Expression in the Amygdala. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.
- 25. CL Harrison and **KL Kramer**. (2017). Characterization of Specific Glycans in the Zebrafish Inner Ear. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.
- 24. KD Thiessen, LN Higuchi, and **KL Kramer**. (2017). Polyketide Synthase is Required for Zebrafish Otolith Biomineralization. Poster Presentation at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 23. JE Marvin and **KL Kramer**. (2017). The glycosyltransferase Loki uses a high-energy donor to indirectly transglycosylate methylumbelliferone. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 22. JH Werner, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2017). Localizing Homologs of Gene-Specific Amygdalar Neurons in the Chicken Brain, *Gallus Gallus Domesticus*. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 21. B Timm, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2016). Localizing homologs of gene specific amygdalar areas in embryonic chick brain Gallus gallus domesticus. Poster Presentation at Annual Biomedical Research Conference for HS-MACA students.
- 20. C Barta, H Liu, **KL Kramer**, KW Beisel, DZ He. (2016). Transcriptome Characterization of Adult Zebrafish Inner-Ear Hair Cells. Poster Presentation at the Association of Research Otolaryngology Annual Meeting.
- 19. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2016). The Otolithic Membrane Mediates Otolith Organization. Poster Presentation at Experimental Biology Annual Meeting.

- 18. CN Kral and **KL Kramer**. (2016). Proteins Necessary for Hearing in Zebrafish. Poster Presentation at Creighton Honors Day.
- 17. A Tu, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2015). Comparison of amygdalar-like structures in mammals, birds, and fish. Poster Presentation at Annual Biomedical Research Conference for HS-MACA students.
- 16. EW Villanueva and **KL Kramer**. (2015). Age-Related Changes in the Inner Ear of the Adult Zebrafish (*Danio rerio*). Poster, Creighton Honors Day.
- 15. CJ Altfillisch, K Arnold, L Higuchi, **KL Kramer**, MG Nichols, and HC Jensen Smith. (2015). Differences in Aminoglycoside Entry and Mitochondrial Metabolism in Regenerative and Non-Regenerative Sensory. Poster Presentation at St. Albert's Day.
- 14. K Arnold, C Altfillisch, L Higuchi, **KL Kramer**, MG Nichols, HC Jensen Smith. (2015). Differences in Mitochondrial Metabolism in Regenerative and Non-Regenerative Sensory. Poster Presentation at St. Albert's Day.
- 13. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2015). Endolymph Facilitates Otolith Nucleation in Early Zebrafish Inner Ear Development. Poster at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 12. CJ Inserra and **KL Kramer**. (2015). Visualization of Stereocilin in the developing zebrafish ear. Poster Presentation at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 11. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2015). Otolith Organization is Mediated by Otogelin-like. Oral Presentation at the Association of Research Otolaryngology Annual Meeting.
- 10. EW Villanueva and **KL Kramer**. (2014). Analysis of Cochlin mutations in zebrafish inner ear development. Poster Presentation at Ferlic Summer Scholar Poster Showcase.
- 9. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2014). Otogelin in Zebrafish Otolith Attachment and Organization. Poster Presentation at Experimental Biology Annual Meeting.
- 8. Y Kee, H Choi, N Pierce, and **KL Kramer**. (2014). Gene Loss, Duplication, and Expression Divergence in Vertebrate Glypicans. Poster Presentation at International Conference on Zebrafish Development and Genetics.
- 7. CR DeVries, **KL Kramer**, and LL Bruce. (2013). Expression of glypican 3 in homologous amygdala-like regions of diverse vertebrates. Poster Presentation at Society for Neuroscience.
- 6. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2013). Keratan sulfate mediates zebrafish otolith growth. Poster Presentation at Society for Glycobiology Annual Meeting.
- 5. AE James, KD Thiessen, and **KL Kramer**. (2013). The Role of *Alpha-Tectorin* in Zebrafish Inner Ear Development. Poster Presentation at Creighton's St Albert's Day.
- 4. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2013). ILDR1B Mediates Calcium Concentrations in Early Ear Development. Oral Presentation at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 3. AE James, KD Thiessen, and **KL Kramer**. (2013). *Alpha-Tectorin* Mediates Auditory Hair Cell Attachment to Zebrafish Otoliths. Poster Presentation at Midwest Student Biomedical Research Forum.
- 2. KD Thiessen and **KL Kramer**. (2013). Keratan sulfate mediates zebrafish ear development. Poster Presentation at the Association of Research Otolaryngology Annual Meeting.
- 1. MJ Chlopek and **KL Kramer**. (2012). Otoancorin and its Role in Otolith Formation and Function. Oral Presentation at INBRE Annual Meeting.

## GRADUATE STUDENTS

| 2018         | Aaron J Blanck, M1 summer research fellow   |
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| 2018         | Charles J Altfillisch, M1 summer research fellow  |
| 2017-2018    | Sarah R Crews, PhD thesis committee   |
| 2016-present | Kimberlee P Giffen, PhD thesis committee  |
| 2016         | Joseph E Marvin, M1 summer research fellow  |
| 2015-2016    | Benjamin F Kopecky, MS clinical anatomy, currently an osteopathic student at Marian University  |
| 2014         | Christopher J Inserra, M1 summer research fellow, currently a resident in Physical Medicine and |
|              | Rehabilitation at the University of Pennsylvania  |

2013-present Kevin D Thiessen, Primary PhD Advisor

2013-2016 Travis L McCumber, PhD thesis committee, currently an Assistant Professor at the University of Nebraska Medical Center

#### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

| 2018-present | Alyssa Yuen  |  |
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| 2017-present | John E Kral  |  |
| 2017-present | Luke D Heiland   |  |
| 2017-present | Dillon B Nerland   |  |
| 2016-2018    | Emily M Supe   |  |
| 2016-2017    | Kaleolani S Ogura  |  |
| 2016-2017    | Carina L Harrison, currently a graduate student at Creighton University                      |  |
| 2015-2017    | Harrison J Lang, currently a medical student at University of Nebraska Medical Center        |  |
| 2015-2017    | Charles J Altfillisch, currently a medical student at Creighton University                   |  |
| 2015-2017    | Stefano H Byer, currently a graduate student at University of Missouri - Kansas City         |  |
| 2014-2016    | Catharine N Kral, currently an osteopathic student at Kirksville College                     |  |
| 2014-2015    | Lisa N Higuchi, currently a medical student at Creighton University                          |  |
| 2012-2014    | Anne E (James) Obradovich, currently a research technician at Creighton University           |  |
| 2012-2014    | Stephen J Statz, currently a medical student at Loyola University                            |  |
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| 2019 | Dillon B Nerland  | Using Microphonic Assays to Analyze Otolith Attachment in Zebrafish      |
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| 2017 | Carina L Harrison | Characterization of Specific Glycans in the Zebrafish Inner Ear          |
| 2017 | Stefano H Byer    | Understanding the Role of Amygdalar Proteoglycan Glypican-3 in Zebrafish |
|      |                   | Aversive Behavior Response   |
| 2016 | Catharine N Kral  | Proteins Necessary for Hearing in Zebrafish                              |
| 2015 | Eric W Villanueva | Age-Related Changes in the Inner Ear of the Adult Zebrafish              |
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#### FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS TO STUDENTS

- 2018 Aaron Blanck, Fellowship, M1 Summer Research Program
- 2018 Charles Altfillisch, Fellowship, M1 Summer Research Program
- 2018 Luke Heiland, Dr. and Mrs. Randolph Ferlic Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship
- 2018 John Kral, Dean's Summer Undergraduate Research Scholarship
- 2017 Kevin Thiessen, Recipient, NASA Nebraska Space Grant Fellowship
- 2017 Carina Harrison, Finalist, Dean's Award for Research
- 2017 Harrison Lang, Big East Michael Tranghese Postgraduate Leadership Award
- 2017 Kevin Thiessen, Full Scholarship, Marine Biological Laboratory course in Embryology: Concepts and Techniques in Modern Developmental Biology
- 2017 Andrew Mezher, Yamaguchi scholar, M1 Summer Research Program (Co-Mentor)
- 2017 Kevin Thiessen, Finalist, AAA Graduate Student Poster Presentation Award
- 2016 Joe Marvin, Yamaguchi scholar, M1 Summer Research Program
- 2014 Eric Villanueva, Fellowship, Ferlic Summer Research
- 2014 Chris Inserra, Fellowship, M1 Summer Research Program