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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in Biochemistry from The Ohio State University 06/2005-08/2011
- Advisor: Dr. Zucai Suo
 - Thesis title: "Mutagenic and Kinetic Effects of Various DNA Lesions on DNA Polymerization Catalyzed by Y-Family DNA Polymerases"
- B.S. in Biochemistry and Minor in Statistical Methods from Miami University, OH 08/2001-05/2005
- Advisor: Dr. Ann Hagerman
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HONORS AND AWARDS (Selected)

- Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC) Summer Institute Professional Development Award 06/2022
- American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) Early Career Faculty Award 04/2021
- Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR) Biology Division Small Research Grant 05/2020
- NSF Major Research Instrument Acquisition grant 10/2019-09/2021
- ASBMB Undergraduate Faculty Travel Award 04/2019
- American Chemical Society (ACS) North Carolina Local Section Poster Award 09/2016
- American Cancer Society Postdoctoral Fellowship 02/2014-02/2017
- American Heart Association Predoctoral Fellowship 07/2009-06/2011
- NIH Chemistry-Biology Interface Training Program Fellowship 10/2008-06/2009
- Robert H. Edgerley Environmental Toxicology Summer Fellowship 07/2008-09/2008
- The Ohio State Biochemistry Program Fellowship 07/2005-09/2006
- Glenn-Stokes Scholar (Ohio Science and Engineering Alliance) 08/2004-05/2005
- Elsa and Bruce Weidner Analytical Chemistry Scholarship 08/2004-05/2005
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCES (Selected)

- St. Mary's College of Maryland, St. Mary's City, MD 08/2017-present
- Assistant Professor of Biochemistry
 - Research focus: Currently determining biochemical and molecular properties of DNA mismatch repair during cross-talk with other DNA processing systems.
- Duke University, Durham, NC 10/2011-07/2017
- Postdoctoral researcher in Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) investigator Dr. Paul Modrich's laboratory
 - Research focus: Determined biochemical and molecular properties of the DNA mismatch repair system in humans.
- The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH 05/2006-08/2011
- Graduate student researcher in Dr. Zucai Suo's laboratory

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- Research focus: Determined a minimal kinetic lesion bypass mechanism utilized by Y-family *Sulfolobus solfataricus* DNA Polymerase IV (Dpo4) and mutagenic outcomes of various DNA lesion bypasses catalyzed by the four human Y-family DNA polymerases.

Miami University, Oxford, OH

08/2002-05/2005

- Undergraduate student researcher in Dr. Ann Hagerman's laboratory
 - Research focus: Investigated the antioxidant potential in various compounds extracted from plants. Also investigated the role of exercise in oxidative stress for rats by monitoring levels of certain biomarkers.

NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates program, Bowling Green State University, OH

05/2003-07/2003

- Undergraduate student researcher in Dr. Scott Rogers' laboratory
 - Research focus: Identified microbes that were dormant in 10,000 to 400,000 year-old ice cores from Greenland and Antarctica.

TEACHING EXPERIENCES (Selected)

Instructor at St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM)

08/2017-present

- Courses: CHEM 493/494 *St. Mary's Project*, CHEM 426 *Advanced Biochemistry Laboratory*, CHEM 425 *Biochemistry II*, CHEM 420 *Biochemistry I*, CHEM 420L *Biochemistry I Laboratory*, CHEM 399 *Independent Study*, CHEM 197/297/397 *Directed Research*, CHEM 109 *Emerging Scholars Program*, CHEM 106 *General Chemistry II*, and CHEM 106L *General Chemistry II Laboratory*
- Special Course: ACS Laboratory Skills Short Course at SMCM
- Guest Lecture for CHM 147 *Introductory Seminar – Chemistry/Biochemistry* in the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry at Miami University
- Guest Lecture for COSC 401 *Software Startup Simulator Capstone*

12/2021

10/2021

09/2020

Instructor for the Sisters of Nia Girls' Summer Enrichment Camp, Atlanta, GA

06/2015-06/2015

- Class: *Protein Science for Young Scholars*
 - Designed and executed curriculum for summer camp of middle school aged students.

Teaching Assistant for the Department of Biochemistry, The Ohio State University

09/2006-03/2007

- Class: Biochemistry 511, *Introduction to Biological Chemistry*
 - Head teaching assistant. Organized grading of coursework and exams, and proctored exams.
- Class: Biochemistry 521, *Introduction to Biological Chemistry: Laboratory*
 - Graded coursework, laboratory reports and exams. Facilitated laboratory sections and proctored exams.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS (Selected)

NSF ADVANCE Partnership: COPLAC Partnering and Liaising Across the Nation (PLAN) Faculty Affinity Group

08/2020-present

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB)

01/2017-present

- Member

American Chemical Society (ACS)

02/2016-02/2017, 12/2018-12/2021

- Member

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American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

04/2009-present

- Member
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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (Selected)

Women in Science Virtual Discussion	03/2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Location</u>: virtual. <u>Role</u>: Panelist for Ann Arundel Community College on how to persist and professionally thrive in the STEM field as a woman.	
Speaker for North Carolina State University McNair Scholar Program Workshop	07/2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Location</u>: virtual. <u>Role</u>: Speaker for undergraduate McNair session on how to select graduate programs in the STEM fields.	
Board of Trustees faculty delegate	06/2021-present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finance, Investment, and Audit Committee	
Marine Science Steering Committee, member	05/2021-present
Developer and Webmaster for www.academicsequity.com	05/2020-present
Co-chair and presider of ACS symposia during ACS 2021 Spring Annual Meeting	07/2019-04/2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Title</u>: Becoming a Chemist: <i>Integrating Professional Skills into Undergraduate Curricula</i>	
Biomolecular Organization of St. Mary's Students (ASBMB Student Chapter)	05/2019-present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Co-advisor	
Natural Science & Mathematics Colloquium Committee	06/2018-05/2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organized itineraries, and hosted chemistry and biochemistry guest speakers.	
Panelist for NIH Career Symposium, Bethesda, MD	05/2018, 05/2021, 05/2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Panelist for session on faculty teaching-intense careers.	
Judge, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, MD	10/2017-2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poster Judge for biochemistry and molecular biology sessions of the Undergraduate Research Symposium in the Biological and Chemical Sciences.	
Ohio State Biochemistry Program (OSBP) recruitment committee	02/2007-08/2011
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participated as an active member and participated in frequent meetings with perspective students interested in the OSBP.	
NSF Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation internship, Miami University, OH	08/2004-05/2005
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undergraduate student researcher in Dr. Hagerman's laboratory.	
HIMI Summer Research Internship, Miami University, OH	06/2004-08/2004
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undergraduate student researcher in Dr. Hagerman's laboratory.	
Women in Math, Science and Engineering (WiMSE) Advisory Council, Miami University	08/2001-05/2005
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participated in writing grant for the WiMSE program and planned activities.	

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS (Undergraduate students, *Corresponding Author)

I. Peer-reviewed Publications

1. **Sherrer, S.M.*** (2020) Using Scientific Poster Presentations to Scaffold Professional Communication Skill Experiences into Biochemistry Courses, In *Integrating Professional Skills into Undergraduate Chemistry Curricula*. Neiles, K.Y., Mertz, P.M., and Fair, J.D. (Eds). ACS Symposium Book Series, Vol. 1365, 165 – 178.
2. **Sherrer, S.M.*** (2020) A virtual laboratory module exploring photosynthesis during COVID-19. *Biochem*

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Mol Biol Educ **48**, 659 – 661.

3. Malisch, J.L.*, Harris, B.N., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Lewis, K.A., Shepherd, S.L., McCarthy, P.C., Spott, J.L., Karam, E.P., Moustaid-Moussa, N., Calarco, J.M., Ramalingam, L., Talley, A.E., Cañas-Carrell, J.E., Ardon-Dryer, K., Weiser, D.A., Bernal, X.E., and Deitloff, J. (2020) In the wake of COVID-19, academia needs new solutions to ensure gender equity. *PNAS* **117**, 15378 – 15381.
4. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Penland, E., and Modrich, P.* (2018) The mutagen and carcinogen cadmium is a high-affinity inhibitor of the zinc-dependent MutL α endonuclease. *PNAS* **115**, 7314 – 7319.
5. Taggart, D.J., Camerlengo, T.L., Harrison, J.K., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Kshetry, A.K., Taylor, J.S., Huang, K., and Suo, Z.* (2013) A High-Throughput and Quantitative Method to Assess the Mutagenic Potential of Translesion DNA Synthesis. *Nucleic Acids Res* **41**, e96.
6. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Taggart, D.J., Pack, L.R., Malik, C.K., Basu, A.K., and Suo, Z.* (2012) Quantitative analysis of the mutagenic potential of 1-aminopyrene-DNA adduct bypass catalyzed by Y-family DNA polymerases. *Mutat Res* **737**, 25 – 33.
7. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Maxwell, B.A., Pack, L.R., Fiala, K.A., Fowler, J.D., Zhang, J., and Suo, Z.* (2012) Identification of an Unfolding Intermediate for a DNA Lesion Bypass Polymerase. *Chem Res Tox* **25**, 1531 – 40.
8. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Sanman, L.E., Xia, C.X., Bolin, E.R., Malik, C.K., Efthimiopoulos, G., Basu, A.K., and Suo, Z.* (2012) Kinetic Analysis of the Bypass of a Bulky Lesion Catalyzed by Human Y-family DNA Polymerases. *Chem Res Tox* **25**, 730 – 40.
9. Song, Q., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Suo, Z., and Taylor, J.S.* (2012) Preparation of a site-specific T^mCG cis-syn cyclobutane dimer-containing template and its error-free bypass by yeast and human polymerase eta. *J Biol Chem* **287**, 8021 – 8.
10. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Fiala, K.A., Fowler, J.D., Newmister, S.A., Pryor, J., and Suo, Z.* (2011) Quantitative Analysis of the Efficiency and Mutagenic Spectra of Abasic Lesion Bypass Catalyzed by Human Y-Family DNA Polymerases. *Nucleic Acids Res* **39**, 609 – 622.
11. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Beyer, D.C., Xia, C.X., Fowler, J.D., and Suo, Z.* (2010) Kinetic basis of sugar selection by a Y-family DNA polymerase from *Sulfolobus solfataricus* P2. *Biochemistry* **49**, 10179 – 10186.
12. Brown, J.A., Pack, L.R., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Kshetry, A., Newmister, S.A., Fowler, J.D., Taylor, J.S., and Suo, Z.* (2010) Identification of Critical Residues for the Tight Binding of Both Correct and Incorrect Nucleotides to Human DNA Polymerase λ . *J Mol Biol* **403**, 505 – 515.
13. Brown, J.A., Zhang, L., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Taylor, J.S.A., Burgers, P.M.J., and Suo, Z.* (2010) Pre-Steady State Kinetic Analysis of Truncated and Full-Length *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* DNA Polymerase Eta. *J Nucleic Acids*, pii: 871939. doi:10.4061/2010/871939.
14. Brown, J.A., Fiala, K.A., Fowler, J.D., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Newmister, S.A., Duym, W.W., and Suo, Z.* (2010) A Novel Mechanism of Sugar Selection Utilized by a Human X-family DNA Polymerase. *J Mol Biol* **395**, 282 – 290.
15. **Sherrer, S.M.**, Brown, J.A., Pack, L.R., Jasti, V.P., Fowler, J.D., Basu, A.K., and Suo, Z.* (2009) Mechanistic Studies of the Bypass of a Bulky Single-Base Lesion Catalyzed by a Y-Family DNA Polymerase. *J Biol Chem* **284**, 6379 – 6388.
16. Fiala, K.A., **Sherrer, S.M.**, Brown, J.A., and Suo, Z.* (2008) Mechanistic Consequences of Temperature on DNA Polymerization Catalyzed by a Y-family DNA Polymerase. *Nucleic Acids Res* **36**, 1990 – 2001.

II. Invited Talks (Selected out of 11)

1. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. Keynote Address: The Importance of Research in Preparing for STEM Careers. (2021) 3rd Annual Student Research Symposium, Quest Student Research Institute, VA.
2. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. Genomic Consequences of Non-Lethal Doses of Cadmium. (2020) Department of

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Chemistry, Amherst College, MA.

3. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. Cadmium Disruption of Human DNA Mismatch Repair. (2019) Chesapeake Biological Laboratory seminar series, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, MD.
4. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. Cadmium Targeting of Endonuclease Leads to Human Mismatch Repair Inhibition. (2018) Department of Biology, Ursinus College, PA.
5. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. A View of Big Data in Biomedical Research. (2013) BDPA Triangle monthly meeting in Research Triangle Park, NC.
6. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. Keynote Address: The Importance of Research as an Undergraduate Scholar. (2010) The 16th Annual Miami University Undergraduate Research Forum, OH.

III. Presentations (Selected out of 59)

1. **Shanen M. Sherrer***. An Opportunity in Maryland to Earn a Bachelor of Science in Marine Science. Arnold, MD. (2022) 7th Annual Maryland Collegiate STEM Conference. (oral presentation)
2. Jacob B. Wellek and **Shanen M. Sherrer***. Analysis of *Crassostrea Virginica* Protein Metal Complexes after Exposure to Toxic Environmental Pollutant Cadmium. Philadelphia, PA. (2022) ASBMB Annual Meeting. (poster)
3. **Shanen M. Sherrer*** and Amber E. Douglass. Biochemical Investigation into Cadmium-Induced Diminished Function of a Thermal Stable DNA Polymerase. virtual (2021) ASBMB Annual Meeting. (poster)
4. **Shanen M. Sherrer***. Publish or Perish: Using Research Scenarios to Connect Biochemistry Concepts. virtual (2020) Council on Undergraduate Research Virtual Biennial Conference. (poster)
5. Kelly Healy and **Shanen M. Sherrer***. Method Development for Identification & Verification of Protein Metal-Binding Sites. Washington, DC. (2019) AAAS Annual Meeting. (electronic poster)
6. Madeleine Beaulieu, Kelly Healy, Elizabeth Hill, Linnea Lundh, and **Shanen Sherrer***. *Taq* Attack: Isolation, Purification and Characterization of *Taq* DNA Polymerase I. University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, MD. (2018) Undergraduate Research Symposium in the Chemical and Biological Sciences. (poster)
7. **Shanen M. Sherrer**. Cadmium Targeting of MutL α Endonuclease Leads to Human Mismatch Repair Inhibition. Salt Lake City, UT. (2016) American Cancer Society Jiler Professors & Fellows Conference. (poster)
8. **Shanen M. Sherrer*** and Paul Modrich. Biochemical Investigation on an Endonuclease of the Human DNA Mismatch Repair System. Boston, MA. (2013) The 27th Annual Symposium of the Protein Society. (poster)
9. **Shanen M. Sherrer***, Jessica A. Brown, Lindsey R. Pack, Vijay P. Jasti, Jason D. Fowler, Ashis K. Basu and Zucui Suo. Mechanistic Studies of the Bypass of a Bulky Single-Base Lesion Catalyzed by a Y-Family DNA polymerase. University of New England, ME. (2009) Gordon Research Conference on Nucleic Acids. (poster)
10. **Shanen Sherrer** and Ann Hagerman*. Polymeric Polyphenols as Dietary Antioxidants. San Diego, CA. (2005) American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Annual Meeting. (poster)
11. **Shanen Sherrer**, Amy Krans, Jenni Hoehn, and Scott Rogers*. Life in Ancient Ice. Bowling Green State University, OH. (2003) REU/NSF Summer Conference. (poster and oral presentation)