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## **EDUCATION**

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- 2017 Ph.D., Neuroscience, Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL)  
2012 B.A., Human Biology, University of Kansas, *Highest Distinction*  
2012 B.A., Psychology, University of Kansas, *Highest Distinction*

## **POSITIONS HELD**

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- 2023-Now Associate Director, Undergraduate Neuroscience Program, UVM  
2022-Now Assistant Professor, Department of Biology, University of Vermont  
2017-2022 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Zoology, University of British Columbia  
2022-2022 Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, Zoology, University of British Columbia  
2011-2012 Student Research Technician, Pharm. & Tox., University of Kansas

## **FUNDING**

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### ***Current funding:***

- 2024-2027 NSF BRC-BIO, “Amino acid taste coding mechanisms and modulation in *D. Melanogaster*”, Principal Investigator, \$444,326

### ***Recently submitted proposals:***

- 2025 NIH-R21, “The impacts of combination of Western diet and binge drinking on liver and brain health”, Co-PI, \$411,125 (pending review)  
2024 NIH-R01, “Insulin and sweet taste: mechanisms of metabolic-gustatory integration”, Principal Investigator, \$1,175,000 (resubmission in progress)  
2024 Whitehall Foundation, “Investigating the impact of hunger/satiety hormones on taste cell function”, Principal Investigator, \$300,000 (not granted)  
2023 Whitehall Foundation, “Characterizing a Unique Set of Taste Cells in *Drosophila*”, Principal Investigator, \$300,000 (not granted)  
2023 Mallinckrodt Foundation, “Investigating direct connections between sweet taste and insulin in the fruit fly (*Drosophila*)”, Principal Investigator, \$225,000 (not granted)

### ***Previous funding:***

- 2022 OVPR EXPRESS Grant, University of Vermont, internal competition  
Principal Investigator, \$2095 USD  
2013-2016 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship DGE-1143954  
Graduate student, \$102,000 USD

## PUBLICATIONS

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Google Scholar: <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=r11k9ZkAAAAJ&hl=en>

NCBI Bibliography: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/myncbi/molly.stanley.1/bibliography/public/>

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### ***Publications in various stages of submission and peer review:***

Biswas, P., Bako, JA., Liston, B., Yu, H., Wat, LW., Miller, CJ., Gordon, MD., Huan T., **Stanley, M.**, Rideout, EJ. (2025) Insulin/insulin-like growth factor signaling pathway promotes higher fat storage in *Drosophila* females. *bioRxiv*.

(contribution 20%) doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.11.18.623936> (accepted)

<sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., <sup>U</sup>Davis, G., Audette, K., <sup>UC</sup>Avonda, T., <sup>U</sup>Freed, E., <sup>U</sup>Vitters, A., <sup>UC</sup>Woods, B., <sup>UC</sup>Wagner, E., <sup>UC</sup>Schwartz, L., <sup>UC</sup>Orsmond, I., <sup>UC</sup>Hampp, B., <sup>UC</sup>Burdick, M., <sup>UC</sup>Gause, P., <sup>UC</sup>Taylor, S., <sup>UC</sup>Asaro, B., <sup>UC</sup>Sperber, A., <sup>UC</sup>Zoller, KA., #**Stanley, M.** (2025) Amino acids activate parallel chemosensory pathways in *Drosophila*. *bioRxiv*.

<sup>UC</sup>=undergraduates from BIOL4635 CURE class

(contribution 100%) doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2025.03.10.642418> (submitted)

<sup>G</sup>Arntsen, C., <sup>U</sup>Grenon, J., Chauvel, I., Fraichard, S., Dupas, S., Cortot, J., Audette, K., #Musso, P-Y, and #**Stanley, M.** (2025) Artificial sweeteners differentially activate sweet and bitter gustatory neurons in *Drosophila*. *bioRxiv*.

(contribution 100%) <https://doi.org/10.1101/2025.02.06.636883> (in revision)

<sup>G</sup>Arntsen, C., <sup>U</sup>Ingersoll, M., <sup>U</sup>Earle, L., #**Stanley M.** (2025) Insulin receptor signaling in gustatory cells suppresses taste sensitivity and sugar feeding in *Drosophila*.

(contribution 100%) (in revision)

Carroll, CM\*, **Stanley, M\***., Raut, RV., Constantino, NJ., Irmel, RE., Mitra, A., Snipes, JA., Raichle, ME., Holtzman, DM., Gould, RW., Kishida, KT., Macauley, SL. (2022) Acute hyper- and hypoglycemia uncouples the metabolic cooperation between glucose and lactate to disrupt sleep. *bioRxiv*.

(contribution 60%) <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.09.15.507967> (under review)

Junca, P., **Stanley, M.**, Musso, P-Y., Gordon, MD. (2021) Modulation of taste sensitivity by the olfactory system in *Drosophila*, *bioRxiv*.

(contribution 40%) <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.03.30.437740> (paused)

Macauley, SL., **Stanley, M.**, Caesar, EE., Moritz, WR., Carroll, CM., Day, SM., Baxter, GA., Bice, AR., Cruz-Diaz, N., Grizzanti, J., Mahan, TE., Culver, JP., Remedi, M., Nichols, C., Karch, CM., Cox, L., Diz, D., Bauer, AQ., and Holtzman, DM. (2021) Sulfonylureas target the neurovascular response to decrease Alzheimer's pathology. *bioRxiv*.

(contribution 40%). <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.08.11.455969> (in revision)

## **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

1. Li, J., Dhaliwal, R., **Stanley, M.**, Junca, P., Gordon, MD. (2025) Functional imaging and connectome analyses reveal organizing principles of taste circuits in *Drosophila*. *Current Biology*, 5:S0960-9822(25)00499-3.  
(contribution 20%) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cub.2025.04.035>
2. <sup>G</sup>Gacy ,T., <sup>#</sup>**Stanley, M.** (2025) In vivo calcium imaging of taste-induced neural responses in adult *Drosophila*. *Journal of Visualized Experiments*, (217) e67917  
(contribution 100%) DOI: [doi:10.3791/67917](https://doi.org/10.3791/67917)
3. <sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., Li, J., Li, V., McDowell, SAT., Audette, K., <sup>UD</sup>Davis, G., Jelen, M., <sup>U</sup>Slamani, S., <sup>U</sup>Kelliher, L., Gordon, MD, <sup>#</sup>**Stanley, M.** (2024) Taste cells expressing *Ionotropic Receptor 94e* reciprocally impact feeding and egg laying in *Drosophila*. *Cell Reports*, 43, 114625.  
(contribution 100%) DOI: [10.1016/j.celrep.2024.114625](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.celrep.2024.114625)
4. <sup>G</sup>Arntsen, C.\* , <sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J.\* , Audette, K., <sup>#</sup>**Stanley, M.** (2024) Tastant-receptor interactions: insights from the fruit fly. *Frontiers in Nutrition*, 11, 1394697.  
(contribution 100%) DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnut.2024.1394697>
5. Grizzanti, J., Moritz, WR., Pait, MC., **Stanley, M.**, Kaye, SD., Carroll, CM., Constantino, NJ., Deitelzweig, LJ., Snipes, JA., Kellar, D., Caesar, EE., Petit-Mee, RJ., Day, SM., Sens, JP., Nicol, N., Dhillon, J., Remedi, MS., Kiraly, DD., Karch, CM., Nichols, CG., Holtzman, DM., Macauley, SL. (2023). KATP channels are necessary for glucose-dependent increases in amyloid-beta and Alzheimer's disease-related pathology. *JCI Insight*, 8(10):e162454.  
(contribution 25%) DOI: [10.1172/jci.insight.162454](https://doi.org/10.1172/jci.insight.162454)
6. McDowell, SAT., **Stanley, M.**, Gordon, MD. (2022). A molecular mechanism for high salt taste in *Drosophila*. *Current Biology*, 32, 3070-3081.  
(contribution 75%) DOI: [10.1016/j.cub.2022.06.012](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cub.2022.06.012)
7. **Stanley, M.**, Ghosh, B., Weiss, ZF., Christiaanse, J., Gordon, MD. (2021). Mechanisms of gustatory lactic acid attraction in *Drosophila*. *Current Biology*, 31, 1-13.  
(contribution 100%) DOI: [10.1016/j.cub.2021.06.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cub.2021.06.005)
8. Jaeger, AH.\* , **Stanley, M.\***, Weiss, ZF., Musso, P-Y., Chan, RCW., Zhang, H., Feldman-Kiss, D., Gordon, MD. (2018). A complex peripheral code for salt taste in *Drosophila*. *eLife*, 7:e37167. (\* denotes equal authorship)  
(contribution 75%) DOI: [10.7554/eLife.37167](https://doi.org/10.7554/eLife.37167)

9. Andrew, RJ.\*, Fernandez, CG.\* **Stanley, M.**, Jiang, H., Nguyen, P., Rice, RC., Buggia-Prevot, V., De Rossi, P., Vetrivel, KS., Lamb, R., Argemi, A., Rathbun, E., Krause, S., Xu, G., Wagner, SL., Parent, AT., Holtzman, DM., Thinakaran, G. (2017). Lack of BACE1 S-palmitylation reduces amyloid burden and mitigates memory deficits in transgenic mouse model of Alzheimer's disease. *PNAS*, 114(45):E9665-74. (contribution 30%) DOI: [10.1073/pnas.1708568114](https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1708568114)
10. **Stanley, M.**, Macauley, SL., Caesar, EE., Koscal, LJ., Moritz, W., Robinson, GO., Roh, J., Keyser, J., Jiang, H., & Holtzman, DM. (2016). The effects of peripheral and central high insulin on brain insulin signaling and amyloid-beta in young and old APP/PS1 mice. *The Journal of Neuroscience*, 36(46):11704-11715. (contribution 100%) DOI: [10.1523/JNEUROSCI.2119-16.2016](https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.2119-16.2016)
11. **Stanley, M.**, Macauley, SL., Holtzman, DM. (2016). Changes in insulin and insulin signaling in Alzheimer's disease: cause or consequence? *Journal of Experimental Medicine*. 213(8):1375-85. (contribution 100%) DOI: [10.1084/jem.20160493](https://doi.org/10.1084/jem.20160493)
12. Harris, RA., Tindale, L., Lone, A., Singh, O., Macauley, SL., **Stanley, M.**, Holtzman, DM., Bartha, R., Cumming, RC. (2016). Aerobic Glycolysis in the Frontal Cortex Correlates with Memory Performance in Wild-Type Mice but Not the APP/PS1 Mouse Model of Cerebral Amyloidosis. *The Journal of Neuroscience*, 36(6):1871-78. (contribution 25%) DOI: [10.1523/JNEUROSCI.3131-15.2016](https://doi.org/10.1523/JNEUROSCI.3131-15.2016)
13. Ising, C., **Stanley, M.**, Holtzman, DM. (2015). Current thinking on the mechanistic basis of Alzheimer's and implications for drug development. *Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics*, 98(5):469-71. (contribution 60%) DOI: [10.1002/cpt.200](https://doi.org/10.1002/cpt.200)
14. Macauley, SL., **Stanley, M.**, Caesar, EE., Yamada, SA., Raichle, ME., Perez, R., Mahan, TE., Sutphen, CL., Holtzman, DM. (2015). Hyperglycemia modulates extracellular amyloid- $\beta$  concentrations and neuronal activity in vivo. *Journal of Clinical Investigation*, 125(6):2463-7. (contribution 70%) DOI: [10.1172/JCI79742](https://doi.org/10.1172/JCI79742)
15. Murray, M., **Stanley, M.**, Lugar, HM., Hershey, T. (2013). Hippocampal volume in type 1 diabetes. *US Endocrinology*, 9(2):91-4. (contribution 85%) DOI: [10.17925/EE.2014.10.01.14](https://doi.org/10.17925/EE.2014.10.01.14)

**Published Commentaries:**

16. **Stanley, M.**, McDowell, SAT., Gordon, MD. (2020). A fly rhodopsin sheds light on thermal taste. *Cell Calcium*, 91:102259. (contribution 90%) DOI: [10.1016/j.ceca.2020.102259](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ceca.2020.102259)

## **TEACHING**

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### **Certificates:**

2019: CIRTL Practitioner, University of British Columbia, Postdoc Teaching Internship

2017: CIRTL Associate, Washington University in St. Louis, Teaching Center Program

### **New Courses Developed:**

2023 BIOL 204/4630, Advanced Genetics Lab (Course-based Undergraduate Research Experience, CURE), UVM

2023 BIOL 371B, Genetic Tools in Neuroscience (graduate seminar), UVM

### **Courses taught at the University of Vermont:**

- NSCI 2100, Exploring Neuroscience + Lab Coordinator, Fall & Spring 2024-2025
- NSCI 2100/2105, Exploring Neuroscience (with Dr. Anacker), Fall 2023
- BIOL 204/4630, Advanced Genetics Lab (CURE), Spring 2023, 2024
- BIOL 371B, Genetic Tools in Neuroscience, Spring 2023

### **Previous Courses:**

2022 BIOL 371 Principles of Neurobiology 1, University of British Columbia

2016 BIOL 4933 Molecular Biology at the Cutting Edge, WUSTL

### **Guest Lectures:**

2023-2024 NSCI 030- First-year Neuroscience Seminar

2023-2025 BIOL 096- Life Sciences CURE Lab

2023 BIOL 030 First-year Biology Seminar

2022 CHEM 121 Quantitative Analysis, University of Vermont

2021 COGS 401 Cognitive Systems, University of British Columbia

2019-2021 Science 101 (outreach course), University of British Columbia

2019 BIOL 260 Fundamentals of Physiology, University of British Columbia

2017-2018 BIOL 455 Comparative Neurobiology, University of British Columbia

2015-2017 BIOL 4933 Molecular Biology at the Cutting Edge, WUSTL

2015 Neuroscience Summer Course, Priory High School, St. Louis, MO

### **Teaching Assistant:**

2013 BIOL 404 Laboratory of Neurophysiology, WUSTL

2011 BIOL 1012 General Biology Lab for Non-Majors, University of Kansas

## **MENTORSHIP**

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### **Undergraduate Trainees at UVM**

2025-Now Emmi Sturm (NSCI credits)

2025-Now Madison McCuin (NSCI credits)

2025-Now Julia Neefe (NSCI credits, Honors Thesis)

2025-Now Devon Michaelson (co-mentored with Dr. Nunez, BIOL and Honors Thesis)

2024-Now Erika Araujo (work study, Summer research associate)

2024-Now Sofia Puccio (BIOL credits)

2024-Now Ava Vitters (BIOL credits, Honors Thesis)

2024-Now Samantha Gibbons (BIOL credits)

2024-Now Ella Freed (Summer Research Award, NSCI credits)

2024-Now Max Terraciano (NSCI credits)

- 2024            Tucker Avonda (BIOL credits)  
2023-Now        Luke Proud (co-mentored with Dr. Nunez, BIOL credits, Honors Thesis)  
2023-Now        Jake Grenon (NSCI credits, Summer research associate)  
2023-Now        Lindsey Earle (NSCI credits, Summer research associate, Honors Thesis)  
2023-2024        Macy Ingersoll (Summer Research Award, BIOL credits)  
2023-2024        Grace Davis (Summer research associate, NSCI credits, Honors Thesis)  
2023            Jessica Cerniglia (Summer research associate)  
2023            Will Turner (NSCI credits)  
2022-2023        Samy Slamani (BIOL credits)  
2022-2023        Liam Kelliher (BIOL credits)

#### ***Undergraduate Thesis Committees***

- 2025            Kara Wentzel (anticipated November, Chair)  
2025            Adeline Haacker (member)  
2025            Lillian Hand (Chair)  
2025            Luke Proud (Co-advisor)  
2024            Grace Davis (Advisor)  
2024            Brendan Cox (member)

#### ***Graduate Trainees at UVM***

- 2024-Now        Tynan Gacy, Neuroscience Graduate Program, PhD student  
2023-Now        Jacqueline Guillemin, Biology Graduate Program, PhD Candidate  
2022-Now        Christian Arntsen, Neuroscience Graduate Program, PhD Candidate

#### ***Graduate Thesis Committees***

- 2025-Now        Harrison Morse, Pharmacology AMP (Chair)  
2024            Dolan, Educational Leadership & Policy Studies PhD (Defense Chair)  
2023-Now        Dan Peipert, Neuroscience PhD  
2022-2024        Caroline Dumas, Biology PhD

## **SERVICE**

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#### ***In the Biology Department at UVM***

- 2024-2025        Lecturer search committee member (biology/neuroscience)  
2023-2024        Tenure-track faculty search committee member (cell biology/neuroscience)  
2022-Now        Biology Department Communications & SciComm Internship creator

#### ***Across departments/colleges at UVM***

- 2025-Now        Brain Exercise Initiative, Faculty Advisor, Vermont Chapter  
2023-Now        Associate Director, Undergraduate Neuroscience Program, UVM  
2022-Now        oSTEM, Faculty Advisor, Vermont Chapter

#### ***Across Vermont***

- 2023-Now        Vermont Society for Neuroscience (Treasurer), organize annual forum

#### ***Scientific field contributions***

- 2024-2025        Co-Chair, Neural Circuits and Behavior Session, DROS25 conference  
Grant panels: National Science Foundation (2022), Ad hoc reviewer (2024)

Manuscript reviews: Current Biology, Nature Metabolism, Scientific Reports, PLOS Biology, Biological Research, JoVE, Journal of Molecular Neuroscience

Memberships: Genetics Society of America, Society for Neuroscience, Faculty for Undergraduate Neuroscience

**Previous service as a trainee (select):**

2018-2022 VP Finance, executive member, Postdoctoral Association, UBC

2016-2017 Mentor, NIH Blueprint-ENDURE St. Louis Neuroscience Pipeline

2013-2017 Co-President, OUTgrads, WUSTL

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## SEMINARS & PRESENTATIONS

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**Invited Talks:**

- “How to tell a science story with social media”  
UVM BiLDs Program seminar, Burlington, VT, 2025
- “Cutting-edge tools in *Drosophila* reveal novel features of gustatory neural circuits”  
UVM Pharmacology, Seminar, Burlington, VT, 2024
- “A set of taste cells impacts feeding and egg laying in *Drosophila melanogaster*”  
UVM Neurological Sciences, Seminar, Burlington, VT, 2024
- “A novel set of taste cells impact multiple behaviors in *Drosophila melanogaster*”  
Middlebury College, Seminar, Middlebury, VT, 2023
- “Characterizing a unique subset of taste cells in *Drosophila melanogaster*”  
Neuroscience, Behavior, and Health Forum, Burlington, VT, 2023
- “Characterizing a unique subset of taste cells in *Drosophila melanogaster*”  
Queen's University Biology Dept. Seminar, virtual, 2023
- “Food-brain connections in *Drosophila*: taste, metabolism, behavior, & health”  
UVM Biobehavioral Group Seminar, Burlington, VT, 2022
- “Over the rainbow: my journey (so far) as a queer neuroscientist”  
Scientific QUEERies Seminar, virtual, 2021
- “Mechanisms of lactic acid taste in *Drosophila*”  
University of British Columbia, Comparative Physiology Seminar, virtual, 2021
- “Unique properties of salt taste coding and state-dependent behavioral output in *Drosophila*”. Canadian Association for Neuroscience Meeting, Toronto, ON, 2019

**Conference Posters (select):**

<sup>G</sup> / <sup>U</sup>=UVM graduate/undergraduate student, underline=presenting author

- <sup>U</sup>Earle, L., <sup>G</sup>Arntsen, C., <sup>U</sup>Ingersoll, M., **Stanley M.** “Dopamine and insulin receptor signaling in sweet taste cells influence protein and sugar sensing in *Drosophila melanogaster*”. Neuroscience, Behavior, and Health Forum, University of Vermont, 2025 (\*Best undergraduate poster award)
- **Stanley, M.** “Giving students a “taste” for research: using fruit fly chemosensation in a course-based undergraduate research experience (CURE)”. Society for Neuroscience

Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2024

- <sup>G</sup>Arntsen, C., <sup>U</sup>Ingersoll, M., <sup>U</sup>Earle, L., **Stanley, M.** "Insulin receptor signaling modulates 'sweet' sensitivity in *Drosophila melanogaster*". Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2024
- \*Davis, G., \*<sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., Audette, K., <sup>U</sup>Freed, E., <sup>U</sup>Avonda, T., **Stanley, M.** "Amino acids activate parallel chemosensory pathways in *D. melanogaster*". Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2024
- <sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., <sup>U</sup>Gibbons, S., Li, V., McDowell, S., Audette, K., <sup>U</sup>Davis, G., Nunez, J., Gordon, MD., **Stanley, M.** "Ionotropic Receptor 94e modulates multiple behaviors that impact fitness in *Drosophila melanogaster*". Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2024
- GArntsen, C., <sup>U</sup>Ingersoll, M., <sup>U</sup>Earle, L., **Stanley, M.** "Insulin receptor signaling modulates 'sweet' sensitivity in *Drosophila melanogaster*". International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste, Reykjavik, Iceland, 2024
- \*<sup>U</sup>Davis, G. \*<sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., Audette, K., <sup>U</sup>Cerniglia, J., **Stanley, M.** "Amino Acids activate parallel chemosensory pathways in *Drosophila*". International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste, Reykjavik, Iceland, 2024
- **Stanley, M.**, \*<sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., Li, V., <sup>U</sup>Davis, G., Audette, K., McDowell, S., Jelen, M., <sup>U</sup>Slamani, S., <sup>U</sup>Kelliher, L., Gordon, MD. "Labellar chemosensory cells expressing Ionotropic Receptor 94e impact multiple behaviors". International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste, Reykjavik, Iceland, 2024
- <sup>U</sup>Davis, G., Audette, K., <sup>U</sup>Cerniglia, J., **Stanley, M.** "Amino Acids activate parallel chemosensory pathways in *Drosophila*". Neuroscience, Behavior, and Health Forum, University of Vermont, 2024.
- GArntsen, C., Ingersoll, M., Earle, L., **Stanley, M.** "Insulin receptor signaling in sugar-sensing gustatory neurons impacts 'sweet' sensitivity". Neuroscience, Behavior, and Health Forum, University of Vermont, 2024
- \***Stanley, M.**, \*<sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., Li, V., <sup>U</sup>Davis, G., Audette, K., McDowell, S., Jelen, M., <sup>U</sup>Slamani, S., <sup>U</sup>Kelliher, L., Gordon, MD. "Labellar chemosensory cells expressing Ionotropic Receptor 94e impact multiple behaviors". Neurobiology of Drosophila meeting, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 2023
- GArntsen, C., **Stanley, M.** "Insulin receptor signaling in sugar-sensing gustatory neurons impacts 'sweet' sensitivity". Neurobiology of Drosophila meeting, Cold

Spring Harbor, NY, 2023

- Davis, G., <sup>G</sup>Guillemin, J., **Stanley, M.** "Describing a novel ionotropic receptor in *Drosophila melanogaster* feeding behavior". Student Research Conference, University of Vermont, April 2022
- **Stanley, M.**, Ghosh, B., Weiss, ZF., Christiaanse, J., Gordon, MD. "Mechanisms of lactic acid taste in *Drosophila melanogaster*". Society for Neuroscience Meeting, virtual, 2021
- **Stanley, M.**, Ghosh, B., Weiss, ZF., Christiaanse, J., Gordon, MD. "Mechanisms of gustatory attraction to lactic acid in *Drosophila melanogaster*". International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste, virtual, 2019

**Conference Talks (selected from abstracts):**

- Attractive 'sour' taste: mechanisms of lactic acid gustatory detection". Canadian Fly Meeting, virtual, 2021
- "Taste mechanisms of lactic acid attraction in *Drosophila*". University of British Columbia, Postdoc Research Day, Vancouver, BC, 2018
- "The effects of peripheral and central high insulin on brain insulin signaling and amyloid-beta in young and old APP/PS1 mice". Society for Neuroscience Meeting, San Diego, CA, 2016
- "Hyperinsulinemia minimally affects extracellular amyloid-beta in vivo". Knight Alzheimer Disease Research Center Seminar, St. Louis, MO, 2016
- "Detecting rapid fluctuations in extracellular metabolites in vivo with shifting brain activity". Washington University in St. Louis Neuroscience Retreat, Grafton, IL

**AWARDS**

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2022	Mentoring Award, Department of Zoology, University of British Columbia
2021	CAN-CIHR-INMHA Brain Star Award
2021	"Best Talk, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place" award, Canadian Fly Meeting
2019-2021	D.M. Centre for Brain Health Postdoctoral Trainee Award, UBC
2020-2021	Trainee Professional Development Award, Society for Neuroscience
2017	Barbara Jakschik Award, Washington University School of Medicine
2014-2016	Markey Pathway in Human Pathobiology Fellowship, WUSTL
2012	Robert Tweed Hersh Memorial Award in Human Biology, Univ. of Kansas
2011	Amgen Summer Research Scholar, WUSTL
2009-2012	Psi Chi International Honor Society in Psychology
2007-2011	C.L Burt Geographic Scholarship, University of Kansas

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE/OUTREACH**

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- 2024 Science Cafe 4-H Outreach Event, Burlington, VT  
2024 Women in Science invited speaker, Burlington, VT  
2019-2021 Lecturer & volunteer, Science 101 Program, Vancouver, BC  
2013-2017 Neuroscience team leader, Young Scientist Program, St. Louis, MO  
2012-2017 Presenter & volunteer, Saint Louis Science Center, St. Louis, MO  
2012-2013 Volunteer, Youth Exploring Science, St. Louis, MO