Dr. Elena Rodriguez, PhD

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EDUCATION

**PhD in Psychobiology**  
Urban University, Metropolis  
Dissertation: "Neural-Immune Interactions in Stress Response Systems"  
2008

**Master of Science in Neuroscience**  
Pacific Coast University  
Thesis: "Neuroendocrine Pathways in Gut-Brain Communication"  
2005

**Bachelor of Science in Biology**  
Eastern State University  
Minor: Psychology  
2003

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

* Board Certified in Microbiome Research (2018)
* Advanced Certification in Psychoneuroimmunology (2015)
* Clinical Research Professional Certification (2010)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Senior Research Scientist**  
Neurobiological Research Institute, Metropolis, CA  
2015 - Present

* Lead Principal Investigator on gut microbiota and mental health research initiatives
* Secured $1.2M in research funding through grants and industry partnerships
* Developed novel protocols for integrated psychological and microbiological assessment
* Supervise team of 8 researchers and 4 graduate students

**Research Scientist**  
Center for Microbiome Studies, Metropolis University Medical Center  
2011 - 2015

* Conducted research on gut-brain axis communication pathways
* Developed standardized protocols for microbiome sampling and analysis
* Co-authored 15 peer-reviewed publications on microbiome research
* Mentored 6 graduate students in research methodologies

**Postdoctoral Fellow**  
National Institute of Neurological Research  
2008 - 2011

* Investigated neuroendocrine pathways in stress response
* Collaborated on multi-site research initiatives studying HPA axis function
* Developed expertise in bioinformatics and statistical analysis of complex biological data

CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

**Principal Investigator**  
"Exploring the Gut-Microbiota and Mental Health Connection in Young Adults"  
Study Protocol Number: GMHC-2023-001  
Funded by: Internal Institutional Grant and NeuroGut Innovations, Inc.  
2023 - Present

**Co-Investigator**  
"Longitudinal Assessment of Microbiome Changes During Stress Periods"  
Collaboration with Dr. Marcus Chen, MD  
Funded by National Institute of Mental Health  
2022 - Present

PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)

1. Rodriguez E, Chen M, Kim R. "Bidirectional Communication in the Microbiome-Gut-Brain Axis." *Journal of Neurobiological Research*, 2023; 45(3): 234-251.
2. Johnson S, Rodriguez E, Thompson M. "Microbial Metabolite Production and Mental Health Outcomes." *Microbiome Science*, 2022; 18(2): 112-128.
3. Rodriguez E, Hartman R. "Psychoneuroimmunological Paradigms in Modern Mental Health Research." *Annual Review of Psychobiology*, 2021; 12: 78-95.
4. Chen M, Rodriguez E, et al. "16S rRNA Gene Sequencing Applications in Mental Health Biomarker Research." *Frontiers in Microbiome Research*, 2020; 8: 45-62.
5. Rodriguez E, Kim R, Johnson S. "Network Analysis Techniques for Microbiome-Mental Health Correlations." *Computational Biology Journal*, 2019; 24(4): 345-367.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

* **Microbiome Analysis**: 16S rRNA gene sequencing, Metagenomic shotgun sequencing, QIIME2, MetaPhlAn, HUMAnN
* **Statistical Analysis**: R, Python (Scikit-learn), SPSS Advanced Analytics
* **Research Design**: Mixed-methods research, Observational studies, Longitudinal cohort studies
* **Psychological Assessment**: DASS-21, PSS, Quality of Life Inventory administration and interpretation

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

* American Society for Microbiology
* Society for Neuroscience
* International Society for Psychoneuroimmunology
* Microbiome Research Consortium
* Association for Psychological Science

ETHICS TRAINING

* Human Subjects Research Certification (Renewed 2023)
* Responsible Conduct of Research Training (Renewed 2022)
* Data Privacy and Management Certification (2021)
* Ethics in Biological Sample Collection and Storage (2020)

AWARDS & HONORS

* Excellence in Microbiome Research Award, Neurobiological Research Institute (2022)
* Distinguished Researcher Award, Metropolis Scientific Association (2020)
* Young Investigator Award, International Society for Psychoneuroimmunology (2018)
* Outstanding Contribution to Interdisciplinary Research, Urban University (2016)

LANGUAGES

* English (Native)
* Spanish (Fluent)
* Portuguese (Conversational)

REFERENCES

Available upon request