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PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS:

Genetic analysis in maize and other crop plants; emphasis on mechanisms and role of epigenetic inheritance, molecular basis of gene expression variation, heterosis, imprinted gene expression, transposable elements and structural genomic variation

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- 05/2013 present: Professor, Department of Plant Biology, University of Minnesota
- 05/2009 05/2013: Associate Professor, Department of Plant Biology, University of Minnesota
- 08/2009 07/2014: Director, Microbial and Plant Genomics Institute, University of Minnesota
- 8/2003 05/2009: Assistant Professor, Department of Plant Biology, University of Minnesota
- 9/2002 8/2003: Post-doctoral research associate on N.S.F. grant "Assessment of the utility of microarrays for SNP detection in maize genomic DNA."
- 7/2000 9/2002: Post-doctoral research associate on N.S.F. Grant "Functional genomics of chromatin global control of plant gene expression."
- 7/1997 7/2000: U.S.D.A. National Needs Fellow, University of Minnesota

EDUCATION:

A.A. with highest honors (1994): Bethany Lutheran College

B.S. with highest honors (1997): Biology Major, Southeast Missouri State University Ph.D. (2000): Plant Biology, University of Minnesota (Advisor: Ronald L Phillips)

AWARDS AND ACADEMIC HONORS:

1994 National Merit Scholarship

1996 Phi Kappa Phi

1997 U.S.D.A. National Needs Fellowship, University of Minnesota

2002 National Science Foundation Plant Genome Young Investigator

2007 Southeast Missouri State University Young Alumni Merit Award

2016 Presidential McKnight Endowed Professor in Plant Biology 2016 Emerging Leaders in Plant Sciences Award - University of Minnesota

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Biol4003 Genetics (U of Minnesota): Every spring semester (~100 students/semester)

PBio1212 Plant Biotechnology and Society (U of Minnesota): 2012-2013

Biol5950 Special topics: Epigenetics (U of Minnesota): 2014

PBIO5960-2 Microbial and Plant Genomics symposium (U of Minnesota): 2010-2011

Agro8231 Chromosome Biology (U of Minnesota): 2004-2010 every other fall

PBS8081 Integrative Plant Biology (U of Minnesota): 2006

Spring 2005 – present. Directed research courses for 24 students.

FUNDED GRANTS:

- 9/02-9/05. (\$450,000) National Science Foundation. "Assessment of the utility of oligonucleotide arrays."
- 9/04-8/05. (\$30,301) U of Minnesota Grant-in-aid. "Identification of cis-acting elements controlling imprinting."
- 9/04-8/08. (\$597,163) National Science Foundation. "Maize functional genomics of chromatin." (Co-PI)
- 5/06-4/07. (\$14,300) Minnesota Agriculture Experiment Station. "Dynamics of DNA replication in endosperm."
- 07/07-06/09 (\$126,444) Institute of the environment IREE Discovery Grant. "Survey of genetic variation for response to density stress."
- 2/10 03/13 (\$1,678,620) National Science Foundation "GEPR Maize epigenomic variation."
- 04/11 03/14 (\$499,538) USDA NIFA "Environmentally Induced Epigenetic Changes in Maize"
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- 10/12 09/16 (\$3,424,556) National Science Foundation "Causes and consequences of epigenetic variation in maize"
- 03/15 03/19 (\$5,569,161) National Science Foundation "Enabling Cold Tolerant Maize Using Genomic and Machine Vision Phenomic Approaches" (CoPI)
- 12/15 11/18 (\$408,000) USDA NIFA "Understanding the role of transposable elements in maize abiotic stress response"
- 07/16 06/20 (\$2,677,672) National Science Foundation "Discovery and evaluation of inbred-specific and hybrid-specific regulatory modules" (CoPI)
- 02/18-01/22 (\$4,884,272 \$627,831 to MN) National Science Foundation "RESEARCH-PGR: Elucidating Maize Gene Regulatory Networks to Accelerate Translational Genomics."

PUBLICATIONS:

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- 90. **Springer NM**, Schmitz RJ. (2017) Exploiting induced and natural epigenetic variation for crop improvement. Nat Rev Genet. 2017 Sep;18(9):563-575. doi: 10.1038/nrg.2017.45.
- 88. Köhler C, **Springer N**. (2017) Plant epigenomics-deciphering the mechanisms of epigenetic inheritance and plasticity in plants. Genome Biol. 2017 Jul 6;18(1):132. doi: 10.1186/s13059-017-1260-9.
- 87. Oka R, Zicola J, Weber B, Anderson SN, Hodgman C, Gent JI, Wesselink JJ, **Springer NM**, Hoefsloot HCJ, Turck F, Stam M (2017) Genome-wide mapping of transcriptional enhancer candidates using DNA and chromatin features in maize. Genome Biol. 2017 Jul 21;18(1):137. doi: 10.1186/s13059-017-1273-4.
- 86. Li Q, Hermanson PJ, **Springer NM**. (2017) Detection of DNA Methylation by Whole-Genome Bisulfite Sequencing. Methods Mol Biol. 2018;1676:185-196. doi: 10.1007/978-1-4939-7315-6_11.
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- 82. Waters AJ, Makarevitch I, Noshay J, Burghardt LT, Hirsch CN, Hirsch CD, **Springer NM**. (2017) Natural variation for gene expression responses to abiotic stress in maize. Plant J. 89(4):706-717
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- 77. Hirsch CD, **Springer NM** (2016) Transposable element influences on gene expression in plants. Biochim Biophys Acta 1860: 157-165.
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INVITED TALKS:

2017 (7)	Phenome 2017; Maize Genetics Conference Plenary speaker; Cornell University; Malaysian Palm Oil conference; NYU Plant Genome Evolution workshop; CROPS, Dow
2016 (4)	Keystone Conference on Plant Epigenetics; IPG Stadler symposium on Heterosis; FFAR Phenomics Convening Event; Inari Agriculture
2015 (8)	Plant and Animal Genome Conference – Maize workshop; CSIRO – Black Mountain; Australian National University; University of Perth; Donald Danforth Plant Sciences Center; University of Missouri-Columbia; ASPB "Epigenetic Variation" Workshop invited speaker; University of Houston
2014 (11)	Plant and Animal Genome: Genomics of tissue culture workshop; Plant and Animal Genome: Evolution of Genome size workshop; Translational Genomics of Cereals (Vienna); Gregor Mendel Institute (Vienna); University of Florida; Dupont-Pioneer; Ohio State University Functional Genomics Workshop; Plant Genomics Congress (Saint Louis); Syngenta (RTP North Carolina); Monsanto (Saint Louis); Cold Spring Harbor Banbury Epigenetics meeting; North Caroline Plant Molecular Biology Consortium
2013 (13)	Plant and Animal Genome Conference, Michigan State University, Maize Corn Breeding Conference (NCCC-167), University of Georgia, Dupont Pioneer, University of Guelph (Canada), Society of Molecular Biology and Evolution, Syngenta, Switchgrass II conference; University of Wisconsin Plant Breeding Symposium, China Agriculture University, Beijing, Huazhong Agricultural University (Wuhan), UC-Davis
2012 (10)	Plant and Animal Genome Conference, Monsanto Research Fellows symposia, Guelph University, Donald Danforth Plant Sciences Center, Plant Breeding symposium at UC-Davis, Purdue Symposium on Statistics, Italian Society of Agricultural Genetics, University of Minnesota, Brigham Young University, NSF Plant Genome Awardee meeting
2011 (5)	Plant and Animal Genome Conference, NCCC-167 Corn breeding conference, Cold Spring Harbor Banbury conference, University of Arizona, BASF
2010 (3)	University of Georgia; Maize Genetics Conference; University of Minnesota Phillips symposium
2009 (5)	University of Guelph, PAG, IPMB Conference, Amherst Epigenetic Symposia, Developmental origins of cancer symposia, Stuttgart International heterosis conference
2008 (5)	Dow Agrosciences; Maize Genetics Conference; Illinois Corn Breeders School; Monsanto; International Plant Epigenome Initiative
2007 (3)	University of Wisconsin Plant Breeding and Genetics program; Minnesota State University at Mankato Biology Program; Hamline
2006 (1)	Ohio State University Plant Molecular Biology Program
2005 (2)	Iowa State University Genetics program; University of Minnesota Applied Plant Sciences program

2004 (4)	Texas A&M University genotyping symposium; University of Missouri-
	Columbia Plant Genetics program; University of Minnesota Plant Biology
	program; University of Minnesota Cargill seminar series
2003 (2)	Purdue University; Donald Danforth Plant Sciences center
2001 (1)	Southeast Missouri State University

Memberships and Committees:

American Society of Plant Biologists

Genetics Society of America

American Association for the Advancement of Science

Maize Genetics Executive committee (2011-2016; Chair – 2015-2016)

NCCC167 (USDA Corn Breeding research group) representative

Maize Genetics Conference steering committee (2011-2013)

Corn Breeding Executive Committee (2013-present)

American Society of Plant Biology Science Policy Committee (2013-2016; Chair: 2016-present)

Genomes 2 Fields Executive Committee member (2013-present)

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED:

Transformation-enabled genomic research in crop plants. Tampa Bay FL; Nov 16-17, 2015 (coorganizer)

Keystone Symposia "Plant Epigenetics: From Genotype to Phenotype" Taos NM; Feb 15-18, 2016 (co-organizer)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

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Sept 2003-Jan 2004	Plant Biology Strategic Planning committee
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November 2004-Sept. 2005	Developmental Biology Symposium Steering committee
Sept 2005-Oct 2009	Biosciences facilities committee
November 2005-Oct 2009	Scientific Data Management Lab (SDML) steering committee
August 2006 – 2008	Plant Sciences Cluster steering committee
September 2006 – 2008	Plant Biological Sciences graduate program steering committee
March 2008-August 2009	MPGI steering committee
September 2008-May 2009	PBIO Evolutionary Biology Search Committee
September 2008-May 2009	PBIO Computation Biology Search Committee
December 2008-Oct 2012	University Committee on Committees
August 2009-August 2014	Director, Microbial and Plant Genomics Institute
September 2010-present	RISS informatics analysis search committee
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PBS admissions committee

CBS Core Curriculum committee

PBIO-CFANS relationship committee

RISS Oversight Committee chair

June 2012-May 2013 Chair of Genome Variation cluster hire search committee

October 2012-May 2013 Agronomy Dept; Maize translational genetics search committee

Sept 2013-present Documentation, promotion, tenure committee

August 2015-present PBS Steering Committee

August 2015-present Plant Biology Departmental awards committee
August 2016-present PBS Graduate program awards committee

JOURNALS AND PROPOSAL REVIEWS:

Associate editor for PLoS Genetics (08/11-present) Editorial Board for Genetics (2016-present)

Monitoring editor for Plant Physiology (06/08 – 12/13)

Served as peer reviewer for >200 manuscripts at BMC Genomics, Crop Science, FEBS, Genetics, Genome Research, Journal of Biological Chemistry, Journal of Heredity, Nature Genetics, Nature Reviews Genetics, Nucleic Acids Research, Plant Cell, Plant Cell and Physiology, Plant Molecular Biology, Plant Physiology, Planta, Plant Genome, PLoS Biology, PLoS Genetics, PNAS, The Plant Journal, Nature, Nature Plants, Nature Biotechnology, Science, and Trends in Plant Science

Served as peer reviewer for BARD-ISIS (3), NSF (>20), USDA (>20), ERA-NET Plant Genomics (1), CDRF (1)

Member of USDA Plant Genetic Mechanisms (3), NSF Plant Genome (3), NSF Eukaryotic Genetics grant and USDA Physiology of Crop plants grant panels

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