William T Mills IV

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PhD Candidate at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Education

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Baltimore, MD | 2017-Present

PhD Candidate, Department of Biological Chemistry

Advisor: Mollie K Meffert, MD, PhD

University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA | 2013-2017

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Specialization in Biochemistry (awarded with Distinction)

American Chemical Society (ACS) Certification

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB) Certification with Distinction

Research Experience

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Baltimore, MD | 2017-Present

Graduate Research Assistant

Advisor: Mollie K Meffert, MD, PhD

United States Food and Drug Administration

White Oak, MD | Summer 2016

ORISE Fellow, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research

Advisor: Gerardo Kaplan, PhD

University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA | 2015-2017

Undergraduate Research Assistant **Advisor:** Anthony J Spano, PhD

Teaching & Advising

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Baltimore, MD

Teaching Academy

Certificate of Completion in progress

ME.200.650 : Genes to Society - Nervous System and Special Senses

Co-instructor for lesson on translational neuroscience Spring 2019

University of Virginia Charlottesville, VA

Peer Teacher

BIOL 2100: Introduction to Biology Laboratory: Cell Biology and Genetics

Fall 2016

Fall 2015

Albemarle High School Charlottesville, VA

Tutor

Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID) Program

Fall 2015

University of Virginia Charlottesville, VA

Peer Advisor

University Peer Advising Link (ULink)

Fall 2015

Publications

Oldach LM, Gorshkov K, **Mills WT, IV**, Zhang J, and Meffert MK (2018). A biosensor for MAPK-dependent Lin28 signaling. *Mol Biol Cell*, 29(10): 1157-1167.

DOI: 10.1091/mbc.E17-08-0500

Subramanian M, Paranjpe M, Timmerman CK, **Mills WT, IV**, and Meffert MK (2019). Growth-suppressor miRNA dysfunction mediates synaptic overgrowth and behavioral deficits in Fragile X Syndrome. Manuscript in preparation.

Presentations

Graduate

Mills WT, IV and Meffert MK (2019). Using miRNA-target chimeras to study post-transcriptional gene regulation in the mammalian CNS. Poster presented at the Department of Biological Chemistry Recruitment Event. (Baltimore, MD)

Mills WT, IV and Meffert MK (2018). Use of miRNA-target chimeras in the study of learning, memory and brain disorders. The Department of Biological Chemistry Annual Retreat. (Baltimore, MD)

Undergraduate

Brodie KV, Hentzen CE, Klein RJ, **Mills WT, IV**, Nishath T, Zhang MZ, Columbus L, and Price C (2016). Lysine 99: A critical residue for catalytic activity in aspartate aminotransferase from *Thermatoga maritima*. Poster presented at the conclusion of CHEM 4411/4421 in the Chemistry Building at the University of Virginia. (Charlottesville, VA)

Awards & Honors

Undergraduate

Gilbert J. Sullivan Scholarship	2015-2017
National Society of Collegiate Scholars	2014-2017
Dean's List	2013-2016
Intermediate Honors	2015

Organizational Activities

Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Baltimore, MD

Department Journal Club Planning Committee - Department of Biological Chemistry 2018 - present	Department Journal Club Planning Committee - Department of Biological Chemistry	2018 - present
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Department Retreat Planning Committee - Department of Biological Chemistry 2019

Research Funding

Undergraduate

Small Research and Travel Grant (College of Arts and Sciences)	Fall 2016
Small Research and Travel Grant (College of Arts and Sciences)	Spring 2016
Raven Society Fellowship (The Raven Society)	2016
Semester Scholars Award (College Council)	Spring 2016