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Research Interests:

Genetic dissection of neural circuitry; Effects of altering neural activity on behavioral output;
Epigenetic mechanisms of adaptation; Cell biology of non-electrical neuronal signaling.

Education:

- Doctor of Philosophy in Biology, December 2000
University of Texas at Austin
Supervising Professor: Nigel S. Atkinson
- Cold Spring Harbor Summer Course, Summer 1995
Neurobiology of *Drosophila*
- Bachelor of Science in Molecular Biology, August 1992
University of Texas at Austin

Work Experience:

- Research Assistant, January 2010 – present
University of Texas at Austin
Supervising Professors: Nigel Atkinson
- Post-doctoral Fellow, July 2008 - October 2009
University of Oklahoma
Supervising Professor: Bing Zhang
- Post-doctoral Fellow, October 2005 - July 2008
Brandeis University
Supervising Professor: Jeff C. Hall
- Post-doctoral Fellow, October 2000 - October 2005
Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School
Supervising Professor: Thomas L. Schwarz
- RLM-RACE Kit Design for Ambion Inc.: Summer 1999
- Teaching Assistant or Graduate Research Assistant: Alternating Semesters 1993-2000

Honors and Awards:

- Kirschstein NIH National Research Service Award Post-doctoral Fellow 2005 - 2007
- Ambion Scholars Program, 1998
- Center for Developmental Biology Scholarship, 1998
- Kojima Genetics Fellowship, 1995
- Genetics Foundation Dorothea Bennett Memorial Scholarship, 1995

Publications:

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Conference Presentations:

- R. A. Bohm**, W. P. Welch, T. C. Gunter, L. K. Goodnight, L. G. Henry, L. W. Cox, G. Books J.C. Hall, and B. Zhang. FLIPPASE-based genetic dissections of neuronal circuits underlying behavior. Presented to the Neurobiology of Drosophila Conference, Cold Spring Harbor, NY. September 29-October 3, 2009.
- R. A. Bohm**, W. P. Welch, T. C. Gunter, L. K. Goodnight, L. G. Henry, L. W. Cox, J.C. Hall, and B. Zhang. Deconstructing neural circuits underlying fly behaviors and decision-making using new molecular genetic tools. **Presented by invitation** to improving the Toolkit for Drosophila Neurogenetics Conference, Janelia Farm Research Campus, HHMI, Ashburn, VA. October 4-7, 2009.
- R. A. Bohm**, H. Bao, G. Books, J. C. Hall, and B. Zhang. Developing molecular genetic tools for studying neural circuits and behaviors in *Drosophila*. **Presented by invitation** to the Genetic Manipulation of Neuronal Activity Conference, Janelia Farm Research Campus, HHMI, Ashburn, VA. November 2-5, 2008.
- R. A. Bohm**, D. W. Allan, and T. L. Schwarz. Analysis of the role of *Synaptotagmin IV* in neuropeptide release. Presented to the Neurobiology of Drosophila Conference, Cold Spring Harbor, NY. October 5-9, 2005.
- R. A. Bohm**, and N.S. Atkinson. Modulation of ion channel gene expression by electrical excitability. Presented to the Neurobiology of Drosophila Conference, Cold Spring Harbor, NY. October 6-10, 1999.
- R. A. Bohm**, R. Brenner, and N.S. Atkinson. Mapping the major neuronal promoter for *slowpoke*, a calcium – activated potassium channel gene. Presented to the 40th Annual Drosophila Research Conference, Bellevue, WA. March 24-28, 1999.
- R. A. Bohm**, R. Brenner, N.S. Atkinson. Dissection of *slowpoke*'s neuronal promoter. Presented to the 38th Annual Drosophila Research Conference, Chicago, IL. April 16-20, 1997.

Undergraduate Directed Research:

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 M.D. candidates: Kwasi Menu, William Welch, Tyler Gunter and Mona Homafar

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