A number of causative genes have been linked to various forms of muscular dystrophy, yet many such patients remain without a genetic diagnosis. Some families have limited access to genetic testing, but others harbor mutations in novel genes. Our laboratory’s core project involves gene discovery for muscular dystrophy and is funded by the National Institutes of Health. Genetic analyses will be supplemented by studies of human tissue and relevant disease models. The laboratory has extended the examination of one novel gene, *MEGF10*, into a separate independent project. A medical student could participate in either project, or potentially a new one if it complements the overall goals of the laboratory.


