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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Indiana University, Bloomington - 1985
A.B. Kenyon College, Gambier, OH - 1976

HONORS

Graduated *cum Laude* Kenyon College
Floyd Memorial Plant Science Scholarship 1983 and 1985

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Geneticist GS13, USDA-ARS, and Adjunct Associate Professor, Purdue University, 8/02–present. Functional genomics approaches to identify gene required for disease resistance in small grain cereals. Promoted to GS14 (7-2006).

Pathogenomics Group Leader, DNA Plant Technology Corporation, Oakland, CA 2001-2002. Engineering broad-spectrum disease resistance in vegetable crops.

Research Fellow, DNA Plant Technology Corporation, Oakland, CA 1999-2001. Engineering broad-spectrum disease resistance in vegetable crops.

Principal Research Scientist, DNA Plant Technology Corporation, Oakland, CA 1997-1999. Engineering broad-spectrum disease resistance in vegetable crops.

Assistant Research Geneticist, NSF Center for Engineering Plants for Resistance Against Pathogens (CEPRAP) University of California-Davis 1997-1992. Analysis of the molecular basis of specificity in gene-for-gene disease resistance systems.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Sainsbury Laboratory, John Innes Centre, Norwich, England. 1988-1992. Development of effective *Ac-Ds* transposon systems for gene tagging in tomato and *Arabidopsis*. Analysis of the regulation of *Ac-Ds* transposable elements. Advisor: Jonathan Jones.

Postdoctoral Fellow, Plant Breeding Institute, Cambridge, England. 1985-1988. Molecular analysis of the behavior of the *Antirrhinum* transposon *Tam3* in transgenic tobacco. Advisor: Mike Bevan.

Graduate Student, Indiana University, Bloomington. 1981 – 1985 Molecular isolation of genes encoding the napin and cruciferin embryo-specific storage proteins of *Brassica napus*. Thesis Advisor: Martha Crouch.

GRANTS

Principle Investigator for the project: Development of a virus-induced gene silencing system for genes that contribute to Fusarium head blight resistance.” Funded by the USWBSI FY’06 (Total award \$53,906)

Principal Investigator for the project: “Promoters to express Ac transposase for efficient gene tagging systems.” Funded by the USDA Plant Genome Panel 1993 – 1995 (Total award \$120,000)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Leader of the Plant-Pathogen Interaction Committee of International Committee for Genomic Research on Wheat Organization (IGROW).

Member of the American Phytopathological Society’s Biotechnology Impact Assessment Committee 2005 - 2006.

Member of the US Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative Genetic Engineering and Transformation Research Advisory Committee 2005 – 2007.

Member of 2005 USDA NRI Grant Review Panel for Plant Functional Genomics.

Member of 2000-2001 USDA Grant Review Panel for the Plant-Microbe Associations Program.

Ad-hoc reviewer for NSF-Plant Genome and USDA-NRI grant programs.

Reviewer for: *Plant Cell*, *Nature Biotechnology*, *Plant Journal*, and *Plant Physiology*.

PATENTS

“Methods to design and identify new plant disease resistance genes” Non-provisional US patent application, filed June 14, 1999. Inventor: Steven Scofield

“All liquid plant cell culture and selection system” Provisional US patent application. Inventors: Dean Engler, Steve Scofield, Neal Gutterson and Peter Balint-Kurti.

PUBLICATIONS

Scofield, S.R., Huang, L., Brandt, A.S. and Gill, B.S. (2005) Development of virus-induced gene silencing system for hexaploid wheat and its use in functional analysis of the *Lr21*-mediated leaf rust resistance pathway. *Plant Phys.* (138) 2165-2173.

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Scofield, S.R., Tobias, C., Rathjen, J.R., Chang, J.A., Lavelle, D.T., Michelmore, R.W. and Staskawicz, B.J. (1996) The molecular basis of gene-for-gene specificity in bacterial speck disease of tomato. *Science* 274: 2063-2065.

Salmeron, J.M., Oldroyd, G.E.D., Rommens, C.M.T., **Scofield, S. R.**, Kim, H.S., Lavelle, D.T., Dahlbeck, D. and Staskawicz, B. J. (1996). Tomato *Prf* is a member of the leucine-rich repeat class of plant disease resistance genes and lies embedded within the *Pto* kinase cluster. *Cell* 86: 123-133.

Christian Tobias, John Salmeron, Giles Oldroyd, Caius Rommens, **Steven Scofield**, and Brian Staskawicz Genetic interactions specifying disease resistance in the bacterial speck disease of tomato. In: *Biology of Plant Microbe Interactions Vol1.* (1996) International Society for Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions, St. Paul, MN pp 71-76.

Kunze, R., Kuhn, S., Jones, J. D. G., and **Scofield, S. R.** Somatic and germinal activities of maize *Activator (Ac)* transposase mutants in transgenic tobacco. (1995) *Plant J.* 8: 45-54.

Carroll, B. J., Klimyuk, V. I., Thomas, C. M., Bishop, G. J., Harrison, K., **Scofield, S. R.**, and Jones, J. D. G. (1995) Germinal transposition of the maize element *Dissociation* from T-DNA loci in tomato. *Genetics* 139: 407-420.

Lawson, E. J. R., **Scofield, S. R.**, Sjodin, C., Jones, J. D. G., and Dean, C. (1994) Modification of the 5' untranslated leader region of the maize *Activator* element leads to increased activity in *Arabidopsis*. *Mol. Gen. Genet.* 245: 608-615.

Scofield, S. R., Jones, D. A., Harrison, K., and Jones, J. D. G. (1994). Chloroplast targeting of spectinomycin adenylyl transferase provides a cell

autonomous marker for monitoring transposon excision in tomato. *Mol. Gen. Genet.* 244: 189-196.

Yang, C.-H., Carroll, B., **Scofield, S. R.**, Jones, J. D. G. and Michelmore, R. (1993) Transactivation of *Ds* elements in plants of lettuce (*Lactuca sativa*). *Mol. Gen. Genet.* 241: 389-398.

Scofield, S. R., English J. J., and Jones, J. D. G. (1993) High levels of *Ac* transposase expression inhibit excision of *Ds* in tobacco embryos. *Cell* 75: 507-517.

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Chooi, W. Y., Macklin, M. D., Leiby, K. R., Hong, T. H., **Scofield, S. R.**, Sabatini, L. M. and Burns, D. K. (1982) Purification of *Drosophila* acid ribosomal proteins. *Eur. J. Bioch.* 127: 199-205.