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Field of Study  
*Type 1 Diabetes*



#### **What impact do you want your research to have?**

My ultimate goal in conducting research is to make a major contribution to the biomedical sciences, namely in the areas of precision medicine and tailored therapeutics. My ultimate goal is for my work to improve the lives of people with conditions like diabetes and HIV by providing them with real advantages. Furthermore, I want to help lessen the burden of these illnesses worldwide, particularly in regards to neurodegeneration, late-stage consequences, and cellular analyses. I hope that my research will have a significant impact on public health on a larger scale, both domestically and internationally. HIV and diabetes, for example, have a major impact on people's lives and pose serious difficulties to global healthcare systems. My goal is to open up new therapy and intervention options by creating novel strategies like stem cell and pancreas regeneration treatments for diabetes and looking at the genetic linkages between pharmaceuticals and drug misuse in late-stage HIV. In addition, I hope that my work will further scientific understanding in the fields of cellular studies, molecular analysis, and genomics. I hope to clarify intricate biological processes, disentangle gene relationships, and find new targets for therapeutic intervention through my study. By doing this, I want to stimulate more study and advancements in these important areas. In the end, I want my study to have a positive influence on people living with diabetes, HIV, and related illnesses while also advancing science and innovation. In the end, I hope that my work will help develop more tailored and efficient treatments, which will improve health outcomes and provide a better future for those dealing with these health issues.

#### **What inspired you to pursue your area of research?**

A combination of my personal experiences, my passion for scientific discovery, and my desire to have a significant impact on public health has inspired me to pursue research in the biomedical sciences, specifically in personalized therapies and precision medicine for diseases like HIV and diabetes. First and foremost, my research orientation has been greatly influenced by my personal experiences. Observing the difficulties and suffering experienced by people with long-term illnesses, such as diabetes and HIV, inspired me to look for novel approaches to enhance their quality of life. These first-hand experiences strengthened my resolve to help solve these health problems. Second, one of my main motivators has always been my love of scientific discovery. Discovering the secrets of the human body at every level—from the molecular to the clinical—is made possible by the area of biomedical sciences. Finding new discoveries and creating groundbreaking treatments that have the power to change lives has always been an enticing source of motivation. Furthermore, a major driving force has been the urgent need to address the burden of diseases like diabetes and HIV worldwide. Globally, these illnesses have a significant impact on people, families, and communities. A significant motivator has been the knowledge that my study may lessen pain, save healthcare expenses, and improve the general health of impacted people and populations. Last but not least, I find inspiration in the multidisciplinary and collaborative aspects of biological research. Collaborating with professionals from several domains, like genomics, molecular biology, and data science, has expanded my outlook and stoked my passion for addressing intricate health issues. In conclusion, a combination of my own experiences, my love of science, my desire to improve public health, and the collaborative nature of biomedical research serve as my inspiration for pursuing research in personalized therapies and precision medicine for illnesses like diabetes and HIV. All of these things motivate me to dedicate myself to leaving a significant and long-lasting mark on the field.

**What is most exciting about your research?**

What excites me most about my research is its potential to bridge the gap between bioinformatics and translational medicine. By harnessing cutting-edge genomics and data science, we can develop personalized therapies that directly benefit patients. This convergence of technology and healthcare has the power to transform how we diagnose and treat diseases like diabetes and HIV on a global scale.

**What makes your research unique?**

My research stands out due to its unique combination of bioinformatics, genomics, and translational medicine. By integrating these disciplines, we're able to uncover deep insights into complex diseases like diabetes and HIV. This holistic approach sets my work apart and allows for the development of personalized therapies that are tailored to individual patients, making it truly one-of-a-kind in the field of biomedical sciences.

**What are your plans after finishing your postdoc at the University?**

Upon completing my postdoc at the University, I plan to pursue a career in industry. My goal is to apply the knowledge and skills I've gained in bioinformatics and translational medicine to make a meaningful impact on healthcare by developing innovative treatments and therapies for complex diseases. Whether in a research institution or a biotech company, I aim to contribute to advancements in precision medicine and personalized healthcare.

