

## The Sperm Bank of California

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### DONOR PROFILE: 3989

The past and current personal and family medical history, physical examination, and laboratory test results determine that donor **3989** is eligible and approved for semen donation at The Sperm Bank of California. This profile was prepared in **May 2008**.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Identity-Release<sup>®</sup> Program: **y**  
Month/year of birth: **7/1981**  
Education: **BA in Cognitive Neuroscience**  
Current occupation: **student, wine sales**

### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Height: **5'10 1/2"**  
Weight: **165 pounds**  
Hair color: **dark brown**  
Hair type: **wavy**  
Eye color: **dark brown**  
Complexion: **olive**  
Body type: **medium**  
Ethnic origin: **French, German, Irish, Scottish, Native American, Welsh**  
Religion: **Presbyterian. Currently is an Agnostic with Buddhist tendencies**  
Blood group/Rh: **O positive**  
Baby photo available: **No**

### FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY KEY:

**D** donor      **Ch** child      **F** father      **M** mother      **S** sister      **B** brother  
**Co** cousin      **A** aunt      **U** uncle      **MGF** maternal grandfather  
**MGM** maternal grandmother      **PGF** paternal grandfather      **PGM** paternal grandmother

### FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY

Cancer: **PGF: Skin Cancer, onset at 52, surgically removed with success; Bladder Cancer, onset at 76, successfully treated with radiation; MGF: Colon Cancer, onset at 77, successfully treated with radiation**

Gastro-intestinal: **MGF: Colon Cancer, onset at 77, successfully treated with radiation; PGF: Bladder Cancer, onset at 76, successfully treated with radiation, Gallbladder removed, removed at age 44.**

Heart: **MGF: Heart Disease, had double by-pass surgery at 74, has had no problems since; PGF: High Blood Pressure, onset at 74, managed with medication, lifetime smoker, cigars after mid-40s; High Cholesterol, onset at 74, managed with medications**

Neurological: **PGM: Stroke, at 74, partial recovery, some nerve degeneration; PGM: Alzheimer's Disease, onset between 64-66, progressing**

Sight/Sound/Smell: **D: 20/100, 20/100; MGM: Significant Hearing Loss; at 76, has stable partial hearing; MGF: Macular Degeneration, onset at 79, no treatment, will go progressively blind**

Skin: **PGF: Skin Cancer, onset at 52, surgically removed with success**

Substance abuse: **MU: Drug Addiction, cocaine use during career problems/divorce, stopped using cocaine after age 40**

### DONOR LAB RESULTS

Chlamydia: <b>Negative</b>	Gonorrhea: <b>Negative</b>	Syphilis: <b>Nonreactive</b>
HIV 1 & 2: <b>Negative</b>	CMV total antibody: <b>Nonreactive</b>	
Hepatitis B: <b>Negative</b>	Hepatitis C: <b>Negative</b>	HTLV 1 & 2: <b>Negative</b>
Urinalysis: <b>Normal</b>	Chem panel: <b>Normal</b>	CBC: <b>Normal</b>
Cystic Fibrosis: <b>Negative</b>	Tay Sachs: <b>N/A</b>	Sickle cell anemia/thalassemia: <b>Negative</b>

## **DONOR NARRATIVE: Donor 3989**

How would someone describe you? (introvert, extrovert, funny, serious, goal-oriented, curious)

**He's normally very charming and talkative but can also be very introspective, especially when he has an idea. He's a good listener and is comfortable sharing in silence, but can also carry an otherwise stalled conversation. He's a laid back person, more likely to be funny than serious but he can be extremely sentimental as well. He'll stop everything and fall into a reverie and the sound of a pretty song, stop the car during rush hour to watch the sunset. His interests vary widely. He will discover something new, dive into it, devour the literature and then become fixated on another subject; everything is interesting to him. He certainly achieves the goals he sets but finds too many beautiful and interesting things around him to just do one thing forever.**

What are your special interests and talents?

**I've always been a writer, fiction, poetry, essays, you name it. I've done a little freelance work and hope to do more; sharing and exploring ideas is something I've always found myself doing almost automatically. I love music and although it has not become the central passion of my life I hope to keep growing in it. I've taught myself to play guitar, sitar, and didgeridoo over the years and hope to continue improving my songwriting skills. I study neuroscience and so have a strong interest in the mind. I love astronomy and am working on building a telescope... All and all, I love learning and exploring the world around and within me, it's just all so fascinating.**

How would you describe your enjoyment of and skills in the following areas:

**math: I love math. Unfortunately, I'm not that great at it. Basic calculus was fun but not my forte.**

**mechanical: I'm more analytical than mechanically inclined; I don't tinker all the time. If driven by a powerful idea however, I can create fairly complex objects.**

**athletic: When younger I played soccer and baseball. In high school I was a decent cross-country/track runner. Nowadays I still run, lift weights, do yoga, pilates and kickboxing.**

**musical, artistic, creative: I've always had a talent for writing and I've tried to cultivate that skill. Although I wasn't very musical as a child, I taught myself guitar at age 16; I'm told I'm quite good when I have time to play.**

**language (Other than English, what languages do you speak?): None**

What are your goals and ambitions in life?

**Academically, I am aiming for a PhD in neuroscience and a career in science and writing. I'm not a pure research person but I hope to contribute theoretically and write about complex issues for a lay audience. One day, I really hope to teach. I love being able to pass on knowledge to others. I hope to one day record an album, if only for my own enjoyment. I hope to complete a marathon before I'm forty. I hope to live life with the notion that I am here to be experienced as much as I am here to experience. I hope to grow old and leave this world peacefully, comfortable that I have lived as an authentic human being.**

Why do you want to be a sperm donor?

**Certainly there is a strong desire to help other people. I'm going to produce more viable sperm in my lifetime than I could ever possibly make use of in my lifetime. If there is someone who can benefit from donations, which are produced automatically by this amazing biological factory that is my body, why not share? I'm not certain if my wife and I**

**will have children of our own so I'd like to think that someone also can make use of my genetics. I must admit that there is a bit of curiosity as well. Even though I will likely never meet them, it is so intriguing to think of what other humans that share my genetics with some other person will be like.**

Did you choose to be an identity-release donor? **Yes.** Why did you make this choice?

**As mentioned above, I am curious about how many offspring may turn out. Fully recognizing that there is no obligatory connection between myself and children that result, I would like to keep that door open. If nothing else, I think everyone should have the chance to research their origins if they choose to do so.**

What message would you like us to pass on to the people who are getting your sperm?

**Life is a beautiful thing, at its best and at its worst. It's everything we have as a species. Life is beautiful and transitory, we are handed the torch, spend time illuminating the world and then pass it on to the next person. I hope the torch I'm passing to you will brighten your path in life.**