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DONOR PROFILE: 4501

The past and current personal and family medical history, physical examination, and laboratory test results determine that donor **4501** is eligible and approved for semen donation at The Sperm Bank of California. This profile was prepared in **February, 2011**.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Identity-Release® Program: **Yes**
Month/year of birth: **March, 1984**
Education: **B.S. Physics & Math. PhD Statistics (in progress)**
Current occupation: **Student**

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Height: **6' 2"**
Weight: **191 lbs**
Hair color: **Dark brown**
Hair type: **Wavy**
Eye color: **Dark brown**
Complexion: **Olive**
Body type: **Medium**
Ethnic origin: **German, Irish, British, Japanese, Spanish**
Religion: **Christian**
Blood group/Rh: **O positive**
Baby photo available: **Yes**

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

Gastro-intestinal: **M: Ulcers at 41, OTC meds, resolved. PGF: Colon cancer at 45, surgery, resolved.**
Genital/Reproductive: **M: Hysterectomy after 2nd child at 38, resolved. PGF: Prostate cancer at 45, surgery, resolved.**
Heart: **MGM: High blood pressure at 52, medication, ongoing, managed. PGF: High blood pressure at 70, medication, ongoing, managed. MGM: High cholesterol at 52, medication, ongoing, managed. MGF: High cholesterol at 54, medication, ongoing, managed.**
Mental Health: **D: Depression at 17, treated with medication, resolved.**
Respiratory: **D: Hay fever during childhood, OTC medication, ongoing, managed. M: Hay fever during childhood, OTC medication, ongoing, managed. MGM: Lung cancer (Mesthelioma due to smoking) at 64, chemotherapy, radiation and surgery, cause of death at 66.**
Sight/Sound/Smell: **R 20/200, L 2/200 uncorrected. PGF: Hearing loss at 88, hearing aids, managed.**
Skin: **M/MGM/MGF/MU: Acne during teenage years, treated with face wash, resolved.**
Cancer (see above): **MGM: Lung cancer (Mesthelioma) at 64. PGF: Colon cancer at 45. PGF: Prostate cancer at 45.**

DONOR LAB RESULTS

Chlamydia: Negative	Gonorrhea: Negative	Syphilis: Nonreactive
HIV 1 & 2: Negative	CMV total antibody: Non-Reactive	
Hepatitis B: Negative	Hepatitis C: Negative	HTLV 1 & 2: Negative
Urinalysis: Normal	Chem panel: Normal	CBC: Normal
Cystic Fibrosis: Negative	Tay Sachs: N/A	Sickle Cell Anemia/Thalassemia: N/A

DONOR NARRATIVE: Donor # 4501

Describe your personality: introvert, extrovert, funny, serious, goal-oriented, curious, shy, etc.

I like complexity in problems and simplicity in aesthetics. I was once pulled over doing 100 in a 35 and I talked my way out of a speeding ticket. Sadly, a year later, I had my license suspended for making a right turn on red, and so now I come to a complete stop and obey all posted signs. I believe wholeheartedly that the devil is in the details, and I can anchor a trivia team with my broad base of random (useless) knowledge. And I can always (and I mean always) find my keys. I thrive in new environments and social situations. I would consider myself to be a facilitator in that I am usually making introductions and connection amongst friends that would otherwise never meet. I also have a knack for finding creative and sometimes unorthodox solutions to problems. This is perhaps why I excel at research field dedicated to finding solutions that others have overlooked. With all of that in mind, I think my most uniquely identifying trait is my attention to detail and my uncanny ability to remember it.

What are your interests and talents?

Math (otherwise, I'd be torturing myself, right?), winking, provoking you into intelligent (and/or infuriating) discussion, remembering your birthday without Facebook (I know, I know)... plus, I make a mean spaghetti sauce and I can usually solve your computer-related woes. Not to mention that I have played the piano since I was in elementary and have a strong penchant for classical music especially opera. Oh and did I mention, counting. Seriously, if you give me any number, I can tell you the next one.

What are some of your goals and ambitions in life? Where do you see yourself in 5 or 10 years?

First and foremost, I too would like to have a family and the means with which to support my family. With that in mind, I must first establish a stable career. And before that can happen, I must finish my degree. So in five years, finish my Ph.D., in ten years be well established in my career and hopefully have started a family. But between friends, I don't ever put too much stock in my plans; life happens, and I find even one day more than I can properly plan.

How would you describe your skills and interests in the following areas?

Math: Prodigious. No, but seriously, I am quite good. I have always had a natural intuition about math. The pieces always just fell into place for me. In fact, it came so naturally that it took me until college to realize that this is not the case for most.

Mechanical: Even as a child, I found most toys more interesting in their unassembled form. This I can assure you drove my mother insane! I have a very fundamental curiosity in how and why things work the way they do. This had lead me to earn a degree in Physics and pursue an advanced degree in Statistics is the art of understanding what is clearly before us.

Athletic: Well, you can't win them all. Haha. I am not the most athletic, although you couldn't tell from my physique. If you saw my on the street you would see a tall long-legged very fit man. I attribute my lack of athletic prowess to the fact that I did not have strong male influences growing up. I was raised predominately by my mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, as my parents are divorced and my grandpa keep long hours at work. Needless to say, they were are much more inclined to teach me how to bake a pie than throw a ball in the backyard.

Musical, Artistic, Creative: This is one area that was heavily fostered but never quite stuck. I have played the piano since I was in kindergarten, but I can assure you that I will not be hosting a concert for Bach's Inventions. And try as I might, I cannot seem to make a painting worth hanging on the wall. However, I do have a great deal of creativity that needs an outlet. This has been

expressed in the past through things like, machining new parts for physics experiments, and Photoshopping" several photos together to create new ones, and of course playing the piano.

Language (what languages besides English do you speak?): There was a time in high school when I seriously contemplated majoring in classical languages. After examining the job prospects of such a choice, I reconsidered. However, I did take Spanish, Italian, and Latin in high school, and minored in Spanish as an undergrad. I am always prodding my international friends to teach me more phrases in their native languages and can currently say hello and ask how are you in just over fifteen languages ranging from Farsi to Mandarin to Amharic to Swedish.

Writing: Writing I expect that you will be the judge of this. But I have been told on numerous occasions that my personality is quite apparent in my writing.

Literature: As for books, I'm into non-fiction, like *Guns, Germs, and Steel* and *Blink*. When it comes to literature, I like thrillers (probably because of the adult-onset ADD not really but it feels like it). That manifests in the high brow (*Crime & Punishment*) and the guiltily low brow (uh, *Dan Brown* no judgment). And, yeah, I've read every *Harry Potter*. So?

Science: Science will always have a very special place in my heart. It is fundamental to understanding how the world works. This is why I got a B.S. in physics, and spent several years doing research in a lab. I am always excited to talk about and explain scientific principles and ideas to new people. And even more excited to discuss the consequences of known phenomena with those already aquatinted with the topic.

If you were stranded on a deserted island and could only have one book, one movie and one album, what would they be?

- **Movie:** *Movie Well...* I must preface this by noting that if I were stranded on a deserted island, I'm not sure that a movie would do me any good as it is highly unlikely that there would be electricity let alone a functioning TV and DVD player. But for the purposes of this hypothetical, I would take
- **Book:** *Book* My favorite book is the *Confederacy of Dunces*, but that is not really the question. If I were stranded indefinitely, it seems to me that I would want a book that could occupy my mind indefinitely. I am not aware of any pieces of literature that could do this, although James Joyce's *Ulysses* would probably come the closest. Not only does this book need to be able to occupy my mind, but it could not require much outside knowledge at least none that I do not already possess as there would not be any reference materials available. Therefore I would choose *Real and Complex Analysis* by Walter Rudin. This is a text reserved for those daring enough to get a Ph.D. in Theoretical Mathematics, and I have been told by those who know, that it takes a lifetime to master. The best part is that even if I were to master this text, there are a myriad of problems that have yet to be solved that require nothing more than the knowledge offered in this text and a spark of brilliance.
- **Album:** Assuming solution to the problem already mentioned about electricity and such, I would choose a CD featuring a mix of the best piano performances. Not only do I love classical piano but perhaps it would help to ignite that spark of brilliance

What are some of your reasons for becoming a sperm donor?

I have pretty great genetic composition, if I do say so myself. Haha. But more importantly, I believe that everyone should be afforded the opportunity realize their dreams especially when those dreams will bring love into the world. And frankly the effort that is required is so minimal that everyone should be willing.

Did you choose to be an Identity-Release® Program donor? Yes No

Why did you make this Choice?

We all have an innate curiosity to know from where we came. While this curiosity may not bring about answers to questions of self-identity, it can serve as a guidepost for some. I would never want to impede one's journey of self-discovery. Therefore, I have elected to participate in the Identity-Release Program.

Would you like more information on our Identity-Release® Program? Yes No

Is there anything else you would like to share with participating families and offspring?

I must say that I have lived a truly blessed life. We did not have very much money but what we didn't have in money was made up for in love. My family has loved me unconditionally since the day I was born. They were unwavering in their support and encouragement. They were just as quick to tell me that they loved me when I got in trouble for talking too much in elementary, (and boy did I get in trouble for that year after year, after year...), as they were when I won my first piano competition. Without this support and patience I never would have been successful. I was given a gift. A gift that is amazing, yet incredibly frustrating. I have a huge amount of interest in widely differing fields and the ability to quickly learn a fair amount about all of those fields. This made my life very confusing growing up. I was just as interested in Chemistry as I was Math as I was Business as I was Spanish, and equally good at all of them. Luckily my family was there the entire time encouraging me to keep exploring and discourage me from giving up hope. If your child is anything like I was growing up, patience will be the most important virtue. I was certainly a handful, but I'm told it was worth it.