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INTERVIEW NOTES: 4251

Donor 4251 initially comes across as younger than his 31 years. He seems to float through his life, able and willing to focus on the things that interest him, not likely to put energy into those that don't. He seemed distracted at times during our interview and the longer we spoke the more I came to understand that donor 4251 definitely exists in his own world. But some of his spacey-ness is just disguised shyness and he is proved capable of opening up if one asks the right questions.

His family is extremely musical, and he has relatives who have been song writers, piano players, singers, dancers, and an organ player. When I asked him whether these things influenced his life- he initially looked blank. As I gave him a moment to think I watched his face light up as memory took over his expression. He laid his hands in front of him as if playing the organ. After a moment he told me-- eyes bright and excitement written over his face-- that he had just remembered what it was like to play his grandfather's organ as a child. He said that as a child he was allowed to play on it (or more accurately, bang on it, he clarified) and it was one of his favorite things to do when he went over to his grandparent's house. It was a joy to watch him unearth this memory as we spoke.

One of the unique things that I appreciate about donor 4251 is that he manages to combine the different parts of his personality in interesting ways. He loves both skateboarding and photography and synthesizes these two passions by photographing his friends whenever they skate together. He seems dedicated to his photography and has worked in a number of jobs taking pictures. He was a building photographer and took school pictures before he made freelance photography his primary career. He said that he is relieved to be doing a job that he loves so much. He lit up when discussing his niece and he gave his sister a portrait of her new child for Christmas this year. Although he is dreamy and independent this does not translate to carelessness for his loved ones.

One of the donor's goals I was most impressed with was his plan to start his own magazine. He currently posts his photos online but is working on disseminating them, displaying a do-it-yourself ethic and initiative. He said that printing and photocopying his pictures has lent them a grainy quality that he enjoys. Donor 4251 has a very casual appearance—tousled hair and jeans—but it came across as cute rather than messy. His dreamy demeanor initially hides the motivation and enthusiasm that is an integral part of his personality.

Interviewer: Alex Holding

Date: March 11, 2009



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DONOR PROFILE: 4251

The past and current personal and family medical history, physical examination, and laboratory test results determine that donor 4251 is eligible and approved for semen donation at THE SPERM BANK OF CALIFORNIA. This profile was prepared in October 2009, updated August 2016

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Identity-Release® Program: **Yes**
- Month/year of birth: **May, 1977**
- Education: **BA in Political Science**
- Current occupation: **Freelance photographer**
- Ethnic origin: **German, Japanese**
- Religion: **None**

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Height: **5'8 ½"**
- Weight: **170 lbs**
- Hair color: **Dark brown**
- Hair type: **Straight**
- Eye color: **Dark brown**
- Complexion: **Light brown**
- Body type: **Medium**
- Blood group/Rh: **O+**
- Baby photo available: **Yes**
- Other distinguishing features:

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

Allergies: **D: Allergic to cats, onset at 29, no treatment, ongoing but mild.**

Gastro-intestinal: **F: Hepatitis B, onset at 45, no treatment, condition resolved.**

Genital/Reproductive: **M: benign Ovarian Cysts, at 54, hysterectomy at 64, resolved. S: benign Ovarian Cysts, onset at 24, removal of ovary, resolved. MGM: Hysterectomy, mid-40's, common practice at time. MA#1: benign Ovarian Cysts, onset adulthood, hysterectomy at 55, resolved.**

Heart: **MGF: Heart attack, onset at 46, no treatment, contributed to death at 56, life-long smoker; Congestive Heart Failure, onset in mid-50's, no surgery, took aspirin, cause of death at 56. PGM: Low Blood Pressure, onset at 72, none, passed away at 89 of old age.**

Neurological: **M: Migraines, 53, medication, managed. MCo#1: Trisomy 21 (Down's Syndrome) heart surgery as infant and at 8.**

Respiratory: **MGM: Emphysema, onset at 67, no treatment, was lifelong smoker; Lung cancer, chemotherapy, cause of death at 68.**

PGF: Lung Cancer, onset at 71, chemotherapy, cause of death at 75, was life-long smoker.

Sight/Sound/Smell: **Donor eyesight: R: 20/200 L: 20/200. F: Color blind, diagnosed at 12, no treatment, mild**

Skin: **D: Acne, onset at 14, topical creams, resolved, no scarring. S: Acne, onset in teens, no treatment, resolved, no scarring. MGM:**

Acne, onset at 15, no treatment, resolved, no scarring. MA#1: Melanoma, onset in 50's, removed, condition resolved. MA#2: Melanoma, onset in 50's, removed, condition resolved.

Cancer (see above): **MGM: Lung Cancer. PGF: Lung Cancer. MA#1: Melanoma. MA#2: Melanoma.**

DONOR LAB RESULTS

Chlamydia: **Not Detected**
HIV 1 & 2: **Non-Reactive**
Hepatitis B: **Non-Reactive**
Urinalysis: **Normal**

Gonorrhea: **Not Detected**
CMV total antibody: **Negative**
Hepatitis C: **Non-Reactive**
Chem panel: **Normal**

Syphilis: **Non-Reactive**
HTLV 1 & 2: **Non-Reactive**
CBC: **Normal**

GENETIC SCREENING RESULTS: ALL TEST VALUES IN NORMAL RANGE

Genetic screening tests can significantly reduce, but never completely eliminate, the chance that a person is a carrier for a particular disorder.

Cystic Fibrosis: (31 mutations) **No mutation detected**
Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA): **Not performed**
Hemoglobinopathies/Thalassemia: **No abnormal hemoglobin detected (including sickle hemoglobin);
No evidence of thalassemia**

DONOR NARRATIVE: 4251

The content of this narrative has not been altered by TSBC staff and therefore reflects original written work of the Donor

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

Very driven and motivated. Hard working. Have a positive outlook on my life. Funny person and sarcastic. High morals and true to his world. Can be stubborn in his ways. Like to question the ways we live and question authority. A person who thinks outside the box. Very dependable and on time. Can be very literal about things. Shy at first and will talk a lot after getting to know someone. I've also been described as a person who plays it safe and whom likes security and stability. Ironically I can be very laid back on some issues and completely anal about other things.

What are your interests and talents?

I'm especially interested in photography. I love skateboarding with my friends in new places. I love the camaraderie that comes along with it as well as the culture. I'm really good at following through with things I set my mind to. I'm really good at following through with things I set my mind to. In terms of photography, I like photographing skateboarding and doing portraits. I also enjoy video and doing time lapses. Different concepts and ideas are always on my mind. I enjoy going to art shows.

What are some of your goals and ambitions in life?

I'd like to make my mark as a photographer and really push the envelope. I'd like to produce some of the most stunning images anybody has ever seen before. To do things other photographers have never done before. I'd also like to run my own magazine and hence be able to have the freedom to print and share whatever I want. Ultimately I'd just like to live comfortably while doing work I enjoy.

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

Math: Skills would be about average. Enjoyed geometry the most of my studies. Figuring out the radius and such, of triangles and shapes.

Mechanical: It can be rewarding. Average amount of enjoyment with mechanical items. I would never take a part a VCR to see how it works but I would have a positive feeling from changing my air filter in my car.

Athletic: I use to really enjoy soccer, other organized sports don't interest me. I enjoy bicycling, hiking and exploring, and skateboarding.

Musical, artistic, creative: I used to play the base guitar. Now I stick with more visual art. I listen to music but rarely go to shows. I enjoy art and being creative.

Language (what languages besides English do you speak?): None.

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

To help people out.

Did you choose to be an Identity-Release[®] Program donor?

Yes

Why did you make this choice?

So the child/young adult can get more insight on where some of their characteristics came from.

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

I'm a good person who's had a lot of good breaks. I'd like to pass on a little good fortune if I can and I wish you the very best.



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HEALTH PROBLEMS DONOR 4251

FAMILY MEMBER	HEALTH PROBLEM	TREATMENT/RESOLUTION
Donor	Allergic to cats	Age at onset/diagnosis: 29 Treatment: no treatment necessary Outcome: ongoing but mild
	Acne	Age at onset/diagnosis: 14 Treatment: topical creams Outcome: positive results, no scarring
Sister	Benign Ovarian cysts	Age at onset/diagnosis: 24 Treatment: removal of ovary Outcome: resolved
	Acne	Age at onset/diagnosis: teens Treatment: no treatment necessary Outcome: no scarring
Mother	Benign Ovarian cysts/ Hysterectomy	Age at onset/diagnosis: 54 Treatment: hysterectomy at 64 Outcome: resolved
	Migraines	Age at onset/diagnosis: 53 Treatment: medication Outcome: managed
	Hepatitis B	Age at onset/diagnosis: 45 Treatment: none Outcome: resolved
Father	Color blind	Age at onset/diagnosis: 12 Treatment: none Outcome: mild color blindness- can see most colors
	Lung cancer	Age at onset/diagnosis: 68 Treatment: chemotherapy Outcome: cause of death at 68
Maternal Grandmother	Emphysema	Age at onset/diagnosis: 67 Treatment: none

		Outcome: cause of death at 68
	Hysterectomy	Age at onset/diagnosis: mid-40s Treatment: none Outcome: common practice at time
	Acne	Age at onset/diagnosis: 15 Treatment: no medication needed Outcome: no scarring
Maternal Grandfather	Heart attack	Age at onset/diagnosis: 46 Treatment: none Outcome: contributed to death at 56, was a life-long smoker
	Congestive heart failure	Age at onset/diagnosis: mid-50s Treatment: no surgery, took aspirin Outcome: cause of death at 56
Paternal Grandmother	Low blood pressure	Age at onset/diagnosis: 72 Treatment: none Outcome: Died at 89 of old age
Paternal Grandfather	Lung cancer	Age at onset/diagnosis: 71 Treatment: chemotherapy Outcome: cause of death at 75, was life-long smoker
Maternal Aunt	Benign Ovarian cysts/ Hysterectomy	Age at onset/diagnosis: adulthood Treatment: hysterectomy at 55 Outcome: resolved
	Melanoma	Age at onset/diagnosis: 50s Treatment: removed Outcome: resolved
Maternal Aunt 2	Melanoma	Age at onset/diagnosis: 50s Treatment: removed Outcome: resolved
Maternal Cousin	Trisomy 21 (Downs Syndrome)	Age at onset/diagnosis: birth, Treatment: heart surgery as an infant and at 8 years old. Outcome: needs constant care and special education

The above family medical history information has been self-reported by the donor. We work with each donor to obtain as complete and accurate information as possible, but we are unable to completely rule out the existence of other health information that is not known, or that remains unreported to us.