



Reproductive Technologies, Inc.

# THE SPERM BANK OF CALIFORNIA

## INTERVIEW NOTES: 5311

Donor 5311 is full of energy and excitement. He has an infectious positive attitude, a deep voice, and a warm laugh that filled the room. He is tall and lean with a muscular build and came into our interview wearing a pink and blue striped shirt, nice fitting jeans, and sneakers. He has a heart shaped face with bushy eyebrows framing a pair of piercing, crystal blue eyes. He has a cute small nose, full lips and very white perfectly straight teeth. 5311 has a beautiful head of hair, shoulder length, full, light and dark blonde and curly - sort of like a surfer chic look. His hair combined with his scruffy beard often lead people to say that he looks like a stereotypical version of white Jesus. I think that he looks similar to a blond/ blue eyed version of Russell Brand, especially in his smile and bone structure.

Donor 5311 grew up with his older sister in a rural area of California. He says that as a child, his main joy was swimming. He admitted that it was probably suggested to him by his parents because they thought swimming would tire him out as he was full of energy as a child and was always moving around. He told us that his parents describe him as *hyperkinetic*. He told us that even today he still has a lot of natural energy and does not need coffee to wake up or to get focused. During his childhood, 5311 also loved to play imagination games. He says that he has an *electric imagination* that is very vivid, even to this day. This colorful imagination comes to life when he reads he told and when he is playing Dungeons & Dragons.

As a child, donor 5311 would often persuade his sister to play with him by agreeing to take the blame for her if they got in trouble. He said that she was pretty mean to him when he was little, but now they are the best of friends. He has a lot of respect for her, says that she is his role model and is always there to help him out.

In high school, donor 5311 discovered one of his favorite hobbies: breakdancing. He said that he once *saw someone do a breaking dancing move that looked unreal, and thought, I have to learn how to do that!* He has been *breaking* for over four years and has gotten pretty good at it. He continues to practice regularly, and has a solid group of friends that motivate each other to get better. Beside this, he admitted that he has many other self-proclaimed *nerdy* hobbies, such as mastering *Rubik's Cube*, competitive chess, and playing obscure board games.

Currently, donor 5311 is studying Physics: particle physics and dark matter, to be exact. When we asked him why this interests him, donor 5311 asked us *Oh man, how much time do you have?* When he began to explain his love for physics and the universe, he lit up, enthusiastically and passionately describing the laboratory that he works in, how stoked he is to be performing research, and his goals to pursue his doctorate in the same field, or possibly in plasma physics.

When he's not busy breaking and studying, 5311 likes to cook. He didn't used to like cooking at all, but since his sister has been vegan for several years and has learned to cook out of necessity, her skill and interest has rubbed off on him. He likes to experiment in the kitchen and although he deeply respects his sister's commitment to being vegan and morally agrees with her reasons for doing so, 5311 hasn't been able to follow in her footsteps. However, when we asked what his favorite food is, he said *watermelon*, which we thought is just the sweetest answer.

If donor 5311 had a day free to do whatever he wanted, he would practice with his breaking buddies, hang out with his neighbor friends, and expand his horizons by spending some time in a totally new place. He is a wonderful, beautiful person filled with so much internal joy. He is intelligent, motivated, imaginative, and super sweet. We suspect that he's a very easy person to befriend. We laughed the entire time that we talked, and he taught us a lot, too. We are happy to have him as an addition to our program.

Lauren and Marisa 10/27/16



Reproductive Technologies, Inc.

# THE SPERM BANK OF CALIFORNIA

## DONOR PROFILE: 5311

The past and current personal and family medical history, physical examination, and laboratory test results determine that donor 5311 is eligible and approved for semen donation at THE SPERM BANK OF CALIFORNIA. This profile was prepared in April 2017

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Identity-Release® Program: **Yes**
- Month/year of birth: **9/1995**
- Education: **Pursuing Bachelor's degree in Physics**
- Current occupation: **Student, tutor, researcher**
- Ethnic origin: **Austrian, Danish, French, English**
- Religion born into: **Christianity**
- Religion practicing: **Atheist**

### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Height: **5'11 ½"**
- Weight: **157 ½ lbs**
- Hair color: **Medium blond**
- Hair type: **Thick, wavy**
- Eye color: **Blue**
- Complexion: **Fair/creamy**
- Body type: **Medium**
- Blood group/Rh: **O negative**
- Baby photo available: **Yes**
- Other distinguishing features: **Dimples, strong jaw line, broad shoulders**

### 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

Gastrointestinal: **PGF: Stomach cancer at 83, no treatment, cause of death.**

Genital/Reproductive: **M: Endometriosis at 35, no treatment, resolved. MGM: Endometriosis at 45, no treatment, resolved. MGF: Prostate cancer at 65, treated with chemotherapy, resolved. PGF: Prostate cancer at 74, treated with chemotherapy, resolved.**

Respiratory (Lungs): **PGM: COPD at 71, treated with medication, ongoing.**

Sight/Sound/Smell: **D: Right eye: 20/20, Left eye: 20/20. PGF: Glaucoma at 79, treated with medicated eye drops, resolved.**

Cancer (see above): **PGM: Stomach cancer. PGF: Prostate cancer. MGF: Prostate cancer.**

Allergies: **Donor Offspring: Peanut Allergy, treated with avoidance, ongoing.**

## 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: (> 500 mutations) **No mutation detected**  
Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA): **Two copies of SMN1 detected**  
Hemoglobinopathies/Thalassemia: **No abnormal hemoglobin detected (including sickle hemoglobin);  
No evidence of thalassemia**

## DONOR NARRATIVE: 5311

*The content of this narrative has not been altered by TSBC staff. It reflects the original written work of the Donor*

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

I like to think that I have a very well-rounded personality. In stressful situations, I feel panic but can keep a level head. When I'm irritated I feel my temper, but I control it. If I face a challenge, it may stump me at first, but I won't give up until I best it. I love parties and people, but I'm not afraid to be alone. A lot of things scare me, which is why I face them head on. I'm so happy to have my exact perks and flaws, because they uniquely blend together to make me!

**What are your interests and talents?**

I'm very passionate about physics. I think it's a beautiful thing, that humans are intelligent enough to explore this wonder-wrought universe. In my spare time, I practice breakdancing as much as I can. I'm quite good at it, and am always motivated to improve. I like the Rubik's cube, chess, and Dungeons and Dragons (the game). I have an electric, vivid imagination to entertain myself. I'm happiest when I'm with people that I love. Fun fact: my mother is left-handed, and so am I.

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

Call it vague (or corny!), but my biggest goal in life is really just to be happy. I don't ever want to find myself in a job, relationship, or place where I'm not satisfied. I never want to settle. If I'm really lucky, in five years I'll be a

PhD grad student in a particle physics experimental group. Ten years from now, I hope I'll have my PhD and I'm working in a research project I love.

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

**Math:** I'm double majoring in mathematics, so that should say something! I love math. I've been at the top of my class since I was a child.

**Mechanical:** I work in an experimental physics group, so I've learned to be fairly skilled with my hands. I'm good at operating equipment and building things. I like to think that in the past six months I've become quite the handyman!

**Athletic:** I was a swimmer from 4 to 16, the MVP of my junior year in high school. (I was best at the butterfly.) I also was in varsity water polo from 14 to 16. After 16, I switched to breakdancing. I've been training hard at it ever since.

**Musical, Artistic, Creative:** I used to love drawing. Nowadays I express myself through breakdancing. It's a great creative outlet because the dance celebrates originality and style.

**Language (what languages besides English do you speak?):** None, fluently. I dated a Korean girl for over two years, so I studied Korean rather diligently for that time. I got to the point where I was writing letters to her dad and holding basic conversations with her mother.

**Writing:** I love to write. I wrote a storybook with unique tales (and hand-done drawings) for my ex-girlfriend. I don't write much more than scientific reports these days though. I ought to write for fun again.

**Literature:** I'm really into science fiction. We're talking classics like the Time Machine and War of the Worlds (both by H. G. Wells), and more modern books like the Animorphs. Now that's a great series.

**Science:** My primary major is physics, because I love discovering the clockwork of the natural world. I do research at a government lab, so I guess you could say I'm a scientist. (That sounds pretty cool...)

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

**Movies:** "How to Build a Radio from a TV" (If I was given a movie, I'd get a TV, too, right?) But if I had to pick one on preference, I'd say *The Incredibles* from Pixar. That is a sweet movie. "Wheeeere's my supersuit?!"

**Books/Authors:** "How to Escape a Stranded Island" (I am getting out of here!) But again if I had to pick one on preference, I'd say *The Little Prince*, as a popular one that everyone knows. I cried at the end. But my real favorite is *The Hork Bajir Chronicles*, from the Animorphs series. It's about this alien invasion on an innocent alien planet. The victims were eventually all enslaved, so it had a sad ending. That said, it was beautifully written.

**Albums/Musicians/Performances:** Tchaikovsky! My favorite songs by him are March Slav and (of course) Dance of the Sugarplum fairy. I love Caro Emerald and Catherine Warwick. They're not related, but they both have beautiful voices.

### What are a few of your reasons for becoming a sperm donor?

I initially was interested for financial reasons. College is expensive! It's a funny thing though, because when I was writing my preliminary application I found out my uncle was infertile. That greatly changed my motivation.

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

Yes     No

### Why did you make this choice?

In my mind, I shouldn't be making a choice at all. I like to think that I'm making the choice to let my offspring make the choice. Why should anyone have the right to deprive them of information about themselves?

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

To participating families: I hope I can contribute to bringing joy to your family! Ah, and be wary: your child will likely eat an unbelievable amount of food. Thin as they are, everyone in my family bellies a formidable appetite. Ye have been warned.



Reproductive Technologies, Inc.

# THE SPERM BANK OF CALIFORNIA

## HEALTH PROBLEMS DONOR 5311

FAMILY MEMBER	HEALTH PROBLEM	TREATMENT/RESOLUTION
<b>Mother</b>	Endometriosis	Age at onset/diagnosis: 35 Treatment: None Outcome: Resolved on its own
<b>Maternal Grandfather</b>	Prostate cancer	Age at onset/diagnosis: 65 Treatment: Chemotherapy Outcome: Resolved
<b>Maternal Grandmother</b>	Endometriosis	Age at onset/diagnosis: 45 Treatment: None Outcome: Resolved on its own
<b>Paternal Grandfather</b>	Prostate cancer	Age at onset/diagnosis: 74 Treatment: Chemotherapy Outcome: Resolved
	Glaucoma	Age at onset/diagnosis: 79 Treatment: Medication Outcome: Resolved, no vision loss
	Stomach cancer	Age at onset/diagnosis: 83 Treatment: None Outcome: Cause of death
<b>Paternal Grandmother</b>	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease <i>COPD (Smoker)</i>	Age at onset/diagnosis: 71 Treatment: Medication Outcome: Ongoing

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.

As a board certified genetic counselor, I have reviewed this donor's family medical history for identifiable patterns of inheritance that may place the donor or his biological offspring at increased risk for certain health problems. ("Increased risk" is risk that is greater than the risk in the general population).

Upon review of the available family medical history information from this donor, the risk for similar health problems occurring in offspring is not expected to exceed the risk in the general population.

Cynthia Kane, M.S., C.G.C.  
Genetic Counselor

---

Addendum July 2019:

A family reported that their donor-conceived child was diagnosed with a severe peanut allergy. Tests for other common food allergies were reported to be negative. Peanut allergies are more common among family members of people with allergies, especially other food allergies. No other biological relatives with food allergies were reported by the donor or the child's parents. An epi-pen was prescribed by the child's pediatrician.

Alice Ruby, MPH  
Executive Director