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DEGREES

MSc, Trinity College Dublin 1993.
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Research Assistant, The Queen's
University of Belfast, 1979-1983.
Research Assistant, Trinity College
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CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS

Irish Society of Human Genetics, American Society of Human Genetics, Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO), Trinity College Neurosciences Institute (TCIN), All-Ireland Retinal Researchers Network, Irish Network of Neuronal Stem-cell Investigators, European Vision Institute, Panel Member of Scientific and Medical Advisory Board of Retina International.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Major interests have included genetics of blistering skin disorders and hereditary retinal diseases.

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 - 11. Kumar-Singh R, Bradley DG, Kenna P, Farrar GJ, Lawler M, Humphries MM, Sharp E, Jordan SA, McWilliam P and Humphries P. Autosomal dominant retinitis pigmentosa (RP4): A new multi-allelic marker genetically linked to the disease locus. *Hum. Genet.*, 86, 502-504, 1990.
 - 12. Farrar GJ, Kenna P, Jordan S, Kumar-Singh R, Humphries MM, Sharp EM, Sheils D and Humphries P. A 3 base-pair deletion in the peripherin gene in one form of retinitis pigmentosa. *Nature*, 354, 478-480, 1991..
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