

## Pinar Ustaoglu

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### About

**PhD Title:** Regulation of alternative splicing in the hypervariable immune receptor dscam in *Drosophila melanogaster*

**Supervisors:** Dr Matthias Soller

I test how alternative splicing is regulated in the hypervariable immune receptor Dscam (Down Syndrome Cell Adhesion Molecule) in fruitfly *Drosophila Melanogaster*.

### Qualifications

MSc

### Biography

Pinar Ustaoglu received a master's degree in 'Developmental Cell Biology' from the University of Sussex. Pinar Whilst at Sussex, she developed an interest in the regulation of RNA processing and she applied for a PhD at the University of Birmingham. Now she does a research in RNA splicing.

### Research

RNA processing, alternative splicing, *Drosophila Melanogaster*

### Other activities

Pinar Ustaoglu is a member of Genetics and Biochemical Societies. She likes outdoor activities eg: hiking also she is interested in contemporary and visual arts.