

## **Butterfield, Russell**

Dr. Russell Butterfield MD, PhD is an Assistant Professor in the Departments of Pediatrics and Neurology at the University of Utah. After receiving his B.S. in Microbiology from Brigham Young University, he joined the Medical Scholars Program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He completed his PhD training in mammalian genetics, studying genetic aspects of organ-specific autoimmunity. After completion of medical school, he moved west to the University of Utah, School of Medicine where he completed training in Pediatrics and Child Neurology, including fellowship in neuromuscular disorders.

Dr. Butterfield's clinical interests include all types of neurogenetic and neuromuscular disorders with an emphasis on muscular dystrophies of childhood onset. His research interests are in understanding genetic aspects of these disorders. His current efforts are in characterization of genotype/phenotype relationships and molecular pathogenesis in collagen VI myopathies such as Bethlem myopathy and Ullrich congenital muscular dystrophy.