

*Curriculum Vitae*

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Summary:** Broad experience in biotechnology research team leadership, recombinant protein product development, technical, medical, and popular writing. Isolated and patented Interleukin 1, created the Flag epitope tag. Current scientific projects: anti-hCG cancer vaccine and lactoferrin-based immunotherapeutics.

**POSITIONS**

7/05-present      **CG Therapeutics, Inc.**, Seattle, Washington. A biotechnology company developing cancer vaccines and monoclonal antibodies.

**Vice President, Research and Development.** Responsible for collaborative monoclonal antibody research with the Hellstrom laboratory in Seattle, cancer vaccine studies with Ohio State University, and hCG vaccine clinical trial design.

- Lead writer for business plans, investigational new drug (IND) applications, technical publications, and small business innovation research (SBIR) grants.

11/88-6/05      **Protein Research Laboratories, Inc.**, Seattle, Washington and San Diego, California. A small biotechnology research and consulting company focused on recombinant protein production, purification and crystallization.

**Research Director.** Planned, staffed and equipped the fermentation, protein purification and crystallization operations of a small biotechnology company.

- Developed new protein purification and crystallization technology based on the Flag epitope tag, funded by a Small Business Grant from the National Institutes of Health.
- Acted as consultant to several other biotechnology companies regarding cGMP protein production, purification, chemistry and analysis.

2/96-6/97      **ImmunoTherapy Corporation**, Seattle, Washington. A biotechnology company created for clinical testing and development of anti-cancer vaccines.

**Chief Scientific Officer.** Provided scientific oversight of cancer vaccine development and clinical testing; Chairman of the company's Scientific Advisory Board.

- Responsible for reviewing and acting upon scientific issues arising during the development of the CTP-37 vaccine, planning in-house and extramural science including product development and testing collaborations.

- Wrote IND submission materials including the therapeutic rationale for CTP-37's demonstrated efficacy against colorectal and pancreatic cancer.

10/94-1/96

**Burnham Institute**, San Diego, California. Non-profit cancer research institute (formerly La Jolla Cancer Research Foundation) emphasizing the embryological aspects of the transformed state.

**Visiting Scientist.** Prepared recombinant integrins and anti-integrin antibodies for crystallography and NMR structural studies in Dr. Kay Ely's laboratory.

- Baculovirus protein expression, purification of affinity-tagged and non-tagged, native proteins from serum-containing and serum-free media.
- Solved problems of lipid contamination from serum-free cell culture media, isolated protein pure enough for crystallography studies.

9/92-1/96

**Houghten Pharmaceuticals, Inc.**, San Diego, California. A biotechnology company established to develop pharmaceutical products based on combinatorial library analogs of alpha melanocyte stimulating hormone.

**Consultant.** Participated in group efforts to identify targets for  $\alpha$ -MSH-related therapeutics; offered expertise in molecular biology of the immune system and biotechnology product development.

- Helped develop  $\alpha$ -MSH peptide analogs that entered clinical trials.

9/92-1/96

**Multiple Peptide Systems**, San Diego, California. A biotechnology research and development company established to capitalize on proprietary combinatorial peptide synthesis technology.

**Consultant.** Offered guidance in synthetic peptide technology, purification and molecular biology techniques.

- Directed MPS's Technical Development Group, overseeing the production and purification of synthetic combinatorial libraries containing trillions of compounds for drug discovery screening.
- Acted as lead writer for grant applications, obtaining over \$10 million in U.S. government grant and contract funds.

9/82-11/88

**Immunex Corporation**, Seattle, Washington. A biotechnology company (now Amgen) with a focus on research, development, manufacture and marketing of immune system proteins as therapeutic products.

1/87-11/88

**Vice President of New Research Evaluation.** Identified and pursued new research opportunities and participated in the corporate Strategic Planning process.

- Brought Immunex's first directly marketed product, the Flag fusion-protein system for recombinant protein production and purification, from conception through pre-market testing and launch.

**Immunex Corporation, continued**

- Initiated new research projects in site-specific mutagenesis of IL-1, computer aided drug design, and transgenic animals.

1/88-11/88 **Director, Transgenics Department.** Designed and oversaw construction of a fully functioning transgenics facility with the capacity to undertake both mouse and goat transgenics experimentation.

- Produced Interleukin-7-secreting embryonic stem cell lines and transgenic mice in the first year of operations.
- Cloned the genes necessary to produce human serum albumin in goat's milk, for an ongoing project at Immunex.

9/82-12/87 **Director, Protein Chemistry Department.** Established this department during the initial staffing and start-up of Immunex. Hired PhDs and technicians responsible for protein purification and analysis. Facilities included protein sequencers, amino acid analyzers, and a peptide synthesizer.

- Had a leading role in the discovery and development of many of Immunex's first generation of pharmaceutical product candidates, including Interleukin 1 $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the Interleukin 1 receptor, GM-CSF, and Flag epitope.
- Headed a project team of 30 scientists that purified and cloned human Interleukin 1 $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , as well as the T-cell Interleukin 1 receptor.
- Developed E coli production of recombinant Interleukin 1 $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Products were adopted as the international standards for IL-1. Scaled up purification methods for large scale GMP manufacturing.

9/80-9/82 **The New York Blood Center, New York.** One of the world's largest blood banks, with extensive research laboratories for blood and plasma related work.

**Director, Protein Analysis Laboratory.** Established a group to provide protein chemistry services at the Lindsley F. Kimball Research Institute of the Blood Center. These included protein sequencing, amino acid analysis, peptide synthesis, and HPLC analysis.

- Developed large-scale purification protocols for human interferons from blood plasma. Prepared  $\alpha$ -Interferon for pre-clinical testing.
- Published a computerized method for analyzing protein antigenic sites (the Hopp and Woods algorithm) that found wide applications in molecular biology research.
- Visiting Investigator with Nobel Laureate R.B. Merrifield. Developed patented carriers for chemically synthesized peptide vaccines.

## EDUCATION

- 9/96-6/00 **University of Washington**, Seattle. Writers' Program. Obtained certificates in Literature Writing, Commercial Writing and Advanced Commercial Writing.
- 2/77-9/80 **The Rockefeller University**, New York City. Nobel Laureate Dr. Gerald Edelman's laboratory. **Postdoctoral Fellow**. Studied molecular immunology, protein purification and sequencing.
- 9/72-2/77 **Cornell University Graduate School of Medical Sciences**, New York City, Biochemistry Department. Ph.D., 1977. **Graduate Fellow**. Studied protein chemistry and molecular evolution; taught medical school biochemistry.
- 9/68-6/72 **University of Washington**, Seattle. B.S. Biology 1972. Undergraduate research with Dr. Kenneth Walsh. Protein 3-D structure modeling.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Patents

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8. Hopp, T.P. and Woods, K.R. (1981) Prediction of protein antigenic determinants from amino acid sequences. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 78, 3824-3828.
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10. Prince, A.M., Ikram, H. and Hopp, T.P. (1982) Hepatitis B virus vaccine: Identification of HBsAg/a,d but not HBsAg/y subtype antigenic determinants on a synthetic immunogenic peptide. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 79, 579-582.
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in monokine producing cells. In: The control of tissue damage, pp. Glauert, A.M., (ed). Elsevier, Amsterdam.

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