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# Education Ph.D. Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, 2001

Rutgers University & University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey

## B.A. with High Honors, Biological Sciences, 1991

Rutgers College, Rutgers University

• Henry Rutgers Scholar, Phi Beta Kappa

## **Professional Experience**

### 2009-present: Research Associate

Department of Animal Sciences, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- Researching the role of IGFBP-3 in the unfolded protein response in mammary epithelial cells
- Studying the effects of alcohol on murine mammary tumorigenesis
- Teaching the undergraduate course "*Methods and Applications in Molecular Biology*" (11:126:427; 4 credits)
- Supervising graduate and undergraduate students
- Managing research laboratory
- Continuing studies on the role of nuclear IGFBP-3 in anisomycin-induced apoptosis in bovine mammary epithelial cells
- Analyzing patterns of glycosylation and intracellular trafficking of IGFBP-3
- Investigating the role of IGFBP-3 on ribosomal toxin-induced apoptosis in mammalian cells
- Studied the molecular mechanisms of ricin-induced apoptosis in mammalian cells
- Analyzed the effects of mutations on the function of ricin A chain

## 2004-2009: Research Scientist (Part time)

Department of Animal Sciences, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

- Studied the molecular mechanisms of ricin-induced apoptosis in mammalian cells
- Managed research laboratory

## 2001-2004: Postdoctoral Fellow, Biological Research-Oncology

Schering-Plough Research Institute, Kenilworth, NJ

- Independently planned and executed a target validation study of Akt using adenoviral-mediated expression of a kinase dead mutant
- Coordinated efforts of an interdepartmental collaboration
- Published results in a peer-refereed journal
- Presented work at international meetings
- Established cell lines expressing Akt under control of an inducible promoter
- Studied the effects of Akt expression in a cell line using microarray analysis
- Utilized apoptosis assays, western blotting and confocal imaging to analyze signal transduction pathways
- Participated in the drug discovery process at a large pharmaceutical company

## 1995-2001: Graduate Research Assistant

UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Piscataway, NJ

• Ph.D. Thesis: Study of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 (HIV-1) strand transfers and

recombination

- Created a cell culture system suitable for studying the strand transfer events of HIV-1 reverse transcription
- Utilized this system, in conjunction with PCR, heteroduplex mobility assay and sequence analysis, to calculate the number of cross-over events in a single cycle of retroviral replication
- Co-authored papers in peer-reviewed journals
- Presented research findings at international meetings
- Learned molecular biology techniques
- Obtained independent outside funding

#### 1993-1995: Graduate Research Assistant

UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (Cancer Institute of New Jersey), Piscataway, NJ

- Studied the molecular genetics of cisplatin resistance in cAMP-dependent protein kinase (PKA) mutants
- Mastered the techniques of mammalian cell culture, cell transfection, CAT/luciferase assays and gel shift assay

#### 1991-1993: Senior Laboratory Technician

UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, New Brunswick, NJ

- Studied the pathogenesis of chronic graft-versus-host disease, a murine model of systemic lupus erythromatosus
- Acquired small animal handling and primary cell culture experience
- Managed research laboratory

#### 1990-1991: Undergraduate Research Assistant

Rutgers College, New Brunswick, NJ

- Henry Rutgers Thesis: Detection of a P-element insertional hot-spot by in situ hybridization.
- Maintained Drosophila colonies

### **Grant Support**

Key personnel on the following grants:

- 2013-2017 NIH-2R01AI072425-06A1 1/4 "What makes ricin toxic"; PI Tumer, Co-PI Cohick: \$1,919,550 (total costs)
- 2009-2012 USDA-CSREES-2009-35206-5210: "Role of nuclear IGFBP-3 in stress-induced apoptosis in bovine mammary epithelial cells"; PI, Cohick; \$349,981(total costs)
- 2007-2013 NIH R01-A1072425-01A1 1/5: "Mechanism of cytotoxicity of ricin"; PI Tumer; Co-PI Cohick; \$1,894,875 (total costs)

#### **Publications**

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Leibowitz BJ, Agostini-Dreyer A, **Jetzt AE**, Krumm CS, Cohick WS. 2013. IGF binding protein-3 mediates stress-induced apoptosis in non-transformed mammary epithelial cells. *J Cell Physiol.* **228**: 734-42.

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Jetzt AE, Yu H, Klarmann GJ, Ron Y, Preston BD, Dougherty JP. 2000. High rate of recombination throughout the human immunodeficiency virus type 1 genome. *J. Virol.* **74**: 1234-40.

Yu H, Jetzt AE, Ron Y, Preston BD, Dougherty JP. 1998. The nature of human immunodeficiency virus type 1 strand transfers. *J. Biol. Chem.* 273: 28384-91.

Mann RA, Schiff D, **Jetzt AE**, Ron Y, Singh M, Singh AB. 1998. CD8(+), radiosensitive T cells of parental origin, oppose cells capable of down-regulating cytotoxicity in murine acute lethal graft-versus-host disease. *Clin Immunol Immunopathol.* **89**: 260-70.

Yu H, Jetzt AE, Dougherty JP. 1997. Use of single-cycle analysis to study rates and mechanisms of retroviral mutations. *Methods*. **12**: 325-36.

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Mann RA, Jetzt AE, Singh AB, Singh M, Cao H. 1995. *In vitro* generation of soluble suppressor factor in murine chronic graft versus host (GVH) disease. *J. Clin. Lab. Immunol.* **46**: 163-180.

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#### **Presentations**

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#### **Abstracts**

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The Effect of Fetal Alcohol Exposure on the Mammary Epithelial Cell Lineage. Saboya, M; Datar, K; Jetzt, A; Cohick, W.S. The 2018 Annual Retreat on Cancer Research in New Jersey. Poster. Rutgers University – New Brunswick, NJ. May 2018.

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Nuclear Localization of IGFBP-3 in Response to Intrinsic Apoptotic Stress. A. Agostini-Dreyer, A. Jetzt, and W. Cohick.

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Inhibition of Akt signaling in tumor cells leads to induction of apoptosis: studies using adenovirus – mediated delivery of an Akt dominant negative mutant. AACR Apoptosis and Cancer, Waikoloa, HI. 2002.

A high rate of HIV-1 recombination in the absence of a recombination hot spot. Retroviruses Meeting, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. 2000.

The high rate of HIV-1 recombination indicates that both viral RNAs are utilized during HIV-1 reverse transcription.

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Study of HIV-1 recombination and primer strand transfers in a single cycle of replication. Retroviruses Meeting, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. 1997.