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EDUCATION:

California Institute of Technology (1999)
Intracytoplasmic Sperm Injection Workshop
Hosted by Eppendorf, Inc.

Becton Dickinson (1989)
FACscan Flow Cytometer
San Jose, CA.

Master of Science
Department of Microbiology
Bachelor of Science
College of Charleston, Charleston, SC.

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN. Major: Biology

WORK EXPERIENCE:

July 2011-present

Dr. Mitchel J. Doktycz, Biological and Nanoscale Systems, Biosciences Division, Oak Ridge National Labs.

- Project Manager for the Genomic Foundational Science Focus Area "Plant-Microbe Interfaces."
- Technical help to funded Seed, LDRD and NIH projects

October 2009-July 2011

Dr. Mircea Podar, Systems Genetics, BioSciences Division, Oak Ridge National Labs

- Completed work on the LDRD "Host Diversity as a Variable Selection Environment for the Gut Microbiome," under Dr. Mircea Podar.
- Project Manager for the Genomic Foundational Science Focus Area "Plant-Microbe Interfaces," under Dr. Mitch Doktycz, Group Leader of the Biological and Nanoscale Systems, Biosciences Division, Oak Ridge National Labs

October 2007- September 2009: Technical Associate/Associate Staff Member

Dr. Elissa J. Chesler, Biosciences Division, Oak Ridge National Labs.

- Wrote Seed Money Proposal, which was funded in 2008: Systems Neurogenetics of Methylmercury Exposure. Managed project and prepared manuscript.
- Assisted in the writing and preparation of Research Project 7 of the Super Fund Basic Research Proposal (A total of 7 individual research projects) with collaborators from ORNL and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN: Mechanisms of Mercury Toxicity.
- Managed experimental design, preparation and execution of funded projects, in particular the Neurogenetics of Methylmercury exposure and the LDRD "Host Genetic diversity as a Variable Selection Environment for the Gut Microbiome", in collaboration with Dr. Mircea Podar.

March 1995-October 2007: Research Assistant

Dr. Edward J. Michaud, Life Sciences Division, Systems Genetics Group, Oak Ridge National Labs.

- Maintained and established murine embryonic stem cells.
- Generated transgenic and knock-out mice via pronuclear microinjections of fertilized murine ova and murine embryonic stem cell injections respectively for funded projects.
- Re-derived mutant mouse strains using intracytoplasmic sperm injections (ICSI), and *in vitro* fertilization (IVF) for the Cryo-Preserved Mutant Mouse Bank.

October 1993- March 1995: Research Associate

- Dr. J. Erby Wilkinson, College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN and Dr. Rick Woychik, Oak Ridge National Labs, Oak Ridge, TN.
- Generated transgenic and knock-out mice.

July 1989 - September 1992: Research Assistant

- Dr. Barry T. Rouse, Department of Microbiology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN.
 - Original research involving the cellular and humoral immune response to Herpes Simplex Virus with emphasis on helper and cytotoxic lymphocyte function, antigen presentation, herpetic stromal keratitis and necrotizing retinitis, both *in vitro* and in animal models of disease and immune responsiveness.

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