

Curriculum Vitae

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1. Personal Details

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Present appointment: Principal Research Associate

UCL Institute of Ophthalmology, UK

2. Education/Qualifications

1979	MSc Medical Microbiology	Javeriana University, Colombia
1986	PhD Immunology	Brunel University, UK
2009	FRCPath	Royal College of Pathologists, UK

3. Positions held

1996-1998	Thomas Pocklington Senior Research Fellow and Honorary Lecturer	UMDS, St Thomas' Hospital, London (now King's College)
1991-1996	Thomas Pocklington Research Fellow and Honorary Lecturer	UMDS, St Thomas' Hospital, London
1987-1990	Post-Doctoral Research Fellow	UMDS, St Thomas' Hospital, London

4. Affiliations

Membership of Learned Societies:

- Fellow Royal College of Pathologists, UK
- Associate Principal Investigator of the European Stem Cell Group- EuroSyStem (1 of 15 European Associate PIs)
- Member American Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO)
- Fellow Royal Society of Medicine
- Member British Society for Immunology
- Member International Society for Stem Cell Research
- Member International Society for Eye Research

Editorial appointments:

- Member of Publications Committee of the American Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO)
- Editorial Board Member of *The Open Ophthalmology Journal* – appointed August 2007.

Other extramural activities:

- Adviser to the FP7-REGPOT programme to strengthen the research capacity of the University of Bogazici, Istanbul (2010-2012)
- American Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO): Served in Volunteer's Management Committee. Period 2005-2008.

5. Prizes, Awards and other Honours:

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Detail of prize, award or honour</u>	<u>Awarding/electing body</u>
Sept 1996	Recognized teacher of Immunology	London University
July 2004	Founders Cup for best Research	Royal College of Ophthalmology
Feb 2008	Best Pitch presentation	MRC neuroscience Health Board Showcase

6. Teaching activity

Supervisor of MSc and PhD student projects at UCL. Examiner for PhD students at various UK Universities.

7. PUBLICATIONS LIST

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