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### **ACADEMIC TRAINING**

B.A. (Honors)

Psychology  
University of Calgary  
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M.Sc.

Psychology  
University of Calgary  
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Ph.D.

Medical Physiology  
University of Calgary  
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Postdoctoral Fellow

Medical Physiology  
University of Calgary  
September 1993 to October, 1994

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Neuroscience  
Pennington Biomedical Research Center  
Louisiana State University  
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## **EMPLOYMENT**

November, 1996	Assistant Professor Department of Neurosurgery and Brain Repair, Center of Excellence for Aging & Brain Repair University of South Florida
April, 2000	Joint appointment to the Department of Anatomy
May 2002	Joint appointment to the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics
January 2003	Joint appointment to the Department of Pathology
August 2004	Associate Professor with tenure, Center of Excellence for Aging & Brain Repair, Department of Neurosurgery and Brain Repair
August 2008-present	Professor with tenure, Center of Excellence for Aging & Brain Repair, Department of Neurosurgery and Brain Repair
March 2015-present	Professor, Office of Graduate Programs, USF College of Pharmacy

## ACADEMIC HONORS/AWARDS

- 1986 Southam Communications Limited Centennial Scholarship (\$500).
- 1986 University of Calgary Merit Award (\$500).
- 1987 Louise McKinney Post-Secondary Scholarship.
- 1988-1992 Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Studentship.
- 1988-1993 Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Studentship.
- 1990 Placed 11th in Canada in the competition for the Medical Research Council of Canada scholarship.
- 1997 OCO USF equipment grant to buy a fluorescent microscope.
- 1998 Research and Creative Scholarship Award (University of South Florida Intramural Award): *Transplantation of neural cells derived from a human teratocarcinoma cell line in an animal model of Huntington's Disease.*
- 2000 Presidential Young Faculty Award (University of South Florida Intramural Award): *Human Neural Stem Cells for the Treatment of Stroke*
- 2000 University of South Florida Institute on Aging Award: *Neurogenesis in the Adult Brain After Stroke.*
- 2000 OCO USF equipment grant to buy multi-channel gas anesthesia system.
- 2003 Listed in Who's Who in Stem Cell Research (Winter 2002 edition)
- 2004 Listed in Marquis Who's Who in America (2004-2005 edition)
- 2006 Established Investigator Award: *Measuring Inflammation after Stroke in Man: Towards Development of New Therapies*
- 2006 Bernard Sanberg Memorial Award for Brain Repair
- 2006 Million Dollar Club, USF Sponsored Research
- 2010 Charter Member of the National Academy of Inventors.
- 2022-2023 Faculty Education Bonus (awarded for excellence in teaching)

## GRANTS HELD

### ***Federal Funding***

#### *Principal Investigator*

- 2006-2012 National Institute of Health/National Institute of Neurological Diseases & Stroke (Principal Investigator, R01 NS052839): *Cord Blood is Neuroprotective in a Rat Model of Stroke.*
- 2002-2008 National Institute of Health/National Institute of Aging. (Principal Investigator, R01 AG20927-01): *Potential of Cord Blood Cells to Rescue Aging Brain.*
- 2001-2003 National Institute of Health/National Institute of Neurological Disorder and Stroke -STTR grant in conjunction with Saneron CCEL Therapeutics (Principal Investigator, R41 NS40583-01). *Sertoli Cell Co-transplants in Parkinson's Disease.*
- 2000-2002 National Institute of Health/National Institute of Neurological Disorder and Stroke -STTR grant in conjunction with Layton BioScience, Inc. (Principal Investigator, R41 NS39669-01): *Lithium Increases Dopaminergic Phenotype in hNT neurons.*

#### *Co-Principal/ Co- Investigator*

- 2022-2026 1I01BX005757-01A1 (Mohapatra, PI)  
VA Merit Award.  
Anti-inflammatory and hMSC combination therapy for traumatic brain injury
- 2016-2020 VA Merit Award (Subhra Mohapatra as PI)  
*Combined Nano- and Cell-Therapy for the Treatment of TBI.*
- 2011-2015 Department of Defense (W81XWH-11-1-0634) (Sanberg as PI):  
*Battlefield-Related Injury Translational Research – Post Traumatic Disease and Disability – Veterans Reintegration Strategy*
- 2008-2011 National Institutes Of Health/National Institute Of Neurological Disease And Stroke (1 R21 NS060907) (Pennypacker as PI, multiple PI): *Expanding the Therapeutic Window for Stroke*
- 2003-2004 National Institutes Of Health/National Institute Of Neurological Disease And Stroke (1 R41-NS46155-01)(Saporta as PI): *Spinal Cord Repair with Human Umbilical Cord Blood*
- 2003-2004 National Institutes Of Health/National Institute Of Neurological Disease And Stroke (1-R41-NS46878-01)(Cameron as PI): *Sertoli Cell -treated Umbilical Cord Blood for Stroke*

2000-2004 National Institute of Health/National Institute of Aging. (1R01 NS39141-01A2) (Pennypacker as PI): *Nuclear factor- $\kappa$ B (NF- $\kappa$ B) Induction After Middle Cerebral Artery Occlusion.*

***State Funding***  
*Principal Investigator*

2023-2028	Florida Department of Health (Multiple Principal Investigator) <i>Randomized Controlled Clinical trial of Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment for Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress in Veterans</i>
2022-2023	Florida Department of Veteran's Affairs. (Principal Investigator): <i>Alternative Treatment Options for Veterans</i>
2016-2024	State of Florida General Revenue Appropriations (Principal Investigator): <i>Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial of Brazilian Jiu Jitsu (BJJ) Training Versus Hatha Yoga for the Symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Among U.S. Male Veterans</i>
2014-2017	State of Florida General Revenue Appropriations (Principal Investigator): <i>Prospective Cohort Study of Jiu Jitsu (JJ) Training among Male U.S. Service Members and Veterans with Symptoms of PTSD</i>
2013-2015	James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program, Florida Department of Health (Principal Investigator, 04KB-01): <i>HLA Interactions with Human Umbilical Cord Blood Cells in a Humanized Mouse Model of Stroke.</i>
2007-2008	James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program, Florida Department of Health (Principal Investigator, 07KB-07): <i>Splenic Mechanisms of Cord Blood Induced Repair.</i>
2001-2004	Florida Department of Health, Biomedical Research Program (Principal Investigator): <i>Transplantation of Umbilical Cord Blood Minimizes Injury After Stroke.</i>

Co-Principal/ Co-Investigator

- 2009-2012 James & Esther King Biomedical Research Team Science Program, Florida Department of Health (Principal Investigator Project 4, Co-PI, program, 09KT-02; Pennypacker, PI). *Synthesis and Screening of Sigma Ligands for Stroke Treatment at Delayed Time Points*

**Foundation Funding**

Principal Investigator

- 2005-2007 American Heart Association (0555266B): *Anti-inflammatory Therapy for Stroke Induced with Allogeneic or Xenogeneic Cord Blood Cells*
- 2003-2005 American Heart Association (0355183B): *Modulation of Stroke-Induced Inflammatory Responses in Rat with Intravenous Delivery of hUCB Cells*
- 2003-2004 College of Medicine Pilot Research Grant Program: *Modulation of Peripheral Immune Response After Intravenous Delivery of hUCB Cells.*
- 2001-2004 Florida High Tech Corridor External Matching Grant Program (Principal Investigator): *Sertoli Cell Co-transplants in Parkinson's Disease*
- 2000-2001 Presidential Young Faculty Award (University of South Florida Intramural Award): *Human Neural Stem Cells for the Treatment of Stroke*
- 2000-2002 University of South Florida Institute on Aging Award: *Neurogenesis in the Adult Brain After Stroke.*
- 1999-2000 University of South Florida Spinal Center Grant. (Department of Neurosurgery): *Transplantation for the Treatment of Motor Neuron Disease.*
- 1998-1999 American Parkinson's Disease Association: *Novel Cell Transplantation Strategies for Parkinson's Disease.*

Co-Principal/ Co-Investigator

- 2001-2007 Children's Medical Research Foundation. (Sanberg as PI): *Treating Sanfilippo with Umbilical Cord Blood Stem Cells.*

## ***Pharmaceutical Funding***

### **Principal Investigator**

2000-2003 Layton BioScience, Inc.(Principal Investigator): *Neural Transplantation of a Human Post-mitotic CNS Cell Line.*

### **Co-Principal/ Co- Investigator**

2008-2009 Takeda Pharmaceuticals, (Pennypacker as PI): *Use of Pioglitazone in Treating Stroke at Delayed Time Point*

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **THESIS/DISSERTATION**

**Willing, A.E.**, Koopmans, H. S., & Walls, E. K. The role of insulin in regulating food intake in the diabetic rat. Honor's Thesis at the University of Calgary, 1988.

**Willing, A.E.** Insulin's effect on food intake and body weight in diabetic rats. Masters Thesis, University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, 1990.

**Willing, A.E.** The effect of long-term vena cava or hepatic portal insulin infusion on daily food intake and plasma glucose, free fatty acid and insulin levels in both diabetic and normal rats. Doctoral Dissertation, University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada, National Library of Canada, 210 pp, 1993.

### **RESEARCH ARTICLES**

#### **Refereed Articles**

1. **Willing AE**, Walls EK, Koopmans, HS. Insulin infusion stimulates daily food intake and body weight gain in diabetic rats. *Physiology and Behavior*, 48(6): 893-898, 1990.
2. Koopmans HS, Walls EK, **Willing AE**. Does peripheral insulin reduce daily food intake? *International Journal of Obesity*, 14(S3): 75-76, 1990.
3. Walls EK, **Willing AE**, Koopmans HS. Intravenous nutrient-induced satiety depends on feeding-related gut signals. *American Journal of Physiology*, 261: R313-322, 1991.
4. Koopmans HS, Walls EK, **Willing AE**. Does the integrated level of all plasma nutrients control food intake? *Brain Research Bulletin*, 27:429-434, 1991.
5. **Willing AE**, Koopmans HS, Walls EK. Hepatic portal and vena cava insulin infusions lead to increased food intake in diabetic rats. *Physiology & Behavior*, 56(5): 993-1001, 1994.

6. **Willing AE**, Walls EK, Koopmans HS. Insulin increases the daily food intake of diabetic rats on high and low fat diets. *Physiology & Behavior*, 56(5): 983-991, 1994.
7. Berthoud H-R, Patterson LM, **Willing AE**, Mueller K, Neuhuber WL. Capsaicin-resistant vagal afferent fibers in the rat gastrointestinal tract: anatomical identification and functional integrity. *Brain Research*, 746:1-2, 195-206, 1997.
8. Burggraf K, **Willing AE**, Koopmans HS. The effects of glucose or lipid infused intravenously or intragastrically on voluntary food intake in the rat. *Physiology & Behavior*, 61(6): 787-793, 1997.
9. **Willing AE**, Berthoud H-R. Gastric distension-induced c-fos expression in catecholaminergic neurons of rat dorsal vagal complex. *American Journal of Physiology*, 272:1 pt 2:R59-67, 1997.
10. Holt DA, Nauert GM, Othberg AI, Randall TS, **Willing AE**, Widen RH, Hauser RA, Sanberg PR, Olanow CW, Freeman TB. Infectious issues in fetal neural transplantation. *Cell Transplantation*, 6: 553-556, 1997.
11. Othberg AI, **Willing AE**, Saporta S, Cameron DF, Sanberg PR. Preparation of cell suspensions for co-transplantation: methodological considerations. *Neuroscience Letters*, 247: 111-114, 1998.
12. Othberg AI, **Willing AE**, Cameron DF, Anton A, Saporta S, Freeman TB, Sanberg PR. Trophic effect of porcine Sertoli cells on rat and human ventral mesencephalic cells and hNT neurons in vitro. *Cell Transplantation*, 7(2): 157-164, 1998.
13. Duckworth EA, Koutouzis TK, Borlongan CV, Gordon MN, **Willing A**, Cahill DW, Sanberg PR. Rats receiving systemic 3-nitropropionic acid demonstrate impairment of memory in morris water maze. *Psychobiology*, 27(4): 561-566, 1999.
14. Zigova T, **Willing AE**, Borlongan CV, Saporta S, Snable GL, Sanberg PR. Lithium chloride induces the expression of tyrosine hydroxylase in hNT neurons. *Experimental Neurology*, 157: 251-258, 1999.
15. **Willing AE**, Sudberry JJ, Othberg AI, Saporta S, Poulos SG, Cameron DF, Freeman TB, Sanberg PR. Sertoli cells decrease microglial response and increase engraftment of human hNT neurons in the hemiparkinsonian rat striatum. *Brain Research Bulletin*, 48, 441-444, 1999.
16. Pennypacker K, Hernandez H, Benkovic S, Morgan D, **Willing AE**, Sanberg PR. Induction of presenilins in the rat brain after middle cerebral artery occlusion. *Brain Research Bulletin*, 48: 539-543, 1999.
17. **Willing AE**, Othberg AI, Saporta S, Anton A, Jones S, Poulos SG, Cameron DF, Freeman TB, Sanberg PR. Sertoli cells enhance the survival of co-transplanted dopamine neurons. *Brain Research*, 822: 246-250, 1999.



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20. Saporta S, **Willing AE**, Colina LO, Zigova T, Milliken M, Daadi MM, Sanberg PR. In vitro and in vivo characterization of hNT neuron neurotransmitter phenotypes. *Brain Research Bulletin*. 53: 263-268, 2000
21. Zigova T, Barroso LF, **Willing AE**, Saporta S, McGrogan MP, Freeman TB, Sanberg PR. Dopaminergic phenotype of hNT cells in vitro. *Developmental Brain Research*. 122: 87-90, 2000.
22. Sanchez-Ramos J, Song S, Dailey M, Cardozo-Pelaez F, Hazzi C, Stedeford T, **Willing A**, Freeman TB, Saporta S, Zigova T, Sanberg PR, Snyder EY. The X-gal caution in neural transplantation studies. *Cell Transplantation*, 9: 657-667, 2000.
23. Rivas-Arancibia S, **Willing AE**, Zigova T, Rodriguez AI, Sanberg PR. The effects of taurine on hNT neurons transplanted in adult rat striatum. *Cell Transplantation*, 9(6): 751-758, 2000
24. Garbuzova-Davis S, **Willing AE**, Milliken M, Saporta S, Sowerby B, Cahill DW, Sanberg PR. Intrasplinal Implantation of hNT Neurons into SOD1 mice with apparent motor deficit. *ALS*. 2:175-180, 2001.
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  36. **Willing AE**, Nowicki P, Poulos S, Lixian J, Milliken M, Cahill DW, Sanberg PR. Effects of Middle Cerebral Artery Occlusion on Spontaneous Activity and Cognitive Function in Rats. *International Journal of Neuroscience*. 112: 503-516, 2002.
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  38. Garbuzova-Davis S, **Willing AE**, Milliken M, Saporta S, Zigova T, Cahill DW, Sanberg PR. Positive Effect of Xenotransplantation of hNT Neurons (Ntera 2/D1 Cell-Line) in a Model of Familial Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis. *Experimental Neurology*. 174: 169-180, 2002.
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  40. Butler TL, Kassed CA, Sanberg PR, **Willing AE**, Pennypacker KR. Neurodegeneration in the rat hippocampus and striatum after middle cerebral artery occlusion. *Brain Research*. 929: 252-260, 2002.
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- assessment of transplanted porcine Sertoli cells. *Neurotoxicity Research*, 4(2); 103-109, 2002.
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2. Human Cord Blood as a Source of Neural Tissue for Repair of the Brain & Spinal Cord

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3. Treating Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) with isolated aldehyde dehydrogenase-positive umbilical cord blood cells

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4. Ischemic Tissue Cell Therapy

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5. N,N'-di-p-naphthalen-1-yl-l-guanidine HCL Reduces Infarct Volume and Increases Functional Recovery After Stroke

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6. Umbilical Cord Blood Source of Stem Cells and Neural Precursors for Brain and Spinal Cord Repair

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7. Use of Endogenous Antioxidant Proteins in the Treatment of Stroke

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**Applications**

1. Umbilical Cord Blood as Source of Stem Cells for Circulatory System Repair

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2. Method of Potentiating Inflammatory and Immune Modulation for Cell and Drug Therapy

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3. Method of Reducing Inflammation and Methods of Treating Stroke-Induced Brain Injury  
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5. Inhibitors of Jak1/2 as a treatment for stroke  
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6. Use of leukemia inhibitory factor in the treatment of stroke  
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7. Neurodegenerative Disorder and Neurological Disease Treatment using HLA Mismatched or Untyped Umbilical Cord Cells  
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8. N,N'-di-p-nitrophenylguanidine HCL Reduces Infarct Volume and Increases Functional Recovery After Stroke  
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## TEACHING

### Courses:

#### Medical Education

1999	<b>MEL 7881</b>	<b>Neurosurgical Research (Course Director)</b> This is a research elective in which the students develop and conduct a research project. In this project they will learn to critically evaluate the scientific literature, perform small animal surgery and administer post-operative care, perform functional outcome measures, tissue preparation and histology, neuronal tracing, data analysis.
2001-2002	<b>BMS 6020</b>	<b>Medical Neuroscience</b> This course is an interdisciplinary course intended for first year medical students. The focus of the course is on the normal structure and function of the human nervous system with emphasis on those concepts, facts and mechanisms that all physicians should be familiar with, regardless of career path. My role in this course was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Small Group Discussion Facilitator</li><li>– Special Interest Topics</li></ul>
2002	<b>BMS 6206</b>	<b>Molecular, Cellular, and Genetic Basis of Medicine</b> The objective of this course is to provide an understanding of the biochemical, cell biology and genetic principles of physiology and pathology that explain the molecular mechanisms that underlie the cellular aberrations seen in clinical disorders and how these are associated with genetic alterations in tissue. My role in the course was: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Small Group Discussion Facilitator</li></ul>
2005-2011	<b>BMS 6832</b>	<b>Clinical Problem Solving</b> The objective of this course is introduce the students to skills in obtaining medical history and researching literature in order to come up with a differential diagnosis for patients.
2013-2021	<b>BMS 6837</b>	<b>Evidence Based Clinical Reasoning II</b>

This course will build upon skills learned in EBCR I: clinical reasoning and key concepts of evidence literacy and numeracy will applied to solve real world medical problems.

*Graduate Education*

1998-present

**GMS 7418**

**Directed Research**

This is a course in which graduate students conduct laboratory research prior to completing their candidacy. Students are expected to work on a specific project and participate in all aspects of the study including design, surgeries, behavioral testing, cell preparation, tissue culture, histology, image and data analysis.

2000-2001

**GMS 7939**

**Anatomy Seminar Series**

This seminar series is for student presentation of their research accomplishments to date. In addition, guest speakers/faculty present cutting edge research in anatomy. Seminars delivered include:

- Transplantation of hNT Neurons
- Sertoli Cells to Treat Parkinson's Disease

2001-2002

**GMS 7939**

**Neuroscience Seminar Series (Chair, 2002; Co-Chair 2001)**

In this series, prominent researchers from multiple subdisciplines within Neuroscience present their works. The title of the series for this semester was "Toward Repairing the Nervous System"

2002

**GMS 6602**

**Neural Correlates of Behavior**

Co-director of this course focuses on the organization and function of nervous system structures that control and regulate various aspects of somatic and visceral motor behavior.

2002-present

**GMS 6706**

**Graduate Medical Neurosciences**

This is an introductory course for graduate students whose purpose is to familiarize students with the fundamentals of neuroscience. Topics covered in the course include the basic nature of the neuron and its

place in the nervous system, sensory and motor systems and the molecular and cellular nature of cognitive neuroscience. I have lectured on the following topics:

- Chemical Senses
- Neural Networks & Behavior
- Stem cells & Neurogenesis
- Pathophysiology of Injury

2003	<b>GMS 6513</b>	<b>Principles of Pharmacology and Therapeutics</b> This course is designed to familiarize students with basic principles of pharmacology and therapeutics. Students will be exposed to classical concepts of pharmacology such as drug-receptor interactions as well as modern techniques such as gene therapy <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lecture presented - Cell Therapy</li></ul>
2004-present	<b>GMS 6773</b>	<b>Stem Cells in Brain Repair</b> Director This is a graduate level course designed to familiarize the students with key issues in designing stem cell therapies for brain diseases and injury. This is an interactive course in which the students prepare presentations and lead discussions on current research issues and theories in the field. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lectures presented CNS Development Pathophysiology Environmental Effects on Stem Cells</li></ul>
2005-present	<b>GMS 6771</b>	<b>Aging &amp; Neuroscience</b> This is a graduate level course designed to familiarize the students with the physiology of aging and the brain. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lectures presented Introduction to the Nervous System Stroke</li></ul>

2007-2019	<b>GMS 6772</b>	<b>Spinal Cord: Development, Pathology, Therapy</b> This is a graduate level course designed to familiarize the students with the spinal cord <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lecture presented - Introduction to CNS &amp; PNS Cell Therapy for Spinal Cord</li></ul>
2020- present	<b>GMS6604</b>	<b>** This replaced 6772</b> <b>Human Structure &amp; Function: Spinal Cord</b> This is a graduate level course designed to familiarize the students with the spinal cord <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lectures:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Introduction to CNS &amp; PNS</li><li>- Cell therapy for spinal cord</li></ul></li></ul>
2008-present	<b>GMS 6735</b>	<b>Neuropharmacology</b> This is a graduate level course designed to familiarize the students with chemical signaling in the brain <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lecture presented Neurohormones, Cytokines, &amp; Chemokines</li></ul>
2012-present	<b>GMS 6078</b>	<b>Neuroimmunology</b> This is a graduate level course designed to provide an overview of the basic principles regarding cellular and molecular organization of the immune system and the brain in health and disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lecture presented Autoimmune Disease</li></ul>
2014	<b>GMS7930</b>	<b>Introduction to Research in Biomedical Sciences</b> This course is designed to prepare a student for research in a biomedical research laboratory with focus on pathological processes of various neurodegenerative diseases. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Facilitator</li></ul>

2015-present	<b>PHA6336</b>	<b>Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine</b> This course is an elective in the new College of Pharmacy Graduate Curriculum, with students at the graduate certificate, masters and PhD level. This course was developed as a distance learning course that caters to students that cannot accommodate the schedule of a regular didactic course offered in a traditional classroom. The major goal of this course is to provide students with the knowledge, skills and responsibility to utilize the principles of tissue engineering and design strategies for practical applications for tissue repair. This course is offered each term. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Course Director</li><li>- Instructor</li><li>- This course is offered every semester</li><li>- 22 lectures in spring and fall, 20 lectures in summer</li></ul>
2016-present	<b>GMS 6505.998</b>	<b>Basic Medical Pharmacology</b> This course is an elective in the new College of Pharmacy Graduate Curriculum for the masters program. This course was developed as a distance learning course that caters to students that cannot accommodate the schedule of a regular didactic course offered in a traditional classroom. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Course Designer</li><li>- Instructor – 43 lectures</li></ul>
2017-present	<b>GMS 6440.998</b>	<b>Basic Medical Physiology</b> This course is an elective in the new College of Pharmacy Graduate Curriculum for the masters program. This course was developed as a distance learning course that caters to students that cannot accommodate the schedule of a regular didactic course offered in a traditional classroom. It will be offered for the first time Fall 2016. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Course Designer</li><li>- Instructor – 21 lectures</li></ul>

2019-present     **PHA6971**     **Master's Thesis**  
Supervisor of College of Pharmacy Masters  
student

*Postdoctoral Fellows Supervised*

1999-2001     Svitlana Garbuzova-Davis, Ph.D., D.Sc.  
2002-2003     Rania Shamekh, MD  
2000             Sharam Makoui, MD  
2004-2008     Ning Chen, MD  
2004             Piotr Walczak, MD  
2007             Tracy Womble, PhD  
2008-2012     MD (Zaman) Shahaduzzaman, MD

*Graduate Students Supervised*

Graduated     Martina Vendrame – PhD (Pathology, 2004)  
                      Iwona Misuita – PhD (Pharmacology & Therapeutics, 2005)  
                      Lixian Jiang – PhD candidate (Pathology & Cell Biology, 2008)  
                      Adam Guyer – Masters student (Pathology & Cell Biology, 2007)

*Graduate Committees:*

Lixian Jiang – PhD program (Neuroscience, Pathology & Cell Biology, co-director)  
Mary Newman – PhD (Psychology, 2005)  
Joanne Mayer – PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology, 2007)  
Michelle Hamel – PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology, 2006)  
Ted Ajmo – PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology, 2007)  
Aaron Hall – PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology)  
Yelenis Herrera - PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology)  
Chris Leonardo - PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology)  
Derrick Rowe - PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology)  
Hilary Seifert - PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology, 2013)  
Donna Darlington - PhD (Neuroscience, 2014)  
Lisa Le - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)  
Jeannie Stephenson – PhD (Clinical Translational Research, 2014)  
Stephanie Davis – PhD (Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology, 2016)



Taylor Martinez – PhD candidate (Molecular Medicine, 2023)

*Graduate Student External Chair (Candidacy)*

<b>2013</b>	Chase Lambert - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2013</b>	Diana Hernandez-Ontiveros – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2014</b>	Joseph Grieco – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2015</b>	Seol-Hee Kim – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience) Dylan Finneran – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience) Lecia Brown – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2016</b>	Bethany Grimmig – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience) Md Habib – PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2018</b>	Chao Ma - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience) Hung Nguyen - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2019</b>	Austin Nenninger - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience) Meena Subbarayan - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience) Andie Dodge - PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2022</b>	Robert Botelho, PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)
<b>2023</b>	Chardane Logan, PhD Candidate (Neuroscience)

*Graduate Student External Thesis Reviewer*

**2014** Bhimashankar Mitkari - PhD Candidate (University of Eastern Finland)

*Graduate Student Rotations in the Lab*

**1998** Chris Hazzi– MS student (Pharmacology & Therapeutics)  
**2002** Srilaxmi Musunuri – PhD student (Pharmacology & Therapeutics)  
**2003** Tim Boyd, PhD student (Biomedical Sciences)  
**2004** Veljko Nikolic, PhD student (Biomedical Sciences)  
**2005-2006** Amy Simmens, Graduate Certificate Student (Aging & Neuroscience)  
**2007** Martina Colon, PhD student  
 Tina Fiorelli  
**2010-2011** Joseph Grieco, Masters (Aging and Neuroscience)  
 Kevin Almerico, Masters (Aging and Neuroscience)  
 Chris Huguet, Masters (Aging and Neuroscience)

- James McAleer, Masters (Pathology and Cell Biology)  
Jair Franco, Masters (Pathology and Cell Biology)
- 2011-2012** Praveen Venkatachalam (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Sonal Jadeja (Medical Science)  
Murtala Ibrahim (Medical Science)  
Olatunji Otegbeye (Medical Science)
- 2012** Nima Khosravani (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Andres Izaguirre (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2013** Elspeth Foran (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Ramya Tadinada (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2014** Maria Ciesla (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Kayla Cox (Pre-professional Masters programme)  
David Hill (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Keirsten Reilly (Pre-professional Masters programme)  
Tiwalolu Soyebó (Pre-professional Masters programme)  
Sophie Trujillo (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2015** Olivia Maleki (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Bushra Faraz (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Lauren Easler (University of Tampa)
- 2016** Brett LaRose (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2017** Tobin Chakkala (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Brandon Singh (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2018** Marissa Albert (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Ryann Fiascki (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Israel Mahr (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2019** Ajla Becirbesic (Aging and Neuroscience)
- 2020** Melissa Gaeta (Pharmaceutical Nanotechnology)  
Rachel Sieradzan (Pharmaceutical Nanotechnology)
- 2023** Haylee Garling (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Brooke Stoddard (Aging and Neuroscience)  
Greg Levitt (Social Work)

## Honors

- 1997 Jonathan Sudberry
- 1998 Paul Nowicki
- 1999 Chris Webster
- 2000 Brad Freeman
- 2002 Gary DeCesare

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Year

- 1999 Mike Bellew

## *Undergraduate Honors Students*

### Major Professor

- 1999 Binit Shah (Biology) Supervisor  
Title of Thesis: *Neuroprotection in a Parkinsonian Rat Model*
- 2002 Wendy Brown (Psychology). Supervisor.  
Title of Thesis: *Behavioral Characterization of Lewis Rats in the 3-Nitropropionic Acid Rat Model of Huntington's Disease*
- 2003 Sherien Bain (Honors College). Supervisor
- 2003 Salma Pothiawaia (Honors College). Supervisor
- 2004 Linda Arauz. Supervisor
- 2004 Mina Hanna (Honors College). Supervisor  
Title of Thesis: *Cytokine Expression in the Spleen of stroked rats after HUCB cell Transplantation*
- 2003-2004 Fabio Ferrari (Honors College) Supervisor
- 2003-2004 Arveen Analis (Biology) Supervisor
- 2004 Melanie Thomas (Biology) Supervisor
- 2004-2005 Keyly Pimienta (Biology) Supervisor
- 2004-2006 Christienn Blanco (Biology) Supervisor
- 2004-2005 Kia Amrrori (Biology) Supervisor
- 2006 Laura Williard (Biology)  
Directed Research
- 2006-2007 Alnecia Rumpfs (Honors College) Supervisor  
Title of Thesis: *The Effects of Diets Enriched with Antioxidants from Foods on Hematopoietic Progenitor Cell Viability and Proliferation in the Aging Rat*
- 2006-2007 Kaye Rozecki (Biomedical Sciences, Honors) Supervisor

- Title of Thesis: *Inducement of Myeloid Populations with Lipopolysaccharide after Experimental Stroke and Cord Blood Treatment*
- 2006-008 Rashidul Munim (Biomedical Sciences, Honors) Supervisor  
Title of Thesis: *Stem Cells in a Parkinson Disease Rat Model*
- 2007-2009 Allison Nelson (Biology)  
WST 4910, Research Experience for Undergraduates in Women's Health
- 2008-2009 Allisun Gronda (Honors College)  
Title of Thesis: *The Effect of Cord Blood Fractions on Rat Neural Stem Cells*
- 2009-2011 Emmanuelle Adrien (Honors College)  
Title of Thesis: *Cord Blood Cells Induce Neurogenesis In Vivo.*
- 2010-2011 Vijay Mehta (New College, Sarasota)  
Title of Thesis: *Human Umbilical Cord Blood (HUCB) cells Protect Neurons Following Oxygen Glucose Deprivation (OGD) Through Activation AKT Pathway*
- 2011-2012 Jessica Glover (Honors College)  
Title of Thesis: *Temporal Profile of Chemokines and Cytokines in the Human Inflammatory Response to Ischemic Stroke and their Relationship to the Timing of Human Umbilical Cord Blood (HUCB) Treatment in Rats*
- 2011-2013 Jonathan Hall (Honors College)  
Title of Thesis: *The Vermicelli Handling Test: Associations of dexterous forepaw function with the effects of cerebral ischemia.*

Supervising Committee

- 1999 Erin M. Tedesco (Biology). Committee.  
Title of Thesis: *The Effect of Lithium Chloride on the Morphological Maturation of Cultured hNT Neurons*
- 2002 Angel Haywood (Biology). Committee  
Title of Thesis: *Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis*
- 2003 Jennifer Lane (Honors College). Committee  
Title of Thesis: *Transplantation of Human Umbilical Cord Blood Cells in a Mouse Model of ALS: Distribution, Migration, and Integration*
- 2007 Stephen Seedial (Honors College). Committee  
Title of Thesis: *Dose Effects of Intravenously Transplanted Human Umbilical Cord Blood Cells in a Mouse Model of Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis*
- 2010 Christina Miller (Honors College). Committee  
Title of Thesis: *Microglia Reduction in the Spinal Cord of ALS Mice with Optimal Dose of Human Umbilical Cord Blood Cells*

- 2010 Aysha Ahmed (Honors College). Committee  
Title of Thesis: *T-Cell Deficiency and Age Related Decrease in Hippocampal Neural Cell Proliferation*

*High School Student Outreach*

Major Professor

- 2000-2001 Blake Sowerby. Co-supervisor  
2003-2006 Justus Roberts II. Supervisor  
Science Fair Project, Placed at state level for 3 years.  
2004 Preya Shah. Supervisor  
Volunteer  
2005 Shannon Gallimore. Supervisor  
Volunteer  
2007 April Rogers  
Volunteer  
2011 Ravi Medikonda  
Volunteer  
2012 John-Michael Buchs  
Volunteer  
2012 Akash Gupta  
Volunteer  
2014 Zachary Diamandis  
Volunteer

*Middle School Student Outreach*

Major Professor

- 2005-present Joshua Hammer. Supervisor  
Science Fair Project, Placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at State level for 2 years. Was  
chosen as a finalist in the Discovery Channel Science Fair  
competition September 2007  
2008 Science Fair Project, Placed 4<sup>th</sup> at State level in senior division.

**PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES**

- 2006-2016 American Heart Association  
1997- present American Society for Neural Transplantation & Repair (ASNTR)  
1997-2010 Cell Transplant Society

1995-2005	International Behavioral Neuroscience Society
1994- present	Society for Neuroscience
2010-2020	USF Academy of Inventors, Founding Chapter of National Academy of Inventors

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

### *Service to the University:*

2001-2003	Member of the Research Council of the Faculty Senate. I have also been a member of the following subcommittees of the Research Council:
2001-2003	Research Incentives Subcommittee.
2001-2002	Social Sciences Internal Award Review Subcommittee
2002-2003	Biomed/Lifesciences Internal Award Review Subcommittee **Chair 2002
2002	Grant Writing Award Development Subcommittee
2003	Interdisciplinary Award Subcommittee Review
2002-2008	USF Limited Submission Review Subcommittee

### *Service to the College of Medicine:*

2013-2019	Search Committee, Molecular Pharmacology and Physiology
2012- 2015	College Appointment, Tenure and Promotions Committee
2008- 2010	Pharma II Committee (developing policy for relationship of industry to clinicians)
2007-2009	Bylaws Committee
2006-2009	Core Facilities Committee Animal Core Cell Sorting Core

- 2003 Member of the Selection committee for the Chair of Neurology.
- 2002 Member of the Medical Student Affairs Committee.
- 2000-2003 Member of the Neuroscience Concentration Committee.
- 2001-2002 Chair, Neuroscience Seminar Series Committee
- 2000-2001 Co-Chair, Neuroscience Seminar Series Committee

*Service to the Department:*

- 2002 Member of the Medical Student Affairs Committee.
- 1997-present Participate as an interviewer for the annual Neurosurgical Resident Interviews
- 2005-present Member Departmental appointment, promotion, and tenure committee

*Service to the College of Pharmacy:*

- 2015-2018 Chair, Faculty Search Committee
- 2015-present Member, Graduate Curriculum committee
- 2015-2022 Chair, Graduate Curriculum committee

*Professional Organizations:*

2009- 2010	Muscular Dystrophy Association Annual jailbird lockup fund raiser Auggie's Quest
2006-2008	USF Health Leadership Institute
2005-present 2011	American Heart Association, Hillsborough County Community Board Team leader, Departmental Heart Walk Team (raised \$2300)
2013-2015	Abstract Reviewer, International Stroke Conference
2000-2001	International Behavioral Neuroscience Society Local organizing committee
1997 to present	American Society for Neural Transplantation and Repair Local organizing committee for annual meeting
2002	Co-chair of the Local Organizing Committee
2012-2015	Council Member

*Funding Agencies Reviewed for:*

1999	National Science Foundation
1999 - 2000	Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health
2000	Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada
2001	Medical Research Council, (UK)
2004	Saint Louis University Fleur-de-Lis grant program
2004	North Carolina Biotechnology Program
2004-2006	Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, Special Emphasis Review Panel
2006-2011	BINP (charter member)
2007, 2013-present	American Heart Association (Brain 3)
2019-present	Chair, Pre- and Post-Doctoral fellowship application review
2009-present	Mission Connect (TIRR Foundation, Houston, Tx)



*Journals Reviewed for:*

In my 27 years as faculty at the University of South Florida I routinely review manuscripts for journals. Specifically, I have reviewed manuscripts on multiple topics including (but not limited to) stem cells (multiple kinds), stroke, TBI, Parkinson's disease, aging, rodent behavioral testing, neuroinflammation and Covid.

1. Acta Biomaterialia
2. Annals of Neurology
3. Behavioral Neuroscience
4. Bentham Journals
5. Biomed Research International
6. BMC Neuroscience
7. Brain Research
8. Brain Research Bulletin
9. Brain Sciences
10. Canadian Medical Association Journal
11. Cell Stem Cell
12. Cell Transplantation
13. Cellular and Molecular Neurobiology
14. Circulation
15. Clinical Science
16. Current Pharmaceutical Design
17. Current Stem Cell Research and Therapy
18. Cytotherapy
19. European Journal of Neuroscience
20. Experimental Neurology
21. Expert Opinion on Biological Therapy
22. FASEB Journal
23. Haematologia
24. Journal of Cerebral Blood Flow and Metabolism
25. Journal of Leukocyte Biology
26. Journal of Neurochemistry
27. Journal of Neuroscience
28. Journal of Neuroscience Research
29. Medical Science Monitor
30. Molecular Neurobiology
31. Nature
32. Nature Medicine
33. Nature Neuroscience
34. Nature Protocols
35. Neurobiology of Disease
36. Neuropharmacology
37. Neuroreport
38. Neuroscience
39. Neurosignals

40. Pharmacology, Biochemistry & Behavior
41. PLoS one
42. Psychobiology
43. Regenerative Medicine
44. Scientific Reports
45. Stem Cells
46. Stem Cells & Development
47. Stem Cell Therapy
48. Stroke

*Community*

2018-present	Resilient Warrior Foundation (501c 3) Board of Directors
2010	University of Colorado Denver, School of Pharmacy Faculty Tenure Review
2010-present	Judge, Young Inventor's Competition Sponsored by MOSI & USF
2005-present	St. Vincent de Paul Society. Secret Santa program
2005-present	Newcomer's Welcome Committee. St. Paul's Catholic Church Monthly meeting with new parishioners to welcome to parish.
2005-2007	Time, Treasures and Talent appeal. St. Paul's Catholic Church Spoke at Masses on personal experiences with tithing
1996-present	Annual giving campaign, St. Paul's Catholic Church, to help build a school on the church site
March, 1999	Parkinson's Disease Foundation (Lakeland Branch), Neural Transplantation to Treat Parkinson's Disease. March 1999
September, 2000	USF Honors Medical Student Seminar. <i>Human Neural Stem Cells for the Treatment of Stroke.</i>
November, 2000	Lake Magdalene Elementary, Hillsborough County. The Great American Teach In. The Brain. November 2000.
December 2000	University Community Hospital. Santa & his Elves (my family) visited the children's ward on Christmas morning to deliver toys and good cheer
January, 2001	Parkinson's Disease Foundation (Lakeland Branch. Parkinson's Disease: Causes and Cures).
November, 2002.	Lake Magdalene Elementary, Hillsborough County. The Great American Teach In. Touch
August 2003	Monetary contribution in support of a "Back to School Teacher Appreciation Luncheon", Lake Magdalene Elementary School

March, 2009	St. Marks Primetimers Club. <i>Stem Cell Therapy: Where do we Stand</i>
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