

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## Part I. General Information

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### Education:

1974-1978 MS Warsaw University, Warsaw, Poland  
1978-82 Postgraduate Studies: Institute of Nuclear Research,  
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1985 Ph.D. Jagiellonian University, Cracow, Poland

### Research Fellowships:

1982	Visiting Research Fellow	Biochemistry	Max Plank Institute, Munich, Germany
1883-85	Research Fellow	Biochemistry	Institute of Nuclear Research, Warsaw, Poland

### Postdoctoral Training:

1985-88	Research Fellow	Biochemistry	Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, MA
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### Academic Appointments:

1989-94	Instructor	Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
1995-2002	Instructor	Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
2002-present	Assistant Professor	Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

### Hospital Appointments:

1989-94	Research Associate	Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, MA
1995-present	Associate Scientist Ph.D.	Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA

### Professional Societies:

1992-94 International Society of Thrombosis and Haemostasis

Member

1993-94

International Society for Fibrinolysis and Thrombolysis  
Member

**Awards and Honors:**

1985

Polish Ministry of Health Award for the Ph.D. thesis

## Part II: Research, Teaching, and Clinical Contributions

### A. Narrative report of research.

Most of my time and effort is spent on research. This also includes teaching and supervising of postdoctoral fellows, technicians, students and less experienced researchers.

For the last 6 years my research has been focused on the P2 receptor signaling, primarily in endothelial cells (EC), but recently also in other cell types, including hepatocytes, skeletal muscle and pancreatic beta-cells.

Our initial data indicated that EC stimulated with extracellular nucleotides, responded with increased intracellular calcium levels and phosphorylation of several proteins, including FAK, paxillin, p130<sup>cas</sup>, ERK and Akt. We associated these signaling pathways with various physiologic EC functions, such as cell spreading, migration, proliferation and apoptosis. Our results showed that in EC extracellular nucleotides induced cytoskeletal rearrangements, significantly increased cell migration, and affected EC proliferation, suggesting the involvement of P2 receptors in angiogenesis. This hypothesis was supported by the recent findings showing a connection between P2Y receptors and  $\alpha_v\beta_3(\beta_5)$  integrins, whose role in angiogenesis has already been documented.

Our recent study indicated that extracellular nucleotides, via P2Y receptors and calcium/calmodulin-dependent kinase kinase (CaMKK), mediated activation of AMP-activated kinase (AMPK), recognized as a key energy regulator and a primary protective kinase in diabetes mellitus.

We also showed that extracellular nucleotides activated endothelial nitric oxide synthase (eNOS), an enzyme that generates nitric oxide (NO), whose role in preventing atherosclerosis and its complications is well established. NO maintains vascular tone, exerts anti-inflammatory effects through inhibition of NF- $\kappa$ B activation, protects EC from apoptosis by reducing oxidative damage and inhibits smooth muscle cell (SMC) proliferation and thus development of neointimal hyperplasia. Impaired NO production leads to EC dysfunction and accelerated atherosclerosis in patients with diabetes mellitus. We identified a new nucleotide-induced signaling pathway of eNOS activation in EC, that is calcium and PKC $\delta$ -dependent but does not require the activities of AMPK, PI3K/Akt and ERK. Importantly, this new pathway was functional in EC cultured under high glucose conditions, suggesting that extracellular nucleotides can override the damaging effects of high concentrations of glucose, such as diabetic vasculopathy, by maintaining NO bioavailability. We validated these data *in vivo*, by showing increased phosphorylation of eNOS in hearts of mice treated with ATP.

Moreover, we observed up-regulation of expression of anti-apoptotic A1 and anti-apoptotic and anti-inflammatory A20 factors at the mRNA and protein levels in EC treated with extracellular nucleotides.

These combined effects of extracellular nucleotides (activation of AMPK and eNOS, and upregulation of A1 and A20) strongly suggest that the use of P2 receptor agonists may represent a novel therapeutic approach for blocking endothelial dysfunction and atherogenic mechanisms, and protecting the vasculature from diabetic complications.

These data provided the basis for two new grant applications.

Our long-term plan is to investigate purinergic mechanisms in EC in the context of inflammatory responses, wound healing, and angiogenesis under normal and high glucose conditions.

We also collaborate with laboratories at BIDMC/Harvard Medical School (Drs. C. Ferran and L. Otterbein), Boston University School of Medicine (Drs. JK Blusztajn and V. Trinkaus-Randall), and Warsaw Medical University (Drs. Gaciong and Koziak).

## B. Research Funding Information

### Completed and Ongoing Research Support

1997-2000	NIH/RO1 (HL57307)	Co-PI	Ecto-ADPases in transplantation
2000-2001	Phyllis and Paul Fireman Fellowship BIDMC/HMS	PI	Determination of purinergic signaling in endothelial cells leading to up-regulation of E-selectin expression
2002-2006	NIH/R01 (HL066167)	PI	Purinergic signaling in endothelial cells
2006-2010	NIH/R01 (HL080130)	Invest	Vascular remodeling in transplant atherosclerosis
2007-2008	JDRF (5-2007-736)	PI	Protection of endothelial cell dysfunction by P2 receptor signaling

## C. Current Research Activities

Project	Role
Role of extracellular nucleotide-induced increase in the intracellular ATP levels in endothelial cell proliferation and apoptosis.	PI
Role of extracellular nucleotides and P2 receptor signaling in regulation of A1 and A20 expression and eNOS activity in endothelial cell cultured under normal and high glucose.	PI
Heterogeneity of P2 receptor-mediated calcium responses in EC.	PI
Role of extracellular nucleotides in ROS formation in endothelial cells exposed to high glucose.	PI
Evaluation of the atheroprotective potential of P2 receptor agonists in the diabetic ApoE-null mice.	PI
Mechanism of A20 expression regulation in endothelial and smooth muscle cells under high glucose.	Investigator
Mechanism of A20-induced regulation of eNOS expression in endothelial cells.	Investigator

## **D. Teaching experience**

### **1. Local contributions**

#### **Local Presentations**

- 2002            Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School  
Lecture at the Transplant Center Seminars  
Title: Purinergic signaling in endothelial cells  
Attendings, Principal Investigators, post-doctoral fellows, graduate students affiliated with the Transplant Center
- 2003            Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School  
Lecture at the Transplant Center Seminars  
Title: Extracellular nucleotides and endothelial cell migration  
Attendings, Principal Investigators, post-doctoral fellows, graduate students affiliated with the Transplant Center
- 2004            Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School  
Lecture at the Gastroenterology Seminars  
Title: Purinergic signaling in endothelial cells  
Attendings, Principal Investigators, post-doctoral fellows, graduate students affiliated with the Gastroenterology Department
- 2005            Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School  
Lecture at the Surgery Center Seminars  
Title: Extracellular nucleotides, cellular energy levels and possible consequences.  
Attendings, Principal Investigators, post-doctoral fellows, graduate students affiliated with the Surgery Department
- 2006            Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School  
Lecture at the Transplant Center Seminars  
Title: Extracellular nucleotide-induced activation of AMPK in EC  
Attendings, Principal Investigators, post-doctoral fellows, graduate students affiliated with the Surgery Department

## Advisees and trainees

Year	Name	Current Position
1995, 1996	Matthew Boes	Resident in Surgery, USA
1995-98	Katarzyna Koziak	Senior scientist, Poland
1996	Katarzyna Wloka	Postdoctoral fellow, USA
1999	Kaja Malanowska	Scientist, Poland
2000	Seo-Kiat Goh	Resident in Medicine, Thailand
2002-2004	Feng Chen	Ph.D. student, USA
2002-2004	Marcia Wink	Scientist, Brazil
2002-2004	Robert Jarzyna	Scientist, Poland
2004	Jena Harb	Graduate student, USA
2004	Fabio Fonseca	Postdoctoral fellow, USA
2005	Anke Specht	Graduate student, Germany
2005-2008	Cleide Goncalves da Silva	Postdoctoral fellow, USA
2006	Anne Spriestersbach	Graduate student, Germany
2006-2008	Elizabeth Maccariello	Clinician, Brazil
2008	Carl Geahchan	Medical School Student, Lebanon

## 2. Regional, National or International Contributions

2006 Session Chair at the 8<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Adenosine and Adenine nucleotides, Ferrara, Italy. Session: Basic and Applied Pharmacology

## Part III. Bibliography

### Original Articles

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