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Professional Education	B. Ch. Engineering Georgia Institute of Technology 1968-73 M.D., University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences 1974-76	
Post-Graduate Training	Fellowship in Clinical Allergy and Immunology University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida	7/83 - 6/85
	Fellowship in Clinical Immunology and Rheumatology, New York University, New York, New York	7/80 - 6/82
	Chief Residency in Medicine, City of Memphis Hospitals, Memphis, Tennessee	7/79 - 6/80
	Assistant Residency and Associate Resident in Medicine, University of Tennessee Affiliated Hospitals, Memphis, Tennessee	1/78 - 6/79
Academic Positions	Straight Medicine Internship, University of Tennessee Affiliated Hospitals, Memphis, Tenn.	1/77 - 12/77
	Director, Training Program in Clinical and Laboratory Immunology	1992- 2004
	Professor of Medicine, University of South Florida	2000-
	Associate Professor of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida	1991-2000
	Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida	1985 - 1991
	Clinical Associate, Internal Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida	1983 - 1985
	Instructor, Department of Medicine, University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences	7/79 - 6/80

Committee
Assignments

Member, Committee on Core Curriculum for Basic Sciences, University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences, 1975-76

Member, Committee on Medical Library and Resource Utilization, University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences, 1979-80

Member, City of Memphis Hospitals Committee for Operations, 1979-80

AIDS Advisory Committee, James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital, 1987

Infection Control Committee, University Community Hospital, 1987

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida, Medical Advisory Committee, 1987

Medical Director, Asthma and Allergy Clinic of the Judeo-Christian Clinic, 1988-

American Academy of Allergy and Immunology Member, Continuing Medical Education Committee, 1987-1990; Chairman, 1989

Member, American Academy of Allergy and Immunology, AIDS Committee, 1989-current

Member, American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, Autoimmune Committee, 1996-current

Secretary, Florida Allergy and Immunology Society, 1989-1990

Member, Drug Education Task Force, Hillsborough County Medical Association and Tampa Chamber of Commerce, 1989-1991

National Hemophilia Foundation Medical Advisory Council, Florida Chapter, 1990-1992

Vice President, Florida Allergy and Immunology Society, 1990-1991

Medical Advisor, Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Florida Chapter, Inc., Support Group, 1990-1998

Voting Delegate, Florida Medical Association Annual Meeting, 1991

President of the Florida Allergy and Immunology Society 1991- 1993

Member, Committee on Medical Student Selection, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, 1991-1998, 2002-Present

Voting Delegate, Florida Medical Association Annual Meeting, 1992

Member, AIDS Education Advisory Council, Hillsborough County School Board, 1992-1994

Member, American Academy of Allergy and Immunology, Post-graduate Education Planning Committee, 1992-1993

National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, Expert Panel to Prepare Guidelines for Management of Asthma in the Elderly, in conjunction with the National Asthma Education Project, 1992-1993

American Academy of Allergy and Immunology Committee for the Core Curriculum for Clinical and Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology Training Programs, 1993-2004

Voting Alternate Delegate, Florida Medical Association Annual Meeting, 1993

Chairman, University of South Florida College of Medicine, Medical Student Selection Committee, Tampa, Florida 1994-1998

Chairperson of the Allergy Section, Southern Medical Association, 88th Annual Scientific Assembly, Orlando, FL, November 3-6, 1994

Program Directors' Committee, American Academy of Allergy and Immunology, In-service Examination Committee Member 1995-1999
2006-

Program Co-chair, Eastern Allergy Conference, Naples, FL, April 26-30, 1995

Chair of the HIV Committee, American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, 1996-1998

Editorial Board of the Annals of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, 1998-2003

Medical Staff Section Chief, Allergy and Immunology, University Community Hospital, Tampa, Florida 1999-

Editorial Board of the Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, 2004-

Associate Editor of the Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology 2007-

Director of the American Board of Allergy and Immunology, 1999-2004; Chair of Task Force on Maintenance of Certification 2002-2004; Chair of Nominating Committee 2003-2004; Co-Chair of Recertification Examination 2002-2003

Chair of the Laboratory and Clinical Immunology Committee, American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, 2000-2002

Contributing Editor, Allergy Watch, 2000-present

Chair, Medical Student Selection Committee, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida 2003-2006

USF Faculty Sub-Committee (Chaired by Dr. Robert Nelson) for 3rd and 4th Year Curriculum Change, 2003-2004

Co-chair of Conjoint Board Review Course, American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology and American College of Allergy Asthma and Immunology 2003-2007

Member, Publication Committee, American College of Allergy Asthma and Immunology 2005-

Director, American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology Board of Directors 2003-2008

American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, Governor of Region 3, Regional State and Local Allergy Societies, 2003-

Chair, Task Force for Underserved in Allergy/Immunology, American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology 2004-2008

Co-Chair, Conjoint AAAAI/ACAAI Board Review for Allergy/Immunology 2004-

Member, Residency Review Committee for Allergy/Immunology, American Council of Graduate Medical Education 2005-

American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, Allergy/Immunology Division Directors Task Force, Member 2008-

Allergy Asthma and Immunology Education and Research Trust Board of Trustees and Co-Chair 2007-

American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, Asthma in the Elderly Task Force, Member 2007-

Allergy and Immunology Program Directors, In-Training Examination Committee, Member 2006-

American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology, Committee on the Underserved, Member 2007-

World Allergy Organization, Committee on Immunotherapy, Co-Chair 2008-

Chair, AAAAI Task Force on Federal Lobbying Activities 2008-9

National Institute of Aging, Asthma in the elderly workshop, Participant, Bethesda, Maryland Sept 2008

Professional Memberships

American Medical Association 1975
American College of Physicians 1976
American Society of Internal Medicine 1977
American Rheumatism Association 1983
American Academy of Allergy and Immunology 1983
Florida Allergy and Immunology Society 1987
American College of Allergy and Immunology 1993

Honors

National Merit Scholar, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia 1968
Tau Beta Pi, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia 1972
B.Ch.E. (Co-Operative Plan) Summa Cum Laude Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia 1973
A.O.A., University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences Memphis, Tennessee 1975
Faculty Medal Winner (Highest Scholastic Average of Class) University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences 1976
Department of Medicine Award as Outstanding Student of Internal Medicine, University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences 1976
Award of the Northeast Section of the American Rheumatism Association 1981
Department of Internal Medicine Faculty Award for Extraordinary Devotion and Skill in Teaching (awarded by the Third Year Residents of the University of South Florida College of Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine) 1987
Outstanding Speaker Award, Marion County Medical Association 1987
Volunteer of the Year Award, Volunteer Center of Hillsborough County (Judeo-Christian Health Clinic), April 22 1994
American College of Chest Physicians National Community Service Award 2000
Southeast American Lung Association Speaker 2001

Licensure	<p>Listed in the "America's Top Doctors" Guide (Chosen among 4,000 doctors nationally) 2001-07</p> <p>Tennessee MD010337 1977-1983 New York 1981-1983 Florida ME0039340 1982-</p> <p>Diplomat of the American Board of Internal Medicine 1980 Diplomat of the American Board of Rheumatology 1984 Diplomat of the American Board of Allergy and Immunology 1985 Diplomat of the American Board of Diagnostic Laboratory Immunology 1986</p>
Private Practice	<p>Internal Medicine, Clearwater, Florida 1982-1983 Allergy and Immunology and Rheumatology, Tampa, Florida 1986-</p>
Editorships	<p>MKSAP II for Allergy and Immunology, American College of Physicians, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.</p> <p>Contributing Editor, MKSAP II, American College of Physicians, Section: "Collagen Vascular Disease," "Immunotherapy" and "Indoor and Outdoor Environments," 1994-1996</p> <p>Ledford DK: Building and Home-Related Complaints and Illnesses: "Sick Building Syndrome". Co-editor, <u>J Allergy Clin Immunol</u>, 94(2): 275-424, 1994</p> <p>Ledford DK, Section Editor, "Vasculitis". In <u>Current Rheumatology Reports</u>. Cronstein BN (ed), Gay S (Assoc. ed), 2(5): 365-438, October 2000</p> <p>Ledford DK, Lockey RF, (Guest Editors). Immunology and Allergy Clinics of North America-Immunotherapy: A Practical Review and Guide, Volume 20, Number 3, pp 469-661. W.B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia, PA, 2000</p> <p>Lockey RF, Ledford DK.(editors) Allergens and Allergen Immunotherapy, 4th edition. Informa Healthcare (in press)</p>
Community Service	<p>FDLRS-USF Workshop For Elementary School Guidance Counselors: "AIDS", Tampa, Florida, October 18, 1985</p> <p>Mid-Florida Gulf Coast Chapter of the Retired Officers Association: "The Epidemic of the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome: Impact on the General Community", Palm Harbor, Florida, November 13, 1985</p> <p>South Florida Educational Planning Council: "The Community Impact of the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome", Tampa, Florida, November 25, 1986</p> <p>Hillsborough Coalition for Health: "Medical Overview of the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome", Tampa, Florida, December 10, 1985</p> <p>Men's Club of Northwood Presbyterian Church: "The Community Response to the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome", Clearwater, Florida, December 10, 1985</p> <p>West Coast Healthcare Coalition, Inc."Medical Overview of AIDS", Sarasota, Florida, February 25, 1986</p> <p>Hillsborough County Public Schools: "AIDS and the Risk to Public Workers", Tampa, Florida, February 27, 1986</p> <p>Red Cross/Health Department/Air Force A.I.D.S. Seminar: "Diagnosis, Treatment, and Management of A.I.D.S.", MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida, April 4, 1986</p>

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America: "Stop the Sneeze", Informathon, Tampa, Florida, April 19, 1986

Pediatric and Adult Asthma, Understanding the Disease and the Treatments: "Adult Asthma". Co-sponsored by the Division of Allergy and Immunology, Departments of Medicine and Pediatrics and the Central Florida Chapter of the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Tampa, Florida, May 17, 1986

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America: Information Booth, Hillsborough County State Fair, Tampa, Florida, February 19, 1987

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America: "Controversies in Allergy Testing", Informathon, Tampa, Florida, March 16, 1987

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America: Panel Discussion, Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, Florida, May 16, 1987

Hillsborough County High School Science Teachers: "HIV Infections and AIDS", Tampa, Florida, July 8, 1987

Hillsborough County Public Schools Secondary Science In-service Day: "AIDS and Its Impact upon Adolescents", Brandon, Florida, August 26, 1987

Mountain View Chapel Baptist Church: "The Christian View of the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome", Johnson City, Tennessee, September 13, 1987

Church of the Nativity: "The Christian View of the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome", Brandon, Florida, October 4, 1987

Legal Service Providers of Florida: "The Epidemic of the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Social and Legal Implications", Sarasota, Florida, October 13, 1987

Medical Co-Director, Hillsborough County Chapter, Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, 1987

Member, Tampa Bay AIDS Task Force, 1987

Hillsborough County Public Schools Secondary Science Inservice Day: "AIDS Update", Brandon, Florida, February 5, 1988

Junior League of Clearwater-Dunedin, Inc.: "AIDS: The Teenager and Parent", Clearwater, Florida, February 16, 1988

Pediatric and Adult Asthma: Public forum- Asthma and Allergy Awareness Week, Co-sponsored by the Division of Allergy and Immunology, Departments of Medicine and Pediatrics and the Central Florida Chapter of the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Tampa, Florida, May 7, 1988

Medical Director of Allergy/Immunology Clinic of Judeo Christian Medical Clinic of Tampa, Florida, 1988-

Comprehensive Hemophilia Program Sponsored by the University of South Florida, "Management of HIV Infection", Tampa, Florida, March 8, 1990

American Rheumatism Association Educational Conference: "Rheumatoid Arthritis: What Treatment Works and What Does Not", Hudson, Florida, April 21, 1990

University of South Florida Health Sciences Teachers' Institute: "AIDS and Immunodeficiency", Tampa, Florida, July 5, 1990

University Community Hospital Lung Club and Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Hillsborough County Chapter, "What is Asthma", Tampa, Florida, August 23, 1990

Assistant Sunday School Teacher, Adult Class, Timms Memorial Presbyterian Church, Lutz, Florida, 1990-1991

Medical Advisor, Florida Chapter, National Hemophilia Foundation, 1990-1992

Medical Advisor for Asthma Support Group of the Asthma and Allergy Foundation, Florida Chapter 1990-

Member, Finance Committee, Timms Memorial Presbyterian Church, Lutz, FL, 1991- present

American Rheumatism Association Educational Conference: "Current Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis", Brooksville, Florida, May 1991

Hillsborough County School District Middle School Teachers' Workshop, "AIDS and Its Impact on Human Sexuality", Tampa, Florida, June 27, 1991

Hillsborough County School District Teacher In-Service, "AIDS Education to the Middle School Student", Tampa, Florida, Feb 7, 1992

Medical Mission Trip, Presbytery of Tampa Bay, Honduras, June 16-23, 2001

Medical Mission Trip, Presbytery of Tampa Bay, Honduras, June 15-22, 2002

Medical Mission Trip, Presbytery of Tampa Bay, Honduras, June 7-14, 2003

History and Physical Examinations for Preschool Students at Church Mission, Diocese of Tampa Bay, Tampa, FL, July 12, 2003

Tampa Tribune, Avoiding Adverse Drug Reactions, May 6, 2006, p18.

Tampa Tribune, Food Allergies: Uncommon But Dangerous, July 15, 2006, p18.

Tampa Tribune, Hygiene Hypothesis, Nov 2006

Tampa Tribune, Sinusitis, May 2007

Tampa Tribune, Hives: The rash that keeps on itching, Oct 2007

Tampa Tribune, Avoiding Allergies During the Holidays, Dec 2007

School Nurses, Hillsborough County, Update on Allergy, Asthma and Anaphylaxis. August 12, 2008, Tampa, Florida

Please refer to the University of South Florida College of Medicine website for further details.