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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Editas Medicine, Cambridge MA

As a leading genome editing company, Editas Medicine is focused on using CRISPR/Cas9 technology to develop transformative medicines for the treatment of genetic diseases. Founded in November 2013, the company has active preclinical programs in the areas of inherited retinal disease, hemoglobinopathies and immuno-oncology.

Scientist III

January 2016-Present

Scientist II

January 2014-January 2016

Consultant

October-December 2013

- As the LCA10 Program Lead, I played a critical role in the development of EDIT-101 for the treatment of Leber Congenital Amaurosis caused by mutations in the CEP290 gene
 - Developed editing strategy and performed in vitro proof of concept studies
 - Worked with multi-disciplinary team to develop and implement pre-clinical in vivo studies (mouse and non-human primate) to demonstrate therapeutic gene editing strategy
 - Established NGS-based assays for specificity profiling of targeted nucleases
 - Presented program, in person, at the EMA to obtain Orphan status
 - Worked with CMC to transfer research protocols and materials to enable GMP manufacturing
 - Worked with Regulatory to draft materials for, and participate in conversations with, the FDA
- In addition to the LCA10 program, my group (2 research associates and one scientist) also works to explore and develop editing strategies for additional inherited retinal diseases, test novel delivery technologies and develop complex in vitro model systems to interrogate gene editing in photoreceptors
- Inventor on many of the company's early patent filings
- As the first Scientist at the company, I was responsible for establishing the lab and was actively involved in defining the core values and growing the company from an early start-up to a mature public company

Harvard University, Massachusetts General Hospital, Charlestown, MA

Advisor: J. Keith Joung

Postdoctoral Associate

May-December 2013

PhD Candidate

September 2008-May 2013

- Demonstrated first ZFN-induced correction of a disease causing mutation in human induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells. Corrected the sickle cell causing mutation in iPS cells derived from sickle cell patients.
- Demonstrated high efficacy and multiplex capabilities of TALE-activator fusions for targeted gene activation.
- Demonstrated first use of CRISPR/Cas9 system for targeted gene activation in human cells.
- Developed ZF and TALE based system for targeted DNA demethylation by engineering fusions to the Tet1 catalytic domain.

Massachusetts General Hospital, Charlestown, MA

Research Technologist

June 2007 - August 2008

Research Technician

June 2006 - June 2007

- Developed and validated a technology platform for engineering designer DNA-binding zinc finger proteins.
- Induced targeted alteration of endogenous genes in human cells using engineered zinc finger nucleases.
- Demonstrated use of combinatorial zinc finger transcription factor libraries for functional genomics studies in human cells.

EDUCATION

PhD in Genetics, **Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA

May 2013

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Division of Medical Sciences

BA in Biological Sciences, **Connecticut College**, New London, CT

May 2006

Phi Beta Kappa, *Magna Cum Laude*

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- American Society of Gene and Cell Therapy, Member (2007-Present)
 - Gene Editing Committee Member (2016-Present)
 - New Investigator Committee Member (2017-Present)
- Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, Member (2015-Present)
- Guest lecturer in Gene Editing course for Harvard Biological and Biomedical Sciences PhD program
- Member of *Human Gene Therapy Methods* Editorial Board
- Peer Reviewer for *Nature Biotechnology*, *Nature Methods*, *Nature Communications*, *Molecular Therapy*, *Nucleic Acids Research*, *Nucleic Acids Research Methods* and *PLOS One*

PATENT APPLICATIONS

Inventor on total of 16 submitted patent applications and 2 granted patents.

- Crispr/cas-related methods and compositions for treating leber's congenital amaurosis 10 (lca10). WO-2015138510-A1
- Crispr/cas-related methods and compositions for treating usher syndrome and retinitis pigmentosa. WO-2015134812-A1
- Compositions and methods for treating cep290 associated disease. WO-2018026976-A1
- Zinc finger nuclease for the CFTR gene and methods of use thereof. US-8846578-B2
- TAL-Tet1 fusion proteins and methods of use thereof. US-9890364-B2

PUBLICATIONS

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SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Efficient *In Vivo* Gene Editing of Inherited Retinal Disease Genes in Mice and Non-Human Primates. Oral Abstract. American Society of Gene and Cell Therapy 20th Annual Meeting. Washington DC. May 2017.

Envisioning a Gene Editing Approach to Treat Inherited Blindness. Invited Speaker. ProRetina Society Annual Meeting. Potsdam, Germany. April 2017.

Envisioning a Gene Editing Approach to Treat Inherited Blindness. Invited Speaker. FASEB Research Conference – Genome Engineering: Cutting Edge Research and Applications. Lisbon, Portugal. June 2016.

Therapeutic Correction of an LCA-Causing Splice Defect in the CEP290 Gene by CRISPR/Cas-Mediated Genome Editing. Oral Abstract. American Society of Gene and Cell Therapy 18th Annual Meeting. Washington, DC. May 2015.