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INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE (if applicable)	Start Date MM/YYYY	Completion Date MM/YYYY	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Toronto, Toronto, ON	M.D.	09/1976	06/1980	Medicine
John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD		07/1980	06/1981	Internal Medicine
Toronto General Hospital, Toronto, ON		07/1981	06/1984	Int Med/Endocrinology
Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston		07/1984	06/1987	Mol Endocrinology

**A. Personal Statement**

My laboratory studies the molecular biology, physiology and mechanism(s) of action of peptide hormones, and their G protein coupled receptors. We are particularly interested in the translational relevance of these peptidergic networks for the treatment of human metabolic disorders and the emphasis in our laboratory is on translational science with therapeutic potential. Our contributions to this field are reflected in part by several hundred publications, and 33 issued US patents covering various novel therapeutic aspects of peptide hormone action.

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**B. Positions and Honors****Positions and Employment**

1987- Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Toronto  
 1991-6 Associate Professor of Medicine, Clinical Biochemistry, and Genetics, University of Toronto  
 1992-2000 Director, Division of Endocrinology, Department of Medicine, University of Toronto  
 1996- Professor, Departments of Medicine, Molecular and Medical Genetics, Laboratory Medicine  
 2000-11 Director, Banting and Best Diabetes Centre, University of Toronto  
 2006- Senior Scientist, Lunenfeld-Tanenbaum Research Institute, Mt. Sinai Hospital, Toronto

**Honors**

Societies: Alpha Omega Alpha (1979); ASCI (1995); AAP (2006), Royal Society of Canada (2012), Royal Society of London (UK) 2015, Officer of the Order of Canada 2015

**Awards:** Richard E. Weitzman Award of the Endocrine Society for Scientific Achievement(1993), Canadian Diabetes Association Outstanding Young Scientist Award (1996), Viktor Mutt Outstanding Research Award from the International Society for Study of Regulatory Peptides (1998), Canadian Society for Clinical Investigation Distinguished Scientist Award(2002), Bristol Myers Squibb Freedom to Discover Award in Metabolic Research (2004), Donald Steiner Award for Diabetes Research, University of Chicago (2007), Prix Galien Canada Award for outstanding scientific research (2008), Endocrine Society Clinical Investigator Laureate Award (2009), CIHR-CMAJ Award for outstanding health research (2012); Claude Bernard Award from the European Association for the Study of Diabetes for Outstanding Diabetes Research (2012); Oon

International Prize & Lectureship, University of Cambridge, UK (2013); Banting Medal for Scientific Achievement, American Diabetes Association (2014). Manpei Suzuki International prize for Diabetes Research (2014), Rachmiel Levine Award for Diabetes Research (2015), Harrington-ASCI Prize for Innovation in Medicine (2017), Rolf Luft Award, Karolinska Institute (2017) The Canadian Organization for Rare Disorders Scientific Leadership Award (2018 ) EASD Novo Nordisk Prize for Excellence in Diabetes Research (2019) Harold Hamm International Prize for Biomedical Research in Diabetes (2019)

**Named Lectures:** Annual Peter Laurie Lecture of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation (1999), University of Utah, Salt Lake City: Tyler Memorial Lecture (2001), The Kroc Lectureship in Diabetes at the University of Alabama, Birmingham (2002), The Williams Lecture in Diabetes, University of Rochester (2005), The Melvin C. Gluck Lectureship, New York University School of Medicine (2005), The John Ensink Lecture, University of Washington, Seattle (2006), The Rufus Cole Memorial Lecture, Rockefeller University (2006), The Catherine Tuck Memorial Lecture, Columbia University (2007), The Albert and Miriam Weinstein Lectureship, Vanderbilt University (2009), Beth Zaruby Memorial Lecture in Diabetes Research, University of Calgary Faculty of Medicine (2009), Pfizer Visiting Professor Lectureship, University of Pennsylvania (2009), Novo Nordisk Plenary Lecture of the Irish Endocrine Society (2009), Priscilla White Lectureship in Diabetes and Metabolism, Harvard Medical School (2011), AACE Visiting Professor, Beth Israel Hospital, Harvard Medical School (2011), Harold Rifkin Lectureship, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Yeshiva University New York (2012). Lydia J. Robert lectureship in Molecular Metabolism and Nutrition, University of Chicago (2014) D. Walter Cohen lectureship in Diabetes, Drexel University, Philadelphia (2014), Tisdale Lectureship, University of Vermont (2015), Frank H. Tyler Lectureship, University of Utah (2015), Jacques Genest Lectureship Award, Canadian Society of Endocrinology & Metabolism (2015) Richard Horton Lecture in Endocrinology, University of Southern California School of Medicine (2016) 3d Annual George Cahill Jr. Lectureship, University of Montreal Diabetes Research Centre (2016) The Oliver Smithies Lecture, University of Toronto (2017) The Piero P. Foa Memorial lectureship Wayne State University, Detroit (2018), The 11<sup>th</sup> Levi J. Hammond Lecture, University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine (2018), The 8th Robert D. Utiger Memorial Lecture in Endocrinology, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard University (2018) The Annual Kroc Lectureship, Ohio State University, Wexner Medical Center (2018) Keith Harrison Memorial Lecture of the Australian Endocrine Society (2019)

**Selected Editorial Boards and Study Sections:** Associate Editor, Endocrinology (2002-2007 and 2012-present); Editorial Board, Nature Reviews Endocrinology and Metabolism (2005-present); Editorial Board, Endocrine Reviews (2006-14); Editorial Board, Gastroenterology(2008-10). Editorial Board, Diabetes (2014-17) Editorial Board, Journal of the Endocrine Society (2016-present), Associate Editor, Molecular Metabolism (2018-); Editor-in-Chief, Endocrine Reviews (3/2-18)

## C. Contributions to Science

1. **Delineation of mechanisms controlling glucagon biosynthesis, secretion and action.** We and characterized regulatory regions specifying glucagon gene expression and derived a novel intestinal GLP-1 secreting cell line (GLUTag), subsequently distributed to dozens of scientists worldwide. We identified the importance of Gcgr signaling in liver, islets and cardiovascular function through studies of germline and tissue-specific Gcgr<sup>-/-</sup> mice
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  - b) **Drucker D. J.**, and Brubaker P. Glucagon gene expression in rat intestine is regulated by a cyclic AMP-dependent pathway. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci (USA) 1989 86:3953-3957
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- g) Ali, S., Ussher, J. R., Baggio, L. L., Kabir, M. G., Charron, M. J., Ilkayeva, O., Newgard, C. B., **Drucker, D. J.** Cardiomyocyte glucagon receptor signaling modulates outcomes in mice with experimental myocardial infarction *Molecular Metabolism* 2015(4)132-143.

**2. Discovery of multiple novel actions of GLP-1 enabling its therapeutic development** We demonstrated that GLP-1(7-37) stimulated insulin secretion, activated islet  $\beta$  cell cAMP-dependent signaling, and increased insulin gene expression in  $\beta$  cells. These findings enabled a whole new field of peptide biology and clinical therapeutics for diabetes and obesity. The Drucker lab cloned exendin-4, a lizard-derived GLP-1R agonist, the first approved for the treatment of diabetes. The biology of GLP-1 action has been elucidated through physiological studies in murine models of metabolic disease.

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- c) Yusta, B., Baggio, L. L., Estall, J. E., Koehler, J. A., Holland, D. P., Li, H., Pipeleers, D., Ling, Z., and **Drucker, D. J.** GLP-1 receptor activation improves  $\beta$ -cell function and survival following induction of endoplasmic reticulum stress *Cell Metabolism* 2006 Nov;4(5):391-406
- d) Noyan-Ashraf M. H., Momen M. A., Ban K., Sadi A. M., Zhou Y. Q., Riazi, A. M., Baggio L. L., Henkelman R.M., Husain M., **Drucker D. J.** The GLP-1R agonist liraglutide activates cytoprotective pathways and improves outcomes following experimental myocardial infarction in mice. *Diabetes* 2009 Apr;58(4):975-83.
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**3. Elucidation of novel mechanisms of gut hormone action in multiple tissues** using peptide antagonists and through generation of new lines of mice with inactivating mutations in key hormones and receptors.

- a) Scrocchi, L. S., Brown, T. J., MacLusky, N., Brubaker, P. L., Auerbach, A. B., Joyner, A. L. and **Drucker, D. J.** Glucose intolerance but normal satiety in mice with a null mutation in the glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor gene *Nature Medicine* 1996 2:1254-1258
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**4. Discovery of the biological actions of GLP-2.** In 1996, we reported the first actions of GLP-2, a potent physiological regulator of cell growth and apoptosis in the gastrointestinal mucosa. A GLP-2 analogue (Teduglutide) discovered in the Drucker lab is approved for the treatment of short bowel syndrome in many countries. We cloned, characterized, and knocked out the GLP-2 receptor, elucidated GLP-2-dependent signaling pathways, and identified multiple new actions for GLP-2

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**5. Discovery of mechanisms linking genetic or pharmacological reduction of DPP-4 activity to enhanced glucose homeostasis.** We demonstrated that DPP4 was a viable drug target by characterizing *Dpp4<sup>-/-</sup>* mice, and elucidated how and where DPP-4 inhibitors exert their glucoregulatory, cardiovascular and metabolic actions. DPP-4 inhibitors are now widely used drugs for the treatment of type 2 diabetes

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## **D. Ongoing Research Support**

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