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EDUCATION BACKGROUND

2013 - 2014	Vermont Teaching Certification (7-12 grade science) – Teaching Apprenticeship Program, Champlain College, Burlington, VT
2006 - 2013	Ph.D., Neuroscience - Uniformed Services University. Bethesda, MD Advisor: Yumin Zhang, MD, PhD.
2001 - 2005	Bachelor of Scie

LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

2006-2013	Neuroscience PhD Candidate - Uniformed Services University. Bethesda, MD - Thesis proposal: "Therapeutic Mechanisms of Cannabinoid-Promoted Survival of Oligodendrocytes". Advisor: Yumin Zhang, MD, PhD.
2005-2006	Research Technician - University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. Newark, NJ - Study the expression of Akt isoforms in oligodendrocyte cells.
2005-2005	Research Technician - Department of Neuroscience & Anatomy. Hershey, PA - Study the expression of Akt isoforms in oligodendrocyte cells.

PUBLICATIONS

Ribeiro R, Yu F, Zhang Y.Theurapeutic Potential of a Novel Cannabinoid Agent CB52In the Mouse Model of Experimental Autoimmune Encephalomyelitis Neuroscience. 2013 Dec 19;254:427-42

Ribeiro R, Wen J, Li S, Zhang Y. Involvement of ERK1/2, cPLA2 and NF-kB in microglia suppression by Cannabinoid Receptor Agonists and Antagonists. Prostaglandins Other Lipid Mediat 2013 Jan; 100-101C:1-14

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LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEER WORK

2016-2018	VP of Public Relations – Toastmasters of Greater Burlington, Burlington, VT
2011-2012	Co-Editor, GSC Newsletter – USUHS, Bethesda, MD
2010-2012	Neuroscience Student Representative – USUHS, Bethesda, MD
2004-2005	Volunteer Tutor - Center for Champions. Harrisburg, PA