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2. EDUCATION

Harvard Medical School	Boston, MA	2010-2015
Boston Children's Hospital		
Postdoctoral Researcher , Advisors: Bing Chen & Stephen Harrison		
University of Colorado – School of Medicine	Aurora, CO	2005-2010
PhD in Biophysics and Structural Biology , Advisor: V. Michael Holers		
Thesis: "Investigating Complement Receptor 2 (CD21/CR2) – Ligand Interactions and Inhibitors Thereof."		
University of Colorado Denver	Denver, CO	2003-2005
MSc in Chemistry , Advisor: Robert S. Hodges		
Thesis: "Determination of Intrinsic Hydrophilicity/Hydrophobicity Coefficients of Amino Acid Side-Chains Using Synthetic Model Peptides."		
Goshen College	Goshen, IN	1998-2002
BA in Chemistry and BA in Molecular Biology		

3. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Colorado Colorado Springs	Colorado Springs, CO	08/21/2017-present
Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry (full time)		
Colorado College	Colorado Springs, CO	08/15/2015-05/10/2017
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry (full time)		
Emmanuel College	Boston, MA	01/15/2011-05/15/2015
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry (part time)		
University of Colorado Denver	Denver, CO	08/15/2003-05/15/2005
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Chemistry (full time)		
Goshen College	Goshen, IN	08/15/1999-05/10/2002
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Departments of Chemistry & Biology (full time)		
Micrology Laboratories, LLC	Goshen, IN	06/01/2002-08/01/2003
Research and Development Technician (full time)		
Developed novel chromogenic microbiological media		

4. REFEREED PUBLICATIONS (TOTAL TIMES CITED: 1100, H-INDEX: 16) (*UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT)

18. Jaenisch T., Lamb M.M., Gallichotte E., Henry C., Adams B., Riess J., van Sickle J., Hawkins K., Montague B., Coburn C., Bauer L.C., McDuffie J.B., Hanenberg S., James S., Graham L., Kovacs J.M., Spencer J., Hernandez M., Zabel M., Fox P., Pluss O., Windsor W.J., Winstanley G., Olson D., Barer M., Bronson A., Berman S., Ebel G., Chu M. (Submitted) Asymptomatic and pre-symptomatic transmission of SARS-CoV-2 using novel face mask sampling: A protocol for a prospective study of index cases and their contacts in a congregant setting. (2022) **BMJ Open**, Nov 23;12(11)
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15. Bricault, C.A., Kovacs, J.M., Badamchi-Zadeh, A., McKee, K., Shields, J.L., Gunn, B.M., Neubauer, G.H., Ghantous, F., Jennings, J., Gillis, L., Perry, J., Nkolola, J.P., Alter, G., Chen, B., Stephenson, K.E., Doria-Rose, N., Mascola, J.R., Seaman, M.S., Barouch, D.H. (2018) Neutralizing Antibody Responses following Long-Term Vaccination with HIV-1 Env gp140 in Guinea Pigs. **Journal of Virology**, 92(13):e00369-18
14. Chen, J., Kovacs, J.M., Peng, H., Rits-Volloch, S., Lu, J., Park, D., Zablosky, E., Seaman, M.S., Chen, B. (2015) HIV-1 ENVELOPE. Effect of the cytoplasmic domain on antigenic characteristics of HIV-1 envelope glycoprotein. **Science**, 349(6244):191-5
13. Bricault, C.A., Kovacs, J.M., Nkolola, J.P., Yusim, K., Shields, J.L., Perry, J., Lavine, C.L., Cheung, A., Stamatatos, L., Seaman, M.S., Korber, B.T., Chen, B., Barouch, D.H. (2015) A Multivalent Clade C HIV-1 Env Trimer Cocktail Elicits a Greater Magnitude of Neutralizing Antibodies than Any Individual Component. **Journal of Virology**, 89(5):2507-19
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11. Pejavar-Gaddy, S., Kovacs, J.M., Chen, B., Barouch, D.H., Irvine, D. (2014) Design of lipid nanocapsule delivery vehicles for multivalent display of recombinant Env trimers in HIV vaccination. **Bioconjugate Chemistry**, 25(8):1470-8
10. Nkolola, J.P., Bricault, C.A., Cheung, A., Shields, J., Perry, J., Kovacs, J.M., Giorgi, E., van Winsen, M., Apetri, A., Brinkman-van der Linden, E.C., Chen, B., Korber, B., Seaman, M.S., Barouch, D.H. (2014) Characterization and Immunogenicity of a Novel Mosaic M HIV-1 gp140 Trimer. **Journal of Virology**, 88(17):9538-52

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8. Kovacs, J.M., Nkolola, J.P., Peng, H., Cheung, A., Perry, J., Miller, C.A., Seaman, M.S., Barouch, D.H., Chen, B. (2012) HIV-1 Envelope Trimer Elicits Higher Neutralizing Antibody Responses Than Monomeric gp120. **PNAS**, 109, 12111-6
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3. Lee, S.A., Kovacs, J., Stahelin, R.V., Cheever, M.L., Overduin, M., Setty, T.G., Burd, C.G., Cho, W. and Kutateladze, T.G. (2006) Molecular mechanism of membrane docking by the Vam7p PX domain. **The Journal of Biological Chemistry**. 281, 37091-37101
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Patents

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Meeting Abstracts

56. *Singh, A., Kovacs, J.M.; “Inhibition of Interferon-alpha and Complement Receptor 2 Binding” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2025
55. Milliron, K., Kovacs, J.M.; “Understanding the Molecular Determinants Required for Epstein-Barr Virus Attachment and Inhibition” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2024 (Top Scholar Award Winner)
54. *Trent, C., Kovacs, J.M.; “Understanding the Molecular Interactions of a Potential Lupus Therapeutic” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2024
53. Tvrdy, K.C.: Kovacs, J.M.; Taylor, V.; Integration of Outreach Event within Senior-level Undergraduate Capstone Course: Challenges and Accomplishments” **American Chemical Society National Meeting**, New Orleans, LA, March 2024
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44. *Harrell, S.M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Annexin A2 Interactions with Factor H Protein and 3C6 Antibodies” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2021
43. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2021
42. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **American Chemical Society Meeting** (Tucson, AZ) October 2021

41. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **American Chemical Society Meeting** (Los Angeles, CA) April 2021
40. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2021
39. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2020
38. Herring, W., Kovacs, J.M.; “Establishing the HIV Reservoir: the Role of Complement” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2020
37. *Wheeler, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Towards Understanding the EBV gp350 – Complement Receptor 2 Interaction” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2020
36. *Vigil, B., Kovacs, J.M.; “Characterizing a Novel Engineered Therapeutic Agent to Reverse Lupus Symptoms” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) 13 December 2019
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32. *Stein, C., *Schafstall, A., Kovacs, J.M.; “Binding Analysis of Factor H Related Proteins with C3d” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) 16 April 2019
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29. *Wheeler, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “*Understanding the Molecular Determinants for Epstein-Barr Virus Interaction.*” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) 30 November 2018
28. *Weidner, B., Kovacs, J.M.; “*Complement Components Required for the Establishment of a Latent HIV-1 Reservoir*” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) 28 April 2018
27. *Russell, N., Kovacs, J.M.; “*Understanding the Molecular Interactions of a Complement Directed Lupus Therapeutic*” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) 28 April 2018

26. *Lac, L., Kovacs, J.M.; *"Using in Silico Methods to Develop a Therapeutic for Systemic Lupus Erythematosus via Targeting the Complement System"* **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) 28 April 2018
25. *Colwell, M., Kovacs, J.M.; *"Antibody Fragment as Lupus Therapeutic"* **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) 28 April 2018
24. Bricault, C.A., J.M. Kovacs, A. Badamchi-Zadeh, K. McKee, J.P. Nkolola, B. Chen, K.E. Stephenson, N. Doria-Rose, J.R. Mascola, M.S. Seaman, D.H. Barouch. *Neutralizing Antibody Responses following Long-Term Vaccination with HIV-1 Env gp140 in Guinea Pigs. Progress and Pathways Towards an Effective HIV Vaccine* (Banff, Canada) 2018
23. Bricault, C.A., K. Yusim, E.E. Giorgi, K. Wagh, J.M. Kovacs, J.L. Shields, C.L. Lavine, F. Ghantous, M. Rist, M.G. Bayne, G.H. Neubauer, J.J. Jones, J. Zeng, C. Ochsenbauer, J.P. Nkolola, K.E. Stephenson, B. Chen, M.S. Seaman, B.T. Korber, D.H. Barouch. *Antibody Signature-Based Design of HIV-1 Env gp140 Expands Tier 2 Neutralizing Antibody Breadth in Guinea Pigs.* **HIV Research for Prevention**, Chicago, IL, USA, 2017
22. *Russell, N., *Muir, A., and Kovacs, J.M.; *"Understanding the Molecular Interactions of a Potential Complement Directed Therapeutic"* **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) 1 December 2017
21. Williams, B., *Hall, S., *Dorwart, L., and Kovacs, J.M.; *"The Role of Complement in the Establishment of a Latent HIV-1 Reservoir"* **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) 1 December 2017
20. Bricault, C.A., K. Yusim, K. Wagh, J.M. Kovacs, J.P. Nkolola, J.L. Shields, C.L. Lavine, M. Bayne, M.S. Seaman, B. Chen, B.T. Korber, D.H. Barouch. *Variable Loop 3 Epitope Optimization of HIV-1 Trimeric Envelope Immunogen Affects the Magnitude of Neutralization Antibodies Elicited by Vaccination.* **Keystone HIV Vaccines (x5)** (Banff, Canada) 2015
19. Kovacs J.M., Chen B.; *The Stable Uncleaved HIV-1 Envelope Glycoprotein gp140 Forms a Tightly Folded Trimer with a Native-like Structure.* **CHAVI-ID Annual Meeting** (Durham, NC) 2014
18. Bricault, C.A., J.P. Nkolola, J.M. Kovacs, J.L. Shields, J. Perry, A. Cheung, M.S. Seaman, B. Chen, D.H. Barouch. *A Multivalent Mixture of Clade C HIV-1 Env Trimers Elicits a Greater Magnitude of Neutralizing Antibodies than Individual Trimer Components.* **AIDS Vaccine Conference** (Barcelona, Spain) 2013
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16. Nkolola J.P., Kovacs J.M., Korber B., Chen B., Seaman M., Barouch D.; *Stability and Neutralization Capacity of a Novel Mosaic HIV-1 gp140 Trimer in a Guinea Pig Model.* **AIDS Vaccine 2012** (Boston, MA) 2012

15. Pejawar-Gaddy S., Kovacs J.M., Barouch D.H., Chen B., Irvine D.; Design of Lipid Nanoparticle Delivery Agents for Multivalent Display of Recombinant Env Trimer in HIV Vaccination; **AIDS Vaccine 2012**, Boston, MA, September 2012
14. Kovacs J.M., Nkolola J., Barouch D.H., Chen B.; *HIV-1 Envelope Trimer Elicits Higher Neutralizing Antibody Responses Than Monomeric gp120* **AIDS Vaccine 2012** (Boston, MA) 2012
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12. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Defining Ligand Binding Regions of Complement Receptor 2 and Novel Inhibitors of Said Interactions; **23rd International Complement Workshop**, New York City, New York, 2010
11. Shaw C.D., Storek M.J., Young K.A., Kovacs J.M., Thurman J.M., Holers V.M., Hannan J.P.; Delineation of the Complement Receptor Type 2-C3d Complex by Site-Directed Mutagenesis and Molecular Docking; **23rd International Complement Workshop**, New York City, New York, 2010
10. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Exploring Complement Receptor 2 (CD21, CR2) Ligand interactions using NMR and ITC; **University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Student Research Symposium**, 2009
9. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Complement Receptor 2 (CD21, CR2) Ligand Interactions; **21st International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**, Shanghai, 2009
8. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Use of NMR to Define CR2:C3d Interactions in Solution Reveals Dual SCR1-2 Interface with C3d: Confirmation Using a Novel Ligand-Selective Inhibitory Peptide; **University of Colorado Denver Research and Creative Activities Symposium**, 2009
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1. Hodges R.S., Kovacs J.M., Mehok A.R., Mant C.T.; A novel approach to the determination of inherent hydrophilicity/hydrophobicity of amino acid side-chains using reversed-phase chromatography; **ISPPP 2004**, Aachen, Germany, Oct 2004

6. PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED (*UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT)

1. *Milliron, K., *Schroeder, K., *Economou, A., *Singh, A., Kovacs, J.M. (2025) Complement Receptor 2 – EBV gp350 interaction and inhibitors. **Journal of Biological Chemistry** (patent application submitted)

7. BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Mant, C.T., Chen, Y., Yan, Z., Popa, T.V., Kovacs, J.M., Mills, J.B., Tripet, B.P. and Hodges, R.S. (2007) HPLC Analysis and purification of peptides. **Peptide Characterization and Application: Methods in Molecular Biology Series**, Vol. 386:3-55, Edited by Gregg Fields, Humana Press, Totowa, New Jersey

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9. PRESENTATIONS AT MEETINGS (*UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT)

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

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9. Kovacs, J.M.; Current State of Complement Therapeutics Research (Invited Panel Member and Presenter). **International Complement Society Workshop**, Santa Fe, NM, USA, 2018
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44. *Milliron, K., Kovacs, J.M.; "Understanding The Molecular Determinants Required For Epstein-Barr Virus Attachment and Inhibition" **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2022
43. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; "Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds" **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2022
42. *Milliron, K., Kovacs, J.M.; "Understanding the Immune System – Epstein Barr Virus Interaction" **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2022
41. *Harrell, S.M., Kovacs, J.M.; "Annexin A2 Interactions with Factor H Protein and 3C6 Antibodies" **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2021

40. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2021
39. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **American Chemical Society** (Tucson, AZ) October 2021
38. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **American Chemical Society** (Los Angeles, CA) April 2021
37. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2021
36. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2020
35. Herring, W., Kovacs, J.M.; “Establishing the HIV Reservoir: the Role of Complement” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2020
34. *Wheeler, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Towards Understanding the EBV gp350 – Complement Receptor 2 Interaction” **Mountain Lion Research Week** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2020
33. *Vigil, B., Kovacs, J.M.; “Characterizing a Novel Engineered Therapeutic Agent to Reverse Lupus Symptoms” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2019
32. *Wheeler, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Towards Understanding the EBV gp350 – Complement Receptor 2 Interaction” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2019
31. Herring, W., Kovacs, J.M.; “Establishing the HIV Reservoir: the Role of Complement” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2019
30. *Fox, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Enzymatic Bioremediation of Perfluorinated Compounds” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2019
29. *Stein, C., *Schafstall, A., Kovacs, J.M.; “Binding Analysis of Factor H Related Proteins with C3d” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2019
28. *Wheeler, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “Towards Understanding the EBV gp350 – Complement Receptor 2 Interaction” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2019
27. *Vigil, B., Kovacs, J.M.; “Characterizing a Novel Engineered Therapeutic Agent to Reverse Lupus Symptoms” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2019
26. *Wheeler, M., Kovacs, J.M.; “*Understanding the Molecular Determinants for Epstein-Barr Virus Interaction.*” **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) November 2018
25. *Weidner, B., Kovacs, J.M.; “*Complement Components Required for the Establishment of a Latent HIV-1 Reservoir*” **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2018

24. *Russell, N., Kovacs, J.M.; *"Understanding the Molecular Interactions of a Complement Directed Lupus Therapeutic"* **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2018
23. *Lac, L., Kovacs, J.M.; *"Using in Silico Methods to Develop a Therapeutic for Systemic Lupus Erythematosus via Targeting the Complement System"* **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2018
22. *Colwell, M., Kovacs, J.M.; *"Antibody Fragment as Lupus Therapeutic"* **Colorado Springs Undergraduate Research Forum** (Colorado Springs, CO) April 2018
21. Bricault, C.A., J.M. Kovacs, A. Badamchi-Zadeh, K. McKee, J.P. Nkolola, B. Chen, K.E. Stephenson, N. Doria-Rose, J.R. Mascola, M.S. Seaman, D.H. Barouch. *Neutralizing Antibody Responses following Long-Term Vaccination with HIV-1 Env gp140 in Guinea Pigs. Progress and Pathways Towards an Effective HIV Vaccine* (Banff, Canada) January 2018
20. *Russell, N., *Muir, A., and Kovacs, J.M.; *"Understanding the Molecular Interactions of a Potential Complement Directed Therapeutic"* **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2017
19. Williams, B., *Hall, S., *Dorwart, L., and Kovacs, J.M.; *"The Role of Complement in the Establishment of a Latent HIV-1 Reservoir"* **Mountain Lion Research Day** (Colorado Springs, CO) December 2017
18. Bricault, C.A., K. Yusim, K. Wagh, J.M. Kovacs, J.P. Nkolola, J.L. Shields, C.L. Lavine, M. Bayne, M.S. Seaman, B. Chen, B.T. Korber, D.H. Barouch. *Variable Loop 3 Epitope Optimization of HIV-1 Trimeric Envelope Immunogen Affects the Magnitude of Neutralization Antibodies Elicited by Vaccination. Keystone HIV Vaccines (x5)* (Banff, Canada) March 2015
17. Kovacs J.M., Chen B.; *The Stable Uncleaved HIV-1 Envelope Glycoprotein gp140 Forms a Tightly Folded Trimer with a Native-like Structure. CHAVI-ID Annual Meeting* (Durham, NC) June 2014
16. Bricault, C.A., J.P. Nkolola, J.M. Kovacs, J.L. Shields, J. Perry, A. Cheung, M.S. Seaman, B. Chen, D.H. Barouch. *A Multivalent Mixture of Clade C HIV-1 Env Trimers Elicits a Greater Magnitude of Neutralizing Antibodies than Individual Trimer Components. AIDS Vaccine Conference* (Barcelona, Spain) October 2013.
15. Nkolola J.P., Kovacs J.M., Korber B., Chen B., Seaman M., Barouch D.; *Stability and Neutralization Capacity of a Novel Mosaic HIV-1 gp140 Trimer in a Guinea Pig Model. AIDS Vaccine 2012* (Boston, MA) September 2012
14. Kovacs J.M., Nkolola J., Barouch D.H., Chen B.; *HIV-1 Envelope Trimer Elicits Higher Neutralizing Antibody Responses Than Monomeric gp120 AIDS Vaccine 2012* (Boston, MA) September 2012

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12. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Defining Ligand Binding Regions of Complement Receptor 2 and Novel Inhibitors of Said Interactions; **23rd International Complement Workshop**, New York City, New York, July 2010
11. Shaw C.D., Storek M.J., Young K.A., Kovacs J.M., Thurman J.M., Holers V.M., Hannan J.P.; Delineation of the Complement Receptor Type 2-C3d Complex by Site-Directed Mutagenesis and Molecular Docking; **23rd International Complement Workshop**, New York City, New York, July 2010
10. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Exploring Complement Receptor 2 (CD21, CR2) Ligand interactions using NMR and ITC; **University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Student Research Symposium**, August 2009
9. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Complement Receptor 2 (CD21, CR2) Ligand Interactions; **21st International Congress of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology**, Shanghai, July 2009
8. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Use of NMR to Define CR2:C3d Interactions in Solution Reveals Dual SCR1-2 Interface with C3d: Confirmation Using a Novel Ligand-Selective Inhibitory Peptide; **University of Colorado Denver Research and Creative Activities Symposium**, June 2009
7. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Exploring Complement Receptor 2 (CD21, CR2) Ligand interactions using NMR and ITC; **University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Student Research Symposium**, June 2009
6. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Use of NMR to Define CR2:C3d Interactions in Solution Reveals Dual SCR1-2 Interface with C3d: Confirmation Using a Novel Ligand-Selective Inhibitory Peptide; **University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Student Research Symposium**, August 2008
5. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Eisenmesser E.Z., Holers V.M.; Use of NMR to Define CR2:C3d Interactions in Solution Reveals Dual SCR1-2 Interface with C3d: Confirmation Using a Novel Ligand-Selective Inhibitory Peptide; **22nd International Complement Workshop Basel Switzerland**, July 2008
4. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Holers V.M.; Mapping CR2-ligand interactions using NMR and inhibitory peptides; **American Association of Immunologists San Diego**, CA June 2008
3. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Holers V.M.; Mapping CR2-ligand interactions using NMR and inhibitory peptides; **University of Colorado Health Sciences Center Student Research Symposium**, August 2007

2. Kovacs J.M., Hannan J.P., Holers V.M.; Mapping CR2-ligand interactions using NMR and inhibitory peptides; **National Science Foundation/NATO Biophysics Poster Session**, Erice, Sicily, July 2007
1. Kovacs J.M., Mant C.T., Hodges R.S.; Determination of Intrinsic Hydrophilicity/Hydrophobicity Coefficients of Amino Acid Side-Chains using Synthetic Model Peptides; **19th American Peptide Society San Diego**, CA, July 2005

10. GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIP

FUNDED GRANTS (*teaching and †service related grants)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Result</u>
17. 04/22/25	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$4,000	Awarded
Title: Developing Specific Peptide Inhibitors of the Complement Receptor 2 – Epstein Barr Virus gp350 Interaction: Targeting Epstein Barr Virus gp350				
16. 04/22/25	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$4,000	Awarded
Title: Developing Specific Peptide Inhibitors of the Complement Receptor 2 – Epstein Barr Virus gp350 Interaction: Targeting Complement Receptor 2				
15. 04/15/24	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$4,000	Awarded
Title: Understanding HIV-1 Complement Interactions				
14. 04/15/24	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$4,000	Awarded
Title: Investigating HIV-1 Complement Interactions using Docking Software				
13. 04/15/23	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$4,000	Awarded
Title: Engineered Antibody Against Lupus				
12. 04/20/22	PI	UCCS, CRCW	\$7,500	Awarded
Title: Understanding the Role of Complement in the Establishment of a Latent HIV-1 Reservoir				
11. 04/15/22	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$3,500	Awarded
Title: Understanding the Immune System – Epstein Barr Virus Interaction				
10. 03/10/21	Co-PI	NSF	\$250,000	Awarded
Title: Micro-Raman NSF MRI				
9. 04/06/20	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$3,500	Awarded
Title: Enzymatic Bioremediation of Per-fluorinated Compounds				
8. 04/12/19	Advisor	UCCS, URA	\$3,500	Awarded
Title: Engineered Antibody Against Lupus				

7. 04/16/18 PI UCCS, LAS Dean \$125,000 Awarded
Title: Environmental PFC Impact Collaboration (EPIC) in the Fountain Creek Watershed: Determining the Environmental, Ecological, and Societal Impact of PFCs
6. 05/11/18 Advisor UCCS, LAS Dean \$1,200 Awarded
Title: Using *in silico* Methods to Develop a Therapeutic for Systemic Lupus Erythematosus via Targeting the Complement System
5. 04/06/18 Advisor UCCS, URA \$3,500 Awarded
Title: Single Chain Variable Antibody Fragment as Lupus Therapeutic
4. 04/06/18 Advisor UCCS, URA \$3,500 Awarded
Title: Understanding the Molecular Determinants Required for Epstein-Barr Virus Attachment
3. 03/05/18 PI UCCS, CRCW \$7,436 Awarded
Title: Two-Pronged approach to Understanding the Molecular Details of Epstein-Barr Virus Infection
2. 11/21/17 Advisor UCCS, LAS Dean \$4,000 Awarded
Title: Novel Therapeutic Lupus Antibody: Identifying Molecular Determinants using Peptide Inhibitors and Crystallography
1. 07/01/08 PI AHA \$48,000 Awarded
Title: Defining CD21-ligand interactions using ligand specific peptides

SUBMITTED GRANTS (*teaching and †service related grants)

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| 11. | 11/15/23 | PI | UCCS, LAS Dean | \$10,000 | Rejected |
| | Title: Investigating the molecular determinants required for the establishment and maintenance of the infectious HIV intracellular reservoir. | | | | |
| 10. | 02/21/22 | PI | Boettcher Foundation | \$325,000 | Rejected |
| | Title: Development of Complement – Epstein Barr Virus Directed Therapeutics | | | | |
| 9. | 02/28/21 | PI | Boettcher Foundation | \$325,000 | Rejected |
| | Title: Understanding the Role of the Immune System in the Establishment of an HIV Reservoir | | | | |
| 8. | 10/22/20 | PI | NIH | \$325,000 | Rejected |
| | Title: Complement System: Role in EBV infection and Immune Response | | | | |
| 7. | 02/28/20 | PI | Boettcher Foundation | \$325,000 | Rejected |
| | Title: Understanding the Role of the Immune System in the Establishment of an HIV Reservoir | | | | |

6. 02/28/19 PI Boettcher Foundation \$325,000 Rejected
Title: Understanding the Role of the Immune System in the Establishment of an HIV Reservoir
5. 05/01/18 Contributor NSF, Growing Convergence Prospectus Rejected
Title: Environmental PFC Impact Collaboration (EPIC) in the Fountain Creek Watershed: Determining the Environmental, Ecological, and Societal Impact of PFCs (Prospectus)
4. 04/16/18 PI UCCS, LAS Dean \$125,000 Rejected
Title: Biomedical Initiative for RNA and Disease
3. 04/09/18 PI UCCS, FRC \$14,000 Rejected
Title: Development of Lupus Therapeutic and immune Disease Imaging Agent from Anti-C3d Monoclonal Antibody
2. 02/28/18 PI Boettcher Foundation \$325,000 Rejected
Title: Understanding the Role of the Immune System in the Establishment of an HIV Reservoir
1. 11/21/17 Advisor UCCS, LAS Dean \$4,000 Rejected
Title: Novel Therapeutic Lupus Antibody: Understanding the Interaction with C3d, *in vitro* and *in silico* Approaches

INDICATORS OF SCHOLARSHIP

Quantitative Measures of Impact of Published Research

Note: This analysis assumes that impact of research products reported in peer-reviewed journals can be quantized through an analysis of others' citations of those products. While no attempt at the quantization of scientific impact is flawless, the method employed here is the commonly accepted form to quantify impact within the research field of the analyzed scientist. Three different metrics have been included to represent broad methodology of collecting 'impact' data.

Research publications search tool "Scopus" was used to conduct this analysis on 09/24/25.

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11. COURSES TAUGHT

CHEM 2201 – Introduction to Biochemical Principles	SP20 – SP23
CHEM 4201 – Current Perspectives in Science and Medicine	SP18
CHEM 4232/5232 – Advanced Techniques in Biochemistry Laboratory	FA17 – FA23
CHEM 4251/5251 – Membrane Structure and Function	SP18 – SP19
CHEM 4231/5231 – Biochemistry II	SP23 – present
CHEM 4701/5701 – Biophysical Chemistry	FA18 – present
CHEM 4721/5721 – Biochemistry of Drugs	FA17 – present
CHEM 4741/5741 – Protein Structure & Dynamics (Biophysical Applications)	SP19, SP24 – present
CHEM 4921/5921 – Biochemistry Capstone	FA17 – present
CHEM 6020 – Journal Club	SP22

12. RECOGNITIONS

MLRD Top Scholar Mentor – Award	2024
CHAVI-ID Young Investigator Award	2014
AIDS Vaccine Scholarship, AIDS Vaccine 2012, Boston, MA	2012
International Complement Society – NIH Outstanding Student Research Award	2010
University of Colorado Denver Chancellor’s Award of Excellence in Grad Research	2009
University of Colorado Health Sciences Graduate School Poster Award	2009
Pre-doctoral Fellowship (individual competitive award), American Heart Assoc.	2008
University of Colorado Health Sciences Graduate School Poster Award	2008
International Complement Society Student Travel Award	2008
NSF Award to attend NSF/NATO Summer Course on Biophysics, Erice, Sicily	2007

13. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Membership</u>
International Complement Society	2007 – present
The American Association of Immunologists	2008 – present
American Chemical Society	2018 – present

14. SERVICE

COMMITTEE MEMBER

Hiring Committee: Pre-Health Advisor University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	Spring 2025
Hiring Committee: Biochemistry Instructor University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	Spring 2022, 2023
Awards Committee: UCCS Representative Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, NCAA Division II	2024 – present
Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee: UCCS Athletics Department University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2022 – present
Faculty Athletic Representative: UCCS Athletics Department University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2022 – present
Chair: Biosafety Internal Review Board University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2022 – present
CDAM Committee - Chemistry & Biochemistry Department University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2020 – present
LAS Representative: Admissions Committee University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2020 – present
EDI Committee Co-chair: Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2019 – 2020
Hiring Committee: Pre-Health Advisor University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	Fall 2020
Hiring Committee: Pre-Health Advisor University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	Fall 2019
Hiring Committee Co-chair: Tenure Track Faculty, Dept. of Chem & Biochem University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	Fall 2018
Chemistry Representative: Biosafety Internal Review Board University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2018 – 2021
Hiring Committee: Tenure Track Faculty, Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	Fall 2017

EVENT ORGANIZER

“Chemistry of Taste” Outreach Event, 150 5 th grade students, Co-organized University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2017 – 2019 2023 – present
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EVENT PARTICIPANT

Represented Chemistry & Biochemistry Dept. at Advising Boot Camp University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2025 – present
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Guest Speaker, CHEM 6010 Research Methods University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2021 – present
Represented Chemistry & Biochemistry Dept. at New Student Orientation University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2019 – present
Pikes Peak Regional Science Fair, Judge & Special Award Judge University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2018 – present
Represented Chemistry & Biochemistry Dept. at Majors/Minors Fair University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2017 – present
Guest Speaker (invited), Science Speakers Lecture Series Goshen College, Goshen, IN	Spring 2024
Guest Speaker, CHEM 430 Biochemistry Goshen College, Goshen, IN	Spring 2024
Guest Speaker, Biochemistry II Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO	2019 – 2020
External Examiner, Honors Program, Biochemistry Major Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA	Spring 2018
Guest Speaker Science on Tap, Cool Science. Colorado Springs, CO	2018
Represented Chemistry & Biochemistry Dept. at Pre-Health Open House University of Colorado, Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO	2017