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University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Veterinary Science, M.Sc. Animal Virology, 1982,

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**Professional experience.**

- 2005- present      Research Leader, Foreign Animal Disease Research Unit, and Senior Leadership Group Agency Representative, Plum Island Animal Disease Center, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, Greenport New York.
- 2002- 2005      Research Leader, Foot-and-Mouth Disease Research Unit, Plum Island Animal Disease Center, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, Greenport New York.
- 1997- 2002      Lead Scientist, Vesicular Stomatitis Virus Project, Plum Island Animal Disease Center, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, Greenport New York.
- 1995-1997      Visiting Scientist, Molecular Biology Section, Special Pathogens Branch, Division of Viral and Rickettsial Diseases, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia.
- 1988-1995      Director, Tropical Disease Research Program, School of Veterinary Medicine, Universidad Nacional, Costa Rica.
- 1985-1995      Professor of Virology, School of Veterinary Medicine, Universidad Nacional, Costa Rica.
- 1980-1985      Research Assistant University of Wisconsin-Madison

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**Patents:**

**U.S. Patent.** “A rapid, simple, and humane method for submandibular bleeding of mice using a lancet” (2005).

**U.S. Patent (pending).** “Development of a Marker Foot and Mouth Disease Virus Vaccine Candidate That is Attenuated in the Natural Host” (2009).

**Professional awards.**

2007 Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer Award for Excellence in Technology Transfer: Humane Device for Bleeding Mice.

2005 USDA, Agricultural Research Service Technology Transfer Award For the Invention of A rapid, simple, and humane method for submandibular bleeding of mice using a lancet.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Group Honor Award, International Health, Nicaraguan Epidemic Investigation, 1996

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Group Honor Award, Research - Epidemiology and Laboratory, Ebola Epidemic, 1996

National Science and Technology Award "Clodomiro Picado Twilight" (Presented by the President of Costa Rica, 1992).

#### **Other Experience and Professional Memberships/Honors**

***Journal of Transboundary and Emerging Diseases;*** Editorial Board Member since 2008

**International Committee for Taxonomy of Viruses (ICTV):** vesiculovirus working group 2009.

**National Bio and Agro Defense Facility (NBAF);** ARS Representative and Subject Matter Expert; Building Design Committee.

**USDA-ARS Animal Health Research Center at the University of Connecticut – Storrs, CT;** ARS Representative and Subject Matter Expert; Building Design Committee.

**Global Foot-and-Mouth Disease Research Alliance (GFRA);** Founding Member of Executive Committee since 2005.

**Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, Plum Island Animal Disease Center.** Chairman 2000-2003.

**American Society for Virology, since 1985.**

**Veterinary Medical Association, Costa Rica, since 1979**