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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D.**, Biochemistry, 1997, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (thesis title: Lactacystin, Proteasome Function and Cell Morphology; advisors: Prof. Stuart L. Schreiber and Prof. Elias J. Corey)
- M.A.**, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, 1992, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA (thesis title: Antibiotic Inhibitors of Protein Synthesis: Relative Efficacy in Larvae of *Haliotis rufescens* (Gastropod Mollusc) and Effects on Larval Settling Behavior; advisor: Prof. Daniel E. Morse)
- B.A.**, Biochemistry, Aquatic Biology, 1990, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA
- B.S. equivalent (license)**, Biochemistry, 1989, Université de Franche-Comté, as foreign exchange student from Reed College, Portland, OR (1985 – 1989)

## RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### RESEARCH

- Research Scientist/Research & Grants Advisor**, Research Administration & Data Sciences Research Center, NYC Health + Hospitals, 2016 – present
- Research Scientist**, Division of Endocrinology, NYC Health + Hospitals/Woodhull and New York University Medical Center, NY, 2015 – present
- Associate Professor of Chemistry**, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, 2006 – 2015
- Assistant Professor of Chemistry**, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, 2000 – 2006
- Life Sciences Research Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow**, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, 1997 – 2000

### TEACHING

- Associate Professor of Chemistry**, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, 2006 – 2015
- Taught seven semesters of Organic Chemistry I and II (undergraduate classes)
  - Taught six semester of Biological Chemistry (graduate class)
  - Ran or taught various other seminar and lab research courses
- Assistant Professor of Chemistry**, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, 2000 – 2006
- Taught four semesters of Biochemistry I (undergraduate class)
  - Taught six semesters of Chemical Biology and Bioorganic Chemistry (graduate class)
  - Ran or taught various other seminar and lab research courses
- Graduate Teaching Fellow**, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, 1994 – 1996

### WEB DEVELOPMENT AND CONTENT CREATION

- Creator and Maintainer**, The Virtual Library of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Cell Biology: <http://biochemweb.net>, 1999 – present
- Creator and Maintainer**, Websites for the Divisions of Experimental Medicine and Hematology, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, 1998 – 2000

### NARRATIVE

I have over 20 years of experience as a professional scientist, with a strong record of influential publications, presentations, and grant funding. I am presently a research scientist and advisor on research and grants for the New York City Health + Hospitals, the largest public healthcare system in the US, where much of my research has centered on neuroendocrinology and cancer biology. Previously, as a university professor, I was the head of a research group that focused on chemical biology, biochemistry, molecular biology, and cell biology, particularly

the discovery of novel modulators of cell migration, the unbiased isolation of their molecular targets, the characterization of protein-small molecule interactions, and the dissection of the pathways controlling cell motility, with an interest in collective cell migration (the understudied but widespread phenomenon whereby cells move together as groups). My group made major contributions to the discovery of novel anti-migratory and pro-migratory agents and to the understanding of the functions of their protein targets and the roles of these proteins in cancer progression, metastasis, wound healing, and related processes. I have mentored 7 post-doctoral fellows, 9 Ph.D. students, 5 M.S. students, 16 undergraduate researchers, one technician, and two high school scholars. I have been the principal investigator on major grants from the National Institutes of Health, the American Cancer Society, and other funding agencies and foundations.

## GRANTS

### PENDING GRANT

R01AT009703, Fenteany, G. (PI) 09/01/2017–08/30/2022

National Institutes of Health (NCCIH)

Mindfulness Practice to Modulate the Health and Function of the Hypothalamic-Pituitary-Thyroid System

Role: PI Amount: \$1,825,000

### AWARDED GRANTS

R01GM077622, Fenteany, G. (PI), 06/01/2006 – 05/31/2011 (extension to 05/31/2013)

National Institutes of Health (NIGMS)

Mechanism of Action of New Inhibitors of Cell Migration

Role: PI Amount: \$1,295,000

R01GM077622 Supplement, Fenteany, G. (PI), 01/01/2008 – 05/31/2011

National Institutes of Health (NIGMS)

Research Supplements to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research

Role: PI Amount: \$175,252

R01GM077622 Supplement, Fenteany, G. (PI), 09/11/2009 – 08/31/2010 (No-cost extension to 08/31/2012)

National Institutes of Health (NIGMS)

Mechanism of Action of New Inhibitors of Cell Migration

Role: PI Amount: \$200,451

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Lincoln, S.T. (Awardee), 06/2011 – 08/2011

University of Connecticut Role: PI Amount: \$3,990

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Minutolo, N. (Awardee), 06/2011 – 08/2011

University of Connecticut Role: Co-PI with David Knecht Amount: \$4,000

University of Connecticut Major Research Equipment Award, Hadden, K. (PI), 10/22/2010

UConn High-Throughput Screening Center

Role: Key Personnel Amount: \$221,530

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Heyse, S.A. (Awardee), 06/2010 – 08/2010

University of Connecticut Role: PI Amount: \$2,500

University of Connecticut Intermediate Research Equipment Award, Yao, X. (PI), 12/11/2009

Nano Liquid Chromatography System

Role: Key Personnel Amount: \$99,000

UCHC/Storrs and Regional Campus Incentive Grant, Wright, D. (PI), 09/01/2008 – 08/31/2009

A High Throughput Screen (HTS) to Identify Novel Anti-Cancer Agents

Role: Co-PI Amount: \$50,000

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Morse, P.D. (Awardee), 06/2009 – 08/2009

University of Connecticut Role: PI Amount: \$3,000

Partnership for Excellence in Structural Biology Research Fellowship

University of Connecticut Partnership for Excellence in Structural Biology

Fenteany, G. (PI); Alexandrescu, A.T. (Co-Investigator), 01/01/2008 – 05/31/2008

Role: PI Amount: \$12,735

Partnership for Excellence in Structural Biology Research Fellowship

University of Connecticut Partnership for Excellence in Structural Biology  
Gascón, J.A. (PI); Fenteany, G. (Co-Investigator), 08/01/2008 – 12/31/2007  
Role: Co-Investigator Amount: \$12,735

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Drozdowicz, L.B. (Awardee), 06/2007 – 08/2007  
University of Connecticut Role: PI Amount: \$3,000

0722948 (Major Research Instrumentation), Knecht, D.A. (PI), 09/01/2007  
National Science Foundation  
Acquisition of a Confocal Live Cell Imaging System  
Role: Sr. Personnel Amount: \$367,305

RSG-02-250-01-DDC, Fenteany, G. (PI), 07/01/2002 – 06/30/2006  
American Cancer Society  
Probes to Study and Control Cell Motility and Morphogenesis  
Role: PI Amount: \$650,000

R21CA95177, Fenteany, G. (PI), 04/01/2002 – 03/31/2003  
National Institutes of Health (NCI)  
Discovery of Drug Targets Controlling Cell Motility  
Role: PI Amount: \$148,573

Campus Research Board Grant, Fenteany, G. (PI), 07/01/2001 – 06/30/2002  
University of Illinois  
Small Organic Molecules to Study and Control Cell Motility  
Role: PI Amount: \$15,000

0091994 (Major Research Instrumentation), Keiderling, T.A (PI), 02/15/2001  
National Science Foundation  
Purchase of a Departmental Stopped-Flow Equipped Circular Dichroism Spectrometer  
Role: Co-Investigator Amount: \$112,572

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Fenteany, G.; Inoue, T.; Bahtiyar, G.; Sacerdote, A. Association of vitamin D repletion with normalization of elevated serum 17-OH progesterone. *J. Med. Case Rep.*, 2017, 3, 29.
- Powell, D.; Inoue, T.; Bahtiyar, G.; Fenteany, G.; Sacerdote, A. Treatment of nonclassic 11-hydroxylase deficiency with Ashwagandha root. *Case Rep. Endocrinol.* 2017, Article ID 1869560.
- Magpusao, A.N.; Omolloh, G.; Johnson, J.; Gascón, J.; Peczuh, M.W.; Fenteany, G. Cardiac glycoside activities link Na(+)/K(+) ATPase ion-transport to breast cancer cell migration via correlative SAR. *ACS Chem. Biol.* 2015, 10, 561-569.
- Eddy, N.A.; Richardson, J.J.; Fenteany, G. The effect of Lewis acids on the cycloaddition of 3,3,6-trimethylcyclohex-5-ene-1,2,4-trione: hydrogen transfer versus cycloaddition with cyclopentadiene. *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* 2013, 2013 (23), 5041-5044.
- Clark, A.G.; Sider, J.R.; Verbrugghe, K.; Fenteany, G.; von Dassow, G.; Bement, W.M. Identification of small molecule inhibitors of cytokinesis and single cell wound repair. *Cytoskeleton* 2012, 69, 1010-1020.
- Rudnitskaya, A.N.; Eddy, N.A.; Fenteany, G.; Gascón, J.A. Recognition and reactivity in the binding between Raf kinase inhibitor protein and its small-molecule inhibitor locostatin. *J. Phys. Chem. B.* 2012, 116, 10176-10181.
- Ren, G.; Baritaki, S.; Marathe, H.; Feng, J.; Park, S.; Beach, S.; Bazeley, P.S.; Beshir, A.B.; Fenteany, G.; Mehra, R.; Daignault, S.; Al Mulla, F.; Keller, E.; Bonavida, B.; de la Serna, I.; Yeung, K.C. Polycomb protein EZH2 regulates tumor invasion via the transcriptional repression of the metastasis suppressor RKIP in breast and prostate cancer. *Cancer Res.* 2012, 72, 3091-3104.
- Eddy, N.A.; Kelly, C.B.; Mercadante, M.A.; Leadbeater, N.E.; Fenteany, G. Access to dienophilic ene-triketone synthons by oxidation of diketones with an oxoammonium salt. *Org. Lett.* 2012, 14, 498-501.
- Eddy, N.A.; Morse, P.D.; Morton, M.D.; Fenteany, G. Synthesis of oxazolidinone and tosyl enamines by tertiary amine catalysis. *Synlett* 2011, 5, 699-701.
- Beshir, A.B.; Argueta, C.E.; Menikarachchi, L.C.; Gascón, J.A.; Fenteany, G. Locostatin disrupts association of Raf kinase inhibitor protein with binding proteins by modifying a conserved histidine residue in the ligand-binding pocket. *Forum Immunopath. Dis. Ther.* 2011, 2, 47-58.

Wang, Z.; Castellano, S.; Kinderman, S.S.; Argueta, C.E.; Beshir, A.B.; Fenteany, G.; Kwon, O. Diversity through a branched reaction pathway: generation of a library of sixteen multicyclic scaffolds and identification of antimigratory agents. *Chem. Eur. J.* 2011, 17, 649-654.

Beshir, A.B.; Ren, G.; Magpusao, A.N.; Barone, L.M.; Yeung, K.C.; Fenteany, G. Raf kinase inhibitor protein suppresses nuclear factor- $\kappa$ B-dependent cancer cell invasion through negative regulation of matrix metalloproteinase expression. *Cancer Lett.* 2010, 299, 137-149.

Knecht, D.A.; LaFleur, R.; Kahsai, A.W.; Argueta, C.E.; Beshir, A.B.; Fenteany, G. Cucurbitacin I inhibits cell motility by indirectly interfering with actin dynamics. *PLoS ONE* 2010, 5, e14039.

Magpusao, A.N.; Desmond, R.; Billings, K.J.; Fenteany, G.; Pecuh, M.W. Synthesis and evaluation of antimigratory and antiproliferative activities of lipid-linked [13]-macro-dilactones. *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* 2010, 20, 5472-5476.

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Beshir, A.B.; Guchhait, S.K.; Gascon, J.A.; Fenteany, G. Synthesis and structure-activity relationships of metal-ligand complexes that potently inhibit cell migration. *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* 2008, 18, 498-504.

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## PATENTS

- Compound libraries made through phosphine-catalyzed annulation/Tebbe/Diels-Alder reactions  
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- Inhibitors of animal cell motility and growth  
 US 7390826: publication date: Jun. 24, 2008; filing date: Oct. 26, 2005; priority date: Jun. 12, 2002; also published as US20030236290, US20060063935, WO2003106437A1; Inventors: Gabriel Fenteany, Arun K. Ghosh, Kevin McHenry, Sudha Ankala, Sarosh Anjum, Shoutian Zhu
- Lactacystin analogs  
 US 6645999: PCT number: PCT/US1996/005072; publication date: Nov. 11, 2003; filing date: Apr. 12, 1996; also published as: CA2217817A1, CN1151787C, CN1187769A, DE69636902D1, DE69636902T2, EP0820283A1, EP0820283A4, EP0820283B1, US5756764, US6147223, US6214862, US6335358, US6458825, WO1996032105A1; Inventors: Gabriel Fenteany, Robert F. Standaert, Timothy F. Jamison, Stuart L. Schreiber

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2007 University of Connecticut Undergraduate Student Government Educator of the Year Nominee,  
 2002–2006 American Cancer Society Research Scholar,  
 1999–2000 Life Sciences Research Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship  
 1999 National Institutes of Health Postdoctoral Fellowship (Declined)  
 1999 American Lung Association Postdoctoral Fellowship (Declined)  
 1991–1994 National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship,  
 1990 Election to Phi Beta Kappa  
 1990 Election to Golden Key National Honor Society  
 1985 Alice Tweed Tuohy Honors Scholarship, Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara

## FORMAL GRANT REVIEWING

- 2011 National Science Foundation – Division of Chemistry  
 2009 National Institutes of Health – Synthetic and Biological Chemistry B Study Section, *Ad Hoc* Member  
 2009 National Science Foundation – Integrative Organismal Systems – Animal Developmental Mechanisms  
 2009 National Institutes of Health, Stage 1 Reviewer for RC1 Challenge Grants  
 2008 National Science Foundation – Molecular and Cellular Biosciences  
 2008 American Heart Association Bioengineering 2 Peer Review Study Group  
 2007 National Science Foundation – Molecular and Cellular Biosciences  
 2006 National Institutes of Health – Synthetic and Biological Chemistry B Study Section, *Ad Hoc* Member  
 2003–2006 American Cancer Society  
 2003 Vahlteich Endowment Research Fund