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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, University of Arizona at Tucson, Tucson, AZ • present

EDUCATION

Postdoctoral fellow, CU Boulder / Howard Hughes Medical Institute, Boulder, CO

Ph.D. in Biophysics, University of Texas, Southwestern Med. Center, Dallas, TX • 2010

Thesis: "Small RNAs regulate transcription by interaction with noncoding RNA transcripts." Mentor: Dr. David R. Corey.

M.S. in Biology, specialization in Neuroscience, Univ. of North Texas, Denton, TX • 2005

B.S. in Physics, Univ. of North Texas, Denton, TX • 2002

TRAININ

Laboratory of Dr. Tom Cech, Biochemistry, CU Boulder, Boulder, CO K99/R00 award recipient • 2013 – Present NRSA Postdoctoral Fellow • 2012 – 2013 Postdoctoral Researcher • 2010 – Present	2010 – 2014
Laboratory of Dr. David R. Corey, Pharmacology, UT Southwestern, Dallas, TX NRSA Pre-doctoral Fellow • 2006 – 2010 Research Assistant II • 2005 – 2006	2005 – 2010
Research Assistant • Center for Network Neuroscience, Denton, TX Research Assistant • Ion Beam Modifications and Analysis Laboratories, Denton, TX Research Assistant • Polymer Gels and Hydrogels Research Laboratory, Denton, TX Tutor • Texas Academy of Math and Science, Univ. of North Texas, Denton, TX	2002 - 2005 2000 - 2003 2000 - 2001 1999 - 2002

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

U. Arizona, Tucson, AZ

Lecturer – Proteins and Enzymes, *Fall semester, BIOC 565*

Lecturer – Introduction to Biochemical Research, *BIOC* 296b

C.U. Boulder, Boulder, CO

2011 - 2013

2014 - present

Discussion Group Leader – RCR (Dale Mood), 2 lectures • 2012 – 2013

· Led Conflicts of Interest, and Human and Animal Use.

Guest Lecturer - Biochemistry I (Robert Batey), 6 lectures, BIOC4711 • 2012

Lectures on Amino Acids, Protein Purification, Cooperativity, Allostery, and Drug Development.

Guest Lecturer - Quantitative Biology (Tom Cech), 2 lectures, PHYS7810 • 2011 – 2012

Lectures and activity-based learning on Genome Bioinformatics Using Public Databases.

Univ. of North Texas, Denton, TX

2000 - 2002

Guest Lecturer - Solid State Physics (Zhibing Hu), 2 lectures, PHYS4500 • 2001 – 2002

Teaching Assistant - Nuclear Physics Laboratory, PHYS4900 • 2002

Teaching Assistant - Probability and Statistics, MATH1681 and MATH 1780 • 2001 – 2002

Teaching Assistant - General Physics I and II, PHYS1510 and PHYS1520 • 2000 – 2001

Tutor • Texas Academy of Math and Science, Univ. of North Texas, Denton, TX

1999 – 2002

• Mechanics, Electricity and Magnetism, Calculus I, Calculus II, PHYS1710, PHYS2220, MATH1710, MATH1720.

DEPARTMENT AFFILIATIONS

(Primary Appointment) – Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of Arizona (Member) – Department of Neuroscience, University of Arizona (Member) – University of Arizona Cancer Center, University of Arizona Health Sciences

SERVICE

Reviewer (Funding):

Gordon Research Conferences	2015
Motor Neurone Disease Association	2015
UA-American Cancer Society	2014

Reviewer (Journal):

PNAS – 1 publication	2015
Journal of Biological Methods – 1 publication	2014
Nucleic Acids Research – 4 publications	2014 – present
Cancer Gene Therapy – 1 publication	2014
ASN Neuro – 1 publication	2014

Departmental Committees:

CBC Faculty Search Committee	2015 - present
Colloquium Organization Committee	2014 - present

Thesis Committee

Teal Brechtel (PhD)	Lindsay Guzman (PhD)
Wen Chen (PhD)	Lilian Patron (PhD)
Andres Morera (PhD)	

Graduate Students Trained

Michelle Riffer (MS)

Matthew Swan (MA)	2014 – 2015
Mahta Moinpour (PhD)	2015 - present
Nasiha Ahmed (PhD)	2015 – present

Undergraduate Students Trained

Conner White		2014 – present
Rishab Srivastava	UBRP fellowship	2015 – present

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Al Gilman Award, Department of Pharmacology, UT Southwestern, Dallas TX • 2009
Dean's Discretionary Academic Excellence Award, UT Southwestern, Dallas TX • 2009
Leita Marsh Pharmacological Award, Altrusa International Inc., Dallas, TX • 2009
Keystone Symposia Scholarship, "RNAi, MicroRNA, and Non-Coding RNA" • 2008
39th Annual Sigma Xi Research Forum Meritorious Research Award • 2007
Presidential Honors Scholarship, Univ. of North Texas • 1999 – 2002
Eagle Fellow's Scholarship, Univ. of North Texas • 1999 – 2001
President of Society of Physics Students (SPS), Tarleton A&M University • 1998 – 1999
Dick Smith Scholarship, Tarleton A&M University • 1998 – 1999

FUNDING

• NIH (NINDS) K99/R00 award, "Analysis of the RNA-binding protein FUS and its role in neurodegenerative disease"

1K99NS082376-01A1

NIH (NIGMS) F-32 NRSA Fellow, "Regulation of transcription by the RNA binding protein FUS" 2012 – 2013

1F32GM095311-01A1

• NIH (NIBIB) F-31 Kirschstein Fellow, "Smart Radiolabels to image macromolecular interactions" **2006 – 2010** 5F31EB005556

PATENT

WO 2009046397 - Schwartz JC, Younger ST, Janowski BA, Corey DR

"Modulating gene expression with agRNA and gapmers targeting antisense transcripts"

License Agreement with: Alnylam Pharmaceutics Inc., Start: 2009

License Agreement with: MiNA Therapeutics, Start: 2015

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

For more publication information, go to http://www.researcherid.com/rid/J-6477-2012

- 1. Wang X, **Schwartz JC**, Podell ER, Cech TR, "FUS binds RNA in a cooperative and length-dependent manner." *NAR*, 2015 Jul 6. Pii: gkv679. (*Epub ahead of print*). (PMID: 26150427)
- 2. **Schwartz JC**, Cech TR, Parker RR, "Biochemical properties and biological functions of FET proteins", *Annu. Rev. Biochem.* 2015; 84:355-79. (PMID: 25494299)
- 3. **Schwartz JC**, Podell ER, Han SSW, Berry JD, Eggan KC, Cech TR, "FUS is sequestered in nuclear aggregates in ALS patient fibroblasts" *Mol Biol Cell*, 2014; 25(17):2571-8. (PMID: 25009283)
- 4. **Schwartz JC**, Wang X, Podell ER, Cech TR, "RNA seeds higher order assembly of FUS protein" *Cell Reports*, 2013; 5(4):918-25.
- 5. **Schwartz JC**, Ebmeier CC, Podell ER, Heimiller J, Taatjes DJ, Cech TR, "FUS binds the CTD of RNA polymerase II and regulates its phosphorylation at Ser2" *Genes Dev*, 2012; 26:2690-95.
- Pena-Llopis S, Vega-Rubin-de-Celis S, Schwartz JC, Wolff N, Tran TAT, Zou L, Xie X, Corey DR, Brugarolas J, "Reciprocal regulation of V-ATPases and mTORC1", EMBO J, 2011; 30(16):3242-58. Commented on by:
 - a. Jacinto E, "TFEBulous control of traffic by mTOR", EMBO J, 2011; 30(16):3215-3216
- Schwartz JC, Corey DR, "Practical considerations for analyzing antigene RNAs (agRNAs): RNA immunoprecipitation of argonaute protein", Methods Mol Biol, 2011; 764:301-15
- 8. Yue A, **Schwartz JC**, Younger ST, Chu Y, Gagnon KT, Elbashir S, Janowski BA, Corey DR, "Regulation of Transcription by Small RNAs Complementary to Sequences Downstream from the 3' Termini of Genes", *Nat Chem Biol*, 2010 Aug; 6(8):621-9
- 9. Hu J, Matsui M, Gagnon KT, **Schwartz JC**, Gabillet S, Arar K, Wu J, Bezprozvanny I, Corey DR, "Inhibiting Expression of Mutant Huntingtin and Ataxin-3 by Targeting Expanded CAG Repeat RNAs", *Nat Biotech*, 2009 May; 27(5):478-84

Commented on by:

- a. Aronin N, "Expanded CAG repeats in the crosshairs." Nat Biotech, 2009; 27(5):748-84.
- 10. **Schwartz JC,** Younger ST, Nguyen, NB, Hardy DB, Monia BP, Corey DR, Janowski BA, "Antisense Transcripts are Targets for Small Activating RNAs", *Nat Struct Mol Biol.* 2008 Aug;15(8):842-8.

Commented on by:

- a. Arnaud, CH, "RNA-Controlled Gene Expression", Chem&Engineering News, 2008 July 10.
- b. UTSMC. "New Targets For RNAs That Regulate Genes Identified." ScienceDaily, 2008 Jul 6.
- c. Kruger RP, "Leading Edge: Making Sense of Antisense", Cell, 2008 July 25; 134: 195-6.
- d. Sheppard TL, "Research Highlights: Making sense of RNA activation", *Nat Chem Biol*, Aug 2008; 4(8):457.
- e. Pollack A, "The Promise and Power of RNA", The New York Times, 2008 Nov 11.
- f. Dolgin E. "Now Showing: RNA Activation." The Scientist. 2009 May 5: 23(5):34
- 11. Janowski BA, Huffman KE, **Schwartz JC**, Ram R, Nordsell R, Shames DS, Minna JD, Corey DR, "Involvement of AGO1 and AGO2 in mammalian transcriptional silencing", *Nat Struct Mol Biol.* 2006 Sep;13(9):787-92.
- 12. Janowski BA, Kaihatsu K, Huffman KE, **Schwartz JC**, Ram R, Hardy D, Mendelson CR, Corey DR, "Inhibiting transcription of chromosomal DNA with antigene peptide nucleic acids", *Nat Chem Biol.* 2005 Sep;1(4):210-5.

- 13. Janowski BA, Huffman KE, **Schwartz JC**, Ram R, Hardy D, Shames DS, Minna JS, Corey DR, "Inhibiting gene expression at transcription start sites in chromosomal DNA with antigene RNA", *Nat Chem Biol.* 2005 Sep;1(4):216-22.
- 14. Lu X, Hu Z, **Schwartz J** "Phase Transition Behavior of Hydroxypropylcellulose under Interpolymer Complexation with Poly(acrylic acid)" *Macromolecules* 2002; 35(24): 9164-8
- 15. McDaniel FD, Doyle BL, Seager CH, Walsh DS, Vizkelethy G, Brice DK, Yang C, Rossi P, Nigam M, El Bouanani M, Ravi Prasad GV, **Schwartz JC**, Mitchell LT, and Duggan JL, "Ionoluminescence decay measured with single ions" *Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B*, 2002; 190:1-10.

TALKS PRESENTED

- 1. Tarleton State University, 1999
- 2. Substrate Integrated Microelectrode Array (SIMEA) conference, Denton TX, 2003
- 3. School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Nottingham, UK, 2003
- 4. Institute of Biological Sciences, University of Rostock, Germany, 2003
- 5. Regulatory and Noncoding RNA conference, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories, N.Y. 2012
- 6. Functional RNAs, Cell Symposia, Sitges, Spain 2012