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Honors and Awards

1982	NIH Postdoctoral Fellowship
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1989	National Science Foundation Presidential Young Investigator
1989	March of Dimes Basil O'Connor Starter Scholar Research Award

1993 American Heart Association Established Investigatorship Award 2018
Fellow of the American Society for Cell Biology

Conferences Organized

1995 Chair, Gordon Research Conference: "Mechanisms of Membrane Transport"
2002 Chair, FASEB Summer conference: "Amyloids and other abnormal protein folding processes"
2002 Co-chair, Society of General Physiologists Conference: "Assembly and trafficking of transporters"
2011 - 2015 Co-organizer, Cold Spring Harbor Conference: "The Ubiquitin Family"

Reviewing and Editorial

1988 - Ad hoc reviewer, NIH
1989 - 1999 Editorial Board, *J. Biol. Chem.*
1995 - Editorial Board, *J. Cell Sci.*
2005 - Editorial Board, *J. Membrane Biol.*
2006 - Editorial Board, *Autophagy*
2011 - 2016 Member, MBPP study section NIH
2011 - Editorial Board, *Journal of Huntington's Disease*

Professional Societies

1982 - present American Society for Cell Biology
1988 - present Society of General Physiologists
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Patents

2010 "Composition and Methods for High Throughput Screening of Pharmacological Chaperones" - Ron R. Kopito and Wei Zhang: US Patent 7,790,364 B2

Departmental and University Service

2020 - present Chair, Biology Department Safety Committee
2024- present, Member, University Health and Safety Committee
2000- present, Member, Advisory Board, Protein and Nucleic Acid (PAN) facility

Publications

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10. Parker, T.S., R.R. Kopito and H. Brunengraber (1985) Radioenzymatic assay of plasma mevalonate. *Methods Enzymol*, 110, 58-71.
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