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EDUCATION:

Nov. 1982-Nov. 1984 Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Molecular Genetics and Cell biology,
The University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Aug. 1978-Oct. 1982 Ph.D. in Biochemistry, Purdue University, W. Lafayette, Indiana

Sept. 1974-June 1978 B.A. Chemistry with Honors, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, Georgia

June 1974 High School Diploma, Robert College, Istanbul, Turkey

FELLOWSHIPS AND APPOINTMENTS:

July 2014-present Distinguished Professor, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology, Rutgers
University, New Brunswick, New Jersey

May 2011-present Director, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences Core Facility,
Rutgers University (<http://sebs.rutgers.edu/core-facility/>)

July 2001-July 2014 Professor, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology, Rutgers University, New
Brunswick, New Jersey

Oct. 1992-July 2001 Associate Professor, Department of Plant Pathology and the Biotech Center,
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey

June 1989 - Sept. 1992 Group Leader, Plant Sciences Division, Monsanto Co., St. Louis, Missouri

April 1987-June 1989 Research Specialist, Plant Sciences Division, Monsanto Co., St. Louis, Missouri

Nov. 1984-April 1987 Senior Research Biologist, Plant Sciences Division, Monsanto Co., St. Louis,
Missouri

Jan. 1982-Nov. 1984 Postdoctoral Fellowship, American Cancer Society, Department of Molecular
Genetics and Cell Biology, The University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois (Robert
Haselkorn, advisor)

Aug. 1978-Oct. 1982 Research Assistant, Department of Biochemistry, Purdue University

Jan. 1980-May 1980 Teaching Assistant, Department of Biochemistry, Purdue University

Sept. 1976-June 1977

Laboratory Assistant in Chemistry, Agnes Scott College

SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS:

March 2015	Best Paper Award 2015 <i>Toxins (Basel)</i> in recognition for the outstanding publication mechanism of “Trichothecene mycotoxins inhibit mitochondrial translation-Implication for the toxicity (2011) <i>Toxins (Basel)</i> 12, 1484-1501
July 2012	Professor of the Year Award, Graduate Program in Plant Biology, Rutgers University
April 2012	Rutgers University Patent Award
May 2009	First recipient of an NIH ARRA award in NJ, AI077805 “ <i>C.elegans</i> as a model for ricin intoxication”
Sept 2009	Rutgers University Merit Award
March 2008	Elected to Rutgers University Senate
March 6, 2008	Rutgers Press Release “Rutgers Research Reveals How Food Poisoning and Bioterrorism Toxins Could Be Tamed” and Rutgers Focus article by Carl Blesch
April 2006	Rutgers University Sustained Research Excellence Award
April 2006	Rutgers University Patent Award
March 2006	Rutgers University Faculty Academic Service Increment Award
April 2005	Rutgers University Faculty Academic Service Increment Award
Dec. 2004	Rutgers University Academic Excellence Fund Award
April 2004	Rutgers University Patent Award
Oct. 2002	Elected as a member of the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
April 2000	Rutgers University, Cook/NJAES Award for Excellence in Research
April 2000	Japanese Society for Promotion of Science Fellowship for Research at Tokyo University
Dec. 1999	Rutgers University Patent Award (two awards)
May 1995	Johnson & Johnson Research Discovery Award
May 1990	Monsanto Company Stock Award for Excellence in Research
1989-1990	Executive Excellence Program, Monsanto Co., St. Louis, MO
Dec. 1987	Achievement Award, Monsanto Co., St. Louis, MO
1983-1984	Postdoctoral Fellowship, American Cancer Society, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
1982-1983	Postdoctoral Fellowship in Genetics, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

June 1978 Graduation with honor, Chemistry Department, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, GA

1974-1978 College Scholarship Award covering tuition, room and board, Agnes Scott College,
Decatur, GA

1977-1978 Charles A. Dana Scholarship Award, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, GA

June 77-Aug. 77 NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) Award, Auburn University,
Auburn, AL

ADVISORY BOARDS AND SERVICE ON COMMITTEES:

2016-present Compensation Review Committee, SEBS, Rutgers University

2015-Present Editor-in-Chief, Plant Toxins section of *Toxins (Basel)*

2015-Present Editorial Board *Toxins (Basel)*

2015-Present Section Leader, Natural Products and Human Health Section of the Plant Biology and Pathology
Department, Rutgers University

2015-present Executive Committee, Department of Plant Biology

2015-present Curriculum Committee, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology

2014-2017 Chair, Gene discovery and Engineering Resistance (GDER) Panel, USDA US Wheat and Barley
Scab
Initiative (USWBSI)

Nov. 2014 Editor, *Toxins (Basel)* Special Issue on Plant Toxins

2013-Present Editorial Board, *Microbial Cell*

2013-Present Panel member, NIH ZRG1 Topics in Bacterial Pathogenesis Panel IDM-B 80

2013 Panel member, Multi-project grant applications (U19) NIAID Centers of Excellence in
Translational Research (CETR)

2012 Panel Member, NIH Bioengineering Sciences and Technologies Study Section BST-T[30]

2012 Panel member, NIH ZRG1 Bacterial Pathogenesis Special Emphasis Panel, IDM-A 80

2011-Present Editorial Board, International Journal of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

2011-2013 Academic and Promotions Committee, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Rutgers
University

2008-2010 Member, Rutgers University Senate

2007-2015 Vice-Chair, Gene discovery and Engineering Resistance (GDER) panel, USDA US Wheat and
Barley Scab
Initiative (USWBSI)

2007- 2009 Panel Member, Eukaryotic Genetics, Genes and Genome Systems Cluster, National Science
Foundation

2007 Panel Member, NIAID “Cooperative Research Partnerships for Biodefense” October 22-24, 2007

2007 Acting Chair, NIAID “Partnerships into Therapeutics and Diagnostics of Biodefense Toxins” Study Section in Washington DC on March 29-30, 2007.

2007-2011 Advisory Committee, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology

2006-Pres. Panel member, Busch Biomedical Research Grants, Rutgers University

2006-2012 Chair, Admissions Committee, Graduate Program in Plant Biology and Pathology, School of Environmental and Biological Sciences, Rutgers University

2002-2006 Panel member, National Science Foundation, Biochemistry of Gene Expression

2004-2005 Member, Department of Plant Biology and Pathology Faculty Academic Service Increment Program Committee

2004 Cook College Judicial Panel

2003-2006 Member, Biological Sciences Area Committee, Graduate School, Rutgers University

2002-2005 Panel member, United States Department of Agriculture, Small Business Innovation Program (SBIR)

2001-2004 Cook College Planning Committee, Cook College, Rutgers University

2000-2004 Member, Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT) Faculty Advisory Board

1995-1998 Panel member, Breast Cancer Program, DOD US Army Medical Research

1993-2000 Panel member, National Science Foundation, Biochemistry of Gene Expression

GRANT SUPPORT:

2017-22 NIH 2R01AI072425-10A1 “Inhibitors targeting ribosome interactions of ricin.” Total: \$2,182,115 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.). Direct costs for fiscal year 1: \$295,000.

2017-18 Alberts Biodiversity Award, SEBS, “Applied Biosystems Proflex PCR System.” \$10,235 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., Michael Pierce, Co-PI).

2016-18 USDA-ARS 59-0790-6-069 “A genome wide screen to identify novel genes for FHB resistance” \$134, 000 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., John McLaughlin, Co-P.I.)

2015-16 New Jersey Health Foundation “Fragment Library for Fragment Based Drug Discovery at Rutgers.” \$88,000 with matching funds (Nilgun Tumer and David Kimball, Co-P.I.s)

2015-16 NIH R01AI072425-08S1 Minority Supplement for Helen Lopez \$36,000.

2014-16 USDA-ARS 59-0206-1-121 “A genome wide screen to identify novel genes for FHB resistance” \$134, 000 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., John McLaughlin, Co-P.I.)

2012-16 NIH 2R01AI072425-06A1 What makes ricin toxic \$1,533,150 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I. Wendie Cohick, Co-P.I.)

2011-15 NIH 5T32AI007403 Training Grant in Virus-host Interactions in Eukaryotic Cells \$855,705 (Gary Brewer, P.I.)

2013-14 NIH 5R01AI072425-07 Administrative Supplement to Recover Losses due to Hurricane Sandy, \$77,473. Period: 2013-2014 (Nilgun Tumer, PI, Wendie Cohick, Co-PI)

2013-14 NIH 3R01AI072425-07S1 What makes ricin toxic \$53,887 (Minority supplement for Juan Gnecco, Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2012-14 NIH 1R21AI092011-01A1 Role of the ribosomal stalk in the activity of Shiga toxins \$418,643 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2012-14 USDA-ARS 59-0206-1-121 A genome wide screen to identify novel genes for FHB resistance \$130,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., John McLaughlin, Co-P.I.)

2012-13 Research Infrastructure Award SEBS, Li-Cor Odyssey CLx Infrared Imaging System \$43,700 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2012-13 Research Infrastructure Award SEBS, Beckman Optima XE-90-IVD Ultracentrifuge \$29,408 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2012-13 Office of the Vice President Typhoon FLA9500 Phosphoimager/Fluoroimager and 2D-DIGE analysis software from GE Healthcare \$141,789 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2011-13 NIH R03TW008418 Interaction of ricin A chain with the ribosomal stalk, Fogarty International Center Collaboration Award (FIRCA) \$176,840 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., Marek Tchorzewski Co-P.I.)

2011-12 USDA-ARS 59-0206-1-121 A genome wide screen to identify novel genes for FHB resistance \$62,739 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., John McLaughlin, Co-P.I.)

2011-12 Office of the Vice-President for Research, Typhoon FLA9500 Phosphoimager/Fluoroimager with 2D DIGE analysis software \$141,789 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I.)

2011-12 Research Infrastructure Award SEBS, Perkin Elmer Microplate Counter and Filtermat Cell Harvester \$50,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2010-11 NIH 1S10RR025424 A confocal microscope \$419,356 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., Judy Storch, Dawn Brasaemle, George Carman, Dipak Sarkar, Barth Grant, Monica Driscoll, Kim McKim, Paul Breslin, Co-P.I.)

2010-11 NIH 3U01AI082120-02S1 Research Supplement for a Multi-mode Microplate Reader \$53,040 (Pang, Tumer, Millard, multiple P.I.'s)

2010-11 Office of the Vice-President for Research, GE Healthcare isothermal calorimeter, iTC200 \$115,920 (Nilgun Tumer, PI),

2010-11 Office of the Vice-President for Research, Singer RoTor HDA high throughput screening robot \$95,900 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I.)

2009-13 NIH U01AI082120 Optimization of small molecule inhibitors of Shiga and ricin toxins \$3,883,631 (Pang, P.I., Tumer, Co-P.I., Millard, Co-P.I.) \$995,250 to Nilgun Tumer, including \$300,000 for a Biacore T200.

2009-11 NIH R21AI077805 *C.elegans* as a model for ricin intoxication \$422,150 (Tumer, P.I., Grant, Co-P.I.)

- 2009-11 USDA-ARS 59-0206-1-121 A genome wide screen to identify novel genes for Fusarium Head Blight Resistance \$97,430 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., Mike Lawton, John McLaughlin and Susan McCormick, Co-P.I.)
- 2009-10 NIH AI072425-03S1 ARRA Summer Student Supplement Mechanism of cytotoxicity of Ricin \$53,766 (Tumer, P.I., Cohick, Co-P.I.)
- 2008-10 NIH AI072425-02S1 Research Supplement to Promote Diversity in Health-Related Research Program \$36,369 (Nilgun Tumer, Mentor, Natasha Mendez, Post Baccalaureate Student).
- 2008-09 USDA-ARS 59-0206-1-121 A genome wide screen to identify novel genes for Fusarium Head Blight Resistance \$61,992 (Nilgun Tumer, PI, John McLaughlin, Co-P.I.).
- 2008-09 Research Infrastructure Award (SEBS) for Olympus BX41 Fluorescence Microscope \$45,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I, Mehmet Uzumcu, Wendie Cohick and Michael Lawton co-PIs)
- 2008-09 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT) Detection of food pathogens using Surface Plasmon Resonance Biosensor Technology \$14,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di, Co-P. I.)
- 2007-12 NIH R01 AI072425 Mechanism of cytotoxicity of ricin \$1,894,875 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Wendie Cohick, Co-P.I.)
- 2007-09 Busch Biomedical Research Support, *C. elegans* as a model for Shiga toxin induced disease \$45,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I.)
- 2007-08 USDA-ARS 59-0790-6-069 Modification of the ribosomal target to enhance resistance to trichothecene mycotoxins \$51,270 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di and Ann Blechl, Co-P. I.)
- 2007-08 NSF-MCB 0348299 REU Mechanism of translation inhibition and mRNA destabilization by pokeweed antiviral protein \$ 5,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Andrew Tortora, undergraduate).
- 2007-08 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT) Detection of food pathogens using Surface Plasmon Resonance Biosensor Technology \$14,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di, Co-P. I.)
- 2006-08 NIH R21 AI068869-01 Identification of ribosomal target of Shiga-like toxins \$424,250 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Wendie Cohick, Co-P. I.)
- 2006-07 USDA-ARS 59-0790-6-069 Modification of the ribosomal target to enhance resistance to trichothecene mycotoxins \$49,614 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di Co-P. I.).
- 2006-07 NSF-MCB 0348299 REU Mechanism of translation inhibition and mRNA destabilization by pokeweed antiviral protein \$ 5,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Jonathan Cruz, undergraduate).
- 2006-07 NSF-MCB 0130531 REU Pokeweed antiviral Protein and inhibition of frameshifting \$5,00 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Andrew Tortora, undergraduate).
- 2005-07 NIH R03 AI057805-01 Effect of pokeweed antiviral protein on hepatitis C virus IRES \$154,000 (Rong Di, P. I., Nilgun Tumer Co-P. I.)
- 2005-06 NSF- MCB 0348299 REU Mechanism of translation inhibition and mRNA destabilization by pokeweed antiviral protein \$5,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Kevin VanArsdale, undergraduate).
- 2005-06 NSF- MCB 0130531 REU Pokeweed antiviral Protein and inhibition of frameshifting \$5,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Tiffany Kung, undergraduate).
- 2005-06 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT)- A real-time PCR assay for detection of a food pathogen \$14,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di, Co-P.I.)

2004-08 NSF- MCB 0348299 Mechanism of translation inhibition and mRNA destabilization by pokeweed antiviral protein \$600,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I.).

2004-06 NIH R21AI59720-01 Mechanism of action of ricin A chain \$580,292 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Wendie Cohick, Co-P. I.).

2004-05 Academic Excellence Fund, Rutgers University, A Biacore Biosensor for Biomolecular Interactions \$250,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Longqin Hu, Co-P. I.).

2004-05 NSF-MCB 0348299 REU Mechanism of translation inhibition and mRNA destabilization by pokeweed antiviral protein \$5,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Kevin VanArsdale, undergraduate).

2004-05 USDA-ARS 59-0790-6-069 Modification of the ribosomal target to enhance resistance to trichothecene mycotoxins \$50,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2004-05 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT)- A real-time PCR assay for detection of a food pathogen \$14,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di, Co-P. I.)

2004 Rutgers undergraduate fellows program \$1,500 (John Ruppert, undergraduate)

2003-04 NSF-MCB 0130531 REU Pokeweed antiviral protein and inhibition of ribosomal frameshifting \$ 5,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Eric Kyu, undergraduate)

2003-04 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT)- A real-time PCR assay for detection of a food pathogen \$17,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2003-04 NSF DBI 0302581 A real time PCR machine to quantify gene expression \$57,500 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Gerben Zylstra, Tom Leustek and Eric Lam, Co-P. I.'s)

2003-05 USDA-ARS 59-0790-6-069 Modification of the ribosomal target to enhance resistance to trichothecene mycotoxins, \$52,683 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2002-05 NSF-MCB 0130531 Pokeweed antiviral protein and inhibition of frameshifting \$360,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Jonathan Dinman, Co-P. I.)

2002-03 USDA-ARS 59-0790-6-069 Modification of the ribosomal target to enhance resistance to trichothecene mycotoxins, \$54,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2002-03 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT)- Production of phytoestrogens in tomato and potato \$11,250 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di Co-P. I.)

2002-04 Charles and Johanna Busch Memorial Fund, Genomic Analysis of Plant Defense Response, \$20,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2001-02 USDA Hatch Grant, Regulation of mRNA stability by pokeweed antiviral protein \$16,365 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

2001-02 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT) "Production of phytoestrogen genistein in potato" \$14,217 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di, Co-P. I.)

2000-04 NSF-MCB 99-82498 Mechanism of toxicity and antiviral activity of pokeweed antiviral protein \$428,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Katalin Hudak, Co-P. I.)

2000-01 NSF-MCB 97-27941 REU "Research support for undergraduates" \$4,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Katalin Hudak, Co-P.I., Marianne Baricevic, undergraduate)

2000-01 Center for Advanced Food Technology “Production of phytoestrogen genistein in potato” \$15,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Rong Di, Co-P. I.)

1999-00 NSF-MCB 96-31308- Genetic analysis of pokeweed antiviral protein \$20,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1999-00 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT), Enhancement of flavor precursors in potato \$29,713 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1999-02 Polar Technology Center, Caracas, Venezuela, Ensuring stable and durable resistance to pathogens and pests \$218,095 (Nilgun Tumer, Rutgers and Zaida Lentini, CIAT, Colombia, Co-P. I.)

1998-01 Hughes Institute, Pokeweed antiviral protein against disease \$281,127 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1998-00 NSF-MCB 97-27941, Pokeweed antiviral protein and inhibition of frameshifting \$218,196 to N. Tumer (Nilgun Tumer P. I., Jonathan Dinman Co-P. I.)

1998-99 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT), Inhibition of Enzymatic Browning, \$29,628 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1997-99 International Potato Technology, ForBio America \$160,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1997-98 NSF-MCB 9419919, “Research support for undergraduates” \$6,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Bijal Parikh, undergraduate)

1996-99 NSF-MCB 9419919, Genetic Analysis of Pokeweed Antiviral Protein \$270,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1995-97 NSF-MCB 96-31308, Analysis of Antiviral Function of Pokeweed Antiviral Protein \$93,474 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1995-97 Johnson & Johnson, Pokeweed Antiviral Protein Against AIDS \$20,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1995-96 New Jersey Commission on Science and Technology, Development of herbicide resistant turfgrass through mutant selection and transformation, \$111,000 (Lisa Lee, P. I., Nilgun Tumer, Co-P. I.)

1994-97 Basic American Foods, inhibition of enzymatic browning, \$15,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1994-96 Center for Advanced Food Technology (CAFT), inhibition of enzymatic browning, \$56,856 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1994-96 Charles and Johanna Busch Biomedical Research Grant, Molecular genetic analysis of pokeweed antiviral protein \$9,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I.)

1994-95 Center for Interdisciplinary Studies in Turfgrass Science, Development of enhanced herbicide resistance and abiotic stress tolerance in creeping bentgrass through particle gun transformation, \$44,282 (Nilgun Tumer, Lisa Lee and Barbara Zilinskas Co-P. I.’s)

1994-97 NIH, post doctoral Fellowship, Annette Chiang (Post-Doc.) Nilgun Tumer (Sponsor), \$72,900

1994 UMDNJ Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Graduate Science Careers Program, summer research support for an undergraduate

1993 Office of the Provost, Rutgers, Undergraduate Internship, \$2,000

1993-94 Monsanto Company, Virus resistance in potato \$10,000

- 1992-95 USAID, Improving sweet potato for African farmers through biotechnology, \$132,000 (Robert Horsch, P. I., Maud Hinchee and Nilgun Tumer, Co-P. I.)
- 1992-95 Ministry of Agriculture, Italy, Development of cucumber mosaic virus resistant tomato plants, \$920,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Robert Horsch, Co-P.I.)
- 1992-96 Rockefeller Foundation, Resistance to PVX and PVY in Mexican Potatoes, \$438,000 (Nilgun Tumer, P. I., Robert Horsch, Co-P.I.)
- 1989-92 DeRuiter Seed Company, The Netherlands, Transgenic cucumber resistant to CMV, ZYMV, WMV and PRSV \$1,055,500 (Nilgun Tumer, P.I., Robert Horsch, Co-P. I.)

PATENTS:

Issued:

US Patent No. 9,428,758. Issued Aug. 30, 2016. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer and John E. McLaughlin, Anwar Bin-Umer. Plant genes that confer resistance to trichothecene mycotoxins and Fusarium head blight.

US Patent No. 8,895,006. Issued Nov. 25, 2014. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer and Xiao-Ping Li. Ricin ribosome binding protein compositions and methods of use thereof.

US Patent No. 8,753,642. Issued Jun 17, 2014. Inventors, Rong Di and Nilgun E. Tumer. Method of treating Hepatitis C virus.

US Patent No. 8,026,410 B2 Issued Sept. 27, 2011. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer and Rong Di. Transgenic plants expressing L3 Delta proteins are resistant to trichothecene fungal toxins.

US Patent No. 7,462,694. Issued Dec. 9, 2008. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer, Katalin Hudak and Bijal Parikh. C-terminally truncated non cytotoxic PAP mutants.

US Patent No. 7,235,715. Issued June 26, 2007. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer, Jonathan Dinman and Katalin Hudak. Virus resistant transgenic plants expressing L3.

US Patent No. 7,019,126. Issued March 28, 2006. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer and Pinger Wang. Transgenic plants producing a PAP II protein.

US Patent No. 6,821,781. Issued November 23, 2004. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer and Thomas Leustek. A method for selecting transformed plant cells using ethionine and cystathionine gamma synthase as the selection agent and marker gene.

US Patent No. 6,627,736. Issued September 30, 2003. Inventor: Nilgun E. Tumer. PAP mutants that exhibit antiviral and/or anti fungal activity in plants.

US Patent No. 6,146,628. Issued November 14, 2000. Inventors: Nilgun E. Tumer and Fatih M. Uckun. Biotherapeutic Agents Comprising Recombinant PAP and PAP Mutants.

US Patent No. 6,137,030. Issued October 24, 2000. Inventor: Nilgun E. Tumer. PAP mutants that exhibit anti-viral and/or anti fungal activity in plants.

US Patent No. 5,880,329. Issued March 9, 1999. Inventor: Nilgun E. Tumer. DNAs encoding pokeweed antiviral protein mutants.

US patent No. 5,756,322. Issued May 26, 1998. Inventor: Nilgun E. Tumer. Pokeweed antiviral protein mutants.

European patent # WO 9418336. Issued Aug. 18, 1994. Inventors: E. C. Lawson, J. D. Weiss, C. L. Hemenway and N. E. Tumer. Virus resistant plants and method therefore.

US patent No. 5,304,730. Issued April 19, 1994. Inventors: E. C. Lawson, J. D. Weiss, C. L. Hemenway and N. E. Tumer. Virus resistant plants and method therefore.

US Patent No. 5,185,253. Issued Feb. 9, 1993. Inventor: Nilgun E. Tumer. Virus resistant plants.

US patent No. 4,970,168. Issued Nov. 13, 1990. Inventor: Nilgun E. Tumer. Virus resistant potato.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Ph.D. Thesis:

N. E. Tumer (1982) Soybean Glycinin: Characterization of its Message and its Genes (Dr. M. A. Hermodson, major professor, Dr. N. C. Nielsen, thesis director)

Journal Articles:

1. Grela, P., Li, X-P., Horbowicz, P., Dziwierzynska, Tchorzewski, M. and Tumer, N. E. (2017). Human ribosomal P1-P2 heterodimer represents an optimal docking site for ricin A chain with a prominent role for P1 C-terminus. *Sci. Rep.* 7:5608. doi:10.1038/s41598-017-05675-5.
2. X. P. Li, N. E. Tumer (2017). Differences in Ribosome Binding and Sarcin/Ricin Loop Depurination by Shiga and Ricin Holotoxins. *Toxins (Basel)*. 9(4). pii: E133. doi: 10.3390/toxins9040133.
3. Y. Zhou, X.-P. Li, B. Chen, N. E. Tumer (2017). Ricin uses arginine 235 as an anchor residue to bind to P-proteins of the ribosomal stalk. *Sci. Rep.* 7:42912. doi:10.1038/srep42912.
4. A.E. Jetzt, X.P. Li, N.E. Tumer, W.S. Cohick (2016). Toxicity of ricin A chain is reduced in mammalian cells by inhibiting its interaction with the ribosome. *Toxicol. Appl. Pharmacol.* 310:120-128.
5. D. Basu, J. N. Kahn, X. P. Li, N. E. Tumer (2016). Conserved arginines at the P-Protein stalk binding site and the active site are critical for ribosome interactions of Shiga toxins but do not contribute to differences in the affinity of the A1 subunits for the ribosome. *Infect. Immun.* 84:3290-3301.
6. D. Basu, X. P. Li, J. N. Kahn, K. L. May, P. C. Kahn, N. E. Tumer (2016). The A1 subunit of Shiga toxin 2 has higher affinity for ribosomes and higher catalytic activity than the A1 subunit Shiga toxin 1. *Infect. Immun.* 84:149-161.
7. N. E. Tumer (2015). Introduction to the toxins special issue on plant toxins. *Toxins (Basel)*. 7:4503-4506.
8. J. E. McLaughlin, M. A. Bin-Umer, T. Widiez, D. Finn, S. McCormick, N. E. Tumer (2015). A Lipid Transfer Protein Increases the Glutathione Content and Enhances Arabidopsis Resistance to a Trichothecene Mycotoxin. *PLoS One*. 2015 Jun 9;10(6):e0130204. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0130204.
9. D. Basu and N. E. Tumer (2015). Do the A subunits contribute to the differences in the toxicity of Shiga toxin 1 and Shiga toxin 2? *Toxins (Basel)* 7:1467-485.
10. R. Di, N. E. Tumer (2015). Pokeweed Antiviral Protein: Its Cytotoxicity Mechanism and Applications in Plant Disease Resistance. *Toxins (Basel)* 7:755-772.
11. B. Cakir and N. E. Tumer (2015) Arabidopsis Bax inhibitor-1 inhibits cell death induced by pokeweed antiviral protein in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. *Microbial Cell* 2:43-56.

12. Q. Yan , X. P. Li and N. E. Tumer (2014) Wild Type RTA and Less Toxic Variants Have Distinct Requirements for Png1 for Their Depurination Activity and Toxicity in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. *PLoS One* Dec 1;9(12):e113719. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0113719.
13. M. A. Bin-Umer, J. E. McLaughlin, M. S. Butterly, S. McCormick, N. E. Tumer (2014). Elimination of damaged mitochondria through mitophagy reduces mitochondrial oxidative stress and increases tolerance to trichothecenes. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci USA* 111:11798-803.
14. R. Di and N. E. Tumer (2014). An N-terminal fragment of yeast ribosomal protein L3 inhibits the cytotoxicity of pokeweed antiviral protein in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. *Toxins (Basel)* 6:1349-61. doi: 10.3390/toxins6041349.
15. P. Grela P, X. P. Li, M. Tchorzewski, N. E. Tumer (2014). Functional divergence between the two P1-P2 stalk dimers on the ribosome in their interaction with ricin A chain. *Biochem. J.* 460:59-67.
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- D. J. Hwang, Y. Hur and N. Tumer (1995). Isolation and characterization of pokeweed antiviral protein mutations. The 1995 Annual Workshop on Cancer Research in New Jersey, March 4, 1995, Merck & Co., Inc. Whitehouse Station, New Jersey. PL11.
- A. N. Chiang, J. M. Jilka, D. J. Hwang and N. E. Tumer (1994). Analysis of resistance in transgenic potato expressing PVY protease (NIa) and replicase (NIb) genes. American society for Virology, 13th annual meeting, July 9-13, Madison, Wisconsin. W41-5.
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- L. Lee, C. Laramore, P. Day and N. Tumer (1994). Development of herbicide resistant Turfgrass through mutant selection and protoplast transformation. Congress on Cell and Tissue Culture, June 4-7, 1994, Research Triangle Park, NC, June 4-7. P-1036.
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- C. Hartman, L. Lee and N. Tumer (1994). Particle gun transformation of creeping bentgrass (*Agrostis palustris*). Keystone Symposia on Improved Crop and Plant Products Through Biotechnology, January 4-23, 1994, Keystone, Colorado. Abstract 255.
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C. J. Braun, J. D. Weiss, N. E. Tumer and C. L. Hemenway. (1991). Potato virus X as a model system to study viral replication. In The International Society for Plant Molecular Biology Third International Congress. October 6-11, 1991, Tucson, Arizona. Abstract # 1312

D. L. Nida, G. S. Anderson, C. L. Hemenway, W. K. Kaniewski, E. C. Lawson, J. D. Weiss and N. E. Tumer (1991). Development of potato leafroll virus resistance in Russet Burbank. American Society of Phytopathology Annual Meeting. August 17-21, 1991, St. Louis, MO. Abstract # 866

R. T. Fraley, F. J. Perlak, D. A. Fischhoff, N. Tumer, D. Stark, G. Barry and G. Kishore (1991). Improving potato processing and pest control through gene transfer. In Second International Potato Molecular Biology Symposium. August 11-15, 1991, St. Andrews, Scotland. Abstract 15.

N. E. Tumer, L. Haley, W. Kaniewski and P. Sanders (1990). Analysis of the mechanism of resistance in transgenic tobacco expressing AMV coat protein. In VIIIth International Congress of Virology. August 26-31, Berlin, Germany. Abstract # P80-018

N. E. Tumer, W. Kaniewski, C. Lawson, L. Haley and P. E. Thomas (1990). Engineering resistance to potato leafroll virus in transgenic Russet Burbank potato. In VIIIth International Congress of Virology. August 26-31, Berlin, Germany. Abstract # W80-001.

W. Kaniewski, B. Sammons, M. Lidell and N. Tumer (1990). Analysis of the mechanism of protection in transgenic potato resistant to PVX and PVY. In VIIIth International Congress of Virology. August 26-31, Berlin, Germany. Abstract # P80-020.

C. Lawson, W. Kaniewski, L. Haley, R. Rozman, C. Newell and N. Tumer (1989). Genetically engineered virus resistance in Russet Burbank potato to potato virus X and potato virus Y. In First International Symposium on the molecular biology of the potato. August 13-18, 1989, Bar Harbor, Maine. Abstract #55.

C. Hemenway, R.X. Fang, W. K. Kaniewski, N. H. Chua and N. E. Tumer (1988). Analysis of the mechanism of protection in transgenic plants expressing the PVX coat protein gene. In UCLA Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology, Supplement 12C. March 26-April 1, 1988. Steamboat Springs, CO. Abstract # Y313.

N. Tumer, K. O'Connell, M. Cuzzo, W. Kaniewski and N. H. Chua (1988). Analysis of protection in transgenic plants expressing the cucumber mosaic virus coat protein or its antisense RNA. In UCLA Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology, Supplement 12C. March 26-April 1, 1988, Steamboat Springs, CO. Abstract # Y347.

PROGRAM AND SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEES:

Organizer, The 30th International Horticultural Congress (IHC-2018) in Istanbul, Turkey, Aug. 12-16, 2018.

Organizer, The 10th International Symposium on Shiga toxin (Verocytotoxin) Producing *Escherichia coli* Infections (VTEC 2018) in Florence Italy, May 6-9, 2018.

Workshop Chair, Gene Discovery and Engineering (GDER) Workshop 2016. National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, St. Louis, MO Dec. 4-6, 2016.

Workshop Chair, Pathogen Biology and Genetics (PBG) and Gene Discovery and Engineering (GDER) joint workshop 2015. National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, St. Louis, MO Dec. 4-6, 2016.

Workshop Chair, Gene Discovery and Engineering (GDER) Workshop 2015. National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, St. Louis, MO Dec. 6-8, 2015.

Workshop Chair, Pathogen Biology and Genetics (PBG) and Gene Discovery and Engineering (GDER) joint workshop 2015. National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, St. Louis, MO Dec. 6-8, 2015.

Session chair, Ribosomal stalk and RNA *N*-Glycosidase 2013. International Conference on Nucleic Acid Enzymes and Enzymes in Human Diseases. The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, June 16-21, 2013.

Organizer, Gene Discovery and Engineering Resistance to *Fusarium* Plenary Session. 2012 National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, Orlando, Florida Dec. 4-6, 2012

Organizer, Symposium on Ribotoxic Stress: Mechanisms and Models of Human disease. "Ricin and Shiga toxins interact differently with the ribosomal stalk." 50th Annual Society of Toxicology Meeting, Washington, D.C. March 6-10, 2011

Organizer, Gene Discovery and Engineering Resistance to *Fusarium* Plenary Session. 2011 National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, St. Louis, MO, Dec. 4-6, 2011.

Chair, Workshop on Plant Viruses I: Transmission and Encapsidation at the American Society of Virology Meeting in Montreal, Canada, July 10-14, 2004.

Intensive Course on New Approaches for Plant Biotechnology- Plant Genomics, The United Nations University and Centro de Biotechnologia, Instituto de Estudios Avanzados (IDEA) in Venezuela, April 1-5, 2002.

Intensive Course on Molecular Approaches for Disease Resistance and Modulating Gene Expression in Transgenic Plants- CIAT, Cali, Colombia during December 10-14, 2000

Convener, Plant RNA Viruses II Workshop, 19th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Virology, Fort Collins, CO July 8-12, 2000.

Convener, Engineered Resistance Workshop, Annual meeting of the American Society for Virology, Madison, WI, July 9-13, 1994.

Moderator, Third Annual Rutgers Turfgrass Symposium, Cook College, Rutgers University, January 21-22, 1994.

Chairman, Workshop on Stability and Utility of Viral Replicons in Crop Engineering, Molecular Genetics of Plant-Microbe Interactions Symposium, Rutgers University, N. J. April 21-24, 1993

Organizer, Fifth International Symposium Biotechnology and Plant Protection: Viral Pathogenesis and Disease Resistance. University of Maryland, College Park, MD. October 19-21, 1992

Organizer, Plant Virology workshop - Third International Congress of Plant Molecular Biology, Tucson Arizona, Oct. 6-12, 1991

Co-chairman, Workshop on Applications of Biotechnology to Human Food and Animal Feed Uses, Boyce Thompson institute, May 1989.

INVITED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS:

Invited Speaker, "Microbiology at Rutgers University Symposium," Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, February 2-3, 2017.

Invited Speaker, "Interaction of ricin and Shiga toxins with ribosomes," Danforth Center, St. Louis, MO, Dec. 6, 2016.

Invited speaker, Xiao-Ping Li Biacore User's Meeting, Wistar Institute, Philadelphia, Sept. 8, 2016.

Invited Speaker, Corn Utilization and Technology Conference, St. Louis, MO, June 6-8, 2016.

Invited Speaker, Gordon Conference on Mycotoxins and Phycotoxins. Stonehill College, Easton MA, June 14-19, 2015.

Invited Speaker, Rutgers RWJMS Basic Science Seminar Series, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, April 2, 2015.

Gene Discovery and Engineering Resistance to *Fusarium* Executive Committee Meeting. 2014 National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, St. Louis, MO Dec. 3-6, 2014

Biacore Users Meeting. Xiao-Ping Li and N. E. Tumer Nov 19, 2014, Wistar Institute, Philadelphia.

Invited Speaker, International Conference on Nucleic Acid Enzymes and Enzymes in Human Diseases. “Ribosome interactions of ribosome inactivating proteins.” The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, June 16-21, 2013.

Invited Speaker, “Interaction of ricin and Shiga toxins with ribosomes.” Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey, Jan 11, 2013.

Invited Speaker, “Interaction of ricin and Shiga toxins with ribosomes.” Bosphorous University, Istanbul, Turkey, Jan. 4, 2013.

Invited Speaker, “Interaction of ricin and Shiga toxins with ribosomes.” Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey. Jan. 3, 2013.

Invited Speaker, 17th World Congress of the International Society on Toxinology. “P1/P2 proteins of the human ribosomal stalk are required for ribosome binding and depurination by ricin in human cells.” Animal, Plant and Microbial Toxins. Honolulu, Hawaii July 8-13, 2012.

Invited speaker, A. Bin Umer and J. McLaughlin. “Lipid Transfer Proteins Confer Resistance to Trichothecenes.” Annual meeting of the National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, Orlando, FL. December 4-6, 2012.

Invited speaker, “Ricin and Shiga toxins interact differently with the ribosomal stalk.” Symposium on Ribotoxic Stress: Mechanisms and Models of Human disease. 50th Annual Society of Toxicology Meeting, Washington, D.C. March 6-10, 2011.

Invited Speaker, J. McLaughlin “Activation tag screening to identify novel genes for trichothecene resistance.” 2010 National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, Milwaukee, WI, Dec. 7-9, 2010.

Invited Speaker, “Ricin and Shiga toxin interact differently with the ribosomal stalk.” NIH Trans Research Center of Excellence Workshop on Toxins, The Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, Maryland, Sept. 23-24, 2010.

Invited speaker, M. Pierce “Development of a qRT-PCR assay to examine kinetics of ribosome depurination by ribosome inactivating proteins using *S. cerevisiae* as a model.” NIH Trans RCE Workshop on Toxins, The Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, Maryland, Sept. 23-24, 2010.

Invited Speaker, J. McLaughlin 2010. “A genome-wide screen in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* to identify the genes that mediate cytotoxicity of ricin.” NIH Trans RCE Workshop on Toxins, The Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, Maryland, Sept. 23-24, 2010.

Invited speaker, “Interaction of ricin and Shiga toxin with the ribosomal stalk.” Centro de Biología Molecular Severo Ochoa, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas and Universidad Autónoma de Madrid 28049 Madrid, Spain, Sept 16, 2009.

Invited Speaker, “A genome-wide screen to identify the potential targets of trichothecene mycotoxins.” 2008 National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, Indianapolis, IN, Dec. 2-4, 2008.

Invited Seminar Speaker “Interaction of ricin A chain with ribosomes,” Dept of Cell & Developmental Biology, Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, Oregon, Nov. 10, 2008.

Invited Speaker, “Endoplasmic reticulum targeted toxins inhibit activation of the unfolded protein response by preventing splicing of the Hac1 mRNA.” XIV. International Congress of Virology, Istanbul, Turkey, August 10-15, 2008.

Invited Speaker XII. “A genome wide screen to identify the potential targets of trichothecene mycotoxins.” International Congress of Mycology, Istanbul, Turkey, August 5-9, 2008.

Invited Speaker, “Ribosome interactions of ricin.” Ricin and Shiga Toxin Workshop, Wadsworth Center, Albany, New York, June 18-19, 2008.

Invited speaker, “New insights into the targets of ribosome inactivating proteins and trichothecene mycotoxins.” The Second Annual Mini-Symposium “Microbiology at Rutgers University,” Feb. 7, 2007.

Invited speaker, “Expression of a truncated form of ribosomal protein L3 in transgenic wheat confers resistance to deoxynivalenol and Fusarium Head Blight.” The National Fusarium Head Blight Forum, The Westin Crown Center, Kansas City, Missouri, Dec. 2-4, 2007.

Invited speaker, "New insights into the mechanism of translation inhibition, cell death and antiviral activity of ribosome inactivating proteins." The Noble Foundation, Ardmore, Oklahoma, Oct. 30, 2007.

Invited speaker, "New insights into the mechanism of translation inhibition, cell death and antiviral activity of ribosome inactivating proteins." Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma, Oct. 31, 2007.

Invited speaker, "New Insights into the Function of Ribosome Inactivating Proteins." Ege University, Izmir, Turkey, Aug 21, 2007.

Invited participant, NIAID Optimizing Positive Hits for Potency and Safety in Anti-Infective Drug Development Conference, Gaithersburg, MD, Feb 7-8, 2007.

Invited speaker, "Ricin inhibits activation of the unfolded protein response." Northeast Biodefense Center (NBC) and NIAID Region II Center of Excellence for Biodefense and Emerging Infectious Diseases Research Conference, Lake George, New York, Oct. 29-31, 2006.

Invited Seminar Speaker, "New insights about translation inhibition, mRNA destabilization and cell death caused by ribosome inactivating proteins" Hunter College, New York, November 18, 2006.

Invited speaker, "Pokeweed antiviral protein utilizes the endoplasmic reticulum associated protein degradation pathway to enter the cytosol." 5th Symposium on Post-Transcriptional Regulation of Plant Gene Expression, The University of Texas at Austin, Texas, June 8-12, 2005.

Invited participant, DMID, NIAID Botulinum Neurotoxins and Ricin Investigator's Meeting, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, October, 26, 2004.

Invited seminar speaker, "Retro-translocation of pokeweed antiviral protein," North Carolina State University, October 21, 2004.

Invited speaker, "Enhancement of the primary flavor compound methional in potato by increasing the level of soluble methionine. Division of Agricultural and Food Chemistry, 228th National Meeting of the American Chemical Society, Philadelphia, PA, August 22, 2004.

Invited speaker, "Retro-translocation of pokeweed antiviral protein from the endoplasmic reticulum to the cytosol," American Society of Virology, Montreal, Canada, July 10-14, 2004.

Invited seminar speaker, "Regulation of translation and mRNA stability by pokeweed antiviral protein." Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, December 11-13, 2003.

Invited speaker, 3rd Workshop on Biotechnology, University of Sao Paulo, Rutgers and Ohio State, Piracicaba, Brazil, March 17-18, 2003.

Invited plenary speaker, "Genomic analysis of the effects of pokeweed antiviral protein on genes involved in ribosome biogenesis." Noncoding RNA, its role in translation and gene regulation, Jacques Monod Conference, Aussois, France Jan. 14-19, 2003.

Invited speaker, "Biomedical applications of Pokeweed Antiviral Protein," Advances in Therapeutic Agents Discovery and Development Workshop at Rutgers University, Jan 29, 2002.

Invited speaker, "Effects of PAP on the stability of its own mRNA," Plant Molecular Biology Gordon Research Conference, Holderness School, Rhode Island, July 7-10, 2002.

Invited speaker, "Binding of PAP to the cap structure of eukaryotic mRNA." American Society of Virology meeting in Lexington, Kentucky on July 20-24, 2002.

Invited plenary speaker, "Binding of PAP to the cap structure of eukaryotic mRNA." Post-transcriptional Control of Gene Expression in Plants, A Plant Sciences Institute Symposium, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, May 10-13, 2001.

Invited speaker, "Regulation of mRNA Stability by Pokeweed Antiviral Protein", Pioneer Hi-Bred, Des Moines, Iowa, May 9, 2001.

Invited speaker, "Genomics" and "Disease resistance," Global Consortium on Plant Biotechnology and Genomics, Sofia, Bulgaria, May 17-19, 2000.

Invited speaker, "A novel mechanism for inhibition of translation by pokeweed antiviral protein," Bristol Myers Squibb, New Brunswick, NJ, May 10, 2000.

Invited speaker, "Pokeweed antiviral protein and its applications," American Home Products, Princeton, New Jersey, May 4, 2000.

Invited speaker, "A novel mechanism for inhibition of translation by pokeweed antiviral protein," University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan, April 19, 2000.

Invited speaker, "A novel mechanism for inhibition of translation by pokeweed antiviral protein," Nara Institute of Science and Technology, Nara, Japan, April 13, 2000.

Invited speaker, "Resistance to fungal infection in transgenic plants expressing pokeweed antiviral protein," Novartis, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, March 23, 2000.

Invited speaker, "A novel mechanism for inhibition of translation by pokeweed antiviral protein," Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia, PA, December 22, 1999.

Invited speaker, 11th International Congress of Virology (ICV), Sydney, Australia, August 8-13, 1999 (could not attend).

Invited speaker, "Broad spectrum pathogen resistance by expression of nontoxic forms of pokeweed antiviral protein" Global Consortium on Plant Biotechnology, Beijing, China, May 19-22, 1999.

Invited plenary speaker, "Broad-spectrum pathogen by expression of nontoxic forms of pokeweed antiviral protein." 7th International Congress of Plant Pathology, Edinburgh, Scotland, 9-16 August, 1998.

Invited speaker, "Pokeweed antiviral protein specifically inhibits Ty1 directed frameshifting and Ty1 retrotransposition in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*." 17th Annual meeting of the American Society of Virology, British Columbia, Canada, July 11-15, 1998.

Invited speaker, "Plant resistance to fungal infection induced by pokeweed antiviral protein mutants" CYTED Latin American meeting on Plant Biotechnology, Caracas, Venezuela, March 18-22, 1998.

Invited speaker, "Plant virus resistance," International Workshop on Agricultural Biotechnology, Sao Paulo, Brazil, December 8-12, 1997.

Invited speaker, "Enzymatic browning in potato," Basic American Foods, Blackfoot, Idaho, September 10-13, 1997.

Invited speaker, "Strategies to create disease resistant crops" Plant Molecular Biology Minisymposium, USDA, Beltsville, MD, Sept. 20, 1996.

Invited speaker, "Enzymatic activity of pokeweed antiviral protein is required for its antiviral activity." Xth International Congress of Virology, Jerusalem, Israel, August 11-16, 1996.

Invited speaker, "Evidence for myristoylation of a plant viral protein: Myristoylation of potato virus Y VPg." Xth International Congress of Virology, Jerusalem, Israel, August 11-16, 1996.

Invited speaker, "Enzymatic activity of pokeweed antiviral protein is required for its antiviral activity." Gordon research Conference on Plant Senescence and Programmed Cell Death, Plymouth State College, Plymouth, NH, July 14-19, 1996.

Invited speaker, "Strategies to create disease resistant crops" Plant Molecular Biology Minisymposium, USDA, Beltsville, MD, Sept. 20, 1996.

Invited speaker, "Induction of defense mechanisms and resistance to infection in transgenic plants expressing pokeweed antiviral protein." Agbiotech Center Informal Seminar Series, April 24, 1996.

Invited speaker, "Induction of defense response and resistance to pathogens in transgenic plants expressing pokeweed antiviral protein." American Cyanamid Co. Princeton, N. J. Oct. 13, 1995.

Invited speaker, "Analysis of resistance in transgenic potato expressing PVY protease (NIa) and replicase (NIb) genes." American Society of Virology Meeting, Austin, Texas July 8-12, 1995.

Invited speaker, "Therapeutic application of pokeweed antiviral protein," Enzon, Inc. Piscataway, N. J. June 14, 1995.

Invited speaker, "Pokeweed antiviral protein against viral infection." Biology Department, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, April 28, 1995.

Invited participant, Transgenic virus-resistant plants and new plant viruses workshop, College Park, MD, April 21-22, 1995.

Invited speaker, "Isolation and characterization of pokeweed antiviral protein mutations." The 1995 Annual Workshop on Cancer Research in New Jersey, Merck & Co., Inc. Whitehouse Station, NJ, March 4, 1995.

Invited speaker, "Pokeweed antiviral protein against viral infection," University of Alabama Medical School, Birmingham, AL, Dec. 12, 1994.

Invited speaker, "Pokeweed antiviral protein against viral infection," University of California, Riverside, Oct. 17, 1994.

Invited speaker, "Therapeutic applications of pokeweed antiviral protein," The University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis, MN, Aug. 15, 1994.

Invited plenary speaker, "Analysis of virus resistance mediated by ribosome inactivating protein." Annual meeting of the American Society for Virology, Madison, Wisconsin, July 9-13, 1994.

Invited plenary speaker, "Resistance mediated by viral nonstructural genes and by ribosome inactivating proteins." 4th International Congress of Plant Molecular Biology, Amsterdam, the Netherlands, June 19-24, 1994.

Invited participant, Food, Food chemicals and management of human genome workshop, CAFT, Cook College, Rutgers, June 6, 1994.

Invited speaker, "Virus resistance mediated by pokeweed antiviral protein," Department of Botany, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, February 3, 1994.

Invited speaker, "Turfgrass transformation" American Cyanamid Co. Princeton, N.J., January 27, 1994.

Invited speaker, "Progress toward resistance to potato viruses," Fifth International Symposium on Biotechnology and Plant Protection, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, October 19-21, 1992.

Invited speaker, "Cloning and characterization of pokeweed antiviral protein" A Keystone Symposium Crop improvement via Biotechnology: an International Perspective, Keystone, Colorado, April 10-16, 1992.

Invited plenary speaker, "Engineering resistance to potato leafroll virus in Russet Burbank potato" International Symposium on Potato Pest Management, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, Oct. 13-16, 1991.

Lecturer, Teacher's workshop, Washington University, June 21, 1991.

Invited speaker, "Virus resistance in transgenic plants," McKnight guest lecturer, University of California, Berkeley February 18, 1991.

Invited plenary speaker, "Engineering resistance to virus infection in transgenic plants" Second US-Japan Symposium on Biotechnology, St. Petersburg, FL, Jan. 6-9, 1991.

Invited speaker, "Analysis of the mechanism of resistance in transgenic tobacco expressing AIMV coat protein" VIIIth International Congress of Virology meeting in Berlin, August 26-31, 1990.

Lecturer, Plant-Microbe Interactions Workshop, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada, August 16, 1990.

Invited speaker, "Analysis of virus resistance in transgenic potato." University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Sept. 1989.

Invited speaker, "Analysis of the mechanism of resistance in transgenic tobacco expressing ALMV coat protein" Plant Molecular Biology Gordon Conference, June 1989.

Invited speaker, "Resistance to potato virus X and potato virus Y in transgenic potato," Horticultural Biotechnology Symposium, Davis, CA, Aug. 1989.

Invited speaker, "Virus resistance in transgenic plants," National Capital Area Branch Tissue Culture Meeting at Beltsville, MD, March 1989.

Invited plenary speaker, "Analysis of virus resistance in transgenic potato," Annual Potato Conference at Moses Lake, WA, Feb. 1989.

Invited speaker, "Analysis of virus resistance in transgenic plants" American Society of Agronomy Meeting, Anaheim, CA, Nov. 1988.

Invited plenary speaker, "Coat protein mediated resistance" Crop Protection Conference, Brighton, England, Nov. 1988.

Invited plenary speaker, "Producing virus tolerance in plants through genetic engineering" Moët-Hennessy Conference on Advanced technology and Plant Breeding Strategy, Paris, France, Sept. 1988.

Invited speaker, "Coat protein mediated resistance," University of Florida, May 1988.

Invited speaker, "Coat protein mediated resistance against alfalfa mosaic virus," Rockefeller University Sept. 1987.

Invited speaker, "Expression of coat protein genes in transgenic plants confers protection against alfalfa mosaic virus and potato virus X," NATO Meeting on Plant Molecular Biology, Denmark, June 1987.

Invited speaker, "Coat protein mediated resistance," Purdue University, May 1987.

Invited speaker, "Expression of coat protein genes in transgenic plants confers protection against alfalfa mosaic virus," University of Louisville April 1987.

Invited plenary speaker, "Coat protein mediated resistance," Gordon Conference on Agricultural Biotechnology, Jan. 1987

TEACHING ACTIVITIES: (U: Undergraduate, G: Graduate)

Spring 2017 **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)

Fall 2016 **Microbial Biology Seminar 16:682:521 (G)**
(Coordinated by Gerben Zylstra, taught one lecture)

Fall 2015 **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)

Spring 2015 **11:126:444 Advanced Technologies in Biosciences (U)**
(Developed this new course and co-taught by Michael Pierce and Xiao-Ping Li)

16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)

Fall 2014 **Microbial Biology Seminar 16:682:521 (G)**
(Coordinated by Gerben Zylstra, taught one lecture)

- Fall 2014** **Core Seminars in Plant Biology II (G)**
(Coordinated by Pal Maliga, hosted Rick Vierstra)
- Fall 2013** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- Microbial Biology Seminar 16:682:521 (G)**
(Coordinated by Gerben Zylstra, taught one lecture)
- Spring 2013** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)
- Fall 2012** **Introduction to Plant Biology 16:765:501 (G)**
(Coordinated by Tom Leustek, taught one lecture)
- Microbial Biology Seminar 16:682:521 (G)**
(Coordinated by Gerben Zylstra, taught one lecture)
- Fall 2011** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- Spring 2011** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)
- Fall 2009** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- Spring 2009** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)
- Fall 2008** **16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Dr. Michael Lawton and team taught)
- Fall 2007** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- 16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Dr. Michael Lawton and team taught)
- Spring 2007** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)
- Fall 2006** **16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Dr. Michael Lawton and team taught)
- Fall 2005** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- 16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Dr. Michael Lawton and team taught)
- Spring 2005** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam)
- 11:015:390 George H. Cook Honors Program (U)**, Reader for John Ruppert's Cook Honors
Thesis; Research advisor, Dr. Rong Di
- Fall 2004** **16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Dr. Michael Lawton and team taught)

- 11:015:390 George H. Cook Honors Program (U)**, Reader for John Ruppert's Cook Honors Thesis; Research advisor, Dr. Rong Di
- Spring 2003** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)** (Taught by Dr. Nilgun Tumer)
- Fall 2003** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- Fall 2002** **16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and William Meyer and team taught)
- 16:681:501 General Microbiology (G)** (Organized by Max Haggblom, Lee Kerkhof, Costantino Vetriani) Guest lecture on viruses
- 16:765:531 Principles of Plant Pathology (G)** (Organized by Peter Oudemans) Guest lecture on viruses
- Spring 2002** **11:126:413 Plant Molecular Biology (G/U)**
(Organized by Dr. Pal Maliga)
- Intensive Course on New Approaches for Plant Biotechnology**
Organized and lectured in the Plant Genomics part of this training course organized by the United Nations University and held at Centro de Biotecnologia, Instituto de Estudios Avanzados (IDEA) in Venezuela during April 1-5, 2002.
- Fall 2001** **16:765:501 Introduction to Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Rong Di and team-taught)
- 11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- 11:015:390 George H. Cook Honors Program (U)**, research advisor for David Fegen's Cook Honors Thesis
- Spring 2001** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)** (Taught by Dr. Nilgun Tumer)
- 11:126:110 Issues and Concepts in Biotechnology (U)**
(Organized by Drs. Peter Day and Mike Lawton and team-taught)
- 01: 694:484:01 Seminar in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry (U)**
(Organized by Sam Gunderson)
- Fall 2000** **16:765:501 Problems in Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Dr. Nilgun Tumer and team-taught)
- 16:681:501 General Microbiology (U)**
(Organized by Dr. Alan Antoine)
- Spring 2000** **11:126:110 Issues and Concepts in Biotechnology (U)**
(Organized by Drs. Peter Day and Mike Lawton and team-taught)
- 01: 694:484:01 Seminar in Molecular Biology and Biochemistry (U)**
(Organized by Sam Gunderson)
- Fall 1999** **11:126:407 Comparative Virology (U)**
(Taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman)
- 16:775:601 Problems in Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Eric Lam and team-taught)

- 16:681:501 General Microbiology (U)**
(Organized by Dr. Alan Antoine)
- Spring 1999** **16:765:538 Plant Pathogenesis (G)** (Taught by Dr. Nilgun Tumer)
- 11:126:110 Issues and Concepts in Biotechnology (U)**
(Organized by Drs. Peter Day and Mike Lawton and team-taught)
- Fall 1998** **16:775:601 Problems in Plant Biology (G)**
(Organized by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Brad Hillman and team-taught)
11:015:101 Perspectives on Agriculture and the Environment (U)
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- Spring 1998** **11:126:110 Issues and Concepts in Biotechnology (U)**
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- 11:015:390 George H. Cook Honors Program (U)**
- Fall 1997** **11:015:101 Perspectives on Agriculture and the Environment (U)**
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- 16:775:601 Problems in Plant Biology (G)**
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- Spring 1997** **16:770:508 Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
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- 11:126:110 Issues and Concepts in Biotechnology (U)**
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- Fall 1996** **11:015:101 Perspectives on Agriculture and the Environment (U)**
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- 16:765:535 Plant Virology** (Taught by Drs. Brad Hillman and Nilgun Tumer)
- Summer 1996** **Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)** A two-day hands-on laboratory
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(Organized and taught by Drs. Nilgun Tumer and Navin Sinha)
- Spring 1996** **11:015:390 George H. Cook Honors Program (U)**
- 11:126:110 Issues and Concepts in Biotechnology (U)**
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- Fall 1995** **16:765:531 Principles of Plant Pathogenesis (G)**
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