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Education and Training

EDUCATION

1970-1973	Wyoming High School, Wyoming, OH
1973-1974	Gresham' s School, Holt, Norfolk, England
1974-1977	Harvard College, Cambridge, MA; A.B. (summa cum laude, phi beta kappa, Biology)

1978–1983	Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA; M.D.
1979–1983	Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Boston, MA; Ph.D. (Immunology, Drs. Baruj Benacerraf and Mark Greene)

POSTGRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

1977–1978	Postgraduate researcher, ICRF Tumor Immunology Unit, University College, London (Drs. N. Avrion Mitchison and P. Lake)
1983–1988	Intern, resident, chief resident, Department of General Surgery, University of Washington Affiliated Hospitals, Seattle, WA
1986–1988	Coinvestigator, Human Antigen-Specific T Suppressor Cell Genetic Markers, University of Washington and Virginia Mason Research Center, Seattle, WA (Dr. Jerry Nepom)
1988–1990	Fellow, Division of Transplantation, Department of Surgery, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Biosketch

A. Personal Statement

I have been involved continuously in basic cellular and molecular transplant immunology for over 25 years and have been continuously funded for the entire time. My basic research has always focused on T cell immunobiology, and for more than 15 years has also focused on issues of migration, trafficking, secondary lymphoid organ structure and function, and lymphatic structure and function, and how these processes and structures influence T cell immunity and T cell tolerance in models of cardiac transplantation and pancreatic islet transplantation. I have also maintained an active clinical practice in solid organ transplantation and am thus constantly exposed to the problems of patients and their immune systems, including cellular and humoral rejection, opportunistic infections, chronic viral disease, autoimmune organ failure, and immunosuppression medication side effects. My basic research and clinical interests are especially well suited to complement and inform each other, and to keep each aspect of my professional life current and relevant.

B. Positions and Honors

Academic Appointments

1988-1990	Clinical Instructor, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
1990-1994	Assistant and Associate (1992) Professor of Surgery and Microbiology and Immunology, MUSC
1. Associate Professor and Full Professor (1998)	of Surgery and Microbiology and Immunology, University of Michigan
1999–2010	Professor of Surgery and Gene and Cell Medicine, Chief Kidney/Pancreas Transplantation, Transplant Research, Transplantation Institute, Mount Sinai School of Medicine
2010–present	Professor of Surgery and Microbiology and Immunology, Chief and Director of Research, Division of Transplantation, Director of Strategic Planning for Transplantation Services, University of Maryland School of Medicine

C. Contributions to Science

1. Major questions in organ transplant are where does tolerance take place and what processes determine the choice between tolerance and immunity. Using a variety of pharmacologic and genetic approaches in cardiac and islet transplant models, my lab demonstrated that normal lymph node functions and structures are required for tolerance induction and maintenance. We demonstrated the requirement for CD4+ T cell migration from

blood into lymph nodes, regulated by a variety of selectins, integrins, and chemokines, that determine T cell anergy, apoptosis, and regulatory T cell induction and suppression. In addition, plasmacytoid dendritic cells (pDC) are also required to migrate into lymph nodes and present alloantigen to T cells. These studies provided novel evidence for active roles of the lymph node in determining the fate of T cells and the immune response.

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c. Ochando JC, Homma C, Yang Y, Hidalgo A, Garin A, Tacke F, Angeli V, Li Y, Boros P, Ding Y, Jessberger R, Lira SA, Randolph GJ, and Bromberg JS, Alloantigen-presenting plasmacytoid dendritic cells mediate tolerance to vascularized grafts. *Nature Immunol.*, 2006, 7:652-662. PMID: 16633346

d. Burrell, BE, Bromberg, JS. Fates of CD4+ T cells in a tolerant environment depend on timing and place of antigen exposure. *Am. J. Transplant.*, 2012, 12:576-589. PMID: 22176785

2. The understanding of induction, stimulation, maintenance, and activity of FoxP3+ CD4+ suppressive regulatory T cells (Treg) is critical to manipulating immunity. We were one of the first to demonstrate that TGF β is required for Treg induction, and that inflammatory stimuli and cytokines can inhibit Foxp3 induction or stability. Epigenetic regulation of the Foxp3 gene is critical for Treg activity, and Foxp3 gene expression and structure can be manipulated with T cell receptor and costimulatory signals, cytokine and TLR signals, and methyltransferase inhibitors. These results were extended to the generation of human Tregs in vitro for therapeutic use. We also demonstrated critical roles for IL10, TGF β , and the induction of myeloid derived suppressor cells in the mechanisms of Treg suppression and tolerance. These studies defined important pharmacologic modulators of Treg that can be translated into clinically relevant approaches for therapy.

a. Fu S, Yopp AC, Mao M, Chen D, Zhang H, Chen D, Bromberg JS. TGF- β induces Foxp3+ T regulatory cells from CD4+CD25- precursors. *Am. J. Transplant.*, 2004, 4:1614-1627. PMID: 15367216

b. Lal G, Zhang N, van der Touw W, Ding Y, Ju W, Bottinger E, Reid SP, Levy DE, Bromberg JS. Epigenetic regulation of Foxp3 expression in regulatory T cells by DNA methylation. *J. Immunol.*, 2009, 182:259-273. PMID: 19109157

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d. Hippen, KL, Merkel, SC, Schirm, DK, Sieben, CM, Sumstad, D, Kadidlo, DM, McKenna, DH, Bromberg, JS, Levine, BL, Riley, JL, June, CH, Miller, JS, Wagner, JE, Blazar, BR. Massive ex vivo expansion of human natural regulatory T cells (Tregs) with minimal loss of in vivo functional activity. *Sci. Transl. Med.*, 2011, 3:83ra41. PMID: 21593401

3. A major issue concerning Treg suppressive and tolerogenic competence is to discover how to deliver these cells to the right place at the right time. My lab was the first to demonstrate that Treg not only must be induced in lymph nodes, but also must migrate from tissues through afferent lymphatics into lymph nodes in order to fully suppress inflammation and immunity and prolong islet allograft survival. Lymphatic migration is regulated by a number of integrins, selectins, chemokines, and sphingosine 1-phosphate receptors (S1PR) on the T cell. Treg interact with endothelial cells, parenchymal cells, and antigen presenting cells during their migration, effecting distinct suppressive activities required for graft survival and required for the induction and maintenance of Treg activation and suppressive function. These studies defined novel aspects of Treg

function that point toward therapeutically important implications for manipulating immunity and suppression.

The structure and function of lymphatic vessels are poorly understood, in large part due to the difficulty of isolating these cells for in vitro work and manipulating and imaging these structures in vivo. Our studies on Treg migration led to more general studies of lymphatic function. We defined a stable lymphatic endothelial cell (LEC) line that recapitulates LEC function in vitro, allowing abluminal-to-luminal migration to a chemokine gradient, but not the reverse migration. In contrast, blood endothelial cells permit migration in both directions. A sphingosine 1-phosphate (S1P) gradient promotes transendothelial migration across LEC, while a high concentration of S1P, such as occurs in acute inflammation, inhibits afferent lymphatic migration, retaining immune cells in tissues. Lymphangiogenesis not only occurs in the presence of inflammation, but also promotes inflammation and can be targeted to prevent allograft rejection. These studies defined new tools for lymphatic research and defined potential novel therapeutic approaches to modulating inflammation.

a. Zhang N, Schroppe B, Lal G, Jakubzick C, Mao X, Chen D, Jessberger R, Ochando JC, Bromberg JS. Regulatory T cells sequentially migrate from the site of tissue inflammation to the draining LN to suppress allograft rejection. *Immunity*, 2009, 30:458-469. PMID: 19303390

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4. The recognition that lymph nodes are required for tolerance and that there are distinct domains within the lymph node committed to different aspects of immunity, led to investigations of other discrete cells and structures, their regulation, and their roles in immunity and tolerance. During tolerization we showed that alloantigen specific Treg and pDC presenting specific alloantigen were concentrated around the cortical ridge, an area that encompasses the high endothelial venules and is a site for trafficking into the lymph node between the cortex and medulla. During tolerance there is increased laminin a4 and decreased laminin a5 in the cortical ridge, while during immunity the ratios are reversed. There is a role for fibroblastic reticular cells in regulating lymph node structure and cytokines, antigen presentation, and tolerance. Other stromal fibers, such as ERTR-7, also dictate CD4+ T cell, Treg, and pDC movements and the choice between tolerance and immunity. These studies defined novel roles for stromal fibers, stromal cells, and the cortical ridge in tolerance.

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b. Nakayama, Y, Bromberg, JS. Murine lymphotoxin-beta receptor signaling regulates stromal cell chemokine expression and neutrophil trafficking required for tolerance. *Am. J. Transplant.*, 2012, 12: 2322 - 2334. PMID: 22594431

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d. Tostanoski LH, Chui Y-C, Gammon JM, Simon T, Andorko J, Bromberg JS, Jewell CM. Reprogramming the local lymph node microenvironment during autoimmunity promotes systemic, yet antigen-specific tolerance. *Cell Reports* 2016, 16:2940 - 2952. PMID: 27626664

5. The discovery of the role of S1PR in leukocyte-transendothelial migration has recently opened up new areas of investigation to uncover the role of S1P and S1PR in diverse aspects of immunity and inflammation. We assessed the role of the major T cell S1PR1 receptor in migration, immunity, and tolerance. We uncovered novel activities for the S1PR agonist/antagonist FTY20 in modulating lymph node versus splenic migration, and immunity versus tolerance. My lab discovered that S1PR signaling involves a complex cascade, engaging multidrug transporters and cysteinyl leukotriene synthesis and transport to fully effect changes in lymphocyte migration. S1P acts as both a chemotactic cytokine and as an inhibitor of migration, depending on concentration and gradients. Targeting S1PR promotes graft survival and tolerance. These studies defined novel aspects of S1P and S1PR metabolism and function and shed new light on how activators and inhibitors may have highly complex effects in vivo.

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