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2. **7/2008-06/2011,** Associate Professor of Chemistry, University of California-Davis
3. **8/2003-6/2008,** Assistant Professor of Chemistry, University of California - Davis
4. **1/2002-7/2003,** Scientist II, Neose Technologies, Inc.
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### D. HONORS AND AWARDS

2013 Carbohydrate Research Award for Creativity in Carbohydrate Chemistry 2013

2012 American Chemical Society Carbohydrate Division Horace S. Isbell Award

2011 American Chemical Society - Sociedade Brasileira de Quimica Young Talents in Science Award

2011 Dow Lecturer, University of Minnesota

2009 UC-Davis Chancellor’s Fellow

2009 Camille Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Award

2009 Invited speaker, 15th Annual Symposium German-American Kavli Frontiers of Science

2008 Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow

2008 Thieme Chemistry Journals Award

2008 ACS Division of Carbohydrate Chemistry Young Investigator Fellowship Award

2007 Chinese-American Chemistry & Chemical Biology Professor Association (CAPA) Distinguished Junior Faculty Award

2006 Beckman Young Investigator Award

2006 NSF CAREER Award

2000 Travel award for 5th Annual Conference of the Society for Glycobiology

1994 Excellent Graduate

1993 Jingxiong Fellowship

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2000–present American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

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2000–present American Association for the Advancement of Science

2002–present Society for Glycobiology

2004–present Glycobiology Research and Training Center

2005–present Chinese-American Chemistry & Chemical Biology Professor Association (CAPA)

2006–present Board member, Chinese-American Chemistry and Chemical Biology Professors Association (CAPA)

2009–present Journal Editor, Trends in Carbohydrate Research

2009–present Website master for American Chemical Society Division of Carbohydrate Chemistry

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2010–2012 Chinese-American Chemistry and Chemical Biology Professors Association (CAPA) Director

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F. PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER)

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