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SUMMARY

Over two decades of knowledge management, with proven track record in drug repurposing, focused on small molecule drug informatics, cheminformatics, translational informatics and data acquisition and mining in medical informatics. Fifteen years of conceptual development for chemical space exploration, including leadlike and druglike properties for high-throughput screening and synthesis. Three years of electronic medical record evaluation and data mining. Strong biomedical background with previous clinical and pharmaco-physiological training. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. One book as editor (Wiley-VCH), one as author (on molecular modeling; in Romanian), over 20 book chapters, 3 awarded patents, 7 patent applications pending, and over 130 peer-reviewed papers co-authored and published since 1993. Google Scholar profile [link](#).

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- *Professor of Medicine and Chief*, [Division of Translational Informatics](#), Department of Internal Medicine, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, USA (07/12 – present).
 - Visiting Professor, [Sahlgrenska Institute of Medicine](#), Department of Rheumatology and Inflammation Research, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden (07/11 – present).
 - Guest Professor, [Center for Biological Sequence Analysis](#), Department of Systems Biology, Technical University of Denmark, Lyngby, Denmark (01/09 – present).
 - Visiting Professor, [Chemometrics Lab](#), Univ. of Perugia, Perugia, Italy (04/09 – 12/09).
 - Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Chief, Division of Biocomputing, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, USA (08/02 – 06/12).
 - Founder and CEO, [Sunset Molecular Discovery LLC](#), Santa Fe, USA – from 07/02.
 - *Associate Director*, EST Lead Informatics, Enabling Science and Technology, AstraZeneca, Mölndal, Sweden - between 11/00 and 07/02; *Research Scientist*, Computational Chemistry Group, Medicinal Chemistry, [AstraZeneca R&D Mölndal](#), Sweden (04/96 - 03/00).
 - *Professor*, Faculty of Chemistry, [University of West](#), Timisoara, Romania (02/02 – 11/03); *Associate Professor* (10/99 – 01/02); and *Visiting Professor* (10/96 – 06/99) at the same Faculty.
 - *Postdoctoral Fellow* (with [Dr. A.E. García](#)), [Theoretical Biology and Biophysics Group](#), Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA (07/94 - 03/96)
 - *Postdoctoral Research Associate* (with [Prof. G.R. Marshall](#)), Center for Molecular Design, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, USA (09/92 - 06/94);
 - *Visiting Researcher* (with [Dr. J.G. Vinter](#)), [Molecular Graphics Unit](#), [University Chemical Laboratory](#), Cambridge, UK (10-12/93)
 - *Assistant Professor* (with Prof. Fr. Schneider), Department of Physiology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timisoara, Romania (02/91 - 07/92)
 - *Visiting Scientist* with Prof. F.P. Nijkamp, Dept. Pharmacology, and Prof. L.H.M. Janssen, Dept. Pharmacochimistry, Utrecht University, The Netherlands (10/90 - 12/91)
 - *Assistant Researcher* (with Prof. Fr. Schneider), Department of Physiology, University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timisoara, Romania and Clinical Physiology Laboratory, Timis County Hospital, Timisoara, Romania (07/85 - 09/90)
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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Chair, 2005-2012, [The Cheminformatics and QSAR Society](#) (former QSAR Society)
- Member of the Scientific Advisory Board, [ChemDiv, Inc.](#), San Diego, CA
- Member of the External Advisory Board, [IMIM](#), Barcelona, Spain
- Member of the Chemistry Advisory Board, [EBI](#), Hinxton, UK
- Member of the Editorial Board, [Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling](#) (2006-2012), [QSAR and Combinatorial Sciences](#) (2004-2009), [ChemMedChem](#) (since 2005), [Molecular Informatics](#)
- Ad-hoc referee for *Angew. Chem.*, *Science Translational Medicine*, *Science Signaling*, *Nature Biotechnology*, *Nature Chem. Biol.*, *Nature Reviews Drug Discov.*, *Molecular Systems Biology*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.*, *ChemMedChem*, *Eur. J. Pharm. Sci.*, *J. Med. Chem.*, *J. Comput.-Aided Mol. Design*, *J. Chem. Inf. Model.*, *J. Mol. Graphics Model.*, *J. Mol. Mod.*, *Org. Lett.*, *Pharm. Res...* and others

Invited Lectures: (selected from over 300):

- Gordon Research Conferences in: *Combinatorial Chemistry*, Oxford UK, 08/06 and Tilton NH, 07/03; *Computer-Aided Drug Design*, Tilton NH, 07/03, and 08/95; *Drug Metabolism*, Plymouth NH, 07/07. Keystone Symposium, 04/06;
 - *European QSAR Symposia*: 18th (Rhodes, Greece) 09/10; 17th (Uppsala, Sweden) 09/08; 15th (Istanbul, Turkey) 09/04; 14th (Portsmouth, UK) 09/02; 13th (Düsseldorf, Germany) 08/00; and 10th, Barcelona, Spain, 09/94.
 - *ACS National Meetings*: 29 oral presentations between 1995 and 2012;
 - *BrazMedChem*, 4th (11/08), 3rd (11/06), and 1st (11/01);
 - *FIGON Dutch Medicine Days* (Keynote Speaker, 10/10).
- **Invited Faculty:** School for Advanced Sciences, São Paulo, Brazil (April 2012), Institute for Pure and Applied Mathematics at UCLA (Spring 2011); Summer school in Medicinal Chemistry at University of Regensburg (09/08) and at University of Rio de Janeiro (02/08); UCSF, 04/08 and 01/95; Obernai (Alsace), 06/08 and 06/06; University of São Paulo, 11/08, 11/06 and 11/01; Max Planck Institute Dortmund, 12/06.

Awards and prizes:

- Recipient of the STC.UNM 11th (2014) and 8th (2011) Annual Creative Award, in recognition for issued patents
- [Recipient](#) of the [AAPS Journal](#) Award with LZ Benet and F Broccatelli, 11/13;
- [Recipient](#) of the [Hansch Award](#) from the [QSAR and Modelling Society](#), 09/02;
- AstraZeneca Global Discovery Conference Poster Awards (three awards), Stockholm, 03/02;
- 1st prize, National Contest in Human Physiology (Romania, 1986);
- ranked 5th (1979) and 3rd (1981) at the National Chemistry Olympiad in Romania.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. – Molecular Physiology with Francisc Schneider, [University of Medicine and Pharmacy](#), Timisoara, Romania, 1992
- M.D. – General Medicine, [University of Medicine and Pharmacy](#), Timisoara, Romania, 1990
- Baccalauréat (B.Sc.) – Organic Chemistry, Banat College, Timisoara, Romania, 1983

SCIENTIFIC IMPACT

(using [Harzing's Publish Or Perish](#))

- over 8500 citations (1993 to 2013); h-index: 48; g-index: 86
- 4 authors/paper (median); 13.5 citations/paper (median)
- 10 papers with over 200 citations; 19 papers with over 100 citations

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Symbols: ≥50 (▼), ≥100 (▲), ≥150 (●) and ≥200 (○) citations (using [Harzing's Publish or Perish](#))

- BOOKS

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- INVITED BOOK CHAPTERS:

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12. LA Sklar, PC Simmons, A Waller, SM Biggs, SM Young, M Olah, C Bologa, **TI Oprea**, ER Prossnitz, BS Edwards. High Throughput Flow Cytometry. In **Drug Discovery Handbook**, SC Gad (Ed), John Wiley and Sons, **2005**, pp. 185-226
13. CG Bologa, M Olah and **TI Oprea**. Chemical Database Preparation for Compound Acquisition or Virtual Screening. In: Bioinformatics in Drug Discovery. Larson RS (Ed), Humana Press, New York, **2005**, pp 375-388
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21. TI Oprea, EE May, A Leitão, A Tropsha. Computational Systems Chemical Biology. In *Methods in Molecular Biology*, vol. 672, J Bajorat (Ed), **2011**, 459-488
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ON-GOING RESEARCH SUPPORT:

Title: Molecular Libraries Bioactivity Database (MLBD) – U54 supplement

PI: Stuart Schreiber, Chris Austin, Larry Sklar

Agency: NIH **1U54MH084690**

Period: 3/1/2012 - 2/28/2013, *extended through 3/1/2014*

This supplement aims to maximize return on the chemical biology investment of the Roadmap by reshaping knowledge management at NIH (“MLBD”). Total budget: ~8.5 MUSD; UNM Budget ~0.65 MUSD. Oprea wrote the UNM part of the proposal

Title: OpenPHACTS

PI: Gerhard F Ecker (Uni Vienna); PI for DTU: T. Oprea

Agency: Innovative Medicines Initiative (EU)

Period: 3/01/2011 - 2/28/2014

This consortium involves 14 academic partners and 8 major pharmaceutical companies, and aims to establish transparent, effective, semantic-web compliant technologies for data and knowledge mining. Budget ~14 MEuro. Oprea was part of the 4-people core team that wrote the grant.

Title: Givaudan Flavors Corporation

PI: Tudor Oprea

Agency: Private sector funding for consulting

Period: 1/1/2005 - 12/31/2013 *renewed for the 9th consecutive year*

This contract is designed to assist Givaudan with compound selection and analysis for taste and flavor research. Annual budget ~0.33 MUSD

Title: Visiting Professorship Agreement, Gothenburg University

PI: Claes Dahlgren, T. Oprea

Agency: Gothenburg University (GU), Sweden

Period: 7/1/2011 - 6/30/2013 *funding for visiting professorship*

This contract is designed to support research in the group of Prof Claes Dahlgren at the Department of Rheumatology and Inflammation Research. Annual budget ~100k USD

Title: Guest Professorship Agreement, Technical University of Denmark
PI: Søren Brunak, T. Oprea
Agency: Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Denmark
Period: 1/1/2009 - 12/31/2014 *funding for visiting professorship*
This contract is designed to support research in the computational chemical biology group at the Department of Systems Biology. Annual budget ~120k USD

Title: Research Support Agreement, AstraZeneca R&D
PI: Anders Hogner, T. Oprea
Agency: AstraZeneca, Gothenburg Sweden
Period: 1/1/2013 - 12/31/2013
This contract is designed to support the drugs database project. Budget ~10k USD

Title: Subsetting the Small Molecules Repository
PI: T. Oprea
Agency: Evotec and NIH
Period: 5/1/2013 - 12/31/2013
This contract is designed to support the subsetting of the NIH Molecular Libraries program Small Molecules Repository (MLSMR). Budget ~38k USD

Title: Caspase Inhibitors in Neurodegeneration
PI: T. Oprea
Agency: New Mexico Clinical and Translational Science Center (CTSC)
Period: 5/1/2013 - 4/30/2014
This contract is designed to support the identification of Caspase 3, 7 and 8 modulators, as potential targets in neurodegenerative diseases. Annual budget ~18k USD

RECENT PAST RESEARCH SUPPORT:

Title: Development of GPR30-Selective Ligands
MPI: Jeffrey Arterburn, Tudor Oprea, Eric Prossnitz (Multiple PIs)
Agency: NIH **R01CA127731-01A2**
Period: 12/01/2007 - 11/30/2012
This proposal seeks to identify novel GPR30 agonists and antagonists. Budget ~1.4 MUSD

Title: Chemical Pattern Detection and Visualization in Biological Networks
PI: Tudor Oprea
Agency: NIH **5R21GM095952-02**
Period: 1/01/2011 - 11/30/2012
This proposal seeks to develop bioactivity visualization tools in Cytoscape. Budget 475k USD

Title: University of New Mexico Center for Molecular Discovery
PI: Larry Sklar Co-PI and Informatics core director Tudor Oprea
Agency: NIH **1U54MH084690**
Period: 7/1/2008 - 5/28/2012
This facility core provides informatics infrastructure support to the UNMCMD. Budget ~15 MUSD

Title: New Mexico Molecular Library Screening Center
PI: Larry Sklar Co-PI and Cheminformatics core director Tudor Oprea
Agency: NIH **1U54 MH074425-01**
Period: 7/1/2005 - 6/30/2008
This facility core provided informatics infrastructure support to the NM MLS Center. Budget ~9 MUSD. Oprea was part of the 4-people core team that wrote the grant.