

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## EDUCATION

2006	<b>Ph.D.</b> , Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts (Biology)
2000	<b>B.S.</b> , University of California, Davis, Davis, California (Biochemistry)

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## RESEARCH

2006-present	<b>Postdoctoral Research Associate</b> , Laboratory of Dr. Douglas Green, Department of Immunology, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Necroptosis, a novel cell death mechanism in mammalian development and immune function.</li></ul>
2000-2006	<b>Graduate Research Associate</b> , Laboratories of Dr. Luk van Parijs and Dr. Phillip Sharp, Department of Biology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>In vivo</i> delivery systems for RNA interference.</li></ul>
1998-2000	<b>Undergraduate Research Student</b> , Laboratory of Dr. Gino Cortopassi, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Generation of mutant mitochondrial cybrid lines via microinjection.</li></ul>

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## PUBLICATIONS

Haverkamp JM, Smith AM, Weinlich R, **Dillon CP**, Qualls JE, Neale G, Koss B, Kim Y, Bronte V, Herold MJ, Green DR, Opferman JT, Murray PJ. Myeloid-derived suppressor activity is mediated by monocytic lineages maintained by continuous inhibition of extrinsic and intrinsic death pathways. **Immunity**. 2014 Dec 18;41(6):947-59. Epub 2014 Dec 11.

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**Dillon CP**, Oberst A, Weinlich R, Janke LJ, Kang T, Mak TW, Wallach D, Green DR. Survival function of the FADD-CASPASE-8-cFLIP<sub>L</sub> complex. **Cell Rep**. 2012 May 31;1(5):401-7.

Wang R, **Dillon CP**, Shi LZ, Milasta S, Carter R, Finkelstein D, McCormick LL, Fitzgerald P, Chi H, Munger J, Green DR. The transcription factor Myc controls metabolic reprogramming upon T lymphocyte activation. **Immunity**. 2011 Dec 23;35(6):871-82.

Llambi F, Moldoveanu T, Tait SWG, Bouchier-Hayes L, Temirov J, McCormick LL, **Dillon CP**, Green DR. A unified model of mammalian BCL-2 protein family interactions at the mitochondria. **Mol Cell**. 2011 Nov 18;44(4):517-31. Epub 2011 Oct 27.

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#### FUNDING AND AWARDS:

2008-2010	<b>SASS Foundation</b> for Medical Research Postdoctoral Fellowship.
2000-2005	<b>Howard Hughes Medical Institute</b> Predoctoral Fellowship.
2000-2003	<b>NSF</b> Graduate Fellowship (awarded, but declined in favor of HHMI fellowship).
1999	<b>Phi Beta Kappa</b> , University of California, Davis, Davis, CA.

**LICENSED INVENTION:**

- 2004-2014      **pLentiLox3.7**, Technology Licensing Office, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.
- Novel lentiviral vectors for *in vivo* RNA interference. Licensed to Pfizer and Novartis.

**TEACHING AND MENTORING:**

- Fall 2012      **Adjunct Assistant Professor**, Department of Biology, Rhodes College, Memphis, TN.
- Three week senior research seminar for undergraduate students. Developed all course content and testing materials, presented lectures, proctored and graded exams, and held office hours.
- Spring 2012      **Mentor**, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN.
- Rhodes College undergraduate. Oversaw project development and completion of research report, trained in specific laboratory skills, and directly supervised lab activities.
- 2006-2014      **Mentor**, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN.
- Three mouse colony technical staff members. Trained staff in specific laboratory skills, supervised lab activities and work quality, and guided development of lab resources.
- 2003-2004      **Mentor**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.
- Two undergraduates. Trained in specific laboratory skills and directly supervised lab activities.
- Spring 2003      **Teaching Assistant**, Introductory Immunology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.
- Taught undergraduate discussion sections, proctored exams, led review sessions, graded exams and assignments, and held office hours.
- Fall 2002      **Teaching Assistant**, Introductory Biology Lab, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.
- Taught four-hour undergraduate lab sessions four times per week. Proctored and graded exams and assignments, led review sessions, and held office hours.

**INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE**

- 2006-2013      **Postdoctoral Recruitment**, Academic Program Office, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN.
- Recruited for postdoctoral fellows at seven national and three international meetings in diverse fields. Assisted with preparation, planning, and hosting for the annual St. Jude National Graduate Student Symposium.
- 2006-2012      **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee**, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN.
- Performed protocol review, attended monthly full committee meetings, conducted biannual programmatic review and facilities inspections, and participated on investigative subcommittees.
- 2007-2009      **Fundraising**, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN.
- Conducted lab tours for radio stations during annual "Country Cares" event.

## INVITED SEMINARS

**Dillon CP.** Mechanisms of lethality in *ripk1*<sup>-/-</sup> mice. Presented at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Cell Death Meeting 2013. Cold Spring Harbor, NY. October 11, 2013.

**Dillon CP.** Confronting Misconduct: A first-hand account of the process and aftermath of exposing scientific fraud. Presented at Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Training Series, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Memphis, TN. November 12, 2012.

**Dillon CP.** TNF regulates dual death pathways in mice at E10.5. Presented at Immuno 2012: XXXVII Congress of the Brazilian Society of Immunology. Campos do Jordão, Brazil. October 22, 2012.

**Dillon CP.** TNF regulates dual death pathways in mice at E10.5. Presented at I Symposium of Cell Death ICB-USP. Sao Paulo, Brazil. October 16, 2012.

**Dillon CP.** TNF regulates dual death pathways in mice at E10.5. Presented at Society for Developmental Biology Southeast Regional Meeting. Memphis, TN. May 25, 2012.

**Dillon CP.** Double trouble: Delineating death checkpoints during mouse development. Presented at St. Jude Biomedical Research Forum. Memphis, TN. April 30, 2012.

**Dillon CP.** Imaging tumorigenesis *in vivo*. Presented at Midsouth American Association for Lab Animal Science. Memphis, TN. September 16, 2010.

**Dillon CP.** p53 in lymphoma and medulloblastoma. Presented at Midsouth American Association for Lab Animal Science. Birmingham, AL. April 24, 2009.

**Dillon CP.** Tails from the Green lab. Presented at St. Jude Animal Resource Center monthly meeting. Memphis, TN. March 18, 2008.

## SELECTED POSTER PRESENTATIONS

**Dillon CP, Oberst A, Weinlich R, Janke LJ, Green DR.** TNF regulates dual death pathways in mice at E10.5. Presented at Immuno 2012: XXXVII Congress of the Brazilian Society of Immunology. Campos do Jordão, Brazil. October 22, 2012.

**Dillon CP, Oberst A, Weinlich R, Janke LJ, Green DR.** TNF regulates dual death pathways in mice at E10.5. Presented at Society for Developmental Biology National Meeting. Montreal, Canada. July 21, 2012.

**Dillon CP, Weinlich R, Oberst A, Martinez J, McCormick LL, Fitzgerald P, Green DR.** Functions of FADD, Flip, and caspase-8 in development revealed by ablation of RIPK3. Presented at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Cell Death 2011. Cold Spring Harbor, NY. October 12, 2011.

**Dillon CP, Oberst A, Weinlich R, Martinez J, McCormick LL, Fitzgerald P, Pop C, Hakem R, Salvesen GS, and Green DR.** Essential pro-survival role for caspase-8 during T-cell activation and embryonic development through inhibition of RIPK3-dependent necrosis. Presented at American Association of Immunologists Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. May 16, 2011.

**Dillon CP, Oberst A, Weinlich R, Martinez J, McCormick LL, Fitzgerald P, Pop C, Hakem R, Salvesen GS, and Green DR.** Rescuing the embryonic lethality of death receptor pathway knockouts through genetic ablation of necroptosis. Presented at EMBO Molecular Medicine Workshop 2011: Cell Death and Disease. Obergurgl, Austria. March 11, 2011.