
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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EDUCATION/TRAINING <i>(Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, and include postdoctoral training.)</i>			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE <i>(if applicable)</i>	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
California Inst. of Technology, Pasadena CA	B. S	1981-1985	Physics
Stanford University, Stanford, CA	Ph. D	1985-1991	Neuroscience Advisor: C.J. Shatz
Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA	Postdoc	1991-1995	Mol. Neuroscience Advisor: M.E. Greenberg

A. Personal Statement

Research in our lab is directed at understanding the development and function of neural circuits. Our research interests include the identification and characterization of genes that regulate synapse formation, function, and stability, and the investigation of molecular mechanisms underlying the activity-dependent development of neuronal connections. We use a combination of cellular, molecular, and electrophysiological approaches to address these questions. The lab has made several major contributions to the understanding of mechanisms that underlie neuronal connectivity, which are reflected in a rich publication record, including papers in *Science*, *Nature*, *Neuron*, *Nature Neuroscience*, and *Journal of Neuroscience*.

B. Positions and Honors

Academic Positions

9/95-2/00: Assistant Professor, Department of Neuroscience,
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
3/00-6/03 Associate Professor, Department of Neuroscience,
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
7/03-present Stephen Kuffler Professor of Neurobiology
University of California San Diego

University/Professional Service

2002-2003 Chair, Johns Hopkins Medical School Council
1999-2002 Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting Program Committee
2003-2004 Admissions Committee, UCSD/Salk Neurosciences Graduate Program
2001-2005 Member of NIH study section NDPR
2004-2010 Director, UCSD/Salk Neurosciences Graduate Program
2004-2010 Associate Editor, *Journal of Neuroscience*
2006, 2008 Co-chair, CSHL meeting on Axon Guidance, Synaptogenesis, and Neural Plasticity
2007, 2009 Co-chair, Gordon Conference on Dendrites
7/08-present Chair, Neurobiology Section, Division of Biological Sciences, UCSD
9/09-present Co-Director, Center for Neural Circuits and Behavior, UCSD

Honors

1984-1985: Caltech Prize Scholarship; Graduated with honor in Physics
1990-1991: Giannini Foundation Postdoctoral Research Fellowship
1991-1994: Damon Runyon-Walter Winchell Cancer Research Fund Postdoctoral Fellowship
1994-1995: Medical Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship
1995-1997: Damon Runyon Scholar Award

1996-1999:	EJLB Foundation Scholar Research Award
1996-1999:	Klingenstein Fellowship Award in Neuroscience
1996-1998:	Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow
1997-2001:	Pew Scholar Award
1997:	Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers
2000:	John Merck Scholar Award
2001:	Society for Neuroscience Young Investigator Award
2003:	Stephen Kuffler Professorship, University of California San Diego
2008:	UCSD Revelle College Outstanding Faculty Award

C. Publications

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4. Shatz, C.J., **A. Ghosh**, S.K. McConnell, K.L. Allendoerfer, E. Friauf and A. Antonini (1991). Subplate neurons and the development of neocortical connections. in **Development of the Visual System**, D.M. Lam and C.J. Shatz, eds (MIT Press).
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6. **Ghosh, A.** and C.J. Shatz (1992). Involvement of subplate neurons in the formation of ocular dominance columns. **Science** 255:1441-1443.
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8. McConnell, S.K., **A. Ghosh** and C. J. Shatz (1994). Subplate pioneers and the formation of descending connections from cerebral cortex. **J. Neurosci.** 14:1892-1907
9. Dalva, M.B., **A. Ghosh** and C.J. Shatz (1994). Independent control of dendritic and axonal form in the developing lateral geniculate nucleus. **J. Neurosci.** 14:3588-3602
10. **Ghosh, A.** and C.J. Shatz (1994). Segregation of geniculocortical afferents during the critical period: a role for subplate neurons. **J. Neurosci.** 14:3862-3880
11. **Ghosh, A.**, J. Carnahan and M.E. Greenberg (1994). Requirement for BDNF in activity-dependent survival of cortical neurons. **Science** 263:1618-1623.
12. **Ghosh, A.**, D.D.Ginty, H. Bading and M.E. Greenberg (1994). Calcium regulation of gene expression in neuronal cells. **J. Neurobiol.** 25:294-303.
13. Farnsworth, C.L., N.W. Freshney, L.B. Rosen, **A. Ghosh**, M.E. Greenberg and L.A. Feig (1995). Calcium activation of Ras mediated by neuronal exchange factor Ras-GRF. **Nature** 376:524-527.
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15. **Ghosh, A.** (1995). Subplate neurons and the patterning of thalamocortical connections. **Proceedings of the Ciba Foundation Symposium on Cortical Development**
16. **Ghosh, A.** and Greenberg, M.E. (1995). Calcium signaling in neurons: molecular mechanisms and cellular consequences. **Science** 268:239-247.
17. **Ghosh, A.** (1996). Cortical development: With an eye on neurotrophins. **Current Biology** 6:130-133.
18. Threadgill, R., Bobb, K. and **A. Ghosh** (1997). Regulation of dendritic growth and remodeling by Rho, Rac, and Cdc42. **Neuron** 19:625-634.
19. **Ghosh, A.** (1997). Axons follow Reelin routes. **Nature** 385:23-24.
20. Shieh, P. B. and **A. Ghosh** (1997). Neurotrophins: New roles for a seasoned cast. **Current Biology** 7:627-630.

21. Shieh, P.B., Hu, S.-C., Timmusk, T., and **A. Ghosh** (1998). Identification of a signaling pathway involved in calcium regulation of BDNF expression. **Neuron** 20:727-740.
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25. Shieh, P. B. and **Ghosh, A.** (1999). Molecular mechanisms underlying activity-dependent regulation of BDNF expression. **J. Neurobiol.** 41:127-134.
26. Redmond, L.J., S.-R. Oh, C. Hicks, G. Weinmaster, and **A. Ghosh** (2000). Nuclear Notch1 signaling and the regulation of dendritic development. **Nature Neuroscience** 3:30-40.
27. Polleux, F., T. Morrow and **A. Ghosh** (2000). Semaphorin 3A is a chemoattractant for developing cortical dendrites. **Nature (research article; cover)** 404:567-573.
28. **Ghosh, A.** (2000). Dendritic Growth: Don't go says Flamingo. **Neuron** 28:3-4.
29. Dickson, B.J., H.Cline, F. Polleux and **A. Ghosh** (2001). New directions in axon guidance. **EMBO Reports** 2:182-186.
30. Redmond, L. and **A. Ghosh** (2001). The role of Notch and Rho GTPase signaling in the control of dendritic development. **Curr. Opin. Neurobiology** 11:111-117.
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