

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
San Jose State University	B.A.	1953	Psychology
University of California, Berkeley	Ph.D.	1959	Physiol. Psychology
Istituto Superiore di Sanita, Rome	Postdoc	1961-62	Neuropharmacology

A. Personal Statement: The research in my laboratory has focused on the neurobiological systems that modulate the formation of lasting memory in rats as well as human subjects. The findings have revealed the involvement of stress hormones released by emotional arousal and the consequent activation of the amygdala. Such activation influences consequent interactions with other brain systems involved in processing different kinds of information. The recent research has begun to examine memory in human subjects who have exceptionally strong autobiographical memories. The aim is to understand the processes that enable such naturally occurring strong memories and to determine whether the processes are the same as or related to those we previously found in our research on endogenous processes that modulate memory formation. I currently teach both undergraduate and graduate courses in the neurobiology of learning and memory and direct the research of graduate students and postdoctoral researchers. The many graduate students and postdoctoral researchers who have collaborated in this research are now faculty members at many universities in the U.S., Europe and Asia.

B. Positions and Honors

Positions: San Jose State University: Psychology Department, Assistant Professor, 1957-60; Associate Professor, 1960-61 University of Oregon: Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, 1961-64 (on leave, 1961-62) University of California, Irvine: Neurobiology and Behavior: Associate Professor (1964-66), Professor (1996-94), Research Professor (1994-), Founding Chair (1964-67), Chair (1971-74, 1986-89); Director, Center for the Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, 1983-2004

Honors: Member, U.S. National Academy of Sciences; Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences; Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science; Foreign Member, Brazilian Academy of Sciences; Corresponding member, Mexican Academy of Sciences; Laurea honoris causa, University of L'Aquila, Italy; William James Fellow, American Psychological Society; Distinguished Scientific Contribution Award, American Psychological Association; Fellow, Society of Experimental Psychologists; John P. McGovern Award, American Association for the Advancement of Science; Robert S. Dow Neuroscience Award; Norman Anderson Lifetime Achievement Award; Karl Lashley Prize in Neuroscience, American Philosophy Society, 2009

Editor: Behavioral and Neural Biology, 1972-1994, Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, 1995-1998

C. Selected peer-reviewed publications *(total of 535)*

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