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Lieutenant Commander, Medical Service Corps, U.S. Navy Retired

EDUCATION:

- B.A. Degree in Microbiology (1977) University of South Florida, Tampa, FL
- A.S. Degree in Medical Laboratory Technique (1980) George Washington University
- Graduate courses in Microbiology (1980-1983) San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
- M.S. Degree in Medical Microbiology/Immunology (1987) University of South Florida, College of Medicine, Tampa, FL
- **Ph.D.** Degrees in Medical Microbiology/Immunology (1989), University of South Florida, College of Medicine, Tampa, FL

PROFESSIONAL/HONORARY SOCIETIES:

- American Association of Immunologists
- American Society for Microbiology
- American Society for Rickettsiology
- American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
- Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
- The Helminthological Society of Washington

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

United States Navy

- 1978-1980 Hospital Corpsman/Medical Technologist, Balboa Naval Hospital, San Diego, CA
- 1980-1983 Instructor, Medical Laboratory Technician School, Naval School of Health Sciences, San Diego, CA
- 1983-1985 Medical Technologist, Operation Deep Freeze, Port Hueneme, CA/McMurdo Station, Antarctica
- 1985-1989 Chief Hospital Corpsman, Naval Reserve Center, Tampa, FL
- 1989-1992 Research Microbiologist/Immunologist, Infectious Diseases Department, Naval Medical Research Institute (NMRI), Bethesda, MD
- 1990-1991 Research and Clinical Microbiologist/Immunologist, Operation Desert Shield/Storm, The Navy Forward Laboratory, Al Jubail, Saudi Arabia
- 1992-1997 Research Microbiologist/Immunologist, Head, Department of Immunology and Rickettsial Diseases Program, Naval Medical Research Unit No. 2 (NAMRU-2), Jakarta, Indonesia.
- 1997-2001 Laboratory Director of Military Tropical Medicine Course, Naval School of Health Sciences and Associate Professor, Department of Preventive Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD. Research Coordinator, Department of Defense's Rickettsial Diseases Research Program.
- 2001-2003 Research Coordinator, Department of Defense's Rickettsial Diseases Research Program; Research Microbiologist/Immunologist, Director, Department of Rickettsial Diseases, Infectious Diseases Directorate, Naval Medical Research Center, Silver Spring; Associate Professor, Department of Preventive Medicine and Emerging Infectious Diseases, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD.

Part-time Work as a Medical Technologist:

1982 Gyn-Ob Laboratories, San Diego, CA

1982-1983 Rees-Stealy Medical Group, San Diego, CA

1986-1989 Damon Clinical Laboratories, Tampa, FL

Part-time Work as an Instructor:

1994-1995 California State University Northridge for CSU Program - Jakarta, Indonesia

Intergovernmental Personnel Appointment (IPA) with the Henry M. Jackson Foundation

2003-2007 Research Coordinator, Department of Defense's Rickettsial Diseases Research Program. Research Microbiologist/Immunologist, Rickettsial Diseases Research Program, Naval Medical Research Center, Silver Spring, MD.

Adjunct Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine/Biometrics and Associate Professor of Emerging Infectious Diseases (Secondary), Department of Preventive Medicine/Biometrics, F. Edward Hebert School of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD.

Federal Employee: Research Microbiologist GS14

- 2007-present Research Coordinator, Department of Defense's Rickettsial Diseases Research Program. Research Microbiologist/Immunologist, Rickettsial Diseases Research Program, Naval Medical Research Center, Silver Spring, MD.
- 2007-2013 Adjunct Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine/Biometrics and Associate Professor of Emerging Infectious Diseases (Secondary), Department of Preventive

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2013-present Adjunct Professor of Preventive Medicine/Biometrics and Professor of Emerging Infectious Diseases (Secondary), Department of Preventive Medicine/Biometrics, F. Edward Hebert School of Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD.

HONORS:

Military Honors:

Navy Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (two gold stars), Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Unit Commendation ribbon (one bronze star), Navy Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal (one bronze star), Antarctica Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal (three bronze stars), Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (one bronze star), Navy Overseas Service Ribbon (three bronze stars), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), Navy Expert Riflemen Medal, Navy Sharpshooter Pistol Ribbon.

Civilian Honors:

R.G. Thompson/American Cancer Society Fellowship recipient, 1976. Graduate Registration Fellowship recipient, 1985. Faculty/Staff Fund for Student Scholarships recipient, 1987. Sigma Xi Student Grants-in-Aid recipient, 1988. Review Article of the Year (1996) Award from the journal Medika, Jakarta, Indonesia, 1997. Naval Medical Research Center Senior Civilian of the Year for Scientific Achievement. 2010.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Instructor for the Naval School of Health Sciences, San Diego and the George Washington University: Medical Laboratory Technique School (1980-1983). Primary instructor for "Clinical Chemistry" (six months) and "Medical Microbiology" (three years). Both semester-long courses that included lecture and laboratory instruction.

Instructor for California State University Northridge (CSUN) for the CSU Program – Jakarta, Indonesia. Primary instructor for "Introduction to Biology" - a semester long lecture course. (1994-1995).

Instructor for the Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda. Associate course director and laboratory director for Military Tropical Medicine course (1997 to 2001). Instructor for the laboratory portion of the Global Medicine course, USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Brooks Air Force Base, TX (1998-2002).

Associate Professor (1997-2013) and Professor (2013-present) for the Department of Preventive Medicine & Biometrics, Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences. Instructor for Diagnostic Parasitology and Medical Zoology for medical students, and Medical Parasitology, Tropical Medicine Rounds and Medical Zoology Seminar for graduate students.

GRANTS/FUNDING:

1998

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program STEP J project entitled: "Develop a fluorogenic 5' nuclease assay (TaqMan) for detection and identification of *Orientia* DNA for early diagnosis of scrub typhus." October 1, 1998 - September 30, 1999.

1999

Principal Investigator for "An Epidemiological Investigation of Tick-borne Infections in the USA," Grant # MDA905—99-1-0030. Project Period was 26JUL99 to 31AUG03; Funding Source was the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion & Preventive Medicine.

2000

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program STEP J study entitled: "Vaccine for scrub typhus: Optimizing presentation of a multivalent *Orientia* vaccine." October 1, 2000 – September 30, 2001.

2001

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program STEP J project entitled: "Initial development of a scrub typhus non-human primate animal model." October 1, 2001- September 30, 2002. \$145K

Co-investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program STEP J proposals entitled:

- 1. Vaccine for scrub typhus: production and delivery approaches for a polyvalent vaccine using genetically engineered 56 kDa antigen. October 1, 2001- September 30, 2002.
- 2. Assessment of homologous protection induced by recombinant 56 kDa protein from *Orientia tsutsugamushi* in combination with other scrub typhus antigens. October 1, 2001- September 30, 2002.

2002

Principal Investigator for Global Emerging Infections System proposal entitled: "Surveillance for Rickettsial Diseases." 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2002 – September 30, 2005.

2003

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program STEP L protocol entitled: "Optimization and validation of real-time PCR assays for rickettsial pathogens." 61102A810LN2075 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2003 – September 30, 2004.

Associate Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA AJ proposal, entitled: "Scrub typhus vaccine: Development of multivalent vaccine for broad protection." 61102A870JA0310 Ching October 1, 2003 – September 30, 2006.

2004

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA AJ study entitled: "Efficacy of multivalent scrub typhus vaccine candidates utilizing recombinant virus vectors in a lethal challenge mouse model." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.AJ0009 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2004 - September 30, 2006.

2005

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA L project entitled: "Rickettsial real-time PCR diagnostic assay: development of a data package for submission of a 510(k) application to the FDA." 6000.RAD1.L.A0310.L0066 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006.

Principal Investigator for Department of Homeland Defense-NBACC project entitled: "Establishment of a bioforensic capability for rickettsial diseases." DHS-NBFAC RSCB-07-00180. May 1, 2005 - September 30, 2006.

Principal Investigator for Global Emerging Infections System proposal entitled: "Surveillance for Rickettsial Diseases." 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2005 – September 30, 2006.

2006

Principal Investigator for Department of Homeland Defense-NBACC project entitled: "Establishment of a bioforensic capability for rickettsial diseases." DHS-NBFAC RSCB-07-00180. May 1, 2006 - September 30, 2010.

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA AJ study entitled: "Safety, immunogenicity, and efficacy of an *O. tsutsugamushi* 47 kDa DNA vaccine in a non-human primate animal model." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.AJ0030 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2006 - September 30, 2007.

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA L project entitled: "Rickettsial real-time PCR diagnostic assay: development of a data package for submission of a 510(k) application to the FDA." 6000.RAD1.L.A0310.L0066 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2005 - September 30, 2008.

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA L project entitled: "Development of a Critical Reagents Repository to Support the Development of Diagnostic Devices for Infectious Diseases." 6000.RAD1.L.A0310.L0066 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2006 - September 30, 2007.

Principal Investigator for Global Emerging Infections System proposal entitled: "Surveillance for Rickettsial Diseases." 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007.

Associate Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA AJ project, entitled: "Development of a broadly protective scrub typhus vaccine candidate in a mouse model." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.AJ0019 Ching (PI) October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007.

2007

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA J protocol entitled: "Evaluation of the down selected scrub typhus VRP vaccine candidate in a heterologous prime-boost regimen." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.J0025 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Support for surveillance of rickettsial and rickettsial-like diseases." 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008.

2008

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA J project entitled: "Current Assessment of the Risk of Arthropod-Borne Rickettsioses in the Former Soviet Union (FSU) Republics. Richards (PI) DTRA August 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008.

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA J protocol entitled: "Assessment of new genetic adjuvants for optimizing the efficacy of a scrub typhus DNA vaccine candidate encoding the 47 kDa antigen gene, pKarp47." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.J0031 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2008 – September 30, 2009.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Support for surveillance of rickettsial and rickettsial-like diseases." C0117_09_NM_OC 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2008 – September 30, 2009.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Detection and prevalence of *Rickettsia parkeri* a newly emerging pathogen on CONUS bases." C0144_09_NM_OC 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2008 – September 30, 2009.

2009

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ project entitled: "Characterization of mechanisms of protective immunity against scrub typhus including cellular and humoral adaptive immune responses to *Orientia tsutsugamushi*: Identification of surrogate markers of protective immunity." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0009 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2011.

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ project entitled: "Characterization of the host innate immune response to *O. tsutsugamushi* at the site of initial infection." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0010 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010.

Associate Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA AJ project, entitled: "Characterization and comparison of host immune response in an in vitro infection model with *O. tsutsugamushi* with a view to identifying possible differential responses in resistant and susceptible mouse strains." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0013 Chattopadhyay (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System of the Armed Forces protocol entitled: "Worldwide support for surveillance of rickettsial and rickettsial-like diseases and the development of associated assays for surveillance." C0175_10_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Investigate high incidence of flea-borne spotted fever in northeastern Kenya." C0284_10_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010.

2010

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ project entitled: "Evaluation of host innate immune response components for immunoprotection to *Orientia tsutsugamushi* infection." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0026 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System of the Armed Forces protocol entitled: "Worldwide support for surveillance of rickettsial and rickettsial-like diseases and the development of associated assays for surveillance." C0485_10_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Investigate high incidence of flea-borne spotted fever in northeastern Kenya." C0491_10_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2010 – September 30, 2011.

2011

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ project entitled: "Importance of the 47 kDa HtrA antigen B and T cell epitope amono acid sequences in providing broad immunoprotection from *Orientia tsutsugamushi* infection." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0034 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2012.

Associate Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ project, entitled: "Characterization and comparison of host immune response in an in vitro infection model with *O. tsutsugamushi* with a view to identifying possible differential responses in resistant and susceptible mouse strains." 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0036 Chattopadhyay (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2012.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System of the Armed Forces protocol entitled: "Worldwide support for surveillance of rickettsial and rickettsial-like diseases and the development of associated assays for surveillance." C0713_12_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2012.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Investigation of Rickettsiae and Rickettsial Diseases in Kenya." C0644_10_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2012.

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System protocol entitled: "Survey for the arthropod-borne pathogens: rickettsia, ehrlichia, anaplasma, coxiella, borrelia in Thailand and development of a GIS model to predict endemic areas."

C0701_10_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) GEIS October 1, 2011 – September 30, 2013.

2012

Principal Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ protocol entitled: Importance of the 47 kDa HtrA antigen B and T cell epitope amino acid sequence in providing broad immunoportection from *Orientia tsutsugamushi* infection. 6000.RAD1.J.A0310.WJ0034 Richards (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2012 - September 30, 2013. 25% Associate Investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ protocol entitled: Susceptibility and immune response of humanized mice to *Orientia tsutsugamushi* infection. 6000.RAD1.J.A0310. WJ0039_13_NM Fedrow (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2012 - September 30, 2014. 10%

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System of the Armed Forces Health Surveillance protocol entitled: "Development, production and supply of rickettsial assays and reagents." P0088_13_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013. 10%

2013

Co-investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ protocol entitled: Characterizing the innate signaling response to *Orientia tsutsugamushi*. 6000.RAD1.J.A0310. WJ0057 14 NM Farris (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014. 10%

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System of the Armed Forces Health Surveillance protocol entitled: "Development, production and supply of rickettsial assays and reagents." P0413_14_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014. 10%

2014

Co-investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ protocol entitled: Development and characterization of an intradermal challenge mouse model for evaluation of scrub typhus vaccine candidates. 6000.RAD1.J.A0310. WJ0075_15_NM Chaddopadhyay (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015. 10%

Co-investigator for the Military Infectious Diseases Research Program PA WJ protocol entitled: Evaluation of the role of the outer membrane autotransporter protein ScaC of *O. tsutsugamushi* in inducing heterologous protection in a scrub typhus mouse model. 6000.RAD1.J.A0310. WJ0086 15 NM Chattopadhyay (PI) MIDRP October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015. 10%

Principal Investigator for the DoD Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System of the Armed Forces Health Surveillance protocol entitled: "Development, production and supply of rickettsial assays and reagents." P0000_15_NM 8477058200025GBA0074 Richards (PI) October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015. 10%

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Naval Medical Research Institute, Bethesda, MD (1989 - 1992):

- Division Equipment Officer (1989 1992).
- Division Computer Officer (1990 1992).
- Program Area Hazardous Materials, MSDS and Chemical Inventory Officer (1992).

Naval Medical Research Unit No. 2, Jakarta, Indonesia (1992 - 1997):

- Head, Department of Immunology and Rickettsial Diseases Program (1992 1997).
- Radiation Safety Officer, (1992 1997).
- Safety Officer, (1993 1997).
- Drug Screening Program Officer (1993 1997).
- Member, Facilities Planning Committee, (1993 1997).
- Member, Incentive Awards Committee, (1993 1997).
- Member, Moral, Welfare and Recreation Committee (1996 1997).
- Member, Environment Action Committee U.S. Embassy (1996-1997), Jakarta, Indonesia.

Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD (1997 - 2001):

- Assistant Director Military Tropical Medicine course.
- Assistant Command Physical Readiness Training Coordinator (1997-2001).
- Member, Multi-culture Events Committee (1999-2001).

<u>Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, MD (1997 - present):</u>

- Member, Uniformed Services University Radiation Safety Committee (1998 2001).
- Member, Preventive Medicine & Biometrics Department, Uniformed Services University, Doctorate Program Review and Evaluation Committee, (2000 2001).

DoD Military Infectious Diseases Research Program (1999 – present):

- Program Area WJ: Rickettsial Diseases Research Program and Task Area Development Program: Development of a Scrub Typhus Vaccine.
 - o Research Coordinator (1999 present).
 - o Chairman, Scientific Steering Committee (1999 present).
- Program Area L, Diagnostic Systems for Infectious Diseases Research Program.
 - o Steering Committee Member: Diagnostic Systems (2007 present)

The Helminthological Society of Washington (1999 - present):

- Member, Executive Committee, (1999 2013).
- Chairman, Membership Committee, (2000 2002).
- Correspondence Secretary and Treasurer, (2002 2004).
- Member of Audit Committee (2005 2013).
- Member of Business Advisory Committee (2005 2008).
- Chairman of Business Advisory Committee (2006).
- President (2008 2011).
- Immediate Past President (2011 2013).

Naval Medical Research Center, Silver Spring, MD (2001 - present):

- Director, Rickettsial Diseases Department (2001 2006).
- Member, Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects (1999 2001).
- Command Legal Officer (2001 2002).

- Member, Real-time PCR IPT (2008 – 2011)

Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DoD)

- Scientific Review Panel (2005-2007).

Armed Forces Health Surveillance Center (AFHSC): Division of Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System (GEIS) Operations

- Chair of Febrile and Vector-borne Illnesses Surveillance Steering Committee 2009 2013.
- Member of Febrile and Vector-borne Illnesses Surveillance Steering Committee 2009 present.

Small Business Innovation Research (DoD)

- Topic Manager: Development and Commercialization of Analyte Specific Reagents (ASRs) for the Diagnosis of Rickettsial Diseases on FDA-cleared Real-time PCR Platforms (2009 2013).
- Topic Manager: Development of a Molecular Assay to Identify Ticks that Vector Rickettsial Diseases (2011 2014).

Armed Forces Pest Management Board (AFPMB)

- Member, Vector & Pathogen Detection Committee, NMRC Research represent. (2012 – present)

AD HOC REVIEWER FOR THE FOLLOWING JOURNALS

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Vector-Borne and Zoonotic Diseases, Clinical Infectious Diseases, Emerging Infectious Diseases, Journal of Veterinarian Medicine, Nature Medicine, Applied Environmental Microbiology, Journal of American Medical Association, Journal of Antimicrobiotic and Chemotherapy, PLoS ONE, The Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, PLoS NTD, International J Infect Diseases, J Med Entomology, Rev Microbiol, Memorias do Instituto Oswaldo Cruz, North American J Medical Sciences, Lancet Global Health.

PUBLICATIONS:

- 1. **Richards AL**, Okuno T, Takagaki Y, Djeu JY. Natural cytotoxic cell-specific cytotoxic factor produced by IL-3-dependent basophilic/mast cells. Relationship to TNF. J Immunol 1988;141:3061-6.
- 2. Djeu JY, Blanchard DK, **Richards AL**, Friedman H. Tumor necrosis factor induction by *Candida albicans* from human natural killer cells and monocytes. J Immunol 1988;141:4047-52.
- 3. **Richards AL**, Dennert G, Pluznik DH, Takagaki Y, Djeu JY. Natural cytotoxic (NC) activity in a cloned natural killer (NK) cell line is mediated by tumor necrosis factor (TNF). Nat Immun Cell Growth Regul 1989;8:76-88.
- 4. **Richards AL**, Djeu JY. Calcium dependent natural killer and calcium independent natural cytotoxic activities in an IL-2 dependent killer cell line. J Immunol 1990;145:3144-9.
- 5. Wang M, **Richards AL**, Friedman H, Djeu JY. Selective inhibition of natural killer but not natural cytotoxic activity in a cloned cell line by delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol. J Leukoc Biol 1991;50:192-7.
- 6. **Richards** AL, Hyams KC, Merrell BR, Dasch GA, Woody JN, Ksiazek TG, LeDuc JW, Watts DM. Letter to the Editor: Medical aspects of Operation Desert Storm. N Engl J Med 1991;325:970.
- 7. **Richards AL**, Hyams KC, Watts DM, Rozmajzl PJ, Woody JN, Merrell BR. Respiratory disease among military personnel in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Shield. Am J Public Health 1993;83:1326-9.
- 8. Olson PE, **Richards AL**, Dasch GA, Kennedy CA. Failure to identify *Borrelia burgdorferi* in Southern California ticks by DNA amplification. J Infect Dis 1993;168:257-8.
- 9. **Richards AL**, Malone JD, Sheris S, Weddle JR, Rossi CA, Ksiazek TG, LeDuc JW, Dasch GA, Hyams KC. Arboviral and rickettsial infections among combat troops during Operation Desert Shield/Storm. J Infect Dis 1993;168:1080-1.
- 10. Koshy A, **Richards AL**, Al-Mufti S, Grover S, Shabrawy MA, Pacsa A, Al-Anezi A-AH, Al-Nakib B, Burans J, Carl M, Hyams KC. Acute sporadic hepatitis E in Kuwait. J Med Virol 1994;42:405-8.
- 11. Coleman RE, **Richards AL**, Magnon GJ, Maxwell CS, Debboun M, Klein TA, Wirtz RA. Laboratory and field trials of four repellents with *Culex pipiens* (Diptera: Culicidae). J Med Entomol 1994;31:17-22.
- 12. Fryauff DJ, Baird JK, Basri H, Sumawinata I, Purnomo Richie TL, Ohrt CK, Mouzin E, Church CJ, **Richards AL**, Subianto B, Sandjaja B, Wignall FS, Hoffman SL. Randomized, placebo-controlled trial of primaquine for prophylaxis of falciparum and vivax malaria in Indonesia. Lancet 1995;346:1190-3.
- 13. **Richards AL**, Rahardjo E, Soeatmadji DW. Rickettsial Diseases: Risk for Indonesia. Bul Pen Kesehatan 1995;23:78-89.
- 14. Fryauff DJ, Baird JK, **Richards AL**, Richie TL, Tjitra E, Mouzin E, Sutamihardja MA, Ratiwayanto S, Hadiputranto H, Larasati RP, Pudjoprawoto N, Subianto, Sandjaja B, Wignall FS, Hoffman SL. Clinical laboratory parameters among adult males during a primaquine chemoprophylaxis trial in Irian Jaya, Indonesia. Bul Pen Kesehatan 1995;23:35-48.
- 15. Cope SE, Schultz GW, **Richards AL**, Savage HM, Smith GC, Mitchell CJ, Fryauff DJ, Conlon JM, Corneil JA, Hyams KC. Assessment of arthropod vectors of infectious diseases in areas of U.S. troop deployment in the Persian Gulf. Am J Trop Med Hygiene 1996;54:49-53.
- 16. **Richards AL**, Perrault JG, Caringal LT, Manatoto CR, Sie A, Graham R, Ramos RM, Leonardo JB, Hyams KC. A non-invasive assessment of hepatitis B virus carrier status using saliva samples. Southeast Asia J Trop Med Publ Health 1996;27:80-4.
- 17. Koshy A, Grover S, Hyams KC, Shabrawy MA, Al-Nakib B. Pacsa A, Al-Nakib B, Zaidi SA, Al-Anezi A-AH, Al-Mufti S, Burans J, Carl M, **Richards AL**. Short-term IgM and IgG antibody responses to hepatitis E virus infection. Scand J Infect Dis 1996;28:439-41.

- 18. **Richards AL**. Peranan Sitokin Dalam Reaksi Kekebalan Terhadap Malaria [The role of cytokines in the immune response to malaria]. Medika 1996;22:953-62.
- 19. Fryauff DJ, **Richards AL**, Baird JK, Richie TL, Mouzin E, Tjitra E, Sutamihardja MA, Ratiwayanto S, Hadiputranto H, Larasati RP, Pudjoprawoto N, Subianto B, Hoffman SL. Lymphocyte proliferative response and subset profiles during extended periods of chloroquine or primaquine prophylaxis. Antimicrob Agents Chemother 1996;40:2737-42.
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- 21. Giri A, Slattery JP, Heneine W, Gessain A, Rivadeneira E, Desrosiers RC, Rosen L, Anthony R, Pamungkas J, Iskandriati D, **Richards AL**, Herve V, McClure H, O'Brien SJ, Franchini G. *Tax* gene sequences form two divergent monophyletic lineages corresponding to types I and II of simian and human T-cell leukemia/lymphotropic viruses. Virology 1997;231:96-104.
- 22. **Richards AL**, Teik OC, Lockman JL, Rahardjo E, Wignall FS. Scrub typhus in an American living in Jakarta, Indonesia. Infect Dis Clin Pract 1997;6:268-73.
- 23. **Richards AL**, Renny Bagus R, Baso SM, Follows GA, Tan R, Graham RR, Sandjaja B, Corwin AL, Punjabi NH. The first reported outbreak of dengue hemorrhagic fever in Irian Jaya, Indonesia. Am J Trop Med Hyg 1997;57:49-55.
- 24. **Richards AL**, Soeatmandji DW, Widodo MA, Sardjono TW, Yanuwiadi B, Hernowati TE, Baskoro AD, Roebiyoso, Hakim L, Soendoro M, Rahardjo E, Putri MP, Saragih JM, Strickman D, Kelly DJ, Dasch GA, Olson JG, Church CJ, Corwin AL. Seroepidemiological evidence for murine and scrub typhus in Malang, Indonesia. Am J Trop Med Hyg 1997;57:91-5.
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