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Genomics Institute of the Novartis Research Foundation, San Diego, CA, 2000-2014.  
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Postdoctoral Fellow, University of California at San Francisco, 1996-2000. Advisor: Dr. Louis Reichardt

Doctor of Philosophy in Biology, Department of Biology, California Institute of Technology (Caltech), Pasadena, CA, 1990-1996. Advisor: Dr. Barbara Wold

Bachelor of Science, Magna Cum Laude, Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology, University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), 1987-1990. Advisor: Dr. Judy A. Lengyel

### **SERVICES, AWARDS, AND HONORS:**

- Alexander M. Cruickshank Lecturer, Gordon Research Conferences, 2019
- Rosenstiel Award for Distinguished Work in Basic Medical Research, Brandeis University, 2019 (shared with David Julius)
- Member, Pradel Research Award Selection Committee, 2018-
- Member, National Academy of Sciences (NAS), 2017-
- Alden W. Spencer Award, Columbia University, 2017 (shared with David Ginty)
- Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), 2016-
- Editorial Board of Neuron, 2016-
- Member of The Scripps Research Institute Academic Planning Committee, 2015-
- Co-Chair, Working group to advise a steering committee to develop a National Pain Strategy (Affordable Care Act), 2015-2017

- Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) Investigator, 2014-
- Special Lecture, Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, 2014
- Michael J Brody Memorial Lecture, University of Iowa, 2014
- Wiersma Visiting Professor, California Institute of Technology, 2012
- Young Investigator Award, Society for Neuroscience, 2006
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## **BIOSKETCH**

Ardem Patapoutian is a molecular biologist specializing in sensory transduction. His notable contributions to science include identifying novel ion channels and receptors activated by temperature, mechanical force, and increased cell volume. His laboratory has shown that these ion channels play crucial roles in sensing temperature, touch, proprioception, pain, and regulating vascular tone. Patapoutian was born in Lebanon in 1967 and attended the American University of Beirut for one year before he immigrated to The United States in 1986 and became a US citizen. He graduated from UCLA in 1990 and received his Ph.D. at Caltech in the lab of Dr. Barbara Wold in 1996. After postdoctoral work with Dr. Lou Reichardt at UCSF, he joined the faculty of Scripps Research in 2000, where he is currently a Professor in the Department of Neuroscience. He also held a position at the Genomics Institute of The Novartis Research Foundation from 2000-2014. Patapoutian was awarded the Young Investigator Award from the Society for Neuroscience in 2006 and was named an Investigator of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in 2014. He is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (2016), and a member of the National Academy of Sciences (2017). He is a co-recipient of the 2017 Alden Spencer Award from Columbia (with David Ginty), and the 2019 Rosenstiel Award for Distinguished Work in Basic Medical Research (with David Julius).

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