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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division

NICHOLAS HARRISON and
OUTSERVE-SLDN, INC.

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 1:18-cv-641 (LMB/IDD)

JAMES N. MATTIS, in his official capacity
as Secretary of Defense; MARK ESPER, in
his official capacity as the Secretary of the
Army; and the UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE,

Defendants.

**EXPERT DECLARATION OF CARLOS DEL RIO, M.D., IN SUPPORT OF
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION**

I. INTRODUCTION

1. My name is Carlos del Rio. I have been retained by counsel for Plaintiffs as an expert in connection with this litigation.

2. I am offering this declaration to provide my expert opinions regarding HIV—its etiology, the mechanism by which it operates to undermine a person's immune system, the routes and relative risks of transmission, the care and treatment of people living with HIV, the effect of treatment with antiretrovirals on the immunological and overall health of people living with HIV, and the effect of treatment on the risks of transmission.

3. The opinions I express are my own and do not reflect the official policy of any organization with which I am affiliated. I am not receiving any compensation for my work.

4. I am knowledgeable about the matters set forth below based upon my own knowledge and experience, as well as my review of various materials cited herein.

II. PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND & QUALIFICATIONS

5. I am the Hubert Professor and Chair of the Department of Global Health and Professor of Epidemiology at the Rollins School of Public Health and Professor of Medicine in the Division of Infectious Diseases at Emory University School of Medicine. I am also Principal Investigator and co-Director of the Emory Center for AIDS Research (CFAR).

6. I am a native of Mexico where I attended medical school at Universidad La Salle, graduating in 1983. I did my Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases residencies at Emory University. In 1989, I returned to Mexico where I was Executive Director of the National AIDS Council of Mexico (CONASIDA, the Federal agency of the Mexican Government responsible for AIDS Policy throughout Mexico) from 1992 through 1996. In November 1996, I returned to Emory where I have been involved in patient care, teaching and research. I was Chief of the

Emory Medical Service at Grady Memorial Hospital from 2001 to 2009 and I am now the interim Executive Associate Dean for Emory at Grady.

7. My research focuses on early diagnosis, access to care, engagement in care, compliance with antiretrovirals and prevention of HIV. I am the co-Primary Investigator of the NIH-funded Emory-CDC HIV Clinical Trials Unit, Clinical Site Leader for the Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG) and the site Primary Investigator for the HIV Prevention Trials Network (HPTN) of the NIAID/NIH. My international work includes collaborations in the following countries: Georgia, Ethiopia, Kenya, Thailand, Vietnam and Mexico. I have also worked on emerging infections, such as pandemic influenza, and was a member of the WHO Influenza A(H1N1) Clinical Advisory Group and of the CDC Influenza A(H1N1) Task Force during the 2009 pandemic.

8. I am a Member of the Board of Directors of the International Antiviral Society-USA (IAS-USA) and was the Chair of the HIVMA of the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA). I was also a member of the Advisory Committee on HIV, Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Health Resources and Services Administration as well as of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Antiretroviral Treatment Guidelines Panel. I serve as Chief Section Editor for HIV/AIDS for NEJM Journal Watch Infectious Diseases, Associate Editor for Clinical Infectious Diseases and I am a member of the editorial board of the Journal of AIDS and Global Public Health.

9. I have co-authored 30 book chapters and over 300 scientific papers. Among other honors, I received the James H. Nakano Citation in 2001 and was recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for an outstanding scientific paper published in 2000; awarded

the Emory University Marion V. Creekmore Achievement Award for Internationalization; selected by the “Atlanta Magazine” as one of the 55 most influential foreign-born Atlantans in 2007. In 2013, I was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies.

10. My curriculum vitae is attached, which describes my education, work experience, and publications. *See Attach. 1 (del Rio CV).*

III. BACKGROUND ON THE HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS

A. An Introduction to HIV

11. Since Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) was first identified as a cause of death in the United States in the early 1980s, there has been incredible progress in the treatment of this disease. Once considered invariably fatal within a matter of years, HIV is now considered a chronic, manageable condition. Those diagnosed in a timely manner and provided with appropriate care and treatment with antiretroviral medications experience no noticeable effects on their physical health and enjoy a life expectancy that is nearly the same as those who do not have HIV.

12. HIV, which is an acronym for human immunodeficiency virus, attacks the body’s immune system. Specifically, HIV attacks the body’s CD4 cells, also referred to as T-cells. When HIV takes over a CD4 cell, it forces the cell to produce multiple copies of the virus, which in turn take over other CD4 cells.

13. CD4 cells help the immune systems fight off other types of infections. As HIV reduces the number CD4 cells in the body, it becomes increasingly harder for a person to fend off infections or disease.

14. After the acute stage of infection, a person enters a period of clinical latency that can last years. After time, however, if the person does not receive appropriate treatment, the

amount of virus in their blood (i.e., their “viral load”) will rise and their CD4 count will start to drop. Eventually, an untreated individual’s CD4 count will drop below 200 and/or the person will develop an infection the body would be able to fight off under normal circumstances (i.e., an “opportunistic infection”), at which point that person would have an AIDS diagnosis.

B. The Treatment of HIV

15. At almost any point in the progression of HIV, however, consistent treatment with antiretroviral therapy will halt and reverse the downward slope in immune function and restore the person to good health.

16. In 1996, effective antiretroviral therapy (ART) became widely available. In the mid-1990’s, medical researchers discovered that a combination of three antiretroviral medications (from at least two different subclasses) would not only prevent HIV from reproducing, but would also prevent the virus from mutating and becoming resistant to the medications, as had been the problem with mono and dual therapy approaches. .

17. With adherence to ART, the person’s viral load drops and their CD4 count rebounds. Within several months, the person’s HIV will become “virally suppressed,” defined as less than 200 copies of the virus per milliliter of blood,¹ and shortly after that, they would have an “undetectable”² viral load, which is generally defined as less than 50 copies per milliliter of blood.

¹ See U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Evidence of HIV Treatment and Viral Suppression in Preventing the Sexual Transmission of HIV* (Dec. 2017), available at <https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/pdf/risk/art/cdc-hiv-art-viral-suppression.pdf>; U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *HIV Treatment as Prevention*, available at www.cdc.gov/hiv/risk/art (“[V]iral suppression [is] defined as having less than 200 copies of HIV per milliliter of blood.”).

² At one time, the testing technologies were not sensitive enough to reliably detect the virus below approximately 50 copies per milliliter. Newer testing technologies are able to detect HIV

18. Every person living with HIV who adheres to their antiretroviral medications will eventually achieve and maintain an undetectable viral load. There is an effective treatment regimen for virtually every person living with HIV, and difficulties in reaching an undetectable viral load are related to a lack of consistent access to the health care and/or other social determinants of health, such as instable housing or food insecurity, that make medication adherence more difficult.

19. Development of resistance to a particular ART regimen does not occur unless the patient is not adherent to their prescribed medications. One of the important features of the ART regimens used today is that if the virus is suppressed the development of mutations that lead to resistance becomes impossible. With three or more medications combatting the virus in different ways at the same time, the virus is not able to mutate around any of those medications. For patients who develop resistance due to non-adherence, switching to a different regimen to which their virus has not developed resistance and to which they are subsequently adherent will return that patient to viral suppression.

20. As drugs have less and less side effects, adherence to ART has grown easier and easier over the past 20 years. Today, most people living with HIV are on a single tablet regimen (“STR”)—in which all three or four medications are combined into one pill—that is taken once a day. STRs have no dietary restrictions, and side effects are minimal and generally very well tolerated.

below this level, but the term “undetectable” is still used to describe a viral load at or below this level.

21. A person who is diagnosed with HIV in a timely manner and adheres to their prescribed ART has very nearly the same life expectancy as a person who is not living with HIV.³

C. The Transmission of HIV

22. HIV can only be transmitted via certain body fluids—blood, semen, pre-seminal fluid, rectal fluids, vaginal fluids, and breast milk.⁴ For transmission to occur, these fluids from a person who has HIV must either come in contact with a mucous membrane or damaged tissue or be directly injected into the bloodstream (with a needle or syringe). Mucous membranes are found inside the rectum, vagina, penis, and mouth. HIV is not spread through saliva, sweat, tears, urine, or feces.

23. Most commonly, HIV is transmitted by engaging in sexual activities or sharing needles or syringes. Outside of the contexts of sexual activity, sharing of injection drug equipment, blood transfusion, needle sticks, or perinatal exposure (including breastfeeding), transmission of HIV is rare. For all other activities—including biting, spitting, and throwing of body fluids—the CDC characterizes the risk as “negligible” and further states that “HIV transmission through these exposure routes is technically possible but unlikely and not well documented.”⁵

³ See U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *About HIV/AIDS*, available at <https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/basics/whatishiv.html>.

⁴ See U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *HIV Transmission*, available at <https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/basics/transmission.html>.

⁵ See U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *HIV Risk Behaviors: Estimated Per-Act Probability of Acquiring HIV from an Infected Source, by Exposure Act*, available at www.cdc.gov/hiv/risk/estimates/riskbehaviors.html.

24. Contrary to popular belief, HIV is not an easily transmitted virus. In the absence of treatment and condom use, the CDC estimates that the per-act risk of transmission for the riskiest sexual activity—receptive anal intercourse—is approximately 1.38% (138 out of 10,000 exposures).⁶ The per-act risk of transmission for other sexual activities is between zero and .08%.

25. Furthermore, people living with HIV who are virally suppressed or have an undetectable viral load are incapable of transmitting HIV. Advances in understanding of the preventive effects of ART have led the CDC to declare that “...people who take ART daily as prescribed and achieve and maintain an undetectable viral load have effectively no risk of sexually transmitting the virus to an HIV negative partner. *See* CDC, “Dear Colleague: Information from CDC’s Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention,” Sept. 27, 2017, *available at* <https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/dcl/dcl/092717.html> (last viewed June 26, 2018).⁷

26. As further stated in the CDC letter, “Across three different studies, including thousands of couples and many thousands of acts of sex without a condom or pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), no HIV transmissions to an HIV-negative partner were observed when the HIV-positive person was virally suppressed”⁸ (i.e., a viral load of less than 200 copies/ml).

⁶ See U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *HIV Risk Behaviors: Estimated Per-Act Probability of Acquiring HIV from an Infected Source, by Exposure Act*, available at www.cdc.gov/hiv/risk/estimates/riskbehaviors.html.

⁷ See U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Treatment as Prevention*, available at www.cdc.gov/hiv/risk/art (“People living with HIV who take HIV medicine as prescribed and get and keep an undetectable viral load have effectively no risk of transmitting HIV to their HIV-negative sexual partners.”).

⁸ The referenced scientific studies: The HIV Prevention Treatment Network Study No. 052 as published in the New England Journal of Medicine 08/11/11, *available at* https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMoa1105243?query=recirc_curatedRelated_article; PARTNER Study, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) July

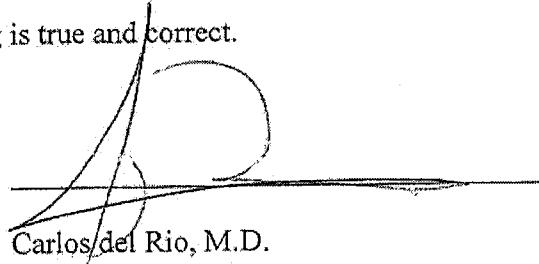
27. Based on these studies regarding the effect of a suppressed or undetectable viral load on sexual transmission risk and the extremely low—and possibly only theoretical—risk of transmission via blood splash and other non-injection activities, I am reasonably certain that it is not possible for a person with a suppressed or undetectable viral load to transmit HIV through such exposures.

IV. CONCLUSION

HIV is now a relatively easy to manage, chronic condition that, when properly treated, presents no cognizable risk to the health or safety of others through occupational exposures, including exposures that could potentially occur during military service.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 18 day of July, 2018



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carlos del Rio, M.D.", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized letter 'C' at the beginning.

12, 2016, available at <https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/27404185>; and Opposites Attract study reported at the Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI) in 2015, available at <https://www.croiconference.org/sites/default/files/posters-2015/1019LB.pdf> and the International AIDS Conference in 2017.

Attachment

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Current Titles and Affiliations:

a. Academic appointments:

April 1, 2009 – present: Hubert Professor & Chair, Hubert Dept. of Global Health,
Rollins School of Public Health of Emory University
Sept. 1, 2003 – present: Professor of Medicine (Tenured), Emory University School of
Medicine

b. Clinical Appointments:

March 1997 – July 2011: Active Medical Staff, Grady Health System
Oct 1999 – present: Medical Staff member, The Emory Clinic
July 2011 – present: Active-Courtesy staff member, Grady Health System
June 2013 – present: Infectious Diseases Clinical Chief of Service at Emory University
Hospital

c. Other administrative appointments:

Jan 16, 2017 – present: Interim Executive Associate Dean for Emory at Grady
Oct 1, 2005 – present: Co-Director, Emory Center for AIDS Research.
Jan. 1, 2007 – present: Clinical Research Site (CRS) Leader at the Ponce de Leon Center
for the Emory AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG).

Previous Academic and Professional Appointments:

1990 – 1996: Associate Professor of Medicine, Universidad La Salle, Mexico City, Mexico.
1989 – 1996: Chief of Infectious Diseases and Chairman of the Infection Control
Committee, Hospital Angeles del Pedregal, Mexico City, Mexico.

1993 – 1999: National Investigator, National Research Council (Sistema Nacional de Investigadores), Mexico.

1996 – 1997: Assistant Professor of Medicine (transient appointment), Emory University School of Medicine (EUSM).

1997 – 2001: Associate Director for Clinical Services at the Ponce de Leon Center of the Grady Health System and Director of the Special Immunology Service at Grady Memorial Hospital

September 1, 1997 – August 31, 2003: Associate Professor of Medicine (Infectious Diseases), Emory University School of Medicine

December 18, 1997 – August 31, 2005: Adjunct Associate Professor of International Health, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University

September 1, 2005 – March 31, 2009: Adjunct Professor of Global Health, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University.

Previous Administrative Appointments:

1992 – 1994: Executive Director of the National AIDS Council (CONASIDA), Mexico.

1994 – 1996: General Coordinator of the National AIDS Council (CONASIDA), Mexico.

1995 – 1997: Member of the Program Coordinating Board, Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

July 1999 – July 2000: Associate Director of the Internal Medicine Residency Program

January 1998 – July 2001: Director, Clinical Core of the Emory CFAR

July 1, 2000 – March 31, 2001: Program Director, Emory Internal Medicine Residency Program

April 1, 2001 - January 31, 2006: Co-Director, J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Program.

April 1, 2001 - March 31, 2009: Chief of Medical Service, Grady Memorial Hospital

February 1, 2006 – February 29, 2008: Director for Resident Scholarly Activities, J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program.

July 1, 2001 – September 30, 2005: Associate Director for Clinical Sciences and International Research, Emory Center for AIDS Research

July 1, 2004 – June 1, 2006: Executive Director, Hope Clinic of the Emory Vaccine Center.

February 1, 2006 – March 31, 2009: Vice Chair for Grady Affairs, Dept. of Medicine, EUSM

March 1, 2008 – May 31, 2010: Program Director, J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program of Emory University.

Sept. 1998 – June 2015: Director and Principal Investigator, AIDS International Training and Research Program (AITRP) of Emory University.

Licensures/Boards:

Georgia Medical License: 027282

1981: ECFMG (Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates)

1982: VQE (Visa Qualifying Examination)

1984: FLEX (Federation Licensing Examination)

Specialty Boards:

1986, American Board of Internal Medicine (#108785)
1988, American Board of Internal Medicine (Infectious Diseases)

Education:

1977-83: Medical School, Universidad La Salle, Mexico City, Mexico
1981-82: Pregraduate internship (senior year of medical school), six months at the University of Oregon, Portland, Oregon and six months at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia
1982-83: Social service, Department of Critical Care Medicine, Instituto Nacional de la Nutrición Salvador Zubirán, Mexico City, Mexico

Postgraduate Training:

1983-86: Internal Medicine Residency, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia (five months in JAR year at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD)
1986-88: Infectious Disease Fellowship, Emory University School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia
1988-89: Chief Resident in Medicine at Crawford Long Hospital of Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

Executive Training:

Jan 2007: Program for Chiefs of Clinical Services. Department of Health Policy and Management, Harvard School of Public Health.

Jan 2008: Woodruff Health Sciences Center Quality Academy.

Committee Memberships:

- a. National and International:
 - Member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Latin-American AIDS Initiative (SIDALAC) (1996 – 2000)
 - Member of the Monitoring of the AIDS Pandemic (MAP) Network (1996 – 2000)
 - Chair, Committee on the Status of Minority Microbiologists, Public and Scientific Affairs Board, American Society for Microbiology (June 1997 - June 2003)
 - CDC, Member of the Task Force to develop the “*HIV Prevention Strategic Plan Through 2005*” (February 2000).
 - Member of the CDC Advisory Committee on HIV and STD Prevention (September 2000 – November 2003)
 - Member of the UNAIDS Performance Monitoring and Evaluation Plan Working Group (1997)
 - NIH Office of AIDS Research, Member of the Planning Group on International AIDS Research Priorities (April, 2001 and February 2002)
 - NIH, Chairman of Special Emphasis Panel for NIH NOT AI-01-018 “*Comprehensive International Program of Research on AIDS*” (August, 2001)
 - NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel for NH-00-0048 “*Early detection of HIV: Implications for Prevention Research*” (June 2000)
 - NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel for NH-00-004 “*Long-term Maintenance of HIV/STD Behavior Change*” (June 2000)
 - Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, Member of Review Panel for “Call for Action Projects” (January 1996 to present)

- Member, Institute of Medicine's Committee on the Ryan White Care Act: Data for Resource Allocation, Planning and Evaluation. (January 2002 – October 2003).
- NIH, Member of the Outcomes Committee of the Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group (July 2001 – December 2006)
- Member, International AIDS Society – USA Core Faculty (April 2002 to present)
- NIH, Chairman of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1-GPJ-A-S2 “*Comprehensive International Program of Research on AIDS - CIPRA*” (May, 2003)
- CDC, Member Special Emphasis Panel 2003-N-008922 “*A US Clinical Trial Site to Conduct Evaluation of Topical Microbicides in Heterosexual Women and Men*” (August, 2003)
- Member, Education Committee, Infectious Diseases Society of America (2003 – 2005)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ICP-2 “*International Bioethics Reviews*” (March 2004)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1 GP J-M (M1) “*NIAID Enhancement Awards for Underrepresented Minority Scientists*” (June 28 – 30, 2004)
- CDC, Member on Special Emphasis Panel PA 04156, “*Simplified Procedures for Routine HIV Screening in Acute Care Settings*” (August 17, 2004)
- NIH – Charter Member of the AIDS Clinical Studies and Epidemiology Study Section (formerly AARR-6), November 2004 – July 2009.
- Member of the Board of Directors, International AIDS Society – USA (January 2005 – present)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1 LD-A-J1 “*Unsolicited Research Project Grant Application*” (January 2006)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1 SV-A (S1) “*TB/HIV Immune Cell Expression*” (August 2006)
- NIH, Chair of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1QV-1 “*Review of Clinical Trials and Implementation Grants*” (September 2006)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 IC2-B (51) “*Phase II Comprehensive ICOHRTA-AIDS/TB (U2R) Review*” (November 2006)
- Representative of HIVMA on the Education Committee of IDSA (2006 – 2010)
- External Reviewer of the draft report by the Committee on the “*President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS [PEPFAR] Implementation Evaluation*”. (November 2006)
- Member, Institute of Medicine’s Committee on Methodological Challenges in HIV Prevention Trials (January 2007 – February 2008).
- Member, DHHS Panel for Antiretroviral Guidelines for Adults and Adolescents (February 2007 – February 2010 and February 2010 – February 2014)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1 ESB-A (M1) “*HIV Prevention in Men Review*” (April 2007)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 BDA-A (52) “*FICRS Resource and Support Center Review*” (April 2007)
- CDC, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZPS1 FXR (03) “*Minority HIV/AIDS Research Initiative to Build Capacity in Black and Hispanic Communities and Among Black and Hispanic Researchers to Conduct HIV/AIDS Epidemiologic and Prevention Research – MARI*” (May 2007)

- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1 SR-M (1) “*NIAID Clinical Trials Planning Grants*” (June 2007)
- Member of the Board of Directors of the HIVMA - HIV Medicine Association of IDSA - (October 2007 – Oct 2017)
 - Chair of the Board (Oct 2015 – Oct 2016)
- Member of the Board of Advisors of HealthSTAT (July 2007 – present)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 ICP2-B (51) “*Global Infectious Diseases Training Program*” (February 2008)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 ICP2-B (50) “*International Research in Infectious Diseases*” (February 2008)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZDA1 NXR-B 13 1, “*International Collaborations for HIV and Drug Abuse*” (April 2, 2008)
- Member of the OpMAN (Optimization of Co-Infection and Co-Morbidity Committee) of the AIDS Clinical Trials Group (May 2008 – May 2010)
- Member of the Advisory Committee on HIV and STD Prevention and Treatment of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Health Resources and Services Administration (July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2012 and July 1, 2012 – December 30, 2016)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZDA1 NXR-B 08 1, “*Pre-Applications for the Avant-Garde Program*” (April 19, 2009)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 AARR-C 22 “*AIDS Fellowship Review*” (July 28-29, 2009)
- Member, Institute of Medicine Committee on HIV Social Security Disability Criteria (Dec 2009 – June 2010)
- Member, WHO Influenza A(H1N1) Clinical Advisory Group (2009)
- Member, CDC Influenza A(H1N1) Task Force (2009)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZCA1 RTRB-8 M2 R “*A Developing Research Capacity in Africa for the Studies of HIV-Associated Malignancies*” (March 15, 2010)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZDA1 NXR-B 08 1, “*Pre-Applications for the Avant-Garde Program*” (April 23, 2010)
- Member of the ACTG Executive Committee (June 1, 2010 – May 31, 2013)
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Infectious Diseases Society of America (October 2010 – September 2013)
- Member, Institute of Medicine Committee to Review Data Systems for Monitoring HIV Care (February 2011 – September 2012)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 IDM-R (50) R, “*International Research in Infectious Diseases including AIDS (IRIDA)*”. (February 11, 2011)
- NIH, Chair, Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 F12B-U (20) L, “*Fellowships: Psychopathology, Disabilities, Stress and Aging*. (February 24, 2011)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZDA1 NXR-B 15, “*Pre-Applications for the 2011 Avant-Garde Program for HIV/AIDS Research*” (March 28, 2011)
- NIH/NIAID – Charter Member, Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Review Committee (AIDS RRC), (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2015).
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 AARR-H (55) “*Career Development in International Settings*”. (June 29, 2011)

- NIH/FIC – Member, US-India Joint Working Group on Prevention of Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV/AIDS (Oct 31, 2011)
- NIH, Member of Special Emphasis Panel ZDA1 NXR-B, “Pre-Applications for the Avant-Garde Program” (Jan 11, 2012)
- NIH, Chair of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 AARR-H, “HIV International Research Training” (Oct 31 – Nov 1, 2012)
- Member of the Board of Director, ACTHIV (April 2013 – present)
- Co-Chair, International Antiviral Society-USA Panel on Development of Recommendations for Biomedical Prevention of HIV Infection (2013)
- NIH, member of Special Emphasis Panel ZAI1 BP-A (S4), “Clinical Trials Implementation UO1 Grants” (Aug 26, 2013)
- NIH, member of Special Emphasis Panel ZRG1 AARR-F (52), “Methodologies and Formative Work for Combination HIV Prevention Approaches” (Dec 16, 2013)
- Member, Office of HIV/AIDS Network Coordination (HANC) Behavioral Sciences Consultative Group (Jan 1, 2015 – Dec 31, 2018)
- NIH/NIAID – Chair, Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Review Committee (AIDS RRC), (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017)
- Member, UNAIDS Scientific and Technical Advisory Committee (Dec 2014 – present)
- Member, Fulton County Task Force on HIV/AIDS (Dec 2014 – Sept 2017)
- Chair, PEPFAR Scientific Advisory Board (March 1, 2015 – present)
- Vice-Chair, ACTG Underrepresented Populations Committee (Dec 1, 2016 – Nov 30, 2018)

b. Regional and State:

- Member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the AIDS consortium of Atlanta (1996 – 2004)
- Member of the Board, AID Atlanta (1998 – 2004)
- Member of the Board of Trustees, The Paideia School (1998 – 2004)
- Member of the Parent Council of Emory University (2007 – 2010)
- Member of the Board of Directors, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra (2011 – present)

c. Institutional

- LCME Graduate Medical Education/Continuing Education Committee (1998)
- Dean of School of Nursing Search Committee (1999)
- GME Advisory Committee (July 1999 - present)
- Representative of the School of Medicine on the International Affairs Council (November 2000 to 2009)
- Member of the School of Medicine Faculty Committee on Appointments and Promotions (June 2001 – September 2004)
- Member of the Faculty Council of Emory University (2000- 2004)
- Member, Advisory Board of the Center for the Study of Health, Culture and Society (December 2000 – May 2009)
- Internal Medicine House Staff Evaluation Committee (March 1998 - present)
- Orthopedic Chair Search Committee (2001)
- Medical Executive Committee, Grady Health System (April 2001 – March 2009)

- Chair, Education and Training Subcommittee, Woodruff Health Sciences Center Bioterrorism Taskforce (April 2002 – December 2003)
- Representative of the School of Medicine on the Coordinating Committee for University Internationalization (September 2002 – April 2009)
- Chair, Medical Records Committee, Grady Health System (May 2002 – December 2005)
- Member, EMCF Practice Committee (June 2002 – March 2009)
- Member, Emory GCRC Advisory Committee (June 2002 – June 2007)
- Radiology Chair Search Committee (2003-2004)
- Member, Emory University Strategic Planning Committee (Subcommittees on Global Health and Internationalization).
- Co-Chair, Curriculum Planning Steering Committee of Emory University School of Medicine (September 2004 – December 2005)
- GCRC Director Search Committee (2005)
- Member, Faculty Development Committee for the Department of Medicine (2005 – 2009)
- Chair, Department of Medicine Promotions and Tenure Subcommittee (2005 – 2007)
- Member, Honorary Degrees Committee of Emory University (2006 – 2009)
- Member, Global Health Institute Advisory Committee, Emory University (2006 – present)
- Member, Institute for Developing Nations Academic Board, Emory University (2006 – present)
- Co-Chair Task Force on Faculty and Staff Development, Emory University School of Medicine (December 2006 – August 2007)
- Member, Search Advisory Committee for the Senior Vice President for Health Affairs of the Woodruff Health Sciences Center of Emory University (January – July 2007)
- Member, LCME Faculty Subcommittee (2007)
- Member, Presidential Advisory Committee (PAC) of Emory University (September 2007 – August 2009)
- Member, Surgery Chair Search Advisory Committee (2007-08)
- Member, Director of Critical Care for Emory Healthcare Search Advisory Committee (2008-09)
- Member, Research Advisory Committee of the School of Medicine (March 1, 2009 – August 31, 2010)
- Member, Woodruff Health Sciences Center Research Advisory Council (April 2009 – present)
- Chair of the Research Training and Education subcommittee for the WHSC Research Strategic Plan (August 2009 – May 2010)
- Co-Chair, Culture Transformation Group, Woodruff Health Sciences Center (May 2009 – May 2011).
- Member, Task Force on Protest, Dissent and Community (May 2011 – May 2015)
- Member, Emory University Faculty Advisory Committee for Finance and Administration (Oct 2011 – May 2015)
- Member, Family and Preventive Medicine Chair Search Committee (2012)

- Member, Graduate Medical Education Strategic Planning Committee (2013)
- Member, Director of Yerkes National Primate Research Center Search Committee (2013)
- Member, LCME Taskforce (2015)
- Co-Chair, Emory University's Provost Search Advisory Committee (Oct 2016 – 2017)

Consultancies:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Consultant for the drafting of the “*HIV Prevention Strategic Plan Through 2005*”. September 2000.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, External consultant for the “*Control of Neisseria gonorrhoeae infection in the United States*”. Oct 10 – 11, 2001.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Consultant on “*Bioterrorism Education for Clinicians*”, August 2002.
- Abbott Laboratories. HOPE Partnership (December 2001 – December 2002)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Consultant on implementing HIV Testing in Acute Care Settings. March 2004.
- NIH/Harvard Medical School Division of AIDS, Participant in the scientific workshop addressing “*When to Switch HIV Antiviral Therapy in Resource-Limited Settings*”. Boston, MA. November 12, 2004.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Participant in Satellite Broadcast/Web Cast “*Incorporating HIV Prevention into the Medical Care of Persons Living with HIV*”. November 13, 2004.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Consultant in drafting the “*HIV Screening Recommendations for Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women in Health Care Settings*”. November 1 – 2, 2005. Published as “*Revised Recommendations for HIV testing of Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women in Health-Care Settings*”. MMWR 2006; 55(RR-14)
- Interagency Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance, Consultant in drafting “*A Public Health Action Plan to Combat Antimicrobial Resistance*”. December 12-13, 2007.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant for the “*External Peer Review of DHAP Surveillance, Research, and HIV Prevention Programs*”. April 13 – 15, 2009
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant for the “*Consultation on Revised Guidelines for HIV Counseling, Testing, and Referral in non-clinical settings*”. June 1 – 2, 2009.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant during a meeting entitled: “*Developing a Rapid Impact Assessment Framework for Pandemic Influenza Response*”. August 26, 2010
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant for the “*Consultation on Monitoring and Use of Laboratory Data Reported to HIV Surveillance*”. Jan 12 – 13, 2011
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant for the “*Consultation on MSM Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Implementation Guidelines*”. May 3 – 4, 2011.

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant for the “*HIV surveillance Case Definition*”. Feb 7 – 8, 2012.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, consultant for the “*STD Treatment Guidelines 2013*”. April 30 – May 2, 2013.

Editorship and Editorial Boards:

- Chief Editor, *HIV/AIDS Journal Watch Infectious Diseases (2014 – present)*
- Associate Editor for HIV, *Clinical Infectious Diseases (2016 – present)*
- Senior Clinical Editor, *AIDS Research and Human Retroviruses (2007 – 2017)*
- Editorial board, *AIDS Clinical Care (2000 – 2014)*
- Editorial Board, *Journal of AIDS*
- Editorial Board, *Global Public Health*
- Editorial Board, *Women, Children and HIV*
- Editorial board, *Archives of Medical Research*

Manuscript reviewer

- AIDS
- AIDS Research and Human Retroviruses
- AIDS and Behavior
- American Journal of Medicine
- American Journal of Public Health
- American Journal of Preventive Medicine
- American Journal of the Medical Sciences
- Annals of Internal Medicine
- Annals of Emergency Medicine
- Archives of Internal Medicine
- Archives of Medical Research
- Clinical Infectious Diseases
- Emerging Infectious Diseases
- Gaceta Médica de México
- JAMA
- Journal of AIDS
- Journal of General Internal Medicine
- Journal of Infectious Diseases
- Lancet
- New England Journal of Medicine
- PLoS One
- Salud Pública de México
- Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Social Sciences and Medicine
- Vaccine

Honors and Awards:

- 1982 Valedictorian, medical school class of 1982, Universidad La Salle, Mexico
- 1983 Awarded "Los mejores estudiantes de México" (Best students in Mexico)
- 1987 Elected member of A.O.A.
- 1988 Trainee Travel Award, American Federation for Clinical Research
- 1990 Fellow of the American College of Physicians
- 1989, 91, 96 Physician Recognition Award, American Medical Association
- 1992-99 "Investigador Nacional Nivel I" (National Researcher) by the "Sistema Nacional de Investigadores" in Mexico
- 1993 Award "Hermano Miguel" given by the Universidad La Salle in Mexico in recognition of academic achievement
- 1996 Glaxo-Wellcome Foundation Award for Clinical Research. Mexico City, Mexico.
- 1996 Fellow of the Infectious Diseases Society of America
- 2001 James H. Nakano Citation (for an outstanding scientific paper published in 2000)
- 2002 Finalist, Atlanta Business Chronicle "Health-Care Heroes" Award in the

- Physician category
- 2006 Outstanding Achievement Award in the Field of HIV/AIDS awarded by the First Lady of Georgia for “*Personal Contribution in Developing a modern HIV/AIDS Control Program in Georgia*”
- 2007 Marion V. Creekmore Award for Internationalization, Emory University
- 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2017 “Best Conference Award”, as voted by the residents for the most outstanding conference in the Emory Internal Medicine Residency Program.
- 2007 Selected by “*Atlanta Magazine*” as one of the 55 most influential foreign-born Atlantans (October 2007 issue)
- 2009 Elected member of the American Clinical and Climatological Association
- 2011 Elected member of the American Epidemiological Society
- 2011 Silver Pear Research Mentoring Award, Department of Medicine, Emory Univ.
- 2013 Fellows Award for Distinguished Educator in Infectious Diseases, University of Pittsburgh Division of Infectious Diseases
- 2013 Elected to the National Academy of Medicine (formerly the Institute of Medicine)
- 2014 Winner of the Thomas Jefferson Award at Emory University
- 2015 Winner of the Department of Medicine R. Wayne Alexander Research Achievement Award
- 2015 Department of Medicine Research Day, 3rd place winner in the “Clinical, Quality and Health Services Research Poster” category.
- 2016 Elected to Delta Omega (Honorary Society in Public Health) by the member students of the Phi Chapter at the Rollins School of Public Health
- 2016 Recipient of the “Ohtli Award” from the Mexican Government for “*distinguished work that benefits the interests of the Mexican community or communities of Mexican origin living in the US*”.
- 2017 John P. McGovern Award Lectureship delivered at the 47th Annual Meeting of the American Osler Society. Atlanta, GA April 10th, 2017.
- 2017 Distinguished Medical Alumni Achievement Award – Emory University School of Medicine
- 2017 Inducted to the Emory MilliPub Club (The MilliPub Club honors and recognizes Emoy faculty who have published one or more papers that have garnered more than 1,000 citations).
- 2017 Winner of the Emory University Shool of Medicine Mentoring Award

Society Memberships:

- American College of Physicians
- Member of the American Society for Microbiology
- Asociación Mexicana de Medicina Interna
- Infectious Diseases Society of America
- Asociación Mexicana de Infectología y Microbiología Clínica
- American Federation for Medical Research
- International AIDS Society

Organization of National or International Conferences:

- a. Administrative positions:
- Organizing committee of the 8th International Pathogenic *Neisseria* Conference, October 1992, Cuernavaca, Mexico
 - Coordinator of the IV National AIDS Conference, October 1993, Mexico City, Mexico
 - Organizing committee of the IV International Conference on Travel Medicine, April 1995, Acapulco, Mexico
 - Coordinator of the V National AIDS Conference, November 1995, Mexico City, Mexico
 - Scientific Committee, 1st IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment, Buenos Aires, Argentina, July 2001
 - Track Co-chair, 2001 National HIV Prevention Conference, Atlanta, GA, August 2001
 - Scientific Program Committee Member, 3rd Conference on Global Strategies for the Prevention of HIV Transmission from Mothers to Infants. Kampala, Uganda. September 2001.
 - International Scientific Committee, XIV International Conference on AIDS, Barcelona, Spain, July 2002
 - Scientific Program Committee, 8th World STI/AIDS Congress, Punta del Este, Uruguay, December 2-5, 2003.
 - Joint Program Committee Track Co-chair, XVI International Conference on AIDS, Mexico City, Mexico, August 2008.
 - Track Co-chair, 2009 National HIV Prevention Conference, Atlanta, GA, August 2009
 - Planning Committee Member, 36th Remington Winter Course in Infectious Diseases. Vail, CO. February 21 - 26, 2010
 - Co-Chair, AIDS Vaccine 2010. Atlanta, GA. September 28 – October 1, 2010
 - Regional Chair, HIVDART 2010. Los Cabos, Mex. December 7 – 10, 2010
 - Planning Committee Member, 37th Remington Winter Course in Infectious Diseases. Snowmass, CO. February 6 – 11, 2011
 - Member, Clinical Science Track Committee, XIX International Conference on AIDS, Washington, DC. July 22 – 27, 2012
 - Member, Scientific Advisory Committee, 2nd International Treatment as Prevention (TasP) Workshop. Vancouver, BC. April 22 – 25, 2012
 - Member, Scientific Advisory Committee, 3rd International Treatment as Prevention (TasP) Workshop. Vancouver, BC. April 22 – 25, 2013
 - Co-Chair of Planning Committee, The American Conference for the Treatment of HIV (ACTHIV), Denver, Co. May 8 – 10, 2014
 - Scientific Advisory Committee, HIVDART 2014. Key Biscayne, Fla. December 9 – 12, 2014
 - Member of the Scientific Program Committee, HIV Drug Therapy in the Americas 2015. Mexico City, Mx. April 16 – 18, 2015.
 - Co-Chair of Planning Committee, The American Conference for the Treatment of HIV (ACTHIV), Dallas, Tx. Apr 29 – May 3, 2015
 - Member of the Core Committee, HIV & Hepatitis in the Americas 2016. Mexico City, Mx. April 28 – 30, 2016.
 - Member of the Core Committee, HIV & Hepatitis in the Americas 2017. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. April 6 – 8, 2017.

Research focus:

My research efforts focus on access to care, linkage to care and barriers to care among HIV-infected hard to reach populations in the United States and abroad. I also do research on treatment and prevention of HIV/AIDS as well as adherence and the impact of therapy on behavior. I also work on TB and other co-infections like HCV and STI's, in particular gonorrhea. Finally, my research has expanded to include the emerging opioid epidemic and looking for ways to improve opioid prescribing and management of pain in clinical settings.

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a. Active support:

- NIH (2P30 AI 50409). Emory CFAR. (PI: C. del Rio) 08/01/17 – 7/31/22.
- NIH/NIAID (AI069418). Emory-Duke-Orlando-CDC Clinical Trials Unit. (co-PIs: J. Lennox; C. del Rio & M. Mulligan) 12/10/13 – 11/30/20
- NIH/NIDA (1R01DA037768). Improving Physician Opioid Prescribing for Chronic Pain in HIV-infected Persons (co-PIs: J. Samet & C. del Rio), 09/15/2014 – 08/31/2018.
- NIH/NIDA (1R01DA032098-03). Project Retain: Providing Integrated Care for HIV-infected crack cocaine users (co-PIs: L. Metsch & C. del Rio), 07/15/2011 – 04/30/2017 (no cost extension).
- CDC (1H25-PS004311). The Emory Atlanta Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project - GISP (PI: C. del Rio), 01/01/14 - 12/31/18.
- NIH/NIDA (5U10DA013720). Florida Node of the Drug Abuse Clinical Trials Network (PI: J. Szapocznik & L. Metsch; Emory site PI: C del Rio) 00/30/2000 – 08/31/2020
- CDC (5T01GH001185). Emory Center for Public Health Training in Complex Humanitarian Emergencies (PI: C. del Rio) 9/1/2015 – 08/31/2018
- NIH (D43 TW007124). Emory-Georgia Tuberculosis Research Training Program (PI: H. Blumberg; Co-PI: C. del Rio), 09/30/04 - 06/30/19.
- NIH (D43 TW009127) Emory-Ethiopia Tuberculosis Research Training Program (PI: H. Blumberg; Co-PI: C. del Rio), 07/1/13 - 01/31/18.

Lectureship, Seminar Invitations, and Visiting Professorship: (last ten years)

- * “*Global and regional priorities in Infectious Diseases*”. Opening plenary talk at the XLII Congress of the National Infectious Diseases Society of Mexico. Puebla, Mx. May 24, 2017
- * “*Top 10 in HIV*”. Closing Plenary Speaker at the 11th Annual ACTHIV meeting. Dallas, TX April 20-22, 2017.
- * “*Improving patient outcomes by focusing on the HIV Care Continuum*”. Keynote speaker at the Symposium: Emerging Strategies for HIV and Viral Hepatitis Co-Infection Symposium. Atlanta, GA. Dec 1st, 2016.
- * “*What reviewers look for in your RPG application: perspectives from reviewers*”. Invited talk at the NIAID Research Career (“K”) Development: Fostering Science Leaders Workshop. NIH/NIAID Bethesda, MD. November 29, 2016.
- * “*Health Equity: Improving outcomes in Hard to Reach Populations*”. Invited talk at the 10th Annual Meeting of the CFAR Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Network. Miami, FLA. October 20, 2016.

- * “*The HIV Care Continuum*”. Invited Talk at the Symposium on Clinical and Prevention Care organized by the Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness. Atlanta, Ga. June 20, 2016.
- * “*High Impact Research Transforming Health Policy*”. HIV Grand Rounds organized by the Univ. of Pennsylvania CFAR. Philadelphia, Penn June 16, 2016.
- * “*High Impact Research Transforming Health Policy*”. Invited talk at the 3rd Annual “Advancing Healthcare Quality Research at Emory University: Symposium. Atlanta, Ga. May 18, 2016.
- * “*Improving retention and viral suppression among hard-to-reach HIV-infected populations*”. University of Miami CFAR Visiting Professor. Miami, Fla. May 5th, 2016.
- * “*Sexual Transmission and Mosquitoes: A New Phenomenon in Arbovirology?*” Bridging the Sciences: Zika Virus. Atlanta, GA May 1 – 2, 2016.
- * “*Global Health and US Universities*”, invited speaker at the University of South Carolina Global Health Initiative Workshop. Columbus, SC Oct 22 -23, 2015.
- * “*Becoming an investigator: From Medicine Resident to Professor of Medicine and CFAR co-Director*”, invited lecture at the NIAID/IDSA Infectious Diseases Careers Meeting 2015. Bethesda, MD June 4 – 6, 2015.
- * “*Tactical decision making in Health and Humanitarian Supply Chain Management*”. Invited lecture at the Georgia Tech course “Health & Humanitarian Supply Chain Management”. May 14th, 2015.
- * “*Ebola and other Global Issues of Local Concern*”. Invited talk at the 2015 Infectious Diseases Association of California (IDAC) Spring Symposium. Costa Mesa, CA May 2-3, 2015.
- * “*The Ebola Crisis: Lessons in International Cooperation for Global Health*”. Invited talk at the Association of Academic Health Centers 2015 International Forum. Washington, DC April 20 - 21, 2015.
- * Keynote speaker “*What will it take to end the AIDS epidemic?*”. Invited talk at the HIV Drug Therapy in the Americas Congress 2015. Mexico City, MEX. April 16 – 18, 2015.
- * Keynote Address at the 12th Annual Graduate Division of Biological and Biomedical Sciences Student Research Symposium. Emory University School of Medicine. Jan 15th, 2015.
- * “*How Far We've Come and How Far We Still Need to Go: Engagement in HIV Care for our Most Vulnerable Populations of People Living with HIV in Atlanta and the Southern United States*”. Invited talk at the 16th World AIDS Day Symposium organized by the UNC Center for AIDS Research and the Institute for Global Health and Infectious Diseases. Dec 5th, 2014.
- * “*The Past, Present, and Future of Global Health Engagement by Academic Institutions*”. Keynote Lecture at the CFAR HIV Research in International Settings (CHRIS) Meeting hosted by the UCSD CFAR. Oct 1st, 2014.
- * “*Advances in Seek, Test and Treat Strategies/Treatment as Prevention*”. Invited talk at the US-Georgia Program Development Workshop on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Hepatitis. Tbilisi, Georgia. June 16 – 18, 2014.
- * “*The Diagnosis and Treatment of HIV infection: Translating research into policy and practice*”. Invited talk at the 7th Anniversary of CISIDAT (Consorcio de Investigacion sobre VIH/SIDA/TB). Mexico City, Mex. June 5, 2014.

- * “*Can we end the HIV epidemic*”. Life of the Mind Lecture Series organized by the Provost of Emory University. March 26, 2014.
- * “*Linkage and Retention: What works and what doesn’t*”. Invited talk at the 4th International HIV Workshop on Treatment as Prevention. Vancouver, BC. April 1 – 4, 2014.
- * “*Challenges in the HIV Continuum of Care and its Relevance to Treatment as Prevention*”. University of Miami CFAR Visiting Professor. February 28, 2014.
- * “*Current Status of HIV Continuum of Care Research*”, Invited Talk at the 2nd National CFAR/APC HIV Continuum of Care Working Group Meeting: Implementation Science to Address the Challenges of the HIV Continuum of Care. Washington, DC. Feb 3 – 4, 2014.
- * “*The Fight Against AIDS*”, Invited TEDx Talk at Institut LeRosey, Switzerland. Nov 9, 2013 (<http://tedxtalks.ted.com/video/The-Fight-Against-AIDS-Dr-Carlo> & <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F2Hz4t66-Ig>)
- * “*Seek, Test, Treat and Retain Among Vulnerable Populations*”, Invited Speaker to the Spring Meeting of the Massachusetts Infectious Diseases Society. Boston, Mass May 14, 2013.
- * “*Treatment is Prevention: novel approaches to HIV therapy*”, Key Note Speaker, AIDS United Access to Care Grantee Meeting, Atlanta, GA April 5, 2012.
- * “*The Future of HIV Prevention*”, Key Note Speaker at the 5th Research Meeting on HIV/AIDS diagnosis, care and prevention among vulnerable populations. Mexico City, Mexico. November 14, 2011
- * “*History of HIV/AIDS in the US*”, Speaker at the 2011 American Conference for the Treatment of HIV (ACTHIV). Denver, CO. April 7, 2011.
- * “*Building on Success*”. Speaker at the CDC World AIDS Day Event. Atlanta, GA. December 1, 2010
- * Invited Keynote speaker: “*Evidence Based Global Health*”. Annual Meeting of the Mexican National Epidemiological Surveillance System (Reunion Nacional del Sistema Nacional de Vigilancia Epidemiologica). Cancun, Mex. November 22, 2010
- * Invited Keynote address: “*Recent Advances in Biomedical HIV Prevention: Translating Research into Practice*”. 5th National Scientific Meeting of the CFAR’s Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Network. Atlanta, GA. October 8, 2010
- * “*14th Annual Paul J. Galkin Lectureship*” Brown University, Providence, RI. September 20-21, 2010.
- * “*University of Massachusetts Center for Global Health Visiting Professor*” University of Massachusetts, Worcester, MA. May 19, 2010
- * “*Facilitators and Barriers to HIV testing in hospital and other ambulatory care settings*”. Presentation to the Institute of Medicine Workshop to identify facilitators and barriers to HIV testing. Washington DC. April 15, 2010.
- * “*Tim Gills Visiting Professorship*” University of Colorado at Denver Center for AIDS Research, Denver CO. March 30-31, 2010.
- * “*Viral Zip Codes: Novel Influenza A (H1N1): what have we learned in the last 6 months?* Invited speaker at the Fifth Annual National Symposium on Predictive Health “Human Health: Molecules to Mankind”. Atlanta, GA. December 14, 2009
- * “*Public Health and Health Care: Working Together for HIV Prevention*”. Discussant in CDC Panel for World AIDS Day. Atlanta, GA. December 1, 2009

- * “*The Healthcare needs of Migrants*. Key Note Speaker at the Hispanic Health Coalition of Georgia Latino Health Summit. Atlanta, GA. February 27, 2009.
- * “*Challenges in improving the National Response to the HIV/AIDS Epidemic*”. Invited Speaker at the Seminar organized by the Instituto Nacional de Salud Publica and the Secretaria de Salud, Mexico. February 20, 2009
- * “*Challenges and Controversies in Infectious Diseases in the XXI Century*”. Invited Lecture at the XXI Annual Meeting of the Medical Society of Hospital Angeles, Mexico City, Mex. February 19, 2009
- * “*Antiretroviral Therapy: 25 years of Progress*”. Medical Grand Rounds, SUNY Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn NY. December 11, 2008
- * “*Confronting the Global HIV epidemic: moving forward after Mexico City*”. Invited key note speaker to the Second Annual International; HIV/AIDS Research Day of the UCSD CFAR. San Diego, CA. October 7, 2008
- * “*In the Eye of the Storm: The Emerging Epidemics of HIV, Hepatitis and Tuberculosis in the Former Soviet Republic of the Caucasus*”. Invited Global Health Institute seminar speaker, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC. December 8, 2007.
- * “*Strategies for Initial Antiretroviral Therapy through Complicated Failure: A Case-Based Discussion*”. Lecture presented at the Annual IAS-USA Course Improving the Management of HIV Disease. New York, NY. October 19, 2007
- * “*New Antiretrovirals*”. Lecture presented at the Annual IAS-USA Course Improving the Management of HIV Disease. Washington, DC. May 23, 2007.
- * “*Antiretroviral Therapy Failure: A case based discussion*”. Lecture presented at the Annual IAS-USA Course Improving the Management of HIV disease. Atlanta, GA. April 27, 2007.
- * “*The Perfect Storm: Emerging Epidemics of HIV, HCV and TB in the Republics of the Former Soviet Union*”. Invited Lecture in the course: AIDS: A Multidisciplinary Approach” at the University of Washington. Seattle, WA. April 2, 2007
- * “*Strategies for Recruitment of Minority Study Participants*”. Invited lecture presented at the symposium “Ethics in Action: Building Trust and Effectiveness in the Clinical Trial Process – Are we doing our best? Organized by the Emory University School of Medicine Clinical Trials Office and the Emory Center for Ethics. Atlanta, GA. March 1, 2006.
- * “*Antiretroviral Therapy in the Treatment Experienced Patient*”. Lecture Presented at the 13th Annual IAS-USA Current challenges in HIV disease. New York, NY. October 17, 2005.
- * “*Update in HIV infection*”. Lecture presented at the Northside Hospital Internal Medicine Conference. Atlanta, GA. September 8, 2005.
- * “*Strategies for Providing Care to Hard to Reach Populations*”. Invited Lecture and visiting Professorship at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC. June 9 -10, 2005.

Invitations to National or International Conferences: (last ten years)

- “*Linkage to Care*” Plenary Speaker at ANAC2016. Atlanta, GA. Nov 10 – 12, 2016
- “*What’s Hot in HIV Clinical Research*”. Invited speaker at IDWeek2016. New Orleans, LA. Oct 26 – 30, 2016
- “*What’s New, What’s Next, What’s Ahead?*” Invited Plenary Speaker at AIDS2016.

Durban, South Africa. July 17 – 22, 2016.

- “*Meeting the Health Care Workforce Challenge*”, Invited speaker at the 2016 Pre-Conference UN 90-90-90 Target Workshop. Durban, South Africa. July 17, 2016.
- “*Diagnosis and management of Zika infected and exposed pregnant women*”, Invited talk at the XXI Congreso Mexicano de Especialistas en Ginecologia y Obstetricia, A.C. Mexico City, Mex. June 23, 2016.
- “*Interactive Cases: Infectious Diseases in Travelers*”, Invited speaker at the XLI Congress of the Mexican Infectious Diseases Society. Monterrey, Mex. May 25 – 28, 2016.
- “*Optimizing Adherence to Antiretroviral Therapy: Current and Future Options*”, Invited speaker at IDWeek2015. San Diego, Calif. Oct 7 – 11, 2015.
- “*Update on vaccines for HIV-infected Patients*”, Invited speaker at the 54th Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy (ICAAC). Washington, DC Sept 5 – 9, 2014.
- “*Infectious Diseases in the context of Global Health*”, Invited Plenary Speaker at the XXXIX Congress of the Mexican Infectious Diseases Society. Acapulco, Mex. May 28 – 31, 2014.
- “*HIV Prevention 2013*”, Invited Plenary Speaker at the 26th Annual Conference of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (ANAC). Atlanta, GA November 22, 2013
- “*Vaccines in Immunocompromised patients*”, Invited Speaker at the 4th International Workshop on HIV & Aging. Baltimore, MD Oct 31, 2013
- “*Addressing the Gaps in the HIV Care Cascade*”. Invited talk at the “Treatment as Prevention and Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis Summit”. London, UK. Sept 22 – 24, 2013.
- “*Early Diagnosis and Treatment of HIV Infection*”, Invited talk at the 15th International Symposium on HIV/AIDS of the Mexican Infectious Diseases Society. Queretaro, Mex. Aug 29 – 31, 2013.
- “*Confronting the challenge of infectious diseases among substance abusers*” Invited Conference at the XIII Congress of the Argentinian Society for Infectious Diseases. Mar del Plata, Argentina. June 9 – 11, 2013
- “*Biomedical HIV Prevention*” Invited Conference at the XIII Congress of the Argentinian Society for Infectious Diseases. Mar del Plata, Argentina. June 9 – 11, 2013
- “*Introduction to Global Health*”. Invited Speaker to Lab Medicine 2013. 48th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians & Scientists. Atlanta, GA June 6 – 8, 2013
- “*How Should We Spend our Prevention Dollars?* Invited Speaker to the 20th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI). Atlanta, GA March 3 – 6, 2013
- “*Opportunistic Infections in Patients with HIV Infection*” and “*The Pregnant Patient with HIV*”. Invited Speaker at the 39th Remington Winter Course in Infectious Diseases. Beaver Creek, CO. February 10 – 15, 2013
- “*The Importance and Implications of Antibiotic Resistance for the Clinician*”. Keynote Speaker at the VII Congreso Grupo Angeles. Mexico City, Mex. Oct 25 – 27, 2012.
- “*Adherence and Retention in Care*”. Invited Speaker to the AWACC (Annual Workshop on Advanced Clinical Care) – AIDS 2012 Conference. Durban, South Africa. October 5, 2012.
- “*Antiretroviral Therapy as Prevention: A Debate on the Role of ART as Prevention in*

- Clinical Practice*”. Open Plenary Speaker at the 2012 American Conference for the Treatment of HIV (ACTHIV), Denver, CO. May 10 -12, 2012,
- “*Aging and HIV: Update from CROI*”. Invited Speaker at the 5th International Course HIV: Pathogenesis, Prevention and Treatment. Lima, Peru. March 23 – 24, 2012.
 - “*Neurological Complications of HIV Infection*” and “*Clinical Spectrum of Acute Retrovirus Syndrome*”. Invited Speaker at the 37th Remington Winter Course in Infectious Diseases. Snowmass, CO. February 6 – 11, 2011
 - “*Retention in Care*”. Invited Speaker at the 48th Annual Meeting of the Infectious Diseases Society of America Vancouver, Canada. October 21-24, 2010
 - “*HIV infection – beginning HAART*” and “*HIV infection – Managing opportunistic infections*”. Invited Speaker at the 36th Remington Winter Course in Infectious Diseases. Vail, CO. February 21 – 26, 2010
 - “*HIV Prevention among hard to reach populations*”. United States-Russia Workshop on HIV Prevention Science organized by the Office of AIDS Research. Moscow, Russia. October 28 – 30, 2009.
 - “*The role of Integrase inhibitors in the treatment of HIV infection*”. Invited speaker at the 9th International Symposium of the Mexican Association of HIV Providers (AMMVIH). Cancun, Mex. November 22, 2008
 - “*Current Issues and Controversies in HIV Infection Management*” Invited panelist to an Interactive Symposium at the 48th Annual ICAAC/46th Annual IDSA. Washington, DC. October 27, 2008
 - “*HIV, STDs and the Global AIDS Pandemic: Lethal Synergy 2008*” Invited panelist to an Interactive Symposium at the 48th Annual ICAAC/46th Annual IDSA. Washington, DC. October 28, 2008
 - “*Treating Tuberculosis in People Living with HIV*”. Invited Plenary Speaker at the Second Eastern Europe and Central Asia AIDS Conference. Moscow, Russian Federation, May 3 – 5, 2008.
 - Poster discussant in the session “*New approaches to HIV testing*” at the 15th Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections (CROI). Boston, MA. February 4, 2008.
 - “*New drugs and old challenges in AIDS*”. Invited plenary speaker at the X Mexican National HIV/AIDS Meeting. Leon, Mex. December 1, 2007.
 - “*The Metamorphosis of the HIV Epidemic*”. Invited lecture presented at the XXIV National Congress of Biomedical Research in Mexico. Monterrey, NL. Mex. Aug 30, 2007
 - “*Management of HIV Infection*”. Invited panelist to an Interactive Symposium at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Infectious Diseases Society of America. Toronto, Canada. October 13, 2006
 - “*Yellow fever: New Challenges to an Old Scourge*”. Invited lecture presented at the Annual Meeting of the Binford-Dammin Society of Infectious Disease Pathologists. Atlanta, GA. February 12, 2006.
 - “*Antiretroviral Therapy and its impact on Public Health*”. Invited speaker at the XI National Public Health Congress. Cuernavaca, Mex. March 2, 2005.
 - “*Screening for HIV in Emergency Departments*”. Invited lecture presented at the 2005 National HIV Prevention Conference. Atlanta, GA. June 13, 2005.

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- a. Published and accepted research articles in refereed journals:
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 2. Guarner J, **del Río C**, Slade BA. Tuberculosis as a Manifestation of the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome. JAMA 1986; 256(22):3092. [PMID [3783842](#)]
 3. **del Río C**, McGowan J. Severe diarrhea in pneumococcal bacteremia: croupous colitis. JAMA 1987; 257(2): 189 [PMID 3795402].
 4. Levy D, **del Río C**, Stephens DS. Meningococcemia in identical twins: changes in serum susceptibility after rifampin chemoprophylaxis. J Infect Dis 1988; 157:1064-8 [PMID 3129520].
 5. **del Río C**, Guarner J, Honig EG, Slade BA. Sputum examination in the diagnosis of *Pneumocystis carinii* pneumonia in the acquired immune deficiency syndrome. Arch Pathol Lab Med 1988; 112:1229-1232 [PMID 3142440].
 6. Mirra SS, **del Río C**. The fine structure of AIDS encephalopathy. Arch Pathol Lab Med 1989; 113:858-65. [PMID 2757485]
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 8. Guarner J, **del Río C**, Williams P, McGowan JE. Fungal peritonitis caused by *Curvularia lunata* in a patient undergoing peritoneal dialysis. Am J Med Sci 1989; 298 (5): 320-23 [PMID 26837770].
 9. **del Río C**, Soffer O, Widell JL, Judd RL, Slade BA. Acute Human Immunodeficiency virus infection temporally associated with rhabdomyolysis, acute renal failure and nephrosis. Rev. Infect Dis 1990; 12(2): 282-85 [PMID 2330481].
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