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My medical research career began in 1947 and the first 3 papers were published in 1948. Active involvement in Cancer Research began in 1953 when I was recruited by the National Cancer Institute to the new Clinical Center of the NIH in Bethesda. I was there when the first cancer patient was admitted in July 1953--a lady with breast cancer who was participating in a hormonal therapy program of Dr. Roy Hertz.

I can remember the excitement caused by remissions in childhood acute leukemias induced by folic acid analogue treatments. Lumbar punctures were necessary for methotrexate administration to reach leukemic cells in the CNS. I participated in studies of a riboflavin analogue, U2112, which did not prove useful.

I was a member of AACR by 1957 when Mike Potter, Ira Pilgrim and I reported on the first transplantable plasma cell tumors and their myeloma proteins. AACR held the major national cancer research meetings. I contributed in subsequent years and kept up on research of many colleagues including, Vernon Riley, Jesse Steinfeld, Elliot Osserman, Ruth Merwin, Lloyd Law, Lloyd Old, Alan Solomon, James Holland, Tom Frei, Jay Freireich, Stewart Sell, Paul Carbone, Alan Rabson and Ronald Herberman.

In 1971, I moved to UCLA and helped establish a Comprehensive Cancer Center here. Our Clinical Immunology Research Laboratory at UCLA identified the essential immunologic pathology for the initial identification and report of a new disease, AIDS, IN 1981. Kaposi Sarcoma and Lymphomas, the characteristic malignancies of AIDS, were a major focus of research in the following decade. The evolving discipline of clinical translational research, especially for cancer, is a major component of our current biomedical and clinical research training programs with India. The AACR session in this area is very helpful.