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EDUCATION

- 2013 Ph.D. in Integrative Biomedical Sciences, UNL
- 2009 M.S. in Veterinary Sciences, UNL
- 2005 B.Sc. in Veterinary Medicine, Nong Lam University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENT

- 2022 - present Associate Professor, Department of Animal Science and Nebraska Center for Virology, UNL
- 2017 - 2022 Assistant Professor, Department of Animal Science and Nebraska Center for Virology, UNL
- 2014 - 2017 Research Assistant Professor, Nebraska Center for Virology, UNL

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2020 Omtvedt Innovation Award Nomination for Teams
- 2018 Parents Recognition award for service to students, UNL Parents Association
- 2017 Junior Faculty for Excellence in Research, awarded by ARD IANR
- 2015 Breakthrough Innovation of the Year awarded by NUtech Ventures
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WuVVhuQsG2Y&feature=youtu.be>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- 2020 – Present Associate Editor, Journal of Medical Virology
- 2021 – present Secretary, the NC-229 Multistate Committee
- 2016 – present: Scientific Committee Member, North American PRRSV Symposium
- 2020-2023 Member, The American Society for Virology Membership Review Committee
- 2021 *Ad hoc* reviewer, Discovery-Skin Disorders Review Panel, Department of Defense Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs
- 2021 Guest Editor, Special Issue in Vaccines titled “Swine Vaccines and Vaccinology” for Vaccines
- 2020 Guest Editor, Special Issue in Vaccines titled “PRRSV Vaccinology and Immunology”
- 2020 Member - Coronavirus Disease-Immunology Review Panel, Department of Defense Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs

2019	<i>Ad hoc</i> reviewer, Conference proposal for USDA-NIFA
2018	<i>Ad hoc</i> reviewer, USDA-NIFA Exploratory Research program
2018	<i>Ad hoc</i> reviewer, Minnesota Pork Board
2017	<i>Ad hoc</i> reviewer, Industrial Research Fund, Ghent University, Belgium

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITY

Domestic Animal Immunology (ASCI 444/844) – 3 credits

Veterinary virology (VET MED 687) – 3 credits

RESEARCH FUNDING

Active

USDA-NIFA # 2023-67015-39657	May 2023 – April 2026	\$627,000
<i>Vu H. (PI), Sillman S. (Co-I).</i>		
Molecular determinants of porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus cell tropism.		
NU Collaboration Initiative	Jul 2022 – Jun 2024	\$150,000
<i>Vu H. (PI), Davis P.</i>		
A novel self-amplifying mRNA vaccine platform against swine influenza virus.		
NE Pork Production Association	Sep 2022 – Aug 2024	\$62,465
<i>Schmidt A. (PI), Vu H. and Mote B.</i>		
PRRS transmission risk associated with exposure to slurry manure or effluent from a PRRS-positive swine herd.		
USDA-NIFA 2022-67015-37264		\$770,000
<i>Vu, H. (PD), McVey S., and Lai, H.</i>		
Partnership: Systematic screening of African Swine Fever Virus proteome for identification of immunogenic antigens.		
USDA-NIFA Gant No 2020-67015-31414	Jul 2020 – Jun 2023	\$500,000
<i>Vu H (PD), Ly H and Gauger P</i>		
Development of a broadly protective vaccine against swine influenza virus		
NE AES/ Enhanced-Hatch	Oct 2019 – Sep 2024	\$375,000
<i>Vu H (PD), Dehlon G and Sillman S</i>		
A novel platform for rapid and sustainable induction of protective immunity against animal influenza viruses (NC-229).		
NE AES/Animal Health	Oct 2019 – Sep 2024	\$125,000
<i>Vu H (PD), Libault M and Ciobanu D</i>		
Identify novel host factors required for porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus infection.		
<i>I conceived the idea, wrote the grant, manage the project and associated personnel.</i>		

Completed

NE AES/ Animal Health <i>Ciobanu D (PD), Vu H (co-PD) and Harris S</i> Identification of novel pathogens and evaluation of host genetics role in viral disease susceptibility	Oct 2018 – Sep 2023	250,000
USDA-NIFA Grant No. 2020-67015-31415 <i>Ciobanu D and Vu H (co-PD)</i> Deconstructing the role of SYNGR2 in viral disease susceptibility in livestock	Jul 2020 – Jun 2023	\$500,000
NPB #21-126 <i>Vu H. (PI)</i> Assessing the feasibility of the mRNA vaccine technology for use against ASF	Dec 2021 – Nov 2022	\$72, 508
USDA-NIFA Grant No 2020-68003-32789 <i>Chapman, B.J., Chaves, B.D., Danyluk, M.D., Schaffner, D.W., Koci, M.D., Montazeri, N., Vu, H., Binder, A, Gunter, C., Jacob, M., Krugg, M., and Melendez, M.</i> <i>FoodCoVNET: A Collaborative Approach to Managing SARS-Cov-2 Within the Food Industry: Filling Data Gaps and Impacting Behaviors</i>	Sep 2020 – Aug 2022	\$1,000,000
USDA -FAS-Borlaug <i>Calegare L and Vu H (Co-PI)</i> 2020 Borlaug Fellowship - Vietnam: African Swine Fever Vaccine Development	Sep 2020 – Aug 2022	\$60,000
SHIC grant no. 21-117 <i>Vu H (PI) and Lai H</i> Amendment: Time and temperature required for complete inactivation of ASFV.	Jul 2021 – Jan 2022	\$15,300
SHIC Grant No. 20-078 <i>Vu H (PI) and Lai H</i> Evaluate the diagnostic performance of pen-side tests for ASF detection.	Jun 2020 – May 2021	\$94,047
USDA NIFA Grant No. 2018-67015-28294 <i>Vu H (PD) and Osorio F</i> Development of a broadly protective DIVA marker vaccine against porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus.	Jun 2018 – May 2021	\$489,935
Acceligen <i>Vu H (PI)</i> Evaluate the Susceptibility of Genetically Modified Pigs to PRRSV Infection	Jul 2020 – Jun 2021	\$33,510
SHIC Grant No. 20-071 <i>Vu H (PI) and Lai H</i>	Apr 2020 – Jan 2021	\$31,225

Time and temperature required for complete inactivation of African swine fever virus.

Matmacorp <i>Vu H (PI)</i> Experimental Infection of Boars with PRRSV	Nov 2019 – Oct 2020	\$4,510
Matmacorp <i>Vu H (PI)</i> Experimental Inoculation of Pigs with PRRSV.	Dec 2018 – May 2019	\$5,465
Phibro Animal Health <i>Vu H (PI) and Osorio F</i> Evaluation of the Protective Efficacy of pMJPRRS Vaccine in Pigs	Mar 2018 – Mar 2019	\$58,654
National Pork Board Grant No. 17-151 <i>Vu H (PI) and Osorio F</i> Targeted development of neutralizing monoclonal antibodies against PRRSV minor glycoprotein	Oct 2017 – Sep 2018	\$97,300
USDA NIFA Grant No. 2017-67015-26634 <i>Ciobanu D, Vu H (co-PD), Kachman S</i> Investigation of host genetic role in porcine circovirus type 2 (PCV2) and porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus (PRRSV) susceptibility.	Jul 2017 – Jun 2021	\$459,200
USDA NIFA Grant No. 2016-67015-24922 <i>Vu H (PD), Osorio F and Ma F</i> Correlates of cross-protective immunity to PRRSV	Feb 2016 – Feb 2019	\$477,635
NE AES/ Animal Health <i>Vu H. (PD) and Osorio F</i> Development of broadly protective vaccines against PRRSV	Oct 2016 – Sep 2019	\$57,000
National Pork Board Grant No. 16-060 <i>Vu H (PI) and Weaver E, Osorio F, and Ma F</i> Broadly protective nasal mucosal vaccine for influenza A virus of swine	May 2016 – May 2018	\$89,125
Auburn University <i>Vu H (PI) and Osorio F</i> Evaluation of Protective Efficacy of Peptide-Based Vaccines against PRRSV	May 2016 – Apr 2017	\$15,588
National Pork Board Grant No. 15-159 <i>Vu H (PI) and Osorio F</i> Development of a live-attenuated PRRSV vaccine capable of eliciting a broad spectrum of heterologous protection.	Oct 2015 – Mar 2017	\$96,880
National Pork Board Grant No. 14-200	Oct 2014 – Sep 2015	\$100,000

Vu H (PI) and Osorio F

Determine the mechanisms of cross-protection against infection with a divergent porcine reproductive and respiratory virus strain.

National Pork Board Grant No. 14-214 **Oct 2014 – Sep 2016** **\$83,094**

Diel D (PI), Vu H, Nelson E and Henning J

Evaluation of immunodominant B- and T-cell epitopes as inducers of protective immunity against PRRSV.

National Pork Board Grant No. 13-155 **Oct 2013 – Sep 2014** **\$75,000**

Vu H (PI) and Osorio F

Rational design of a broadly protective vaccine against PRRSV

INVENTIONS

- 1. A non-naturally occurring porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus and methods of using**
Vu HL., Osorio FA., Laegreid W., Pattnaik AK., and Ma F.
Patent no 10,072,046, issued on September 11th, 2018
Patent no 10,738,088, issued on August 11st, 2020
Patent application #16/886,378, filed on May 28th, 2020
- 2. Synaptogyrin-2 influence replication of porcine circovirus 2**
Ciobanu D., **Vu HL.**, Engle T., and Walker L.
Patent application # US 16/149,059, filed on October 1st, 2018.

LICENSED TECHNOLOGIES

- 1. A method for the development of a porcine reproductive and respiratory virus vaccine strain capable of inducing broad protection**
Vu HL., Osorio FA., Laegreid W., Pattnaik AK., and Ma F.
NUtech technology ref #2173
- 2. A virulent isolate porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus (PRRSV) and methods of using.**
Vu HL.
NUtech technology ref #2020-050

BOOK CHAPTER

1. Kennedy M, Delhon G, McVey DS, **Vu H**, and Borca M. 2021. Chapter 49: Asfarviridae and Iridoviridae. In *Veterinary Microbiology*, 4th Edition.; McVey, S., Kennedy, M., M.M. Chengappa, M.M., Wilkes, R., Eds. Wiley Blackwell: 2022.

I wrote the section “Host responses to infection” and edited the chapter.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (2017 – Current)

1. Chaudhari J, Leme RA, Durazo-Martinez K, Sillman S, Workman AM, **Vu H.L.*** 2022. A single amino acid substitution in porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus glycoprotein 2 significantly impairs its infectivity in macrophages. *Viruses* 2022 Dec 18;14(12):2822. [PMID: 36560826](#).
2. Kumari S., Chaudhari J., Huang Q., Gauger P., Almeida M., Liang Y., Ly H., **Vu H.L.***, Immunogenicity and protective efficacy of a recombinant Pichinde viral vectored vaccine expressing influenza virus hemagglutinin antigen. *Vaccines (Basel)*. 2022 Aug 26;10(9):1400. [PMID: 36146478](#).
3. Hille, M.M., Spangler, M.L., Clawson, M.L., Heath, K.D., **Vu, H.L.**, Rogers, R.E.S., Loy, J.D., A Five Year Randomized Controlled Trial to Assess the Efficacy and Antibody Responses to a Commercial and Autogenous Vaccine for the Prevention of Infectious Bovine Keratoconjunctivitis. *Vaccines (Basel)*. 2022 Jun 9;10(6):916. [PMID: 35746524](#).
4. Chaudhari, J., Nguyen, T.N., **Vu, H.L.***, Identification of Cryptic Promoter Activity in cDNA Sequences Corresponding to PRRSV 5' Untranslated Region and Transcription Regulatory Sequences. *Viruses*. 2022 Feb 15;14(2):400. [PMID: 35215993](#).
5. Luong Q.H., Lai T.L.H., Do L.D., Ha X.B., Nguyen V.G. and **Vu H.L.**, 2022. Differential antibody responses in sows and finishing pigs naturally infected with African swine fever virus under field conditions. *Virus Res*. 2022 Jan 2;307:198621. [PMID: 34799123](#).
6. Dhakal J, Vu H.L, Chaudhari J, Nguyen K, Chaves B D . 2022. Method Validation for the Recovery of the Porcine Respiratory and Reproductive Syndrome Virus a Potential SARS-CoV-2 Surrogate, from Stainless Steel. *Letters in Applied Microbiology*, ovac068, <https://doi.org/10.1093/lambio/ovac068>.
7. Chaudhari J., Liew CS, Riethoven JJ, Sillman S., and **Vu H.***, 2021. Porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus infection upregulates negative immune regulators and T cell exhaustion markers. *J Virol*. 2021 Oct 13;95(21):e0105221. [PMID: 34379512](#).
8. Truong, Q.L., Nguyen, T.L., Nguyen, T.H., Shi, J., **Vu, H.L.**, Lai, T.L.H., Nguyen, V.G., 2021. Genome Sequence of a Virulent African Swine Fever Virus Isolated in 2020 from a Domestic Pig in Northern Vietnam. *Microbiol Resour Announc* 10:e00193-21. [PMID: 33986078](#)
9. Chaudhari J., and **Vu H***. Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome Virus Reverse Genetics and the Major Applications. *Viruses*. 2020 Oct 31;12(11). Review. [PMID: 33142752](#)
10. Luong, H.Q., Lai, T.L.H., and **Vu, H*.**, 2020. Evaluation of Antibody Response Directed against Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome Virus Structural Proteins. *Vaccines* 2020, 8, 533. [PMID: 32947931](#)
11. Chaudhari J., Liew CS, Workman A, Riethoven JJ, Steffen D., Sillman S and **Vu H.***, 2020. Host Transcriptional Response to Persistent Infection with a Live-Attenuated Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome Virus Strain. *Viruses* 2020, 12(8), 817. [PMID: 32731586](#)
12. Sun, H., Sur, J.H., Sillman, S., Steffen, D., **Vu, H.***, 2019. Design and characterization of a consensus hemagglutinin vaccine immunogen against H3 influenza A viruses of swine. *Vet Microbiol* 239, 108451. [PMID: 31767095](#)
13. Walker LR, Engle TB, **Vu H**, Tosky ER, Nonneman DJ, Smith TPL, Borza T, Burkey TE, Plastow GS, Kachman SD, and Ciobanu DC*. 2018. Synaptogyrin-2 influences replication of Porcine circovirus 2. *PLoS Genet*. Oct 31;14(10):e1007750. [PMID: 30379811](#)

14. Sun H, Workman A, Osorio FA., Steffen D, and **Vu H***. 2018. Development of a broadly protective modified-live virus vaccine candidate against porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus. *Vaccine* 36(1):66-73. [PMID: 29174314](#)
15. Pattnaik, A., Palermo, N., Sahoo, B. R., Yuan, Z., Hu, D., Annamalai, A. S., **Vu, H.**, Correas, I., Prathipati, P. K., Destache, C. J., Li, Q., Osorio, F., Pattnaik, A., Xiang, S.-H. 2018. Discovery of a non-nucleoside RNA polymerase inhibitor for blocking Zika virus replication through in silico screening. *Antiviral research*. [PMID: 29274845](#)
16. Annamalai, A. S., Pattnaik, A., Sahoo, B. R., Muthukrishnan, E., Natarajan, S., Steffen, D. J., **Vu, H.**, Delhon, G., Osorio, F., Petro, T. M., Xiang, S.-H., Pattnaik, A. 2017. Zika Virus Encoding Non-Glycosylated Envelope Protein is Attenuated and Defective in Neuroinvasion. *J. Virology* vol. 91 no. 23 e01348-17. [PMID: 28931684](#)
17. Kimpston-Burkgren K, Correas I, Steffen D, Pattnaik AK, Fang Y Osorio FA and **Vu HL***. 2017. Relative contribution of porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus open reading frames 2–4 to the induction of protective immunity. *Vaccine* 35: 4408–4413. [PMID: 28689650](#)
18. Correas I, Pattnaik AK, Osorio, FA, and **Vu HL***. 2017. Cross-reactivity of immune responses to porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus infection. *Vaccine* 35: 782–788. [PMID: 28062126](#)
19. **Vu HL***, Pattnaik AK, and Osorio FA. 2017. Strategies to broaden the cross-protective efficacy of vaccines against porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus. *Veterinary Microbiology* 206: 29–34. [PMID: 27692670](#)
20. Sun H, Pattnaik AK, Osorio FA and **Vu HL***. 2016. Identification of viral genes associated with the interferon-inducing phenotype of a synthetic porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus strain. *Virology* 499: 313–321. [PMID: 27736706](#)
21. Workman AM*, Smith TP, Osorio FA, **Vu HL***. 2016. Complete genome sequence of highly virulent porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus variants that recently emerged in the United States. *Genome Announcement* 4(4):e00772-16. [PMID: 27491998](#)
22. **Vu HL***, Ma F, Laegreid WW, Pattnaik AK, Steffen D, Doster AR, and Osorio FA*. 2015. A synthetic porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus strain confers unprecedented levels of heterologous protection. *J Virol*. 89(23):12070-83. [PMID: 26401031](#)
23. Massilamany C, Gangaplar A, Basavalingappa RH, Rajasekaran RA, **Vu HL**, Riethoven JJ, Steffen D, Pattnaik AK, and Reddy J*. 2015. Mutations in the 5' NTR and the non-structural protein 3A of the coxsackievirus B3 selectively attenuate myocarditogenicity. *PLoS One*. 10(6):e0131052. [PMID: 26098885](#)
24. **Vu HL**, Kwon B, de Lima M, Pattnaik AK, and Osorio FA*. 2013. Characterization of a serologic marker candidate for development of a live-attenuated DIVA vaccine against porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus. *Vaccine* 31: 330–4337. [PMID: 23892102](#)
25. Beura LK, Subramaniam S, **Vu HL**, Kwon B, Pattnaik AK, and Osorio FA*. 2012. Identification of amino acid residues important for anti-IFN activity of porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus non-structural protein 1. *Virology* 433: 431–439. [PMID: 22995188](#)

26. **Vu HL**, Kwon B, Yoon KJ, Laegreid WW, Pattnaik AK, and Osorio FA*. **2011**. Immune evasion of porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus through glycan shielding involves both glycoprotein 5 as well as glycoprotein 3. *J Virol.* **85(11):5555-64**. [PMID: 21411530](#) (*Selected for Spotlight section of the issue*).
27. Das PB, **Vu HL**, Dinh PX, Cooney JL, Kwon B, Osorio FA, and Pattnaik AK*. **2011**. Glycosylation of minor envelope glycoproteins of porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus in infectious virus recovery, receptor interaction, and immune response. *Virology* **410: 385–394**. [PMID: 21195444](#)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

1. **Vu HL.**, New insights into PRRSV tropism. *The Michael Murtaugh Lecturer. University of Minnesota, June 14, 2023*
2. **Vu HL.**, Biotechnology for the next generation of veterinary antiviral vaccines, *In Vitro Biology Meeting, San Diego, CA, June 4-7, 2022*.
3. **Vu HL.**, Synthetic Biology and the Future of Swine Vaccines. *PorciForum, Lleida, Spain, March 23-24, 2022*.
4. **Vu HL.** The journey to a new generation of vaccines against porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus. *Vietnam National Conference on Animal & Veterinary Sciences. Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. September 2019*.
5. **Vu, HL.**, Overview of gene technologies for developing viral vaccines for swine. *Swine viral vaccines Workshop. Nong Lam University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam June 7-8, 2018*.
6. **Vu, HL.**, Challenges and genetic engineering in developing vaccines against positive-strand RNA viruses. *Swine viral vaccines Workshop. Nong Lam University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam June 7-8, 2018*.
7. **Vu, HL.**, Challenges and genetic engineering in developing a vaccine against negative-strand RNA viruses. *Swine viral vaccines Workshop. Nong Lam University, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam June 7-8, 2018*.
8. **Vu, HL.**, Rational design of a broadly protective vaccine against porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome virus. *University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine seminar series. November 2016*.
9. **Vu HL.**, Control and eradication of PRRSV: How next-generation sequencing can help. *US Meat Animal Research Center, Clay Center, NE. August 2015*.
10. **Vu HL.**, Strategies to develop a new PRRSV vaccine with broader cross-protection. *Vaccines Against Antigenically Variable Viruses Symposium. Ames IA. June 2014*.