

TUE G. BANKE, PH.D.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Emory University School of Medicine – Atlanta, GA

Instructor, Department of Pharmacology and Chemical Biology 2020-present

- Utilize patch-clamp and field electrophysiology techniques to record from acute (*ex vivo*) brain slices from wild-type and NMDA Receptor knock-out mice.
- Utilize electrophysiology techniques to record from human embryonic kidney (HEK-293) cells expressing NMDARs.
- Drug screening of compounds against various NMDAR subtypes (2-electrode voltage clamp of *Xenopus* oocytes).

University of Washington – Seattle, WA

Acting Assistant Professor, Department of Physiology and Biophysics 2018 –2020

- Performed biophysical and pharmacological characterization of glutamate receptor dysfunction in Fragile X syndrome mice, Western blots, RT-PCR, calcium imaging.
- Utilized patch-clamp techniques to record from acute slices from Fmr1 knock-out and wild-type mice.
- Used various *in vitro* techniques, including biocytin labeling/confocal microscopy for post-hoc morphological processing of the recorded cells.

AARHUS UNIVERSITY – Aarhus, Denmark

2012 – 2018

Associate Professor, Department of Biomedicine

- Oversaw research program and managed laboratory focused on Fragile X syndrome using field and patch-clamp recording techniques (synaptic plasticity experiments: LTD and LTP), Western blots, immunohistochemistry, fixed tissue dye tracing, and spine morphology analysis. Used Imaris software to visualize and analyze Golgi-stained tissue.
- Characterized transient receptor potential channels in neocortex using patch-clamp techniques in acute brain slices and cell-based calcium fluorescence techniques (FlexStation).
- Taught medical and dental students in drug discovery, pharmacology, and neuroscience.

AFRAXIS – San Diego, CA

2010 – 2012

Scientist II, Neurobiology Department

- Developed methods for labeling of spines and analyzed and interpreted spine morphology data.
- Performed cardio-perfusion of rodents and confocal microscopy for post-hoc morphological processing.
- Built and optimized dual field-recording rig; screened compounds in long-term potentiation (LTP) assay from acute brain slices (visual cortex and hippocampus).
- Presented and discussed data at weekly management meetings.
- Supervised two laboratory technicians.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON – San Diego, CA

2007 – 2010

Post-Doctoral Fellow

- Performed biophysical and pharmacological characterization of transient receptor potential (TRP) channels.
- Supported team by characterizing structure-activity relationship for TRP channels using high-throughput assays (TETRA, FLIPR, manual and automated patch clamp).
- Developed novel dye uptake assays and screened compounds on TRP channels using electrophysiology, calcium influx assays, and dye uptake assays (TETRA, FLIPR, VIPR).
- Utilized *in vitro* electrophysiology techniques to record from TRP channels expressed in a variety of cell lines and dorsal root ganglia primary neurons.
- Used chimeric proteins and Western blot to investigate interactions between TRP channels and regulatory proteins.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH & DEVELOPMENT (NIH) – Bethesda, MD

2003 – 2007

Research Fellow, Cellular & Synaptic Neurophysiology

- Examined interneuron role in feed-forward inhibition of pyramidal neurons in hippocampus of acute mouse brain slices.
- Discovered developmental profile of transporters NKCC1 and KCC2 in interneurons are different from principal neurons.
- Used various *in vitro* techniques, including field, perforated-, pair- and whole-cell patch clamp recordings; calcium imaging; and biocytin labeling/confocal microscopy for post-hoc morphological processing of the recorded cells. Used biotinylation techniques and Western blots to label surface proteins.

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2000 – 2003

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Pharmacology

- Conducted biophysical characterization of glutamate receptors.
- Utilized in vitro electrophysiology techniques to record from human embryonic kidney cells expressing NMDA or AMPA type glutamate receptors.
- Recorded from outside-out patches. Obtained data about channels in non-desensitized state by applying drugs (agonists or antagonists) with a fast piezo-driven application system to patches.
- Analyzed single channel and macroscopic currents using software (ChannelLab, SCAN, QUB, NPM, pClamp, ClampFit).

ROYAL DANISH SCHOOL OF PHARMACY – Copenhagen, Denmark

1994 – 1995

Research Scientist, Department of Pharmacology

- Used electrophysiology techniques to record from *Xenopus* oocytes expressing a variety of receptors (glycine receptors, GABA(A) receptors, 5-HT receptors, glutamate receptors). Techniques included 2-electrode voltage clamp and pulling outside-out patches from *Xenopus* oocytes, growing primary neuronal cell cultures, extracting mRNA from cell cultures and whole brains, making point mutations/chimeras, and generating plasmid DNA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

EMORY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

2022-

Instructor, Department of Pharmacology and Chemical Biological

Teaching Neuroscience classes for 1st-year medical students

AARHUS UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL – Aarhus, Denmark

2013 – 2018

Associate Professor, Department of Biomedicine

Taught pharmacology classes, including Epilepsy and Treatments, and Monoamines and Depression.

- Developed and delivered lectures for ~200 medical students followed by six smaller classes with ~30 medical students per class to reinforce lecture materials.
- Created course content, including tests and exams; graded written tests.
- Supervised undergraduate students, including medical students on three-month assignments in Neuroscience Department; mentored students in writing research papers.
- Oversaw graduate students, mentoring in laboratory-based research projects and master's theses.
- Participated as member of master's thesis committee, serving as an opponent for Ph.D. and master's student theses and as final thesis defense.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

REVIEWED FOR THE FOLLOWING JOURNALS: Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society B, MDPI.com/Cells, MDPI.com/Brain Sciences, Ecotoxicology and Environmental Safety

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN – Copenhagen, Denmark

Ph.D., Neuropharmacology (Nov 8, 1999)

Master of Science (M.Sc.), Biochemistry (1994)

Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), Biochemistry (1992)

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

FRAXA Foundation Fellowship

2019 - 2021

Riisfort Foundation

2016 - 2017

Danish Medical Research Council Grant

2014 - 2017

Lundbeck Foundation

2013 - 2018

Maersk Foundation (A.P. Møller og Hustru Chastine Mc-Kinney Møllers Fond til almene Formaal)

2013

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Carlsberg Foundation	2012 - 2014
Danish Medical Research Council Fellowship – Biophysical Characterization of Glutamate Receptors	2002 - 2004
Epilepsy Foundation – Ifenprodil's Block of NMDA Receptors	2002 - 2003
Alfred Benzon Fellowship – Proton Block of NMDA Receptors	2000 - 2004

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- N.N.U. Farooqi, J.R. Nyengaard, and **T.G. Banke**. A decline in dendritic architecture in aging hippocampal CA1 principal neurons in a mouse model of Fragile X Syndrome. (submitted, *Developmental Neurobiology*, 2024).
- T.G. Banke**, S.F. Traynelis, A. Barria. Early Expression of GluN2A-Containing NMDA Receptors in A Model of Fragile X Syndrome. *J of Neurophysiology*, (2024)131: 768-777.
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- C.R. Camp, A. Vlachos, C. Klockner, I. Krey, **T.G. Banke**,...S.F. Traynelis. Loss of Grin2a Causes a Transient Delay in the Electrophysiological Maturation of Hippocampal Parvalbumin Interneurons: A Possible Mechanism for Transient Seizure Burden in Patients with Null GRIN2A Variants. *Communications Biology*, (2023)6: 952.
- R.E. Perszyk, Z. Zheng, **T.G. Banke**, J. Zhang, L. Xie, M.J. McDaniel, B.M. Katzman, S.C. Pelly, H. Yuan, D.C. Liotta, S.F. Traynelis. The Negative Allosteric Modulator EU1794-4 Reduces Single-Channel Conductance and Ca²⁺ Permeability of GluN1/GluN2A N-Methyl-D-Aspartate Receptors. *Mol Pharm*, (2021) 99: 399-411.
- K.L. Strong, M.P. Epplin, K.K. Ogden, P.B. Burger, T.M. Kaiser, T.J. Wilding, H. Kusumoto, C.R. Camp, G. Shaulsky, S. Bhattacharya, R.E. Perszyk, D.S. Menaldino, M.J. McDaniel, J. Zhang, P. Le, **T.G. Banke**, K.B. Hansen, J.E. Huettner, D.C. Liotta, S.F. Traynelis. Distinct GluN1 and GluN2 Structural Determinants for Subunit-Selective Positive Allosteric Modulation of N-Methyl-D -aspartate Receptors. *ACS Chem Neuroscience* (2021) 12: 79-98.
- T.G. Banke** and A. Barria. Transient Enhanced GluA2 Expression in Young Hippocampal Neurons of a Fragile X Mouse Model. *Front Synaptic Neuroscience* (2020) 12: 588295.
- C. Lundbye, A.K. Toft, and **T.G. Banke** Inhibition of GluN2A NMDA receptors ameliorates synaptic plasticity deficits in the Fmr1-/- mouse model. *The Journal of Physiology*, (2018) 596: 5017-5031.
- M. Chatterjee, C.J. Lundbye, A.K. Toft, J. Kwon, J. Benedict, M. Kamceva, **T.G. Banke**, and P. Lombroso. STEP inhibition reverses behavioral, electrophysiological, and synaptic abnormalities in Fmr1 KO mice. *Neuropharmacology*, (2018) 128:43-53.
- A.K. Toft, C.J. Lundbye, and **T.G. Banke**. Dysfunctional NMDA receptor regulation of long-term depression in mouse model of Fragile X Syndrome. *Journal of Neuroscience*, (2016) 36(38):9817-9827.
- T.G. Banke**. TRPV1 channels suppress long-term potentiation in the Entorhinal Cortex. *Pflugers Archive - European Journal of Physiology* (2016) 468(4):717-26.
- E.M. Sørensen, F. Bertelsen, P. Weikop, M.M. Skovborg, **T.G. Banke**, K.R. Drasbek, J. Scheel-Krüger. Hyperactivity and lack of social discrimination in the adolescent Fmr1 knockout mouse. *Behavioral Pharma* (2015) 26:733-40.
- A.S. Kristensen, M.A. Jenkins, **T.G. Banke**, A. Schousboe, R. Haganir, and S.F. Traynelis. Mechanism of CaMKII regulation of AMPA receptor gating. *Nature Neuroscience* (2011) 14:727-735.
- T.G. Banke**. The dilated TRPA1 channel pore state is blocked by amiloride and analogues. *Brain Research* (2011) 1381: 21-30.

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- J.C. Rech, W.A. Eckert III, M.P. Maher, **T.G. Banke**, A. Bhattacharya, and A.D. Wickenden. Recent advances in the biology and medicinal chemistry of TRPA1. *Future Med. Chem.* (2010) 2: 843-858.
- T.G. Banke**, S. Chaplan, and A.D. Wickenden. Dynamic Changes in TRPA1 selective filter leads to pore dilation. *American Journal of Physiology – Cell Physiology* (2010) 298: C1457-68.
- T.G. Banke** and G. Gegelashvili. Tonic activation of Group I mGluRs modulates inhibitory synaptic strength by regulating KCC2 activity. *Journal of Physiology* (2008) 586: 4925-34.
- M. Maher, H. Ao, **T.G. Banke**, N. Nasser, N.T. Wu, J.G. Breitenbucher, S.R. Chaplan, and A.D. Wickenden. Activation of TRPA1 by farnesyl thiosalicylic acid. *Molecular Pharmacology* (2008) 73: 1225-34.
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- T.G. Banke**, S.M. Dravid, and S.F. Traynelis. Protons trap the NMDA receptor in a non-conducting state. *Journal of Neuroscience* (2005) 25: 42-51.
- K. Erreger, S. Dravid, **T.G. Banke**, David J.A. Wyllie, and S.F. Traynelis. Subunit-specific gating controls rat NR1/NR2A and NR1/NR2B NMDA channel kinetics and synaptic signalling profiles. *Journal of Physiology* (2005) 563.2: 345-358.
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- T.G. Banke** and S.F. Traynelis. Activation of NR1/NR2B NMDA receptors. *Nature Neuroscience* (2003) 6: 144-152.
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- D.D. Mott, K.B. Erreger, **T.G. Banke**, and S.F. Traynelis. Open probability of homomeric murine 5-HT_{3A} serotonin receptors depends on subunit occupancy. *Journal of Physiology* (2001) 535.2: 427-443.
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