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PUBLICATIONS:

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4. Ridley, W., Dizikes, L., Cheh, A.M. and Wood, J.M.*, "Recent Studies on Biomethylation and Demethylation of Toxic Elements", *Environ. Health Perspect.* **19**, 43 (1977).
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- Study of Lignin Biodegradation and Transformation", in *Lignin Biodegradation: Microbiology, Chemistry and Applications*, T.K. Kirk, T. Higuchi and H.M. Chang, eds. CRC Press, Boca Raton, FL, pp. 61-76 (1980).
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 8. Cheh, A.M.* , Hooper, A., Henke, C., Skochdopole, J. and McKinnell, R.G., "A Comparison of the Ability of Frog and Rat S-9 to Activate Promutagens in the Ames Test", *Environ. Mutagenesis* **2**, 487-508 (1980).
 9. Cheh, A.M.* , Skochdopole, J., Heilig, C., Koski, P. and Cole, L., "Destruction of Direct Acting Mutagens in Drinking Water by Nucleophiles - Implications for Mutagen Elimination from Drinking Water", in *Water Chlorination: Environmental Impact and Health Effects, Vol. 3*, R.L. Jolley, W. Brungs, and R.B. Cumming, eds., Ann Arbor Science, Ann Arbor, MI, pp. 803-815 (1980).
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- B. Cai, M., Sayer, J.M., Ohashi, E., Ohmori, H., Jerina, D.M. and Cheh, A.M.* "Limited Error-prone Bypass of Benzo[*a*]pyrene 7,8-Diol 9,10-Epoxy DE-2 Deoxyadenosine Adducts by Human DNA Polymerase Kappa
- C. Phillips, T. B., Cai, M., Sayer, J. M., Masutani, C., Hanaoka, F., Jerina, D. M. and Cheh, A.M.*, "Unusual rate acceleration of extension by DNA polymerase Eta at Benzo[*c*]phenanthrene Diol Epoxide dA adducts"

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EPA - R811974-01-0 - "Identification of Environmental Electrophiles", with Co-PI Dr. Robert E. Carlson, \$404,150, 5/86-5/90.

NIH - 1R15 CA52043-01 - "PAH Adduct Orientation in DNA", \$110,250, 5/90-4/93.

NIH - 1R15 CA/OD74395-01 - "DNA Sequence and PAH Adduct Stereoisomerism", \$93,222, 9/97-9/2000.

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