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EDUCATION:

1992	Dr.P.H., Biostatistics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
1982	M.S., Biostatistics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
1980	Pharmacy Practice Residency, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
1982	M.S., Pharmacy Practice, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
1978	B.S., Pharmacy, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

PROFESSIONAL (Pharmacy) CERTIFICATION:

North Carolina State Board of Pharmacy License # 7284

North Carolina Office of Emergency Medical Services – Medical Responder

WORK EXPERIENCE:

1996-Present President

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I have been involved in all aspects of development of pharmaceutical, biologic, and medical devices, from the founding of new companies, the strategic design of clinical developmental plans, the design of clinical trials, meetings with regulatory agencies (US and Canada), including Pre-IND and IDE, end of phase II, Pre-NDA, Pre-PMA, and presentations for FDA Advisory Panel meetings (at least three). I have been completely involved in the programming, review, and statistical write-ups of statistical analysis plans, clinical trial reports, ISSs, ISEs, SSEs, and other regulatory documents. I have also been involved in many analyses for publication in the biomedical literature. I have also done the statistical analyses for over 15 thorough QTc studies and a variety of other ECG trials.

Additionally, I have been involved in the planning and/or administration of at least 25 Data and Safety Monitoring Boards (DSMBs) which are ongoing or have been completed,

including the areas of Cardiology, Rheumatology, Psychiatry, Endocrinology, and Heptatology. Roughly half of these were safety only DSMBs, while the other half reviewed safety and efficacy. Most of those reviewing safety and efficacy (or effectiveness – devices) used death as the primary endpoint. I have served as the Co-Chair for one of these DSMBs and as a US statistical representative on an International DSMBS for 7 of these committees. As of January 2001, 3 of these DSMBs are ongoing, and an additional 3 DSMBs are in planning stages.

1994-1996 *BRI International, Inc., Chapel Hill, NC*Director of Biometrics and Director of Chapel Hill Operations

Responsible for the entire Chapel Hill North Carolina operations. Directs the office, and is responsible for all the day to day and long term planning of this office and of the entire Biometrics staff across all the North American operations office. This includes budgeting, resource planning and allocation, facilities management, computer and network support (Novell Network).

Assists Senior Director, Project Operations Division, in oversight of administrative functions associated with the scientific and technical staff. Supervises the staff of biostatisticians, scientists, research programmers, and medical writers. Provides technical expertise and administrative direction to specific projects involving clinical research. Supervises and delegates tasks for biostatisticians, scientists, programmers, and medical writers in POD. Maintains client communications.

Develops study design with other project team members. Develops literature review strategy with Medical Writer. Designs database with System Analyst and provides database management advice to CRAs. Oversees technical quality assurance of data, analyses, and documents. Develops analysis plans, oversees analyses, provides interpretation of results, and oversees generation of reports. Oversees tables generation and preparation and submission of major FDA regulatory documents.

1988 - 1994 Burroughs Wellcome Co., Research Triangle Park, NC Senior Statistician I and II

Was responsible for protocol design, protocol writing (statistical section), and review; analysis plans; data monitoring (statistical); statistical computing (data listings and analyses); statistical report writing; final study report writing and review; management of statisticians assigned to project; cross-study summaries of safety and efficacy (NDA); manuscript preparation; Data and Safety Monitoring Board analyses (when required); and investigator's meeting preparation.

Responsible for statistical manuscripts and presentation; continuous improvement process team; and statistical designs for optimal drug development. Six years of experience as project statistician plus 1 year of experience in administrative management.

1986 - 1988	UNC School of Pharmacy, Chapel Hill, NC Visiting Assistant Professor
1983 - 1986	UNC Department of Biostatistics, Lipids Research Clinics Program, Chapel Hill, NC Research Assistant (Statistician)
1981 - 1982	UNC Department of Biostatistics, Lipids Research Clinics Program, Chapel Hill, NC Graduate Assistant
1980 - 1981	North Carolina Memorial Hospital, Chapel Hill, NC Staff Pharmacist
1978 - 1980	UNC School of Pharmacy, Chapel Hill, NC Pharmacy Practice Resident
1977 - 1978	Middlesex General Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ Pharmacy Technician
1972 - 1974	Hunt's Pharmacy, Paterson, NJ Clerk

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

The Biometrics Society

American Statistical Association

PUBLICATIONS:

Tennison M.D., Greenwood R., Lewis D., and Thorn M.D. Discontinuing Antiepileptic Drugs in Children with Epilepsy: Comparison of a Six-Week and Nine-Month Taper Period. New England Journal of Medicine. 1994; x():

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Thorn M.D. A Comparative Review of the Research and Statistical Methods of the Medical and Pharmacy Literatures. M.S. paper, Division of Pharmacy Practice, UNC School of Pharmacy.

Bernstein C., Thorn M.D, Monees K., Spell R., and O'Connor J.B. A Prospective Study of Factors that Determine Cecal Intubation Time at Colonoscopy. Gastrointestinal Endoscopy 2005; 61:72-75.

SYMPOSIA PUBLICATIONS:

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PRESENTATIONS:

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Thorn M.D. Using Sequential Trial Methodology for Interim Analyses - Practical Applications and Issues. Joint Annual Meeting Statistical Society of Canada and Institute of Mathemeatical Statistics. Montreal Canada July 10-13, 1995. (INVITED)

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Miles M.V., Bass J., Tennison M.B., Holcomb B.J., and Thorn M.D. Effects of Liquid Enteral Feeding on Carbamazepine (CBZ) Suspension Absorption. American Society for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, 1989 meeting.

SYMPOSIA PRESENTATIONS:

Sznajd J., Pajak A., Misiowiec P., Magdon M., Rywik S., Przestalska-Malkin H., Kupsc W., Williams O.D., Thomas R.T., Irving S.H., Abernathy J.R., and Thorn M.D. Poland and US Collaborative Study on Cardiovascular Epidemiology: Introductory Baseline. Presented at the 3rd US-Poland Symposium, NHLBI, NIH, Bethesda, MD, September 22-23, 1986.

Pajak A., Celinski A., Morawski R., Furberg B., Abernathy J.R., Thomas R.P., Irving S.H., Williams O.D., and Thorn M.D. Poland and US Collaborative Study on Cardiovascular Epidemiology: Correlates of Systolic and Diastolic Blood Pressure in Men Aged 35-64 Years From Selected Poland and US Samples. Presented at the 3rd US-Poland Symposium, NHLBI, NIH, Bethesda, MD, September 22-23, 1986.

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Thorn M.D., Caiola S.M., Smith R.L., and Sawyer W.T. Student Use of a Computerized, Experiential Site Selection Program. AACP Meeting, Charleston, SC July 1987.

AWARDS AND HONORS:

Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society

Rho Chi Certificate of Achievement

INTERNATIONAL CONSULTANT ACTIVITIES:

Visiting Scientist, US Component of Joint US-Peoples Republic of China Cooperation on Cardiovascular Disease (National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute). Visit of Beijing and Guangzhou, PRC April 7 through June 1, 1985 to set up Data Entry System for data collection on an IBM PC/XT and statistical analysis.