

# Resume for Thomas Holton

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## **DOMAINS:**

<http://www.doe-mbi.ucla.edu/>  
<http://services.mbi.ucla.edu/>  
<http://nihserver.mbi.ucla.edu/>  
<http://prolinks.mbi.ucla.edu/>  
<http://proknow.mbi.ucla.edu/>  
<http://webtb.org/>

## **EDUCATION:**

University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
Bachelor's in Liberal Arts, Music, 1994

University of Tennessee, Knoxville  
Bachelor's in Science, Chemistry, 1995

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA  
Department of Biochemistry, 1996-1997

Texas A & M University, College Station, TX  
Master of Science, Biochemistry, 2001

## **OPERATING SYSTEMS:**

UNIX, Linux, Apple, Windows, ZFS

## **LANGUAGES:**

PHP, HTML, Javascript, MySQL, python, C, C++, c/bash/sh shell, (Lisp, PROLOG, TCL/TK)

## **EXPERIENCE:**

**University of California, Los Angeles, Molecular Biology Institute, Dr. David Eisenberg, Dr. Duilio Cascio**  
**August 2001 to present: Website/Database Administrator and Applications Developer**

Responsibilities include:

- Manager of 3 database servers and 6 web servers, including all back up servers.
- Support for Faculty/PostDocs/Graduate Students in developing online services. This includes:
  - Database integration and analysis, such as ProLinks
  - Providing assistance in development of online services, from core programming to website
    - List of services found here: [services.mbi.ucla.edu](http://services.mbi.ucla.edu) and here: [nihserver.mbi.ucla.edu](http://nihserver.mbi.ucla.edu)
  - Database structure analysis to provide proficient, productive querying while minimizing hardware constraints
  - Troubleshooting problems with in house software
  - Maintenance of legacy servers
  - Discussing politics
- Assistant Manager of computer cluster, containing 12 banks of linux workstations
- Assistant Manager of the LAN

**Texas A & M Biochemistry Department, Dr. James Sacchettini**  
**August 1997 to August 2001: Graduate Student, Scientific Programmer**

Responsibilities included designing, programming, testing and maintaining software used in the automatic determination of protein structures from X-ray diffraction data of protein crystals. Reference: *Acta Cryst.* (2000). **D56**, 722-734. Programs written in C on SGI (IRIX). Experience using graphics software programs, O and SPOCK, as well as X-ray data analysis and refinement programs, DENZO, CNS, CCP4, and XPLOD. Development of this software involved decision tree applications written in LISP which were designed for predicting the location of alpha carbons of proteins. Also helped design and maintain various web pages for the project and laboratory.

**University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Dept. of Chemistry, Dr. Robert J. Hinde  
June 1995 to July 1996 : Research Assistant**

Working in C++ on Solaris (Sun Workstation), wrote programs for predicting polyalanine secondary structure and its folding pathways. Methods used included monte carlo, simulated annealing, and statistical mechanics calculations. Possible folding pathways were determined for chains of alanine amino acids however, the methods were never extended to other types of amino acids.

**Publications:**

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Determining protein structure from electron-density maps using pattern matching. Holton T, Ioerger TR, Christopher JA, Sacchettini JC. Acta Crystallogr D Biol Crystallogr. 2000 Jun;56(Pt 6):722-34. PMID: [10818349](#)

Active site modifications of organophosphorous hydrolase for improved detoxification of organophosphorus neurotoxins  
Grimsley JK, Disioudi BD, Holton T, Sacchettini JC, Wild, JR in Enzymes in Action, ed. Binne Zwanenberg, Nato Advanced Study Institute, 2000.

TEXTAL: a pattern recognition system for interpreting electron density maps. Ioerger TR, Holton T, Christopher JA, Sacchettini JC. Proc Int Conf Intell Syst Mol Biol. 1999:130-7. PMID: [10786295](#)

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