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Dr. Richmond is Ingram Professor of Cancer Biology and Professor of Pharmacology and of Dermatology at Vanderbilt University. In addition, she holds a Senior Research Career Scientist Award with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Her research has focused on the role of chemokines and their receptors, with a special focus currently on the role of chemokines in the recruitment of anti-tumor and pro-tumor leukocytes into the tumor microenvironment. Currently she is using targeted therapies that enhance the recruitment of CD8 T effector cells, dendritic cells, and natural killer cells into the tumor to facilitate the response to immune checkpoint inhibitor therapies in malignant melanoma and breast cancer models.

Dr. Richmond received a B.S. from the University of Louisiana at Monroe. She then earned a M.N.S. from Louisiana State University, followed by the Ph.D. in developmental biology at Emory University and postdoctoral work in the School of Medicine, Emory University. Her postdoctoral work led to the purification, cloning and characterization of MGSA, now known as the chemokine, CXCL1. After continuing these studies as a faculty member at Emory, she moved to Vanderbilt University in 1989 where she has remained for the remainder of her career. She organized the first Chemokine Gordon Research Conference in 1994. At Vanderbilt, she served as Assistant Dean of Biomedical Research, Education and Training (2005-2010), as Vice Chair of the Department of Cancer Biology (2000-2017). She is currently Director of the Program in Cancer Biology, Associate Director of Basic Education for the Vanderbilt-Ingram Cancer Center and has held an Ingram Endowed Professorship since 2005.

Dr. Richmond is a member of the Society of Leukocyte Biology, the American Association for Cancer Research, the American Society for Cell Biology, the Society for Immunotherapy for Cancer, the International Cytokine and Interferon Society, the Melanoma Research Society, and she is a Fellow of the American Association for Advancement of Science. She received the William S. Middleton Award for Outstanding Achievements in Biomedical Research from the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the Charles R Park Award for Outstanding Contributions to Research for Basic Research into Physiology and Pathophysiology. She is a full time member of the CAMP NIH study section, and has served on many other VA and NIH study sections over the past 30 years. Dr. Richmond has been active in many committees and other activities. She served as a council member and President of the Society for Leukocyte Biology, as Treasurer and then Secretary for the International Cytokine Society, and is an Associate Editor for the *Journal of Leukocyte Biology* and has served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, and the *Pigment Cell and Melanoma Research* journal and she reviews for many journals, including *Nature Reports*, *J Cell Biol*, *Blood*, *FASEB*, *Cancer Research*, *Clinical Cancer Research*, *Oncogene*, *Cancer Discovery*, *JCI*, *Science Translational Research* among others.