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**Citizenship:** New Zealand and United States of America  
**Present position:** Professor  
**Present employer:** The University of Waikato  
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**Academic qualifications:** 1975 BSc University of Missouri, St. Louis, USA  
1977 MSc University of Illinois, Urbana, USA  
1980 PhD University of Illinois, Urbana, USA  
“Molecular and Genetic Relationships of Aromatic  
Metabolic Plasmids in Pseudomonads” [Dissertation  
Abstracts Intl Accession No. AAG8017932]

**Years as a practicing researcher:** 30

**Professional positions held:**

2008 to present Adjunct Professor, North Carolina State University  
1996 to present Professor  
The University of Waikato, Department of Biological Sciences  
1995 to 1996 Sabbatical Leave PAPRO, Forest Research Institute, Rotorua,  
New Zealand  
1987 - 1996 Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer  
Sandoz Chemicals Biotech Research Corporation and  
Repligen Sandoz Research Corporation (same company with  
name change in 1993), Lexington, Massachusetts, USA  
1984 - 1987 Associate Director of Research - Industrial Enzymes  
Repligen Corporation, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA  
1981 – 1984 Postdoctoral Fellow Massachusetts Institute of Technology,  
Cambridge, Mass., USA  
1980 – 1981 Postdoctoral Fellow – University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois,  
USA

**Present research / professional speciality:**

My general research field is in Biochemistry and Biotechnology.

My special areas of research are fundamental and applied studies on:

Enzymes; activity and production; Cellulose, lignin and resin degradation and  
modification; Fungal ecology and Biocontrol Research and Products;  
Antarctic Historic Hut Wood and artefact degradation;  
Antarctic microbial biodiversity and bioprospecting.

**Honours, distinctions, membership of committees:**

2010 Nature Asia-Pacific highlights PNAS publication 'Highly specialized microbial diversity in hyper-arid polar desert'; see <http://www.natureasia.com/A-IMBN/>

2009 Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Missouri-St Louis

Companion of The New Zealand Order of Merit (CNZM) in recognition for services to biochemical research.

Invitation Key Note Lecture *Intergovernmental Meeting of Experts on Biological Prospecting in the Antarctic Treaty Area* 3 – 5 February 2009, Baarn, The Netherlands

**2008** Hamilton New Zealand Kudos Science Entrepreneur of the Year Award

Appointment Adjunct Professor, North Carolina State University, USA.

Appointment Board New Zealand Foundation for Research Science and Technology (three years).

Invitation Keynote Lecture Bio-08, Grahamstown, South Africa, 23 January 08

2007 Appointment Panel Member Royal Society of New Zealand Travel Grants Committee

Appointment Associate Institute for Microbial Biotechnology and Metagenomics, University of Western Cape, South Africa.

Invitation Sir Holmes Miller Lecture 2007, Wellington Branch New Zealand Antarctic Society, 22 November 2007.

Invitation Keynote Lecture Hokkaido University, 19 October 2007.

2006 Millennium Ecosystem Assessment received the Zayed International Prize for the Environment in the category of "Scientific Achievements in the Environment" ([www.zayedprize.org](http://www.zayedprize.org)).

Member 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Scott Base Conference Organising Committee, a joint partnership of Antarctica New Zealand and the Royal Society of New Zealand

Appointed Director ZyGEM Ltd

2005 Elected Fellow of Royal Society of New Zealand

Invitation Speaker II International Colloquium on Eucalyptus Pulp, Concepción, Chile, 22 - 26 May 2005

Invitation Keynote Speaker **China Paper/China Forest 2005** Beijing, China 22 – 24 Sept 2005

Invitation Plenary Lecture AWIS (Association for Women in Sciences), 5<sup>th</sup> National Conference, 8 July 2005.

Appointed Director ZyGEM Ltd

- 2004 Invitation from Vice Chancellor Bryan Gould to present in the inaugural lecture at Waikato Lecture Series: 'Celebrating World Class: Science, Research & Innovation' 6th September 2004, celebrating the University of Waikato's 40th Anniversary.

Antarctica New Zealand Honorary Antarctic Explorer Club Member

Invited Participant Ngati Porou Whanui Forests "Launch of Knowledge Creation Strategy at Hinerupe Marae, Te Araroa, 9 September 2004

Awarded Emachu Research Fund Grant for international contribution of the paper Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L., Hata, K., Carter, P., Lausberg, M. (2004). Sapstain fungi on *Pinus radiata* logs – from New Zealand Forest to Export Destination in Japan. *Journal of Wood Science*, 50: 459-465.

ASM chooses as Journal Highlights, May 2004, the paper Blanchette, R.A., Held, B.W., Jurgens, J.A., McNew, D.L., Harrington, T.C., Duncan, S.M., and Farrell, R.L. (2004). Wood Destroying Soft Rot Fungi in the Historic Expeditions Huts of Antarctica. *Appl. Environ. Microbiol*, 70, 1328-1335.

- 2003 Invited Lecturer Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden, 2 October 2003.  
Invited Lecturer New Zealand Ministry of Research Science & Technology, Biolssues Forum "bioRemedi" 6 November 2003, Wellington, New Zealand.

Appointed Judge The Wolf Foundation Prize 2003

Invited Speaker Australasian Research Management Society Inc 2003 Conference "Lifting R&D Performance-Australasian Best Practice" Auckland, NZ, 14 October 2003.

Invited Keynote Address "Bioprospecting in Antarctica Workshop", Gateway Antarctica at the University of Canterbury, 7 April 2003.

Participant and Academic Organiser of Hui at University of Waikato with Te Raukawa Trust Board and Carter Holt Harvey, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2003

Participant and Academic Organiser of Hui at University of Waikato with Bay of Plenty Iwi. Tainui and Carter Holt Harvey, 6<sup>th</sup> August 2003

Membership Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Alumni Association

Invited to contribute Chapter "NOVEL PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRIES FROM BIODIVERSITY" in *Millennium Ecosystem Development Programme*, documenting

what biodiversity has contributed to the human economy, sponsored by Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).

- 2002 Appointed Judge The Wolf Foundation Prize 2002  
Appointment Chairperson Tellers Committee for International Academy Wood Science (2002 – 2005).
- 2001 Invited Keynote Address Lecturer, International Research Group for Wood Preservation, 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting, Nara, Japan, May, 2001.

Chaired International Academy of Wood Science “New Zealand Conference 2001: Productive Research, Globalisation and Forestry”, Paihia, 27 Feb – 2 March.

Programme Committee Member & Session Chair B2B2B: bioscience to bio-enterprise to bio-business, 16.11.2001, sponsored by the Academy Council of the Royal Society of New Zealand

Committee Member New Zealand Royal Society Committee on Human Resources in Science and Technology, 2001 – on going.

- 1998 Elected to the *Academy Board* of International Academy of Wood Science (1998 – 2004).

Invited Speaker “Leadership Priorities for New Zealand Science and Technology” sponsored by the Academy Council of The Royal Society of New Zealand, 5-6 November 1998.

- 1995 Appointed to the Board of Associates of Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA; (1995-2001).

- 1990 Awarded Sandoz USA, Innovation Award "In recognition of your outstanding contribution to the growth and success of "Cartapip®".

- 1990 Elected Fellow of International Academy of Wood Science.

- 1985** Chosen one of "The Year's Top 100 Innovations and the Men and Women Behind Them" for part in cloning Lignin-Degrading Enzymes. *Science Digest* 93, 34-35.

**Major Grants Awarded (>\$NZ\$100,000/grant) past ten years:**

- 2008-2011 NZFRST Understanding, valuing and protecting Antarctica’s unique terrestrial ecosystems: Predicting biocomplexity in Dry Valley ecosystems
- 2002-2007 NZFRST Defining Quality, Expanding Markets and Related Technologies
- 2000-2002 NZFRST, Biocontrol & Biosecurity: Pathogen Dynamics in Forestry, Diagnostics and Risk Analysis
- 2001 Carter Holt Harvey – Japan Peeler Trials
- 1998-2000 NZFRST, Cause and Prevention of Sapstain in Radiata Pine

- 1999-2000 Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) Import Risk Analysis  
 2000 –2001 Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) Rapid Identification  
 of target pathogens in imported packaging  
 1996-2002 New Zealand Forestry Consortium –  
 Cause of Sapstain and Albino Biocontrol Product Development

**Other Grants Awarded (>\$NZ\$25,000/grant):**

- 2000-2002 Rayonier Corporation - Survey of East Cape, NZ  
 1998-2001 Kimberly-Clark Australia Biopulping/Resin Reduction  
 1998-2000 Sapstain Fungi–with University of Bio-Bio, Concepcion, Chile  
 1997-1998 Nippon Paper, Tokyo Resin Acid Degradation

**Teaching/Supervision**

My specialist teaching areas are biochemistry, particularly enzymology including protein stability, purifications and enzyme applications, genetics, microbiology and biotechnology including fermentation and applications of biological organisms, and microbial biodiversity.

From 1996 -2008 at The University of Waikato I have been chief supervisor of completed 18 M.Sc. students, 5 Ph.D. and 1 M. Phil. students, and co-supervisor of another completed 6 Ph.D. students and 1 M.Sc. student. These graduate and postgraduate students have received numerous scholarships and fellowships, including four MSc students and one PhD awarded Tuapapa Putaiao Maori Fellowships.

**Research associated activities**

- ◆ Program Committee Member of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> “Biotechnology in the Pulp and Paper Industry” (1986-2004, in Stockholm, Charlotte, Kyoto, Vienna, Vancouver, Helsinki and Durban).
- ◆ Chairman of 1997 TAPPI Biological Sciences Symposium, San Francisco, California, Oct 1997.
- ◆ Chairman “Modern Agriculture and Environmental Concerns” Conference, Jerusalem, May, 1999.
- ◆ Invited Speaker to more than 2 dozen international conferences from 1985 – 2004.
- ◆ Reviewer US National Science Foundation and Department of Energy, Australian Research Council, and National Science and Energy Research Council, South African National Research Foundation and numerous journals.
- ◆ Inventor and Developed Commercialisation of biotechnology (enzyme and microbial) products.

**PUBLICATIONS****Research papers and book chapters: 93****Granted Patents: USA, 28 [others >200]; Current provisional patents, 10.****Significant other publications: 40****Book Chapters**

1. Farrell, R. L., S. Duncan, R. A. Blanchette, B. W. Held, J. A. Jurgens and B. A. Arenz. 2008. Scientific evaluation of deterioration of historic huts of Ross Island, Antarctica. In: Historical Polar Bases – Preservation and Management. Edited by S. Barr and P. Chaplin. ICOMOS Monuments and Sites No.XVII. International Polar Heritage Committee, Oslo, Norway pp.96. ISBN 978-82-996891-2-0.
2. Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L., Duncan, S.D., Lamar, R.L., White, R.B. 2006. *Fungal-Based Remediation: Treatment of PCP contaminated Soil in New Zealand*, In **Environmental Bioremediation Technologies**, Ed. S.N. Singh, Springer Verlag, pages 465-479.
3. Farrell, R.L., Duncan, S.M., *Uniqueness of Antarctica and potential for commercial success*, In **Antarctic Bioprospecting**, Eds. A. Hemmings and M. Rogan-Finnemore. Published by Gateway Antarctica Special Publication Series, No. 0501, University of Canterbury. ISBN 0-476-01647-9, pages 10-40. 2005
4. Held, B.W., Blanchette, R.A., Jurgens, J.A., Duncan, S., Farrell, R.L., *Deterioration and conservation issues associated with Antarctica's historic huts*, In **Art, Biology and Conservation of Works of Art**, Ed. Koestler, R.J., Charola, A.E., Nieto-Fernandez, F.E., Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, 2003, pages 370-389.
5. Farrell, R.L., Blanchette, R.A., Auger, M., Duncan, S.M., Held, B.W., Jurgens, J.E., Minasaki, R., *Scientific Evaluation of Deterioration in Historic Huts of Ross Island, Antarctica*. In **Polar Monuments and Sites Cultural Heritage Work in the Arctic and Antarctic Regions**. ISBN: 82-996891-1-2, ICOMOS, Oslo. 2004.
6. Beattie, A.J., Kheng, C.T., Prance, I., Barthlott, W., Elisabetsky, E., Farrell, R.L., Simpson, D., Rosenthal, J. *NEW PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRIES FROM BIODIVERSITY* In **Millennium Ecosystem Assessment. Ecosystems and Human Well-being: A Framework for Assessment**. Island Press, Washington, D.C. 2004.

**Research papers**

1. Duncan, S.M., Farrell, R.L., Jordan, N., Jurgens, J.A., Blanchette, R.A. Monitoring and identification of airborne fungi at historic locations on Ross Island, Antarctica. 2010. Shona M. Duncan, Roberta L. Farrell, Neville Jordan, Joel A. Jurgens and Robert A. Blanchette. *Polar Science*. In press.
2. Blanchette, B.A., Held, B.W., Arenz, B.E., Jurgens, J.A., Baltés, N.J., Duncan, S.M., and Farrell, R.L. 2010. An Antarctic hot spot for fungi at Shackleton's historic hut on Cape Royds. *Microbial Ecology*. In press.
3. Pointing, S.B., Chan, Y., Lacap, D.C., Lau, M.C.Y., Jurgens, J., Farrell, R.L.. 2009. Highly specialized microbial diversity in hyper-arid polar desert. *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA*, On line: [www.pnas.org/cgi/doi/10.1073/pnas.0908274106](http://www.pnas.org/cgi/doi/10.1073/pnas.0908274106).
4. Li Y., Pickering, K.L., R.F. Farrell. 2009. Determination of interfacial shear strength of white rot fungi treated hemp. *Compos Sci Technol*. In press.
5. Farrell, R.L. 2008. Priorities: yesterday, today and tomorrow. *AWIS Issue 4 December 2008*, p11.
6. Duncan, S.M., Minasaki, R., Farrell, R.L., Thwaites, J.M., Held, B.W., Arenz, B.E., Jurgens, J.A., Blanchette, R.A. 2008. Screening fungi isolated from historic *Discovery Hut* on Ross, Island, Antarctica for cellulose degradation. *Antarctic Science*, 21, pp 1-8. [http://journals.cambridge.org/repo\\_A187GtFw](http://journals.cambridge.org/repo_A187GtFw)
7. Farrell, R.L. 2007. Scientific Evaluation of Deterioration of Historic Huts of Ross Island, Antarctica. *NZ Science Teacher* 114:12-14.
8. K. L. Pickering, Y. Li, R.L. Farrell and M. Lay "Interfacial Modification of Hemp Fibre Reinforced Composites using Fungal and Alkali treatment", *Journal of Bio-based Materials and Bio-energy*, 1 (1) 2007, pp109-117.
9. K. L. Pickering, Y. Li and R.L. Farrell. 2007. Fungal and Alkali Interfacial Modification of Hemp Fibre Reinforced Composites, *Key Engineering Materials*, 334 , pp493-496.
10. Wu, C., Te'o, V.S.J., Farrell, R.L., Bergquist, P.L., Nevalianen, K.M.H. 2006. Improvement of the secretion of extracellular proteins and isolation and characterization of the amylase I (*amy1*) gene from *Ophiostoma floccosum*. *Gene* 384: 96-103.
11. Pickering, K.L., Li, Y., Farrell, R.L., Lay, M. 2006. Interfacial Modification of Hemp Fibre Reinforced Composites using Fungal and Alkali treatment, *Journal of Bio-based Materials and Bio-energy*, in press.

12. Reay, S.D., Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L. 2006. Survey of Ophiostomataceae associated with *Hylurgus ligniperda* (Curculionidae: Scolytinae) in New Zealand. *New Zealand Entomologist* 29: 21-26.
13. Duncan, S.M., Farrell, R.L., Thwaites, J.M., Held, B.W., Arenz, B.E., Jurgens, J.A. & Blanchette, R.A. 2006. Endoglucanase-producing fungi isolated from Cape Evans historic expedition hut on Ross Island, Antarctica. *Environmental Microbiology* 8 (7), 1212-1219.
14. Arenz, B.E., Held, B.W., Jurgens, J.A., Farrell, R.L., Blanchette, R.A., 2006. Fungal diversity in soils and historic wood from the Ross Sea region of Antarctica, *Soil Biology and Biochemistry* 38: 3057-3064.
15. Held, B. W., J. A. Jurgens, S. M. Duncan, R. L. Farrell and R. A. Blanchette. 2006. Assessment of fungal diversity and deterioration in a wooden structure at New Harbor, Antarctica. *Polar Biology* 29: 526-531.
16. Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L., Duncan, S.M., Reay, S.D., Blanchette, R.A., Hadar, E., Hadar, Y, Harrington, T.C. 2005. Survey of potential sapstain fungi on *Pinus radiata* in New Zealand. *New Zealand Journal of Botany*, 43(3): 653-663.
17. Reay, S.D., Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L. 2005. A Survey of Ophiostoma species vectored by *Hylastes ater* to pine seedlings in New Zealand. *For. Path.* 35: 1-9.
18. Held, B.W., Jurgens, J.A., Arenz, B.E., Duncan, S.M., Farrell, R.L., Blanchette, R.A. 2005. Environmental factors influencing microbial growth inside the Historic Expedition Huts of Ross Island, Antarctica. *International Biodeterioration and Biodegradation*, 55: 45-53.
19. Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L., Hata, K., Carter, P., Lausberg, M. (2004). Sapstain fungi on *Pinus radiata* logs – from New Zealand Forest to Export Destination in Japan. *Journal of Wood Science*: 50: 459-465. [Translated Japanese abstract appears in *Mokuzai Gakkaishi* Volume 50, Number 6.]
20. Blanchette, R.A., Held, B.W., Jurgens, J.A., Aislabie, J., Duncan, S.M., and Farrell, R.L. (2004). Environmental pollutants in Antarctica from the Robert F. Scott and Ernest H. Shackleton expeditions during the 'Heroic Era' of exploration. *Polar Record*, 40: 143-151.
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22. Farrell, R.L., Rhodes, P.L., Aislabie, J. (2003). Toluene-degrading Antarctic *Pseudomonas* Strains from Fuel-contaminated Soil. *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.*, Vol 312/1 pp 235-240.

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24. Schirp, A., Farrell, R.L., Kreber, B., Singh, A.P. (2003). Advances in understanding the ability of sapstaining fungi to produce cell-wall degrading enzymes., *Wood and Fiber Science*, 35, 434–444.
25. Held, B.W., Thwaites, J.M., Farrell, R.L., Blanchette, R.A. (2003). Albino Strains of *Ophiostoma* Species for Biological Control of Sapstaining Fungi. *Holzforschung*, 57, 237-242.
26. Blanchette, R.A., Held, B.W., Farrell, R.L. Defibrillation of wood in the expedition huts of Antarctica: an unusual deterioration process occurring in the polar environment. (2002). *Polar Record* 38 (207): 313-322.
27. Reay, S.D., Walsh, P.J. Ram, A. and Farrell, R.L. The invasion of *Pinus radiata* seedlings by sapstain fungi, following attack by the Black Pine Bark Beetle, *Hylastes ater* (Coleoptera: Scolytidae). *Forest Ecology and Management*, (2002). 165 (1-3): 47-56.
28. Kay, S.J., Ah Chee, A., Sale, P.O., Taylor, J.T., Farrell, R.L. (2002). Variation amongst New Zealand Isolates of *Sphaeropsis sapinea*. *European Journal of Forest Pathology*, 32: 109-121.
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31. Minasaki, R., Duncan, S., Farrell, R.L., Blanchette, R.A., Held, B.W., Jurgens, J.A., Watson, N. (2001). Mycological Biodiversity Associated with Historic Huts & Artefacts of the Heroic Period in Ross Sea Region. Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research. VIII SCAR International Biology Symposium. *Antarctic Biology in a Global Context*. Handbook. S6P19.
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- Royal Society of New Zealand, 5-6 November 1998. Miscellaneous series 54, pp.127-131.
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