

# Eric N. Valor

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## Summary

I use my professional management skills and experience to provide team leadership in developing and maintaining a highly effective organization. I believe in supporting career development of team members. Coworkers are my "customers", and my goal is customer satisfaction. This requires excellent communication and cooperation with "customers" on optimal performance strategies.

## Experience

### **Executive Director: SciOpen Research Group**

2013 - Present

- Founder of the first fully-operational "guerrilla biotech"
- Manage daily operations of SRG, including planning and execution of research programs
- Plan and execute funding opportunities for SRG activities
- Currently devoted to research into therapies for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

### **Board Member/Science & Technology Adviser: Team Gleason**

2013 - Present

- Advise Stephen Gleason on communication technology and biomedical science.
- Advise PALS who contact Team Gleason on communication technology
- Provide technical support to Team Gleason and PALS
- Interface with technology providers
- Joined as Board Member in May, 2014

### **Board of Directors: The ALS Emergency Treatment Fund (now WideTrial)**

September 2012 – December, 2015

- Identify ALS drugs/treatments suitable for Expanded Access Programs (EAPs)
- Participate in negotiations with government and industry to enable EAPs

### **Information Technology Manager: Mercedes Benz Research & Development, North America**

2004 - 2008

- Responsible for local IT infrastructure of MBRDNA and interface to global corporate network
- Developed and deployed internal systems for research and operations departments
- Maintained high level of network security balanced with corporate/R&D department requirements
- Upgraded and improved infrastructure to meet the demands of acquiring nationwide R&D groups
- Worked with Daimler corporate IT to engage then disengage from Chrysler corporate network
- Guided transition of DCRTNA network infrastructure to the new MBRDNA structure

### **Information Technology Manager: DaimlerChrysler RTNA Inc. (DCRTNA)**

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**WebMeister: Lutris Technologies, Inc.**

2000 - 2001

- Specified, built, implemented, and maintained corporate and community Linux web server systems
- Developed and implemented multiple phase rollout for corporate external and internal web sites
- Maintained highest level of internal/external network security at all times
- Designed and directed methods for secure third-party vendor delivery of network support services
- Maintained Domain Name Service for both corporate and Open Source domains (lutris.com/enhydra.org)
- Managed interdepartmental collaboration for corporate web sites
- Assisted engineering and services departments in creating / maintaining customer and support sites
- Evolved leadership role as company and department dynamics changed

**Systems Administrator: ArrayComm**

1995 - 2000

- Managed systems and networks for hardware/software production and laboratory areas
- Support for 200+ corporate users, home and abroad
- Mixed environment of Solaris/SunOS UNIX, Workstations and terminals, Windows PCs, Macintosh
- Daily monitoring of critical equipment including border routers/firewalls and external web/FTP servers
- Network operations
- Enterprise management including software installations/upgrades and security patches
- Sole administrator of enterprise telecommunications equipment and terminals
- Support and train junior IT team members
- Develop, deploy, and maintain systems for special engineering projects
- On-site and remote support for tradeshow equipment and participants (24x7 availability)

**Volunteer Experience****Executive Director: SciOpen Research Group**

2013 - Present

- Founded and provide chief direction for SRG
- Create and manage infrastructure
- Oversee finances and fundraising for SRG activities
- Participate in the creation of strategic partnerships

**Board Member/Science & Technology Adviser: Team Gleason**

January 2012 - Present

- Science & Technology Adviser
- Board Member
- Participate in finding and developing strategic partnerships
- Manage technology project relationships

**Board Member: Hope Now For ALS**

2015 - Present

- Co-founded and provide direction for HRNA
- Help create and manage infrastructure
- Plan and participate in execution of strategic goals
- Plan and participate in public outreach

**Member, Review Board: ALS Untangled**

2013 - Present

- Review and offer amendments for ALSU reports prior to publication
- Participate in and author investigations for ALSU reports

## Certifications

### **Data Management for Clinical Research**

Coursera - Vanderbilt University October 2013

### **Medical Neuroscience**

Coursera - Duke University March 2014

### **Writing in the Sciences**

Stanford Online OpenEdEx November 2013

### **Epigenetic Control of Gene Expression**

Coursera - University of Melbourne June 2014

## Skills & Expertise

Linux

System Administration

UNIX

Telecommunications

Security

Software Development

Network Security

Windows

SQL

IT Management

Microsoft Office

Team Leadership

Perl

Networking

Servers

Project Management

VMware

MySQL

Team Building

Customer Service

Analysis

Algorithms

System Architecture

Program Management

Software Engineering

Enterprise Software

DNS

Visualization

Apache

Data Center

Solaris

Shell Scripting

HTML

Biomedical Research

Neurology

Preclinical Research

Pharmaceutical Research