

**Jon S. Thorson**

Professor and Vice Chair, Pharmaceutical Sciences Division, School of Pharmacy, University of Wisconsin. Dr. Thorson is an internationally known expert in glycosylated therapeutics. He invented The Centrose “glycorandomization” technology platform, which has been nationally and internationally recognized (Chemical & Engineering News, BBC and Drug Discovery Today). Dr. Thorson has secured > \$4.5M in federal and private funding for his academic research and has served as scientific consultant for a number of pharmaceutical and biotech companies. He was also instrumental in establishing the 5 year \$5.6M University of Wisconsin National Cooperative Drug Development Group for new cancer drug development, a program developed in conjunction with Drs. B. Shen and C. R. Hutchinson. Dr. Thorson’s achievements have been recognized by the following prestigious awards: Rita Allen Foundation Scholar (1998), a Mizutani Foundation for Glycoscience Awardee (1999), an Alfred P. Sloan Scholar in Chemistry (2000), a Matt Suffness Young Investigator (American Society of Pharmacognosy, 2004) and a UW Romnes Fellow (2004). Dr. Thorson obtained his Ph.D. (1993) from the University of Minnesota and did postdoctoral research with Peter Schultz at Berkeley. Prior to moving to UW, Dr. Thorson was an assistant member of the Sloan-Kettering Institute, with a joint appointment as an assistant professor in the Cornell University Medical College (1996-2001).