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Dr. Baker's clinical research has focused on all aspects of group B streptococcal (GBS) infections from the first description of early-and late-onset sepsis and meningitis in neonates and young infants to the discovery of critical epitopes in the capsular polysaccharides necessary for development of candidate conjugate vaccine candidates. Her policy, advocacy and leadership role at the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices led to the prevention of young infant influenza and pertussis disease through maternal immunization.

Among numerous honors Dr. Baker has received the Mentor Award (2008), Society Citation for outstanding achievements in the field of Infectious Disease (2011) and Alexander Fleming Award for Lifetime Achievement (2016), each from the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA). She has the Distinguished Physician and Distinguished Research Awards from the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society, was the 2019 recipient of the Albert Sabin Gold Medal Award from the Sabin Vaccine Institute and is an elected member of the National Academy of Science. She has published more than 400 peer reviewed papers and was Associate Editor of 5 editions of American Academy of Pediatrics Red Book.