

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION:

Postdoctoral Experience: Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 1994-1997

Ph.D. **Medicinal Sciences**, Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, University of Zagreb, Croatia, and Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 1994
Major Advisor: Velimir Matkovic, MD, PhD, Professor, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
Dissertation: *“Interaction of growth, nutrition, and physical activity with bone mass of preadolescent females”*, performed in the Bone and Mineral Metabolism Laboratory, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

M.S. **Foods and Nutrition**, Division of Foods and Nutrition, College of Health, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1991
Major Advisor: Robert Kimura, MD, Professor and Chair, Department of Pediatrics, Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center, Chicago, IL
Thesis: *“Intestinal absorption of minerals calcium and magnesium and their interaction in catheterized rat”*, performed at the University of Utah Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology.

R.D. **Registered dietitian**, license #800181
Dietetic Internship, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 9/89 - 9/90

A.S. **Education and Teaching**, University of Sarajevo, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Bosnia and Herzegovina (former Yugoslavia), 1976

B.S. **Chemistry**, University of Sarajevo, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Department of Chemistry, Bosnia and Herzegovina (former Yugoslavia), 1974

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

Hazel K. Stiebeling Professor of Nutrition, 2011-present

Florida State University, Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences, Tallahassee, FL

Professor, December 2005-present

Florida State University, College of Human Sciences, Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences, Tallahassee, FL

Visiting Professor, 2005-present

University of Zagreb, College of Natural Sciences, Department of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, <http://www.pbf.hr>

Associate Professor, 1/98-12/05

University of Connecticut, School of Allied Health, Department of Health Promotion and Allied Health Sciences, Dietetics Program, Storrs, CT

Joint Appointments at University of Connecticut:

Department of Nutritional Sciences and Department of Exercise Sciences and Kinesiology, 2000-2005

Director, Bone and Mineral Metabolism Laboratory, 1/99-12/05

University of Connecticut, School of Allied Health, Storrs, CT

Interim Director for Undergraduate Allied Health Courses, 8/98-8/99

University of Connecticut, School of Allied Health, Storrs, CT

Adjunct Assistant Professor, 1995-1997

The Ohio State University, College of Human Ecology, Department of Human Nutrition and Food Management, Columbus, OH

Senior Research Scientist and Post-doctoral Fellow, 12/94-12/97

The Ohio State University, School of Medicine, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Columbus, OH

Research Scientist, 9/91-12/94

The Ohio State University, School of Medicine, Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Columbus, OH

Graduate Teaching Assistant, 1987-1989

University of Utah, College of Health, Division of Foods and Nutrition, Salt Lake City

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**Senior Nutritional-Biochemical Research Specialist, 9/88-9/91**

University of Utah Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology, Salt Lake City, UT

Research Specialist, 9/85-9/88

University of Utah Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology,

Salt Lake City, UT

Research Associate, 7/83-9/85

University of Utah Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology,
Salt Lake City, UT

Research, Development and Quality Control Specialist, 6/76-6/83

Chocolate and Candy Enterprise, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina

Research Assistant, 1974-1975

Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, New Haven, CT

Chemistry-Student Technician, 1973

LEITZ - Optic Lenses Manufacturer, Wetzlar, Germany

Chemistry-Student Technician, 1972

OSRAM GmbH, Light Bulb and Electronic Wiring Manufacturer, Munich, Germany

RESEARCH SCOPE:

Basic: mesenchymal stem cell differentiation – nutritional influences on osteoblast/adipocyte lineages; irisin-brown adipose tissue axis

Translational: animal models with feeding studies and mechanical loading

Clinical trials: nutritional intervention in human subjects incorporating behavioral modification and modes of physical activity

Outreach: education and health promotion in underserved communities

SPECIALTY AREAS IN RESEARCH:

Clinical/Community

- **Nutritional and physical activity modifiers** in bone health and body composition (muscle and fat tissue)
 - Behavioral modification for better compliance and long-term maintenance
- **Osteosarcopenic obesity** -- a new term for an old problem; prevalence and mechanism of manifestation
 - Osteosarcopenic obesity is a new term coined by Dr. Ilich-Ernst in 2012, encompassing decreased bone and muscle mass and strength coexistent with obesity
- **Metabolic bone diseases;** prevention and non-pharmacological treatment of osteoporosis
- **Weight reduction** and bone mass preservation
- **Adolescent, adult, and geriatric** nutrition and bone and body composition
- **Calcium metabolism** and bone turnover throughout life span

- Tracking calcium balance with stable isotopes
- **Probiotics and prebiotics** influencing gut microbiota
 - Tilting the balance for alleviation of lactose intolerance and other chronic diseases
 - Creating a lower obesogenic mix
- **Outreach and extension** to minority population to improve nutrition and behavior toward better health outcomes
 - Focus on reducing cardiovascular risk factors and obesity in African American communities

Translational/Molecular

- **Irisin** and browning of white adipose tissue
- **Cellular-level studies** identifying new metabolites in adipose, muscle and bone tissues
 - Bone-lipid metabolism: link for nutrigenomics and nutritional phenotyping
- Calcium, magnesium, zinc, iron absorption and bioavailability
- Intestinal absorptive capacity and metabolic processes of various substrates

RESEARCH GRANTS – submitted:

“TRANSLATIONAL ANALYSES OF INGESTIVE BEHAVIOR AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS”. NIH-R01 Collaborator (PI, Alan Spector) ~\$\$\$\$\$/5 years, Submitted October 2014.

“DETERMINING THE INITIAL EFFECTIVENESS OF A COMMUNITY-BASED YOUTH HEALTH LEADERSHIP INTERVENTION” NIMHD-R21 Collaborator (PI, Penny Ralston) ~\$\$\$\$\$/2 years, Submitted October 2014.

“EXPOSURE TO METALS AND THEIR HEALTH RISKS DURING REPRODUCTIVE AGE IN WOMEN AND MEN RELATED TO ROUTE OF EXPOSURE AND GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION IN CROATIA (MetHeRs)” Croatian Institute of Science. Collaborator (PI, Martina Piasek) ~\$250,000/4 years, Submitted September 2014.

“BODY MASS AS A RISK FACTOR FOR INADEQUATE VITAMIN D STATUS: A PRELIMINARY STUDY”. University of Zagreb, Croatia. Collaborator (PI, Irena Colic Baric), ~\$12,000/one year. Submitted September 2014.

RESEARCH GRANTS – current:

“HEALTH for HEARTS UNITED LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE” NIH-R01 (National Institute for Minority Health. 2 R24 MD002807-06, **CO-PI** (PI, Ralston), Total cost \$1,524,790; 6/31/13-05/31/17.

“ACCEPTABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF PROBIOTIC AND PREBIOTIC PRODUCTS IN ALLEVIATING SYMPTOMS OF LACTOSE MALDIGESTION IN AFRICAN AMERICANS”. FSU-CRC Planning grant, **PI**, Cost \$13,000/year, 04/01/13-03/31/14.

“REDUCING CARDIOVASCULAR RISK IN MID-LIFE AND OLDER AFRICAN

AMERICANS” National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities; Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR), R24 MD002807-01, **CO-PI**, Total cost 1,727,481/5 years (\$238,863 to CO-PI), 07/01/08-06/31/13.

EIEG (Equipment and Infrastructure Enhancement Grant), purchase of micro-Computed Analysis System for 3-D visualization of various materials. Florida State University, **PI** \$100,000, 2007 – on going use of equipment.

RESEARCH GRANTS – completed in the last decade:

“EXPOSURE TO HEAVY METALS AND THEIR EFFECTS IN PREGNANCY AND POSTNATAL PERIOD” Croatian Ministry of Science, Technology and Sports #022-0222148-2135, **CO-PI**, Cost \$30,000/year (original time frame 05/2007 – 05/2010). Extended on a yearly basis to 2013.

“NUTRITION, HOMOCYSTEINE AND BONE HEALTH” Croatian Ministry of Science, Technology and Sports #058-0222411-2820, **CO-PI**, Cost \$36,000/year (original time frame 05/2007 – 05/2010). Extended on a yearly basis to 2012.

“WEIGHT REDUCTION WITH CALCIUM IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN: INTEGRATION OF RESEARCH WITH EDUCATION OUTREACH IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY” CSREES/National Research Initiative/USDA, # 2004-05287, **PI**, Total cost \$840,000/4 years, 2006-2010 no-cost extension to 2011.

“CALCIUM AND DAIRY DERIVED BIOACTIVE COMPOUNDS AS STEM CELL MEDIATORS OF BONE AND LIPID METABOLISM” National Dairy Council Nutrition Research – Dairy Management Inc. #1673, **PI**, Total cost \$50,000/1year, 06/08 – 06/09.

“THE EFFECT OF N-3 POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS ON OSTEOBLASTOGENESIS, ADIPOGENESIS AND BONE MARROW STEM CELL LINEAGE COMMITMENT” FSU – CRC/Cornerstone SGP Program (#119532), Internal grant. **PI**, Total cost \$3,000/1year, 01/09-06/09.

“BONE MASS IN RELATION TO SODIUM INTAKE IN OLDER WOMEN”, NRI/USDA, **PI**. Total cost: \$246,000, completed.

“TASTE, GENETICS, AND DIETARY RISK OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE” NRI/USDA, **Co-investigator** 10/01/02-09/31/05, Total cost \$220,000, completed.

“SODIUM INTAKE AND BONE MASS IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN” Donaghue Medical Research Foundation, **PI**. Total cost \$178,970, completed

“EFFECTS OF L-CARNITINE TARTARATE SUPPLEMENTATION ON BODY COMPOSITION AND LIPOPROTEIN PROFILE” Lonza Group Ltd. Basel Switzerland; Allendale, NJ, USA. **Collaborator**, \$120,000, completed. 01/01/03-12/31/03

“VITAMIN A AND VITAMIN K IN RELATION TO BONE MINERAL STATUS IN HEALTHY ELDERLY WOMEN” University of Connecticut Large Research Grant. **PI**. Total cost \$13,736, completed. 01/01/03-12/31/03

“PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE AND BONE MASS IN ELDERLY WOMEN” University of Connecticut Large Research Grant. **PI**. Total cost \$10,017, completed.

"EFFECTS OF SODIUM ON BONE MASS IN OLDER WOMEN", University of Connecticut Large Research Grant. **PI**. Total cost \$9,340, completed.

"RETRONASAL OLFACTION IN AGING: CONTRIBUTIONS OF TASTE". NIH-RO3. **Co-Investigator**. Total cost \$70,917, completed.

“LOW SODIUM DIET: ITS PALATABILITY AND EFFECT ON MARKERS OF BONE TURNOVER IN OLDER WOMEN”. University of Connecticut Research Foundation, **PI**. Total cost \$995.00, completed.

“LONG TERM EFFECTS OF CALCIUM ON BONE MASS IN YOUNG FEMALES”. RO1 grant to NIH, **Co-investigator**. Total cost: \$1,955,509, completed.

“TRAITS IN BODY COMPOSITION IN YOUNG FEMALES CONSUMING DAIRY PRODUCTS vs. CALCIUM SUPPLEMENTS” Dairy Management Inc., **Co-investigator**. Total cost: \$179,920, completed

“MEETING THE CALCIUM CHALLENGES OF TEENAGERS IN THE ‘90S: WHY AND HOW?” Dairy Management Inc., **Co-investigator**. Total cost: \$49,996, completed.

“INTESTINAL ABSORPTION OF MINERALS CALCIUM AND MAGNESIUM AND THEIR INTERACTION IN CATHETERIZED RATS” University of Utah Graduate Research Committee Grant, **PI**, completed.

RESEARCH GRANTS – submitted, not funded:

“MUSIC INTERVENTION TOWARD YOUNGSTERS’ HEALTHY OBESITY PREVENTION (MITY-HOP)”. National Institutes for NIH-NICHD-R21 (National Institute of Child Health and Human Development). Total cost \$382,566, **PI**. Submitted February, 2013.

“PRE- and PROBIOTIC EFFECT on IMMUNE FUNCTION and ANTHROPOMETRIC/BODY COMPOSITION MEASUREMENTS in HIV INFECTED INDIVIDUALS: A FEASIBILITY and ACCEPTABILITY STUDY”. NIH-NIAID-R21 (National Institutes for Allergy and Infectious Diseases), Total cost \$450,225, **PI**. Submitted September 2012.

“RESISTANCE TRAINING, PROTEIN AND BODY COMPOSITION IN BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS” NIH-R15 Total cost \$423,171. **Collaborator** (PI Ormsbee), Submitted June 2012.

“ACCEPTABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF PROBIOTIC AND PREBIOTIC PRODUCTS IN ALLEVIATING SYMPTOMS OF LACTOSE MALDIGESTION IN AFRICAN AMERICANS”, FSU-Planning grant, Cost \$13,000. **PI**, submitted November 2012.

“DEVELOPING COMMUNITY SCHOLARS FOR THE FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES”, USDA, Multicultural Scholars. Total cost \$220,000, **CO-PI** (PI, Ralston), Submitted August 2012.

“HEALTHY CHURCH PARTNERSHIP TO REDUCE CHRONIC DISEASE RISK IN AFRICAN AMERICANS”. National Institute for Minority Health. Total cost \$1,014,926, **CO-PI** (PI, Ralston) Submitted June 2012.

“PRE-MED NUTRITIONAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM”, Allen Foundation **CO-PI** (PI, Ralston). Submitted December 2011.

“REDUCING CHRONIC DISEASE IN MID-LIFE AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN” resubmission to NIH-R21, **CO-PI** (PI, Ralston) submitted September, 2011.

"DEVELOPING COMMUNITY-BASED SCHOLARS FOR THE NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES". USDA-NIFA-HEMS, **CO-PI** (PI, Ralston) submitted August, 2011.

“ACCEPTABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF PROBIOTIC AND PREBIOTIC PRODUCTS IN ALLEVIATING SYMPTOMS OF LACTOSE MALDIGESTION IN AFRICAN AMERICANS”, FSU-Multidisciplinary grant, Cost \$25,000. **PI**, submitted November 2011.

“MUSIC INTERVENTION TOWARD YOUNGSTERS’ HEALTHY OBESITY PREVENTION: MITY-HOP. NIH-RO1, **PI**, Cost \$3,495,526/5 years (9/1/11-8/31/16). Submitted February, 2011.

“POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS AS MODULATORS OF FAT AND BONE METABOLISM IN RATS”. NIH-R21, **PI**, Cost 382,748/2 years; 09/01/11-08/31/13. Submitted February, 2011.

“FLORIDA FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROGRAM: EVALUATING THE IMPLEMENTATION/BENEFITS OF TITLE IV OF FOOD, CONSERVATION, AND ENERGY ACT OF 2008 IN LOW-INCOME, RURAL SCHOOLS” Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, **PI**, Cost \$168,547/2 years, 09/01/11-08/31/13. Submitted March 2011.

“REDUCING CHRONIC DISEASE IN MID-LIFE AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN”. NIH R21, \$395,656. 2011-2013. **CO-PI** (PI Ralston), Submitted September 2010

"MUSIC INTERVENTION AND GARDEN HARVEST TOWARD YOUNGSTERS' HEALTHY OBESITY PREVENTION -- MIGHTY HOP" USDA, National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA-AFRI-003037). **PI**, Cost \$4,002,446/5 years, Submitted June 2010.

“IMPROVING BLOOD PRESSURE CONTROL IN AFRICAN AMERICANS”. NIH-RO1; Co-PI; Direct cost to Co-PI 173,777/4 years. Total cost \$1,347,719, Submitted, February 2010.

"IMPROVING DIETARY AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY BEHAVIORS IN YOUNG AND MID-LIFE AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN: A BEAUTY SALON INTERVENTION

STUDY". USDA-NRI resubmission. **Co-PI** (PI, Ralston). Total cost: 493,000/3 years. Submitted June 2009.

"PROMOTING HEALTH IN AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN AND GIRLS". American Association of University Women (AAUW); **Co-PI**, Cost \$10,000/year. Submitted, December 2009.

"ROLE OF DAIRY FOODS IN BODY COMPOSITION OF OVERWEIGHT POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN". Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sport represented by the Unity through Knowledge Fund for Diaspora. **PI**, Total cost \$150,000/2 years, 06/10-06/12. Resubmission, November 2009.

"POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACID MODULATION OF FAT AND BONE: FROM CELL TO BODY COMPOSITION", NIH Challenge grant, **PI**, Total cost \$980,000/2years, 10/01/09-09/30/11. Submitted April, 2009

"IMPROVING BLOOD PRESSURE CONTROL IN AFRICAN AMERICANS", NIH Challenge grant, **Co-PI**, Penny Ralston, PI, Total cost \$894,431/2years, 10/01/09-09/30/11 Submitted April, 2009

"POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS: STEM CELL MEDIATORS OF BONE AND FAT METABOLISM" K99/R00 – NIH Pathway to independence (mentored grant; mentore Owen Kelly, PhD), **Mentor for 2 two years, then Co-PI**, Total cost \$1,266,570/5 years, 09/01/08 – 08/31/13.

"THE EFFECT OF n-3 POLYUNSATURATED FATTY ACIDS AND CONJUGATED LINOLEIC ACID ON BONE METABOLISM IN SIMULATED MICROGRAVITY." National Space Biomedical Research Institute (NSBRI). Mentored grant; mentore Owen Kelly, PhD. **Mentor**, Total cost: salary of 50,000/year for 2 years for the mentore.

"OBESITY AND BONE HEALTH: ROLE OF CALCIUM IN BODY WEIGHT AND BONE PRESERVATION DURING WEIGHT LOSS IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN". Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sport represented by the Unity through Knowledge Fund for Diaspora. **PI**, Total cost \$150,000/2 years, 01/09-12/11, Submitted June 2008.

"IMPROVING DIETARY AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY BEHAVIORS IN MID-LIFE AND OLDER AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN: A BEAUTY SALON INTERVENTION STUDY" USDA-- Human Nutrition and Obesity, **Co-PI**, Total cost \$493,010/3 years. Submitted June 2008.

"TAKING THE LEAD IN COMMUNITY WELLNESS: IMPROVING DIETARY BEHAVIORS IN AFRICAN AMERICANS." USDA – NRI, **Co-PI**. Total cost \$1,021,300/4 years.

"JOINT INSTITUTE FOR SPACE EXPLORATION RESEARCH (JISER) CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (CoE)". Florida Technology, Research and Scholarship – Florida Board of Governors, Multicenter project, **PI for FSU**, Total cost \$1,954,990.90/3 years, 06/08 – 07/11. Submitted April, 2008.

SCHOLARSHIPS (as graduate student):

SIGMA Xi (Scientific Society) Grants-in-Aid of Research, 1989
 CELEBRITY CHALLENGE GOLF Scholarship-Award, University of Utah, 1989
 MAURINE N. HEGSTEAD Scholarship, College of Health, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1988
 OMICRON-NU (Honor Society) Scholarship, 1987

FOREIGN COLLABORATIONS: INSTITUTIONS/SCIENTISTS**Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia (since 1994)**

Maja Blanuša, PhD, Selma Cvijetić, MD, PhD, Jasna Jurasović, PhD, Krista Kostial, PhD, Martina Piasek, MD, PhD

College of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia (since 2006)

Irena Colić-Barić, PhD, Irena Keser PhD, Ivana Rumbek, PhD, Zvonko Šatalić, PhD

Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Department of Internal Medicine, University Hospital, Rijeka, Croatia (since 2004)

Željka Crnčević-Orlić, MD, PhD, Olga Cvijanović, MD, PhD

Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa (since 2010)

Ronette Lategan, PhD, Corinna Walsh, PhD

PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION AT NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES (since 2000):

- 67th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Washington DC, 10/14
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 36th Annual Meeting, Houston, TX, 09/14
- EMBO/EMBL Symposium: Translating Diabetes. Heidelberg, Germany, 04/14
- 66th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, New Orleans, LA, 11/13
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 35th Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MA, 09/13
- 40th European Calcified Tissues Society Conference. Lisbon, Portugal 05/13
- Health Insurance, Psychological Processes, and Older African Americans' Use of Preventive Care. Summit on the Science of Eliminating Health Disparities, National Harbor, Maryland, 12/12
- Do Older African Americans Experience Faster Declines in Social Support and Fruit and Vegetable Consumption than younger Counterparts? An Explanation for Diverging Health Disparities in Older Years. Summit on the Science of Eliminating Health Disparities, National Harbor, Maryland, 12/12

- Reducing Cardiovascular Disease Risk in Older African Americans: A Longitudinal Intervention Project at Baseline. Summit on the Science of Eliminating Health Disparities, National Harbor, Maryland, 12/12
- Mid-life and older African American “Health Champions”: An Identification process derived from a longitudinal intervention for reducing cardiovascular risk. Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, CA, 11/12
- Life Dissatisfaction and Unhealthy Eating Behaviors among Older African Americans: The Protecting Role of Social Support. Gerontological Society of America, San Diego, 11/12
- Faith-based Approaches to Reduce Cardiovascular Risk: Correlates of Behavior Change in African American Adults. Presented at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 10/12
- Croatian Society of Endocrinology – Postgraduate Studies Special Courses. Opatija, Croatia, September, 2012
 - Plenary Speaker
- 39th European Calcified Tissues Society Conference. Stockholm, Sweden, 05/12
- An Assessment of Dietary and Physical Activity Stage of Change in Midlife and Older African Americans. Presented at the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, Indianapolis, IN, 06/12
- Experimental Biology, Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 04/12
- International Symposium on Preventing Chronic Disease: Research trends and tools for risk assessment and management. Seoul, South Korea, December 2011
 - Invited Speaker
- The 5th Congress of the Croatian Society of Endocrinology. Pula, Croatia, September/October, 2011
 - Invited speaker
- The 7th International Congress of Food Technologists, Biotechnologists and Nutritionists, Opatija, Croatia, September 2011
 - Invited Plenary speaker and chair
- The 7th Asia Pacific Conference on Clinical Nutrition, Bangkok, Thailand, June 2011
 - Invited speaker
- Dietary Patterns of Midlife and Older African Americans: Development of a Culturally Appropriate Food Intake Instrument and Descriptive Findings. Presented at American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, Phoenix, AZ, 06/11
- The 2nd International Congress on Abdominal Obesity, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 02/11
- Health Behavior Changes in Mid-life and Older African Americans: Effectiveness of a Faith-based CBPR Model to Reduce Cardiovascular Disease Risk. Presented at the Gerontological Society of America’s Annual Scientific Meeting, New Orleans, LA, 11/10.
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 32nd Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, 10/10.
 - Nutrition Workgroup Chair
- Experimental Biology, Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 04/10
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 31st Annual Meeting, Denver,

CO, 09/09.

- Invited Speaker
- Nutrition Workgroup Chair
- International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities and Nations, Riga, Latvia, 06/09.
 - Invited Paper-presentation
- 36th European Calcified Tissues Society Conference, Vienna, Austria, 05/09
- 8th European Congress on Menopause, London, UK, 05/09
- New frontiers in Skeletal Research: Bone, Fat and Brain Connection, Washington, DC, 04/09.
 - Young Investigator's Award for: Kelly OJ (**Ilich JZ mentor**) Role of Conjugated Linoleic Acid in Osteoblast, Adipocyte and Bone Marrow Stem Cell Proliferation.
- Experimental Biology, Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, 04/09
 - Vitamin D-Session Chair
- NAASO, North American Association for the Study of Obesity, 2008 Annual Scientific Meeting, Phoenix, AZ, 10/08
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 30th Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, 09/08
- European Atherosclerosis Society Conference, Istanbul, Turkey, 04/08
- 4th Central European Congress on Food, 6th Croatian Congress of Food Technologists, Biotechnologists and Nutritionists, Cavtat, Croatia, 05/08
 - Plenary Speaker
 - Session Chair
- 35th European Calcified Tissues Society Conference, Barcelona, Spain, 05/08
- Experimental Biology, Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, 04/08
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 29th Annual Meeting, Honolulu, HI, 09/07
- 34th European Calcified Tissues Society Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, 05/07
- Experimental Biology, Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 04/07
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 28th Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, 09/06
- 33rd European Calcified Tissues Society Conference, Prague, Czech Republic, 05/06
- American Dietetic Association Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo, St. Louis MI, 10/05
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 27th Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, 09/05
- ISBNPA – International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity, Annual Meeting, 06/05, Amsterdam
- NIAMS-ASBMR Scientific Meeting – Bone Quality: What is it and can we measure it? Bethesda, MA, 05/05
- American Dietetic Association Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo, Anaheim, CA, 10/04
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 26th Annual Meeting, Seattle,

WA, 10/04

- American College of Nutrition Symposium on Advances in Clinical Nutrition, 45th Annual Meeting, Long Beach, CA, 09/04
- 31st European Symposium on Calcified Tissues, Nice, France, 06/04
- Experimental Biology, Annual Meeting, Washington DC, 04/04
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 25th Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 09/03
- 5th International Symposium on Nutritional Aspects of Osteoporosis, Lausanne, Switzerland, 05/03
- International Conference on Arts and Humanities, Honolulu, HI, 01/03
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 24th Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, 09/02
- 30th European Calcified Tissues Society Conference, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/02
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 23rd Annual Meeting, Phenix, AZ, 10/01
 - Invited Speaker, Physical Activity and Bone Workshop
- International Bone and Mineral Society and European Calcified Tissue Society, 1st Annual Meeting, Madrid, Spain, 06/01
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, 22nd Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, 09/00
- NIH Osteoporosis Consensus Development Conference, Bethesda, MD, 03/00

PRESENTATIONS AND PARTICIPATION AT STATE / LOCAL CONFERENCES

(since 2000):

- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/14
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/13 (judge)
- ❖ Florida Dietetic Association, Orlando, Invited speaker FL 07/12
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/12
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/11
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/10
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/09
- ❖ 9th Annual FSU Undergraduate Research Symposium – University Honors Program, Spring 2008
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/08
- ❖ 8th Annual FSU Undergraduate Research Symposium – University Honors Program, Spring 2007
- ❖ Participation at the FSU day at Capitol, Tallahassee, FL, Spring 2007
- ❖ Research and Creativity Day, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 02/07
- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Southington, CT, 04/05

- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Southington, CT, 11/04
- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Southington, CT, 04/04
- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Southington, CT, 04/03
- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Rocky Hill, CT, 05/02
- ❖ Soroptimist, 30th Fall Conference, New Britain, 11/01
- ❖ Women and Laughter, 15th Women's Health Update, East Windsor, CT, 10/01
- ❖ Hadassa of Connecticut Annual Meeting, Mansfield, CT, 09/01
- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Rocky Hill, CT, 05/01
- ❖ Soroptimist, 29th Spring Conference, Portsmouth, NH, 04/01
- ❖ Day for Women, Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, CT 03/01
- ❖ 2nd Annual Conference on Aging, DMR Eastern Region, Quinebaug Valley Community-Technical College, 03/01
- ❖ Connecticut Dietetic Association, Biannual Meeting, Rocky Hill, CT, 11/00
- ❖ Well Being of our Bones: Osteoporosis Prevention, Treatment and Management. American Association of University Women, Eastern Connecticut State University, 11/00.
- ❖ Female Problems: Menopause, Sex, and Cultural Conflicts. 13th Women's Health Update, East Windsor, CT, 10/00.
- ❖ Women and Children's Health, 12th Women's Health Update, Hartford, CT, 04/00

SYMPOSIUM AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZER, PANEL MEMBER

- Reviewer – Panel Member for the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Research Competitiveness Program; Review of Nutrition Proposals for the Science Agency of Saudi Arabia, September 2013
- Reviewer – Panel Member: National Research Foundation of South Africa, August 2013
- Reviewer – Panel Member: Function and Efficacy of Nutrients; National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), July 2013
- Organizer, Chair and Speaker, The 10th Hazel Stiebeling Symposium, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 05/13
- Organizer, Chair and Speaker, The 9th Hazel Stiebeling Symposium, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 05/12
- Session Chair, The 7th International Congress of Food Technologists, Biotechnologists and Nutritionists, Croatia, 09/11
- Nutrition Workshop Chair – American Society for Bone and Mineral Research annual Conference, Toronto, Canada 10/10.
- Reviewer – Panel Member: Bioactive Food Components for Optimal Health, USDA-CSREES, July 2009
- Nutrition Workshop Chair – American Society for Bone and Mineral Research annual Conference, Denver, CO 09/09.
- Vitamin D Session Chair – Experimental Biology Conference, New Orleans, LA 04/09
- Human Nutrition and Obesity – Fifth Annual Investigators' Meeting, National Research Initiative section 31.5, USDA-CSREES, Baltimore, MD 06/09
- Human Nutrition and Obesity – Fourth Annual Investigators' Meeting, National Research Initiative section 31.5, USDA-CSREES, Albuquerque, NM 06/08
- Human Nutrition and Obesity – Third Annual Investigators' Meeting, National Research Initiative section 31.5, USDA-CSREES, Washington DC 06/07

- Human Nutrition and Obesity – Second Annual Investigators’ Meeting, National Research Initiative section 31.5, USDA-CSREES, Houston, TX 06/06
- Human Nutrition and Obesity – First Annual Investigators’ Meeting, National Research Initiative section 31.5, USDA-CSREES, Orlando FL 07/05

INVITED SEMINARS, LECTURES, AND IN-SERVICES (from 2000):

- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia and at the Biotechnology and Nutrition Department at the University of Zagreb, Croatia May/June 2014
- Organizer for the 11th Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium: “*Brown fat: A possible harbinger for the obesity treatment*”. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL April 2014
- Brown fat, beige fat and irisin axis. Presentation at the 11th Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL April 2014
- Research planning, collaborative work and seminars at the University of Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa, May/June 2013
- Organizer for the 10th Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium: “*Inflammation as a common feature in age-related conditions*”. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL May 2013
- Low-grade chronic inflammation perpetuated by Western-type diet as a promoter of obesity and osteoporosis. Presentation at the 10th Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL May 2013
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, June and September 2012
- Organizer for the 9th Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium: “*Osteosarcopenic obesity*”. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL May 2012
- Osteosarcopenic Obesity: A new term for an old problem. Presentation at the 9th Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium. Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL May 2012
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, September 2011
- Obesity in menopause from the bone health perspective. University of Zagreb, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, 09/11
- Dietary Recommendations of Nutrients: the American way and what the rest of the World is doing. Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 07/09
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 06/09-07/09
- Annual Colloquium: Nutrition and Bones. University of Zagreb, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, 07/09
- Dietetics as a Profession – Role and Meaning of the Registered Dietitian in US, Lectures to Freshman class at the Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 06/09
- Aging population: Nutrition, Bone Health and Body Composition, Lectures to Upper- class at the Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 06/09
- Nutrition Throughout Life-cycle. Guest Lecturer. Developmental Psychology, Department of Psychology, Florida State University, 04/09.

- Calcium, magnesium phosphorus and vitamin D: update and new research. Guest-lecturer, Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences, Florida State University, 03/09.
- Osteoporosis: Update on treatment, prevention and new research. Guest-lecturer, Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences, Florida State University, 03/09.
- The Importance of Multi-Disciplinary Research. GSAC Colloquium, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, 02/09.
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/08-06/08
- Annual Colloquium: Nutrition and Bones. University of Zagreb, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/08
- Dietetics as a Profession – Role and Meaning of the Registered Dietitian in US, Lectures to Freshman class at the Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/08
- Aging population: Nutrition, Bone Health and Body Composition, Lectures to Upper- class at the Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/08
- Managing Menopause: Hazel K. Stiebeling Symposium – Invited Speaker, College of Human Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 02/08
- Grand Rounds, College of Medicine, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL, 01/08
- Seminar at Louisiana State University, Department of Human Nutrition and Food, Baton Rouge, LA, 07/07
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/07-06/07
- Annual Colloquium: Nutrition and Bones. University of Zagreb, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/07
- Dietetics as a Profession – Role and Meaning of the Registered Dietitian in US, Lectures to Freshman class at the Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/07
- Aging population: Nutrition, Bone Health and Body Composition, Lectures to Upper- class at the Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/07
- Guest Speaker at the Seminars at Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL Spring and Fall 2006
- Key-note Speaker, Mentoring Multicultural Students for the Health Professions (MEMS) Ceremony, Spring 2006
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/06-06/06
- Annual Colloquium: Nutrition and Bones. University of Zagreb, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/06
- Center on Aging and Human Development: Brown Bag lunch Series. University of Connecticut, School of family Studies, 12/05
- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 06/05-07/05
- Annual Colloquium: Nutrition and Bones. University of Zagreb, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, Zagreb, Croatia, 06/05
- CT Department of Public Health, Day for Women, Hartford, CT, 05/05
- McNeil Nutritionals, LLC, Johnson & Johnson Company, Viactiv Bone and Joint Health Summit, New York City, 03/05

- Consultations, Lectures and Collaborative Work at the Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/04-08/04
- Annual Colloquium on Mineral Metabolism. Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 05/03
- Professional Colloquium, University of Sarajevo, Medical School, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina, 05/03
- Faculty Seminar, University of Sarajevo, School of Veterinary Medical, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina, 05/03
- Professional Colloquium, University of Rijeka, Medical School, Rijeka, Croatia, 06/02
- Professional Seminar – Institute for Medical Research and Occupational Health, Zagreb, Croatia, 6/02
- Bone Health and Aging – Seminar in Women’s Health, University of Connecticut, 11/02, 11/03
- Sodium Intake and Bone Status in Postmenopausal Women. Research Seminar, School of Family Studies, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, 11/00
- Osteoporosis: Update on prevention, diagnosis, and treatment. University of Utah, Foods and Nutrition, Salt Lake City, UT 4/00

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE at FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
(from 01/2006 -- present)

DEPARTMENT

- ❖ Space Committee, Fall 2013 --
- ❖ Department Executive Council (DEC), Fall 2011-Fall 2012
- ❖ New Degree Offering (MS in Nutrition and Exercise Science) Committee Chair (Spring 2011)
- ❖ Graduate Student Admission Committee, Fall 2008 -- present
- ❖ Search Committee, 2006, 2007, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2011, 2013
- ❖ Scholarship Award Committee, Spring 2009
- ❖ Infrastructure Task-Force Committee, Chair – Spring 2008 -- present
- ❖ Liaison: Honors-in-the-Major Fall 2006 – present
- ❖ Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointment Committee (chair) Fall 2006 – Fall 2007; Fall 2008 – Fall 2009; 2010, 2011, 2012-present

COLLEGE

- ❖ Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointment Committee Fall 2013 –
- ❖ Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointment Committee CHS representative Fall 2014 --
- ❖ Faculty Advisory Committee Representative, Fall 2010, Chair from Fall 2011 --
- ❖ Commencement Ceremony, August 2006 and December 2006 (MARSHAL); December 2009
- ❖ Scholarship Committee – Spring 2006 – Spring 2007; 2009

UNIVERSITY

- ❖ University Promotion, Tenure and Reappointment Committee -- CHS representative,

Fall 2014 --

- ❖ Graduate Policy Sub-committee for Program Evaluations, Fall 2014 --
- ❖ Animal Research Advisory Committee, Spring 2013 --
- ❖ University Senator, Spring 2011 – Fall 2013; reelected, Spring 2014 – Fall 2015
- ❖ Graduate Policy Committee, Fall 2011 --
- ❖ Council for International Education and Programs, August 2007 –

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE at THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT (from 01/1998 – 12/2005)

DEPARTMENT

- ❖ Interim Director for Undergraduate Courses in Allied Health, 8/31/98-8/31/99
- ❖ Director: Bone and Mineral Metabolism Laboratory

SCHOOL / COLLEGE

- ❖ Graduate Program in Allied Health Award Committee Spring 2005 --
- ❖ Promotion Tenure and Reappointment Committee Fall 2004 -- 2005
- ❖ Merit Committee, Fall 2000 – Fall 2003
- ❖ Alpha-Eta Honor's Society Treasurer, Fall 2000, President 2001 -- 2005
- ❖ Travel Task-Force Committee, Spring, 2000
- ❖ Student Honors and Awards Committee, Spring, 2000
- ❖ School of Allied Health Faculty Search Committee, 1998
- ❖ Ph.D. Proposal Development Committee, 1998
- ❖ Graduate Program Admissions Committee, 1998; Reelected, Fall 1999 – Fall 2004
- ❖ Core Course Committee, Spring 1998 – Fall 2004
- ❖ Executive Council, Fall 1998 – Fall 1999

UNIVERSITY

- ❖ Advisor to Female Athletes Performance Committee: Spring 1998 – Fall 2005
- ❖ Reviewer, University of Connecticut Research Foundation, Large Faculty Grants, 1999 – Fall 2005

COURSES TAUGHT AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY (since 2006):

UNDERGRADUATE

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| HUN 1201 | Course Coordinator for Science of Nutrition, Since Spring 2010 – present (9-11 TAs; 500-1000 students depending on semester) |
| HUN 1201 | Science of Nutrition, Summer 2012, 2013 (~120 students) |
| HUN 3226 | Metabolism of Micronutrients, since Spring 2007 – present (50-130 students, depending on semester) |
| HUN 4905 | Directive individual Studies (DIS), Every Semester 1-3 students |
| HUN 4913r | Honors-in-the-Major Thesis, major professor.
Spring 2007 (1 student), Fall 2007 (2 students), Spring 2008 (1 students),
Fall 2011 (1 student), Fall and Spring 2012 (2 students) Spring 2013 (4 students); Fall 2013 (2 students) |

GRADUATE

HUN5242	Carbohydrates, Proteins and Fat, Since Fall 2014, each Fall
HUN5243	Advanced Metabolism of Micronutrients, Since 2007, each Spring
HUN/FOS/PET5930	Research Seminar, Fall 2006, Spring 2009
HUN 5906	Special Topics, Since Spring 2008
HUN 5938	Health Issues in Aging, Spring 2009
HUN 6906	Special Topics, Since Fall 2006
HUN 6911	Special Topics, Since Spring 2006
HUN 6940	Supervised Teaching, Since Spring 2008
HUN 6980	Dissertation, Since Fall 2007
HUN 8964	Prelim Doctoral Exam, Since Fall 2007 continuous, at least 1 student/semester

COURSES TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT:**UNDERGRADUATE – CORE**

AH241W	Research Methods
AH242	Counseling and Teaching for Health Professionals

UNDERGRADUATE – DIETETIC

DIET 209	Introduction to Nutrition Care II
DIET 210S	Community Nutrition (co-taught)
DIET 233	Medical Nutrition Therapy (co-taught)
DIET 234	Contemporary Nutrition Practice (co-taught)
DIET 238	Advanced Nutrition
DIET 250	Practicum: Dietetic Research
NUSC 236	Principles of Nutrition (co-taught)

GRADUATE

GPAH 309	Health and Aging
NUSC 332	Vitamins and Minerals (co-taught)

MENTORED THESES/DISSERTATIONS**FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY (SINCE 2006)****UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

Honors Theses (major advisor, JIE, unless otherwise indicated):

Janna Folkert, Spring 2007, “PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND BODY COMPOSITION IN OLDER WOMEN”, Received following awards: College of Human Sciences Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award (\$500) and Travel Award (\$500); University Honors office, Poster Presentation Award, Spring 2007.

Susan Pounds, Spring/Fall 2007, “PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, BODY WEIGHT AND BONE DURING A WEIGHT LOSS INITIATIVE IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN”., Received following awards: College of Human Sciences Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award (\$500) and Travel Award (\$500); Bass Ward Honors Thesis Award, University Honors office (\$1,000).

Kristen Humphrey, Spring 2008, “RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FUNCTIONAL PERFORMANCE AND BONE MINERAL DENSITY OF VARIOUS SKELETAL SITES IN OVERWEIGHT POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN”, Received following awards: College of Human Sciences Undergraduate Research and Creativity Award (\$500) and Travel Award (\$500).

Fabian Calixto, Spring 2010 (major advisor Levenson) “CHARACTERIZATION OF THE EFFECTS OF BCNU ON GLIOMA CELL DEATH AND SURVIVAL IN-VIVO BY MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING”

Luiz Souza-Filho, August 2011 (major advisor, Eckert) “NEUROPEPTIDE SECRETION IN ANOREXIA NERVOSA IN RATS” (major advisor, Eckert)

Sarah Purcell, Spring 2012, “BEVERAGE INTAKE IN CHILDREN WITH DIABETES MELLITUS”

Jonathan Wolfson, Spring 2012, “BEHAVIORAL CHARACTERIZATION OF MICE LACKING THE MEL_{1A} & MEL_{1B} MELATONIN RECEPTORS” (major advisor Olcese),

Timothy Gooldy, Fall 2012, “NEUROTRANSMITTER INTERACTIONS THAT CONTROL HIGH-FAT FOOD INTAKE” (major advisor Diana Williams, Neuroscience),

Gabriela Alfonso, Started Spring 2013 (dropped Fall 2013) “DAIRY INTAKE AND NUTRITIONAL KNOWLEDGE IN LACTOSE INTOLERANT INDIVIDUALS”

Sherrill Williams Started Spring 2013 (dropped Fall 2013) “THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DIETARY INTAKE AND BODY COMPOSITION IN AMATEUR DANCERS OF AFRICAN DANCES”

Peter Rafferty, Started Spring 2013 (dropped Spring 2014) “COMPARISON OF BONE MINERAL DENSITY BETWEEN LACTOSE INTOLERANT AND AGE AND WEIGHT MATCHED CONTROLS”.

Amanda Ramon, graduated Spring 2014, “CAUSES OF LOWER BACK STRESS FRACTURES IN FEMALE HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTS”.

Rachel Blakely, Spring 2014, “IRISIN IN RELATION TO BODY COMPOSITION IN OVERWEIGHT/OBESE WOMEN”

Andi Pierce, Summer 2014, “CHARACTERISTICS OF OSTEOSARCOPENIC OBESITY”

SciencePrep (Strengthening Scientific Preparation of Undergraduate Students) Program and Projects:

Valerie Shull – Summer, Fall 2007, Spring 2008. Project title: “CALCIUM INTAKE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE COLLEGE STUDENTS AND ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH WEIGHT”. Presented at SciencPrep ceremony, Spring 2008.

WIMSE (Women in Math, Science and Engineering) Program and Projects:

Carol Porter – Fall, Spring 2008, Spring 2009. Project title: “EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH TOWARD BETTER HEALTH IN SENIOR CENTERS”. Presented at WIMSE ceremony, March 2009 and MEMS (Mentoring Multicultural Students for the Health Professions) ceremony, April 2009

UROP (Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program):

Haleigh Hemond, Fall 2014, “USE OF ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES IN RELATION TO NUTRITIONAL STATUS”

MASTER’S STUDENTS – Florida State University (since 2006)

MAJOR ADVISOR

Lauren McCarthy – Summer/Fall 2006, MS with dietetic internship (transferred to another major advisor due to inability to perform thesis). Graduated May, 2008

Hillary Novaro -- Summer/Fall 2006, MS with dietetic internship (transferred to another major advisor due to inability to perform thesis). Graduated May, 2008

Ajay Kumar – Spring 2008, MS in Food Science, (transferred to another major advisor due to funding)

Jennifer Lemacks – Fall 2008 (started), MS with dietetic internship, thesis track (bypassed to PhD, 2010)

Michelle Maxwell – Fall 2012 (graduated), non-thesis track with dietetic internship

Erica Ceska – Fall 2012 (graduated), non-thesis track with dietetic internship

Alexandria Smith – Fall 2012 (graduated), non-thesis track

Jammie Vespa -- Fall 2012 (graduated), non-thesis track with dietetic internship

Kayla Callahan -- Fall 2012 (graduated), non-thesis track with dietetic internship

Yi-Chih Chi -- Spring 2013 (graduated)

M.S. Thesis: “THE ASSOCIATION OF LEPTIN AND ADIPONECTIN WITH BONE AND BODY COMPOSITION DURING A SIX MONTH WEIGHT LOSS PERIOD IN OVERWEIGHT AND OBESE POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN”

Joy Post – Fall 2013 (graduated)

M.S. Thesis: ACCEPTABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF PROBIOTIC AND PREBIOTIC SUPPLEMENTATION IN ALLEVIATING SYMPTOMS OF LACTOSE MALDIGESTION IN LACTOSE INTOLERANT SUBJECTS

Chelsea Rollins – Spring 2012 (started), non-thesis track

Amber Frohock – Fall 2012 (started), non-thesis track

Jiewen (Kevin) Zhang – Fall 2013 (started) thesis track – switched to Statistics Department in Spring 2014

Hanah Walker – MS, non-thesis, started Fall 2013, Medical leave, Fall 2014

COMMITTEE MEMBER

Dykibra Montgomery – Spring 2007 (graduated), non-thesis track with dietetic internship

Shannon Dooies Gower-Winter -- MS with dietetic internship, Summer, 2008 (graduated)

M.S. Thesis: ZINC DEFICIENCY IMPAIRS ACID-INDUCED DIFFERENTIATION OF HUMAN NEURONS

Tatyana Mullin -- Fall, 2008 (graduated) thesis track with dietetic internship,

M.S. Thesis: ZINC REGULATION OF NEURAL STEM CELL PROLIFERATION AND ANTIDEPRESSANT EFFICACY

Silvia Figueiroa -- MS with dietetic internship, Fall, 2008 (graduated)

M.S. Thesis: EFFICACY OF VITAMIN D₃ AND PROGESTERONE INTERACTIONS FOLLOWING TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

Eleni Begetis; Shuo Chen; Krizia Chinchilla Cartin; Jessica Cook; Jessica Dangelmaier,

Tanya Davis; Monica Garcia; Nicole Gehman; Jacqueline Huff; Eleanor MacKinnon;

Rachel Mohler; Colin Riley, Ashley Rulffes -- All MS non-thesis track started 2010-2011

Kelly Andrews, Kelly Brennan, Abbey Folsom, Katherine Gwin, Lindsey Pfau, Elizabeth

Schmid, Maria Vazquez, Natalia Zamoria Ruiz -- All MS non-thesis track started 2011-2012
Zein Alzomut – MS non-thesis track started Spring 2013
Donna Elliot – MS, Family and Child Sciences, started Spring 2013
Jonathan Allen, Kelly Andersen, Zachary Bennett, Priscila Ferreira, Harris Grant, Darcy (Vanessa) Lemire, Jordan Mazur, Elizabeth Miller, Gabriela Proano – MS non-thesis track started Spring 2014

DOCTORAL STUDENTS – Florida State University (since 2006)

MAJOR ADVISOR

Aaron Crombie, MS, RD -- PhD, Spring 2009 (graduated)

Dissertation: WEIGHT AND BODY COMPOSITION CHANGE IN FRESHMAN MALE STUDENTS

Pei-Yang Liu, MS – PhD with dietetic internship, Fall, 2010 (graduated)

Dissertation: RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WEIGHT AND BONE MINERAL DENSITY IN WOMEN OF WIDE AGE RANGE

Hyehyung Shin MS -- PhD, Spring 2011 (graduated)

Dissertation: PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE DURING 6- AND 12-MONTH WEIGHT LOSS IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN: RELATIONSHIP WITH BODY COMPOSITION AND BONE MINERAL DENSITY

Laurel Tomko-Wentz, MS, RD -- PhD, Spring 2011 (graduated)

Dissertation: STRESS FRACTURES IN FEMALE RUNNERS

Youjin Kim, MS -- PhD, Fall 2011 (graduated)

Dissertation: DAIRY-DERIVED BIOACTIVE A-LINOLENIC ACID, CONJUGATED LINOLEIC ACID, AND CALCIUM AS MODULATOR OF ST2 STROMAL, MC3T3-L1 ADIPOCYTE-LIKE, AND MC3T3-E1 OSTEOBLAST-LIKE CELL METABOLISM

Jennifer Lemacks – PhD, Spring 2012 (graduated)

Dissertation: “DIETARY CALCIUM-TO-PROTEIN RATIO AND VITAMIN D INFLUENCE ON CALCITROPIC HORMONES, ADIPOSITY, ADIPOKINES, AND LIPIDEMIA IN CAUCASIAN AND AFRICAN AMERICAN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN UTILIZING SEM ANALYSIS”

Haiyan Maier – PhD, Spring 2013 (graduated)

Dissertation: RELATIONSHIP OF DIETARY AND SERUM ADVANCED GLYCATION END-PRODUCTS (AGES) WITH INFLAMMATION, OXIDATIVE STRESS AND IMPAIRED WOUND HEALING IN DIABETES MELLITUS (DM)

Julia Inglis – PhD, enrolled Fall 2012

Ashley Carter – PhD, enrolled Spring 2013

Linda Brown, MS, RD – PhD switched from other major advisor, Spring 2013

Jingwen Huang, MS – PhD, enrolled Fall 2013

Joy Post, MS – PhD, enrolled Spring 2014

Pegah Jafarinasabian, MD – PhD, switched from other major advisor, Fall 2014

Jegghna Chheda, MS – PhD, enrolled Fall 2014

Raede Basiri, MS – PhD, enrolled Fall 2014

Rahele Ravanfar, MS -- PhD, enrolled Fall 2014

COMMITTEE MEMBER:

Michelle Messina, MS -- PhD, Summer 2008 (graduated)

Dissertation: ESTRADIOL'S REGULATION OF ENERGY HOMEOSTASIS

Jennifer Stratford -- PhD, Fall 2009 (graduated)

Dissertation: GUSTATORY PROCESSING OF LINOLEIC ACID AND THE ROLE OF THE CHORDA TYMPANI NERVE

Zvonimir Šatalić – PhD, Summer 2009 (graduated). Laboratory for Nutrition Science, Faculty of Food Technology and Biotechnology, University of Zagreb, Croatia.

Dissertation: VEGETERIAN DIET, B VITAMINS' NUTRITIONAL STATUS AND HOMOCYSTEINE AS RISK FACTORS FOR OSTEOPOROSIS

Yada Treesukosol -- PhD, Fall 2010 (graduated)

Dissertation: BEHAVIORAL ASSESSMENT OF THE ROLE OF T1R2 AND T1R3 IN TASTE FUNCTION

Satoko Mori-Inoue – PhD, Summer 2010 (graduated)

Dissertation: MUSIC THERAPY IN CURBING OVERWEIGHT/OBESITY IN CHILDREN

Yan Li – PhD, Fall 2010 (graduated)

Dissertation: THE EFFECT OF RISK FACTORS ON CORONARY HEART DISEASE: AN AGE-RELEVANT MULTIVARIATE META ANALYSIS

Delores Truesdell – PhD (graduated 2011) at the Department of Nutritional Sciences, University of Medicine & Dentistry, New Jersey)

Dissertation: VITAMIN D IN RELATION TO FRAMINGHAM RISK SCORE IN OVERWEIGHT/OBESSE POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN

Emily Simonavice – PhD, Fall 2011 (graduated)

Dissertation: EFFECTS OF RESISTANCE EXERCISE AND DRIED PLUM CONSUMPTION ON BODY COMPOSITION, MUSCULAR STRENGTH AND PHYSICAL FUNCTION IN BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS

Yong Jeong Yi – PhD, Spring 2012 (graduated)

Dissertation: CONSUMER HEALTH INFORMATION SERVICES IN LIBRARIES

Patrick McGrady – PhD, Fall 2012 (graduated) Department of Sociology

Dissertation: SEXUALITY AND LARGER BODIES: GAY MEN'S EXPERIENCE OF AND RESISTANCE AGAINST WEIGHT AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION STIGMA

Linda Brown, MS, RD -- PhD, Fall 2012 (estimated graduation – switched to me as major professor, Spring 2013)

Dissertation: INTERNET-BASED DIABETES SELF MANAGEMENT EDUCATION

Kimberly Smith – PhD, Fall 2015 (estimated graduation). Department of Psychology, Neuroscience Program (Alan Spector, mentor)

Jean Forney – PhD, Fall 2016 (estimated graduation). Department of Psychology (Pamela Keel, mentor)

Negin Navaei – PhD, Fall 2016 (estimated graduation). Nutrition, Food and Exercise Sciences Department (Bahram Arjmandi, mentor)

FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS:

Ronette Lategan, University of Free State, South Africa; Fall 2010-Spring 2011

Zein Alzomunt, Master student from Jordan, Started Spring 2013

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS

Owen Kelley, 2004 PhD University College Cork, Cork Ireland, 09/2007-07/2009

Crystal Douglas, 2006 PhD, RD University of Alabama, Birmingham, 01/2008-01/2009

Pei-Yang Liu, 2009 PhD, RD Florida State University, 01/2010-08/2011

Youjin Kim, 2011 PhD, Florida State University, Spring, 2012

MASTER'S THESES – [University of Connecticut](#)

FACTORS AFFECTING BONE MASS IN HEALTHY WOMEN OF DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS, **Rhonda Brownbill**, December 2000

CALCIUM, VITAMIN D, AND PARATHYROID HORMONE IN HEALTHY POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN, **Holly Mulrenan**, May 2001

AGE-RELATED CHANGES IN ORAL SENSATIONS: ASSOCIATION WITH PREFERENCE FOR AND ASSOCIATION WITH INTAKE OF DIETARY SALT AND FAT, **Audrey Chappo**, 2002

GENETIC VARIATION IN TASTE AND RISK FOR CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE (CVD), **Heather Hutchins**, August 2003

STEP LENGTH AND ONE-LEG STANCE TIME ARE IMPORTANT DETERMINANTS OF FEMORAL NECK BONE MINERAL DENSITY IN POSTMENOPAUSAL WOMEN, **Carleen Lindsey**, May 2003

THE EFFECT OF GRADED LEVELS OF DIETARY CALCIUM ON PARATHYROID HORMONE AND URINARY CALCIUM, **Rebecca Rafael**, August 2003

RESULTS OF CAPTAIN 5-A-DAY INTERVENTION PROGRAM FOR VEGETABLE INTAKE IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN, **Sabrina Noel**, August 2004

TASTE, GENETICS AND CARDIOVASCULAR RISK FACTORS, **Sarah Lanier**, May 2005

BITTER TASTE MARKERS IDENTIFY PREFERENCE AND INTAKE, **Mary Dinehart**, May 2005

DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS -- [University of Connecticut](#)

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, BODY COMPOSITION, HIP GEOMETRY AND BONE MASS IN OLDER WOMEN, **Rhonda Brownbill**, December 2004

THE IMPACT OF A WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM ON RISK FACTOR ASSESSMENT FOR OBESITY, CORONARY HEART DISEASE, AND DIABETES MELLITUS TYPE 2, **Ingrid Lofgren**, July, 2004

PROFESSIONAL / COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Bone Health Advocate for the National Osteoporosis Foundation, 2005
Strong Voices, Strong Bones
- Osteoporosis Task Force, Department of Public Health, State of CT, 1998-2002
Osteoporosis Advisory Council, Department of Public Health, State of Connecticut, 1999 - 2002
- Local Osteoporosis Education Links (LOEL), Nonprofit Organization for Prevention and Awareness of Osteoporosis, 1998 - 2002
- Testified to the Connecticut General Assembly -- Select Committee on Aging, regarding funding for the “National Osteoporosis Prevention Education Campaign”, Hartford, CT, March, 1999
- Testified at the Congressional Hearing in Columbus, OH, on the awareness and prevention of osteoporosis, May, 1997.
- Attended and participated in the second annual Public Policy Leadership Forum, in Washington, DC, June 1997
- Lobbying on Capitol Hill, (offices of Senator Mike DeWine, Senator John Glenn, and Representative Deborah Pryce) regarding the passage of the “Medicare Bone Mass Measurement Coverage Standardization Act”. Washington DC, June, 1997
- Strong Women Inside and Out -- Coalition for osteoporosis awareness
Advocate and Spokesperson; Representative of the American Dietetic Association Alliance Team, 1997
- Judge at the Graduate Research Forum, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 1997
- Judge at the Reynoldsburg and Upper Arlington High School Science Fairs, Ohio, 1993-1997
- Translator and liaison for Bosnian refugees, Ohio and Connecticut, 1994 – 2004
- The Ohio State University Hospitals Staff Liaison for Volunteers, Columbus, OH, 1991-1997
- Nutrition Clinic -- Student/Dietitian Volunteer, College of Health, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 1988-1990
- Teacher’s Aid -- Volunteer, Lowell Elementary School, Salt Lake City, UT, 1985-1988

HONORS / AWARDS:

ACADEMIC / RESEARCH

- ❖ Hazel K. Stiebeling Professorship, Florida State University, Fall 2011
- ❖ Award for *Promoting International Cooperation in Endocrinology*, Croatian Medical Association and Croatian Endocrinology Society, 2011
- ❖ Semifinalist: *Life Science Award*, US Chamber of Commerce, 2010
- ❖ *Dean's Excellence in Research Awards*, School of Allied Health, University of Connecticut, 2002, 2005
- ❖ *Best Review Paper Award, 2000/2001* American College of Nutrition for the manuscript: Nutrition in bone health revisited: A story beyond calcium. Ilich, J.Z., Kerstetter, E.J. *J Am College Nutr* 19:715-737, 2000
- ❖ *Outstanding Alumna, 2000*, University of Utah, Foods and Nutrition, Spring, 2000
- ❖ *The Ross Award for Contribution in Women's Health: American Dietetic Association*, October, 1999
- ❖ *Spotlight Dietitian: The Digest*, Nutrition Research Practice Group Publication of the American Dietetic Association, Spring 1998, Fall 2005
- ❖ *Contributing Author Award* for manuscript "Urinary Calcium, Sodium, and Bone Mass of Young Females." *Am J Clin Nutr*, 62:417-425, 1995. Research Dietetic Practice Group of the American Dietetic Association, 1996
- ❖ *Graduate Research Forum Participation Award*, The Ohio State University, 1993
- ❖ *Outstanding Graduate Student Awards*, University of Utah, 1991
- ❖ *Academic Achievement Award*, University of Utah, 1990
- ❖ *Outstanding Graduate Student Awards*, University of Utah, 1989

SERVICE AWARDS

- ❖ *Research Dietitian Award*, The Ohio Dietetic Association, Ohio, 1997
- ❖ *Staff Recognition Award*, The Ohio State University Medical Center, 1996
- ❖ *Team-Work-Leadership Award*, The Ohio State University, 1994
- ❖ *Five Year Employee Award*, University of Utah Medical School, Pediatric Department, Division of Neonatology, 1988
- ❖ *Cook-Off Awards*, Annual Newborn I.C.U. Cook-Off, University of Utah Medical Center (Awards received for Appetizers, Healthy Heart, and Vegetarian Entrees) 1986, 1989, 1990

HONOR SOCIETIES

- ❖ Alpha Eta Honor Society, University of Connecticut School of Allied Health Chapter, 1999, Treasurer 2000; President 2001 -- 2005
- ❖ Omicron Nu (Alpha Delta Chapter) 1988 –

NOMINATIONS:

- Dannon Institute Mentorship Award, American Society for Nutrition, 2014
- Pfizer Consumer Healthcare Nutritional Science Award, American Society for Nutrition, 2014
- Distinguished Graduate Faculty Mentor Award, Florida State University, 2014
- David Kritchevsky Outstanding Nutrition Career Award, American Society for Nutrition, 2013
- Robert H. Herman Memorial Award, American Society for Nutrition, 2013
- US Chamber of Commerce, Christopher Columbus Foundation – Life Science Awards, 2013
- The Vanderbilt Prize in Biomedical Sciences, 2013
- E.V. McCollum Award, American Society for Nutrition, 2012
- Honors Thesis Mentor Award, Florida State University Honor's Program, 2008
- American Dietetic Association, Research Delegate, 2002
- American Dietetic Association, Excellence in Research Award, Spring 2001
- American Association of University Professors, Excellence in Teaching and Research Award, Spring, 2000
- University of Connecticut Alumni Association, Research Excellence Award, Fall 1999, and Fall 2000

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS (past and present):

- Editorial Board: *Archives of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology; Journal of Nutrition and Food Sciences; Vitamins and Minerals*
- Fellow of the American College of Nutrition
- American Association for the Advancement of Science
- American Society for Nutrition
- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research – Chair of the Nutrition and Bone Working Group, 2009, 2010
- Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (former American Dietetic Association)
Florida Dietetic Association Connecticut Dietetic Assoc, Ohio Dietetic Assoc, Utah Dietetic Assoc
Research Dietetic Practice Group
- American Chemical Society
- National Osteoporosis Foundation -- Key Contact, Coalition for Osteoporosis Awareness, Education and Prevention
- American Association of University Women, Connecticut Chapter
- Association of Faculty and Professional Women, The Ohio State University
- Association of American University Professors
- Soroptimists International of the Americas, Northeastern Chapter, Organization

for Advancement of Women's Life

REVIEWER:

GRANTS

- ❖ American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Research Competitiveness Program, September 2013
- ❖ National Research Foundation of South Africa, August 2013
- ❖ National Institutes of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), July 2013
- ❖ Bioactive Food Components for Optimal Health, USDA-CSREES, July 2009
- ❖ Nutrient Bioavailability – Phytonutrients and Beyond, USDA-CSREES, W_TEMP2281, 2008
- ❖ NIH Center for Scientific Review (CSR), Integrated Review Groups (IRG) study sections, 2005
- ❖ United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), 2002
- ❖ University of Connecticut Research Foundation, 1999 – 2005
- ❖ University of Maine, Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station, 1999
- ❖ Ohio University Research Foundation, 1997

MANUSCRIPTS /ABSTRACTS

American Journal for Bone and Mineral Research; American Journal for Clinical Nutrition; Archives of Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology; BioMed Central (various journals); British Journal of Nutrition; Collegium Anthropologicum; European J of Applied Physiology; European J of Clinical Nutrition; Experimental Biology and Medicine; International J of Food Science and Nutrition; J of the American College of Nutrition; International J of Preventive Medicine; J of American Academy of Nutrition (American Dietetic Association, Position Paper reviewer, 1998); Journal of Molecular Endocrinology; Journal of Nutrition; Journal of Nutritional Biochemistry; Journal of Nutrition and Food Science; Journal of Pediatrics; Journal of Physical Activity and Health; Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise; Nutrition Research; Nutrition Reviews; Public Health Nutrition; Osteoporosis International

EXTERNAL REVIEWER FOR DISSERTATIONS, PROMOTIONS & TENURE

(last 5 years):

University of Free State, South Africa (2014), Rudjer Bošković Institute, Zagreb, Croatia (2013); University of Free State, South Africa (2011-2012); Kansas State University (2011); Oregon State University (2010); Ohio University (2010); Kent State University (2010); Kansas State University (2009); University of Connecticut (2009); Louisiana State University (2008); University of Kentucky; University of Utah

MEDIA APPEARANCES, INTERVIEWS, AND PRESS RELEASES (partial, from earlier years – as it is hard to keep track now):

UNITED KINGDOM DAIRY COUNCIL – interview/report on the effect of CLA on bones, 08/05

CONNECTICUT INTERNATIONAL – University of Connecticut Office of the International Affairs – featured faculty, Spring 2004, Fall 2004

PREVENTION MAGAZINE: interview/report on the effect of caffeine on bone health 08/04

ANNUAL REOPRT – featured faculty, University of Connecticut, School of Allied Health, 05/04

REUTERS: interview/report on the effects of alcohol, caffeine, and smoking on bone health. 02/03

SHAPE MAGAZINE: interview/report on life style factors and bone health in women 04/03

FITNESS MAGAZINE: interview/report on hidden dangers in food labeling 05/03

LA VOCE DEL POPOLO – Italian newspaper: interview/report on the influence of muscle mass and physical activity on bone mineral density. 06/02

RIJECKI GLASNIK – Croatian newspaper: interview/report on the influence of muscle mass and physical activity on bone health. 06/02

WILI RADIO 14 AM, Willimantic, CT, Talk show with Wayne Norman, 09/00, 05/01

TRADITIONS University of Connecticut quarterly news, 07/00, 07/03, 07/04

NEW AGE JOURNAL, 03/00

CBS MEDSCAPE ARTICLE 10/99

<http://womenshealth.medscape.com/reuters/prof/1999/10/10.07/c110079j.html>

PRESS CONFERENCE -- American Society for Bone and Mineral Research 21st Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO, 09/99. Media coverage of this press conference included, but not limited to: *USA Today*, *Associated Press* and *Reuter Press*.

DONAGHUE MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION: Featured Researcher, 05/99

ADVANCE, University of Connecticut staff and faculty Newspaper, 09/99, 03/03

CONNECTICUT SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGING: Testimony on Raised Bill No. 1250, “An Act Creating an Osteoporosis Education and Treatment Awareness Program,” Legislative Building, Hartford, CT, 3/99

OSTEOPOROSIS PUBLIC POLICY LEADERSHIP FORUM, Hearing and lobbying on Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C. 6/97

OHIO SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE HEARING: Testimony on HOUSE BILL 215 “Osteoporosis Awareness and Education,” State House, Columbus, OH, 5/97

TODAY’S COLUMBUS WOMAN, Columbus, OH, 5/97

ON-CAMPUS, The Ohio State University Faculty and Staff Newspaper, 11/91, 3/97, 4/97

ARIZONA REPUBLIC, Phoenix, AZ 12/96

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS, Columbus, OH 12/96

CHICAGO TRIBUNE, Chicago, IL 11/96

THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH, Columbus, OH 11/91, 8/92, 3/95, 9/95

AM 820 WOSU, Columbus, OH, 3/95

TIME, New York, NY 3/94

NEWSWEEK, Livingston, NJ 3/94

NEWSWORLD REPORT 3/94

HEALTH NEWS from Doctors and Staff of the Ohio State University Medical Center 3/94

CHANNEL 10, Columbus, OH “Kids News Network” Winter 93/94

CHANNEL 4, Columbus, OH “Computerized Dietary Analyses” 8/93

RESEARCH RESOURCES INFORMATION CENTER, NIH, Rockville MA 6/93

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY LANTERN, Columbus, OH 10/91, 11/91, 1/92, 4/93,

NEWSLETTER for the Medical Staff of the OSU Hospitals, “University Physician” 9/92

CHANNEL 10, Columbus, OH, Gini Francen reporter, 1/92

UPPER ARLINGTON THIS WEEK, Upper Arlington, OH 12/91

WEST SIDE MESSENGER, Columbus, OH 12/91

AM 1460, WBNS, Columbus, OH, Sharon Hess reporter, 12/91
CHANNEL 4, Columbus, OH, Dr. Kraus reporter, 11/91
AM 820 WOSU, Columbus, OH, Ellen Rogers reporter, 11/91
TRI-VILLAGE NEWS, Grandview Heights, OH 10/91
UPPER ARLINGTON NEWS, Upper Arlington, OH 10/91

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

US and Croatian citizen, happily unmarried, two adult daughters
Foreign languages: Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian (native with regional variations), English (fluent), German (understanding, reading)
Other interests: Outdoor activities, jogging, in-line skating, downhill/cross country skiing, gardening, classical music, East European and Mediterranean cuisine.