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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1998 – 2006	<i>Postdoctoral Research Associate</i> , Princeton University. Advisor: Professor Thomas J. Silhavy
1998	<i>Doctor of Philosophy</i> in Molecular Microbiology and Microbial Pathogenesis, Washington University in St. Louis. Advisor: Professor Michael G. Caparon
1993	<i>Bachelor of Arts with Highest Distinction</i> in Microbiology and Chemistry, University of Kansas
1990 – 1993	<i>Undergraduate Research Assistant</i> , University of Kansas. Advisor: Professor John C. Brown

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2019 Professor, Department of Microbiology, The Ohio State University
- 2015 2019 Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology, The Ohio State University
- 2010 2015 Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, The Ohio State University
- 2006 2010 Research Molecular Biologist, Princeton University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- MICRBIO 4130 (Microbial Genetics), Ohio State University (course director, 100%), Sp14-Sp22
- BIOCHEM 6701 (Advanced Biochemistry: Molecular Biology), Ohio State University, Au20 (1 lecture), Au21 (2 lectures), Au22 (1 lecture)
- MICRBIO 2000 (Introduction to MicrOHbIOlogy Research), Ohio State University (course co-director), Au19-20 (33%), Au21 (50%), Au22 (50%)
- MICRBIO 4120 (Microbial Physiology and Diversity), Ohio State University, Au13 (2 lectures), Au14 (2 lectures), Au16 (3 lectures), Au17 (4 lectures), Au18 (4 lectures), Au19 (4 lectures), Au21 (4 lectures); Au22 (3 lectures)
- MICRBIO 4130 (Microbial Genetics), Ohio State University (course co-director, 70%), Sp13
- MICRBIO 7724 (Molecular Pathogenesis), Ohio State University, Sp13 and Sp14 (2 lectures)
- MICRBIO 8899 (Seminar in Microbiology), Ohio State University (course co-director, 50%), Au12 & Sp13
- MICRBIO 4120 (Microbial Physiology and Diversity), Ohio State University, Au12 (3 lectures)
- MICRBIO 6010 (Principles of Microbiology), Ohio State University, Au12-15 (2 lectures), Au16-16 (1 lecture)
- MICRBIO 581.01 (Microbial Genetics), Ohio State University (course director, 100%), Sp12
- MICRBIO 880 (Seminar in Microbiology), Ohio State University (course co-director, 50%), Au11, Wn12 & Sp12

- OSBP796 (Interdisciplinary Seminar in Advanced Biochemistry), Ohio State University (course codirector, 50%), Au11
- M724 (Molecular Pathogenesis), Ohio State University, Sp11 (2 lectures)
- M661 (Bacterial Physiology), Ohio State University (guest lecturer), Au10
- MCO506 (Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Cell Biology and Genetics), Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, MD (guest lecturer), 2010
- MOL380A (Modern Microbiology and Disease), Princeton University (course co-director, 33%), Sp08
- FRS166 (Microbes: Menace and Marvels), Princeton University (course director, 100%), Sp06
- MOL545 (Advanced Microbial Genetics), Princeton University (seminar course co-director, 50%), 2001
- MOL350 (Laboratory in Molecular Biology), Princeton University (lecturer), Sp01
- HHMI Undergraduate Research Summer Program, Princeton University (summer instructor), Su00
- MOL505 (Molecular Biology of Prokaryotes), Princeton University (teaching assistant), Au99
- Junior Tutorial, Princeton University (instructor), 1998
- Instructor for the Young Scientist Program in St. Louis (instructor), 1997 1998
- BIO100 (Introduction to Biology), Washington University in St. Louis (teaching assistant), 1994
- MCRB507 (Pathogenic Microbiology Laboratory), University of Kansas (teaching assistant), 1993
- MCRB505 (Immunology Laboratory), University of Kansas (teaching assistant), 1992

STUDENTS AND TRAINEES

Postdoctoral Fellows:

- Emily Lundstedt (Microbiology): August 2020 April 2021 (post-doc at New England Biolabs) Sujeet Kumar: August 2016 – present
- Emily K. Butler: January 2012 March 2015 (Senior Scientist at Abbott Diagnostics)

Ph.D. students (dissertation advisor):

Jessica Findsen (Microbiology): July 2022 - present

Austyn Lilly (OSBP): February 2020 – May 2021 (resigned from OSBP)

Andrew Wilson (Microbiology): February 2018 - December 2022

Emily Lundstedt (Microbiology): February 2016 – August 2020 (graduated; currently pos-doc in my laboratory)

Blake Bertani (Microbiology): February 2015 – August 2019 (graduated)

Brent Simpson (Microbiology): February 2014 – May 2018 (graduated; post-doc with Dr. Stephen Trent)

Master of Science students (research advisor):

Carlos Iñiguez (Microbiology; MS with thesis): February 2020 – August 2021 (joined OSU City and Regional Planning Master Program)

Lea D. Murphy (OSPB): June 2012 – May 2014 (graduated; currently teaching high-school science)

Visiting scholars:

Amanda Pacholack, Ph.D. student from the Faculty of Chemical Technology in Poznan University of Technology (Poland), August – December 2021

Undergraduate students (research advisor):

(* denotes students with publications from the Ruiz laboratory)

Research distinction (thesis students):

*Alicia Mendoza (Molecular Genetics), August 2017 – May 2019

Julianna Poole (Microbiology, Honors), February 2011 – June 2012

Without research distinction (non-thesis students):

Claire Cornellier (Microbiology), January 2020 - December 2021

Ao Mei (Biology), January 2017 – May 2018

*Matthew Orabella (Microbiology), June 2015 - May 2016

Ari Kirsh (Microbiology, Honors student), June 2014 – October 2014

*Wee Boon Tan (Microbiology), June 2013 – May 2014

Justine Junker (Microbiology), January 2013 – October 2013

Sheila Thomas (Microbiology), March 2012 – June 2012

Xavier DiSabato (Microbiology), January 2012 - May 2013

Nicholas McGillivray (Microbiology), January 2012 – March 2012

*Vase Bari (Biology), October 2010 – July 2011

Melissa Mikolaj (Microbiology), August 2010 - June 2011

Summer REU students (research advisor):

José Camacho Domenech, University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez (May-July 2019)

Giancarlo Casillas Vargas, University of Puerto Rico at Humacao (May-July 2018)

Alexander Mestre, Spring Hill College, AL (May-July 2016)

CMBP training grant co-mentor:

Ernesto Roldan-Bonet (Oct. 2022- present), Molecular Genetics Graduate Program (mentor: Dr. Anita Hopper).

Dissertation Committee Member:

Currently at OSU:

Christian Quiles (Microbiology): 2022 – present; Qurat Ashraf (MCDB): 2020 – present; Arundhati Kavoor (MCDB) 2019 – present; Brandon Iwaniec (OSBP) 2019 – present; Yeying Zhang (MCDB) 2018 – 2022; Stephanie Ray (Microbiology): 2017 – present; Ankita Das (Molecular Genetics): 2017 – present; Robert Fillinger (Biomedical Sciences): 2017 – present.

Currently external:

Emily LaMarre (Ph.D. Program in Biology, City University of New York) 2020 – present. Makayla Braunlin (Ph.D. Program in Biology, City University of New York) 2022 – present.

Past at OSU:

Pallavi Chandna (Molecular Genetics) 2020 – 2021; Mary Cranley (Microbiology) 2019 – 2021; Livia Fitzgerald (OSBP) 2020 – 2021; Nicholas Sunday (Microbiology): 2017 – 2021; Jacqueline Wong (Microbiology) 2020 – 2021; Menglin Chen (OSBP): 2015 – 2020; Paul Kelly (MCDB): 2015 – 2020; Rodney Tollerson (Microbiology): 2017 – 2019; Qian Shen (Microbiology): 2014 – 2019; Sri Karthika Shanmugam (OSBP): 2014 – 2019; Margaret Steward (OSBP): 2017 – 2018; Balasubramani Hariharan (Biophysics): 2013 – 2018; Lanqing Ying (Microbiology): 2014 – 2018; Mohini Bhattacharya (Microbiology): 2017 – 2018; Matthew Webber (Biophysics): 2016 – 2017 (Masters); George Michael Allen (Microbiology): 2013 – 2016 (Masters); Raunak Soman (OSBP): 2013 – 2014; Seth Hennon (OSBP): 2013 – 2015; Lu Zhu (OSBP): 2012 – 2013; Zhaokun Liu (Microbiology): 2011 – 2014 (Masters); Rebecca Williams-Wagner (Microbiology): 2010 – 2016

Past external:

Alam Garcia-Heredia (PhD in Molecular and Cellular Biology, University of Massachusetts Amherst) 2021; Antoine Delhaye (PhD in Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Université Catholique de Louvain, Brussels, Belgium) 2019; Zhi-Soon Chong (PhD in Chemistry, National University of Singapore, Singapore) 2017

RESEARCH SUPPORT

- 1. National Institutes of Health Grant 2R01 GM100951. "Envelope Biogenesis in Gram-negative Bacteria". PI (07/05/2012-08/31/2024). Title was changed from "Biogenesis of peptidoglycan in *Escherichia coli*" in 2016.
- 2. National Institutes of Health 3R01 GM100951-08S1 Administrative supplement to "Envelope Biogenesis in Gram-negative Bacteria". PI (07/01/2019-06/30/2020)
- 3. National Institutes of Health Grant 1R03 AI139271. "Functional characterization of AsmA-like proteins in *Escherichia coli*". PI (06/13/2018-05/31/2020)
- The Ohio State University Drug Development Institute (Comprehensive Cancer Center).
 "Optimization of the production of recombinant MOMP". Collaboration project with Dr. Thomas Cherpes.

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(* denotes corresponding authors)

- 1. **Ruiz, N*.** and Silhavy, T.J.* (2022) How *Escherichia coli* became the flagship bacterium of molecular biology. *J Bacteriol* (in press). PMID: 35916528.
- 2. Wilson, A. and **Ruiz**, **N**. (2022). The transmembrane α-helix of LptC participates in LPS extraction by the LptB₂FGC transporter. *Mol Microbiol* 118 (1-2): 61-76. PMID: 35678757.
- 3. Kumar, S., Mollo, A., Kahne, D*., **Ruiz, N.*** (2022). The Bacterial Cell Wall: From Lipid II Flipping to Polymerization. *Chem Rev* 122:8884-8910. PMID: 35274942.
- Ruiz, N*., Davis, R.M., Kumar, S. (2021). YhdP, TamB, and YdbH are redundant but essential for growth and lipid homeostasis of the Gram-negative outer membrane. *mBio* 12(6): e0271421. PMID: 34781743.
- 5. Wilson, A. and **Ruiz, N.** (2021). Transport of lipopolysaccharides and phospholipids to the outer membrane. *Curr Opin Microbiol* 60:51-57. PMID: 33601322.
- Lundstedt, E.A, Simpson, B.W., Ruiz, N. (2021). Lipopolysaccharide transport involves longrange coupling between cytoplasmic and periplasmic domains of the LptB₂FGC extractor. *J Bacteriol* 203: e00618-20. PMID: 33361195.

- 7. Lundstedt, E.A, Kahne, D*., **Ruiz, N.*** (2020). Assembly and maintenance of lipids at the bacterial outer membrane. *Chem Rev* 121(9):5098-5123. PMID: 32955879.
- 8. Lundstedt, E.A, Simpson, B.W., **Ruiz, N.** (2020). LptB-LptF coupling mediates closure of the substrate-binding cavity in the LptB₂FGC transporter through a rigid-body mechanism to extract LPS. *Mol Microbiol* 114:200-213. PMID: 32236984.
- 9. Rubino F.A., Mollo, A., Kumar, S., Butler, E.K.; **Ruiz, N.***, Walker, S.*, Kahne, D.* (2020). Detection of transport intermediates in the peptidoglycan flippase MurJ identifies residues essential for conformational cycling. *J Am Chem Soc*. 142:5482-5486. PMID: 32129990
- Simpson, B.W., Pahil, K.S., Owens, T.W., Lundstedt, E.A., Davis, R.M., Kahne, D.*, Ruiz, N.* (2019). Combining mutations that inhibit two distinct steps of the ATP hydrolysis cycle restores wild-type function in the lipopolysaccharide transporter and shows that ATP binding triggers transport. *mBio* 10(4): e01931-19. PMID: 31431556.
- Kumar, S. and Ruiz, N. (2019). Probing conformational states of a target protein in *Escherichia coli* cells by *in vivo* cysteine cross-linking coupled with proteolytic gel analysis. *Bio-protocol* 9(12): e3271. PMID: 33654790.
- Owens, T.W., Taylor, R.J., Pahil, K.S., Bertani, B.R., Ruiz, N.*, Kruse, A.C.*, Kahne, D.* (2019) Structural basis of unidirectional export of lipopolysaccharide to the cell surface. *Nature* 567:550-553. PMID: 30894747.
- 13. Kumar, S., Rubino F.A., Mendoza, A.G., **Ruiz, N.** (2019) The bacterial lipid II flippase MurJ functions by an alternating-access mechanism. *J Biol Chem* 294(3):981-990. PMID: 30482840.
- Bertani, B.R. Taylor, R.J, Nagy, E., Kahne, D.*, Ruiz, N*. (2018) A cluster of residues in the lipopolysaccharide exporter that selects substrate variants for transport to the outer membrane. *Mol Microbiol* 109(4):541-554. PMID: 29995974.
- 15. Bertani, B. R. and **Ruiz, N.** (2018) Function and biogenesis of lipopolysaccharides. *Eco Sal Plus 2018*; doi:10.1128/ecosalplus.esp-0001-2018. PMID: 30066669.
- 16. Rubino, F.A., Kumar, S., **Ruiz, N.**, Walker, S., Kahne, D. (2018) Membrane potential is required for MurJ function. *J Am Chem Soc.* 140(13):4481-4484. PMID: 29558128.
- May, J.M., Owens, T., Mandler, M., Simpson, B.W., Lazarus, M., Sherman, D.J., Davis, R.M., Okuda, S., Massefski, W., **Ruiz, N.***, Kahne, D*. (2017) The antibiotic novobiocin binds and activates the ATPase that powers lipopolysaccharide transport. *J Am Chem Soc* 139(48):17221-17224. PMID: 29135241
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- 22. **Ruiz, N.** (2016) Filling holes in peptidoglycan biogenesis of *Escherichia coli*. *Curr Opin Microbiol* 34:1-6. PMID: 27449418.

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- 44. **Ruiz**, **N**. (2008) Bioinformatics identification of MurJ (MviN) as the peptidoglycan lipid II flippase in *Escherichia coli*. *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A* 105: 15553-15557. PMCID: PMC2563115.
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- Ruiz, N., Wang, B., Pentland, A., and Caparon, M. (1998) Streptolysin O and adherence synergistically modulate proinflammatory responses of keratinocytes to group A streptococci. *Mol Microbiol* 27: 337-346.
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PATENTS

1. Daniel E. Kahne, Michael D. Mandler, Vadim Baidin, **Natividad Ruiz.** Methods of treatment for bacterial infections. Patent No. 11191773. Dec 7, 2021.

INVITED SEMINARS

- 1. Department of Microbiology. Harvard Medical School (MA), November 15, 2022.
- 2. Department of Microbiology, Molecular Genetics and Immunology, The University of Kansas Medical Center (KS), November 3, 2022.
- 3. Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston (TX), October 13, 2022.
- 4. Department of Microbiology and Immunology, University of Arkansas Medical School (AK), September 29, 2022.
- 5. Department of Biology, Indiana University (IN), March 8, 2022.
- 6. Bacteria Ultra Group from Singapore, Singapore, November 17, 2021 (via Zoom).
- 7. Roche Abx Seminar Series, F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd, Basel, Switzerland, June 29, 2021 (via Zoom).
- 8. Department of Microbiology, Washington University in St. Louis (MO), March 2, 2021. (via Zoom).
- 9. Departments of Microbiology and Immunology and Pharmacological Sciences, Stony Brook University (NY), November 2, 2020. (via Zoom).
- 10. Department of Microbiology, Harvard Medical School (MA), May 12, 2020 CANCELLED (COVID-19).
- 11. Microbiology and Molecular Genetics Graduate Program, Emory University (GA), December 9, 2019.

- 12. Frontiers in Biophysics Seminar Series (Structural and Computational Biology & Biophysics and the Molecular Biophysics Training Program), Purdue University (IN), November 12, 2019.
- 13. Department of Microbiology & Immunology, University of North Carolina School of Medicine (NC), November 5, 2019.
- 14. Christian De Duve Institute of Cellular Pathology, Universite Catholique de Louvain, Brussels (Belgium), September 23, 2019.
- 15. Max Planck Institute for Terrestrial Microbiology, Marburg (Germany), September 16, 2019.
- 16. Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, University of Delaware (DE), May 10, 2019.
- 17. Department of Biochemistry, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, (OH), February 22, 2019.
- 18. Department of Pharmacology, University of Illinois at Chicago (IL), December 5, 2018.
- 19. Department of Microbiology; student-invited speaker, University of Georgia (GA), October 18, 2018.
- 20. Plant & Microbial Biology Department, Berkeley University (CA), August 29, 2018.
- 21. Molecular & Cellular Biology Graduate Program, University of Massachusetts Amherst (MA), December 5, 2017.
- 22. Department of Medicinal Chemistry and Pharmacognosy, University of Illinois at Chicago (IL), October 27, 2017.
- 23. Department of Biology, Hofstra University, Hempstead (NY), October 21, 2016.
- 24. Department of Biochemistry, Duke University School of Medicine, Durham (NC), October 14, 2016.
- 25. Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, North Chicago (IL), June 2, 2016.
- 26. Institute of Plant Biochemistry and Photosynthesis, CSIC, Sevilla (Spain), December, 18, 2015.
- 27. Christian De Duve Institute of Cellular Pathology, Universite Catholique de Louvain, Brussels (Belgium), September 25, 2015.
- 28. Genentech, South San Francisco (CA), March 18, 2015.
- 29. Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Penn State University, University Park (PA), November 10, 2014.
- 30. Department of Molecular Biology, Princeton University, Princeton (NJ), October 22, 2014.
- 31. Department of Molecular Genetics, Ohio State University, Columbus (OH), March 6, 2014.
- 32. Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alberta, Edmonton (Canada), November 28, 2013.
- 33. Department of Microbiology, Universidad de Chile, Santiago de Chile (Chile), November 5, 2013.
- 34. Department of Microbiology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana (IL), October 17, 2013.
- 35. Genentech, South San Francisco (CA), July 23, 2013.
- 36. OSU Chemistry-Biology Interface Training Program, Ohio State University, Columbus (OH), February 19, 2013.
- 37. Department of Biology, Kenyon College, Gambier (OH), February 7, 2013.

- 38. The Child Health Research Center Speaker Series at The Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus (OH), January 31, 2013.
- 39. Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Advanced Bacterial Genetics Course, Cold Spring Harbor (NY), June 16, 2012.
- 40. Department of Biology, Microbiology Seminar Series, Indiana University, Bloomington (IN), March 6, 2012.
- 41. Department of Microbiology, Miami University, Oxford (OH), February 8, 2012.
- 42. Novartis Institutes for Biomedical Research, Emeryville (CA), September 28, 2011.
- 43. Department of Biochemistry, Ohio State University, Columbus (OH), May 6, 2011.
- 44. Center for Microbial Pathogenesis, The Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus (OH), March 2, 2011.
- 45. Center for Microbial Interface Biology, Ohio State University Medical Center, Columbus (OH), February 14, 2011.
- 46. Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda (MD), March 29, 2010. Seminar and class lecture.
- 47. Department of Microbiology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia (PA), January 16, 2009.
- 48. Department of Medical Microbiology & Immunology, University of Wisconsin, Madison (WI), December 5, 2008.
- 49. Christian De Duve Institute of Cellular Pathology, Universite Catholique de Louvain, August 30, 2007. Brussels, Belgium.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AT SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

- 1. Microbial Stress Response Gordon Conference. Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA, July 2022. Invited speaker.
- 2. OSU Cellular, Molecular & Biochemical Sciences Training Program and Center for RNA Biology Annual Symposium, May 11, 2022. Columbus, OH. Invited speaker.
- 3. PdB-Spier Symposium, November 2019. Stellenbosch, South Africa. Invited speaker.
- 4. Great Wall Symposium, September 2019. Paris, France. Invited speaker.
- 5. Bacterial cell division: Closing the gap, EMBO workshop, June 2019. Lund, Sweden. Invited speaker.
- 6. New Antibacterial Discovery and Development Gordon Research Conference, March 2018. Ventura, CA. Invited speaker.
- 7. 7th FEBS Special Meeting on ABC Proteins ABC2018: From Multidrug Resistance to Genetic Disease, March 2018. Innsbruck, Austria. Invited speaker.
- 8. Society for Glycobiology Meeting, November 2017. Portland, OR. Invited speaker.
- 9. "Building and tearing down the wall: peptidoglycan dynamics" Symposium. ASM Microbe, June 2017. New Orleans, LA. Invited speaker and convener of symposium.
- 10. Microbial Genetics and Genomics VII, May 2017. Asilomar, CA. Invited speaker.
- 11. "The bacterial cell wall takes center stage". 5th International Symposium of the SFB 766, 2017. Tubingen, Germany. Invited speaker.
- 12. Great Wall Symposium, September 2015. Villa Finaly, Florence, Italy. Invited speaker.

- 13. CMIB Symposium, 2014. The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center, OH. Invited speaker.
- 14. Midlands Microbiology Meeting, 2014. Birmingham University, Birmingham (UK). Invited speaker.
- 15. Protein Transport Across Cell Membranes Gordon Conference, 2014. Hotel Galvez, Galveston, TX. Invited speaker.
- 16. XII Pan-American Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Congress, 2013. Puerto Varas, Chile. Invited speaker.
- 17. Molecular Genetics of Bacteria and Phages Meeting, 2013. University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. Invited speaker and chair of "Life Beyond the Cytosol" session.
- 18. Midwest Microbial Pathogenesis Conference, 2011. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. Invited speaker.
- 19. "Biogenesis of the Bacterial Cell Surface" Symposium, ASM General Meeting, 2011. New Orleans, LA. Invited speaker and co-chair of symposium.
- 20. Ohio Branch of the American Society for Microbiology Annual Meeting, 2011. Ohio University, Athens, OH. Invited speaker.
- 21. Microbial Stress Response Gordon Research Conference, 2010. Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA. Invited speaker.
- 22. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Research Conference, 2010. Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH. Invited chair for the *Outer Membrane* section.
- 23. FASEB Summer Research Conference: Transport ATPases: From Molecules to Maladies, 2010. Snowmass Village, CO. Invited speaker.
- 24. Cellular Lipid Transport Connecting Fundamental Membrane Assembly Processes to Human Disease, 2008. Canmore, Alberta, Canada. Invited speaker.
- 25. ASBMB General Meeting, *Membrane Biogenesis* Symposium, 2007. Washington D.C. Invited speaker.

ADDITIONAL PRESENTATIONS AT SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

- 1. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2018. West Dover, VT. Substrate-binding domain in the LPS extractor LptB₂FG. Poster presenter.
- 2. Genetic Approaches to Understanding Complex Cellular Processes Conference, 2018. Powering LPS transport with ABCs. Princeton, NJ. Speaker and co-organizer.
- 3. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2016. West Dover, VT. Structure-function studies of the ABC transporter that powers lipopolysaccharide transport in *E. coli*. Poster presenter.
- 4. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2014. West Dover, VT. MurJ is the flippase of lipidlinked precursors for peptidoglycan biogenesis in *E. coli*. Speaker (talk selected from poster abstracts) and poster presenter.
- 5. Genetic Approaches to Understanding Complex Cellular Processes Conference, 2013. Understanding MurJ function through a SCAM. Sedona, AZ. Speaker.
- 6. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2012. West Dover, VT. Regulation of cell size in response to nutrient availability by fatty acid biosynthesis in *Escherichia coli*. Poster presenter.
- 7. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2008. Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH. Identification of two inner-membrane proteins required for the transport of lipopolysaccharide to the outer membrane of *Escherichia coli*. Poster presenter.

- 8. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2006. Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH. A suppressor of lethality in *rpoE* mutants downregulates extracytoplasmic stress responses and outer membrane vesicle production. Poster presenter.
- 9. Protein Transport Across Cell Membranes Gordon Conference, 2005. Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH. A chemical genetics approach to study outer membrane biogenesis. Speaker.
- 10. Microbial Genetics and Genomics III, 2005. Moab, UT. Outer membrane biogenesis in *Escherichia coli*. Speaker.
- 11. Princeton University Department of Molecular Biology Retreat, 2004. Avalon, NJ. Coordination of outer membrane biogenesis in *Escherichia coli*. Speaker.
- 12. Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference, 2004. New London, NH. Suppressor analysis of *Escherichia coli* mutants with increased outer membrane permeability. Poster presenter.
- 13. Molecular Genetics of Bacteria and Phages Meeting, 2003. Madison, WI. Constitutive activation of the *Escherichia coli* PHO regulon upregulates *rpoS* translation in an Hfq-dependent fashion. Poster presenter.
- 14. Molecular Genetics of Bacteria and Phages Meeting, 2000. Cold Spring Harbor, NY. Studies on the transcription of the RpoS regulator SprE. Poster presenter.
- 15. Molecular Genetics of Microbial Systems Meeting, 1999. Amalfi, Italy. The role of the *crl* locus in the post-translational regulation of RpoS. Poster presenter.

MEETING ORGANIZER & MEETING SESSION CHAIR

- 2024 Co-chair elect (with Jean-Francois Collet), Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Research Conference, West Dover, VT. (June 2024 Conference)
- 2022 Co-vice-chair (with Jean-Francois Collet), Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Research Conference, West Dover, VT, June 26-July 1, 2022.
- 2022 Session chair, "Transport through the envelope: session, Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Research Conference, West Dover, VT, June 26-July 1, 2022.
- 2022 Co-organizer "Great Wall Symposium", Portugal. (September 2022)
- 2020 Session Chair, "Outer Membrane" session, Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference. West Dover, VT. CANCELLED (COVID-19)
- 2018 Session chair, "Stress and the Cell Envelope" session, Microbial Stress Response Gordon Conference. Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA (July 2018).
- 2018 Co-organizer of the "Genetic Approaches to Understanding Complex Cellular Processes Conference" Princeton, NJ, 2018 (45 attendees; co-organizer: Dr. Nathaniel Rigel, Hofstra University.
- 2017 Convener of the "Building and tearing down the wall: peptidoglycan dynamics" Symposium. ASM Microbe. New Orleans, LA.
- 2013 Chair, "Life Beyond the Cytosol" session, Molecular Genetics of Bacteria and Phages Meeting, Madison, WI.
- 2012 Distinguished Undergraduate Research Mentor Award Nominee, Ohio State University.
- 2011 Co-chair, "Biogenesis of the Bacterial Cell Surface Symposium", American Society for Microbiology 111th Annual General Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- 2010 Chair, "Outer Membrane" session, Bacterial Cell Surfaces Gordon Conference. Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH.

DISTINCTIONS

- 2021 Elected Fellow of the American Academy of Microbiology
- 2021 College of Arts and Sciences Honors Faculty Service Award, The Ohio State University
- 2016 Semifinalist for the Howard Hughes Medical Institute Faculty Scholars Program (2015 competition)
- 2006 Postdoctoral Teaching Award in Molecular Biology, Princeton University
- 2004 Postdoctoral Talk Award at the Molecular Biology Department Retreat, Princeton University
- 2002 Postdoctoral Poster Award at the Molecular Biology Department Retreat, Princeton University
- 1993 B.A. in Microbiology and Chemistry, Highest Distinction, University of Kansas
- 1993, 1992, and 1991 Cassandra Ritter Award for undergraduate academic and research excellence in Microbiology
- 1993 Taft Award for excellence in Physical Chemistry
- 1993 Cora M. Downs Award for outstanding woman student based on laboratory participation and academic performance in Microbiology
- 1993 Phi Kappa Phi
- 1993 Sigma Xi
- 1992 C. E. Spahr Sciences Scholarship
- 1991 Clark E. Bricker Award for outstanding second-year student in Chemistry
- 1991 Golden Key National Honor Society
- 1990 Sorg Scholarship for outstanding beginning students in Chemistry

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

Department of Microbiology:

- 2021 present: Chair, Committee of Eligible Faculty (Promotion and Tenure Committee)
- 2022-2023: Member, Faculty Search Committee (diversity advocate)

2021-2022: Member, Faculty Search Committee

- 2020: Member, Departmental Chair Search Committee
- 2019: Member, Faculty Search Committee
- 2017 2021: Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- 2015 2021: Microbiology Honors Advisor
- 2018: Member, Graduation Ceremony Committee
- 2016: Member, Faculty Search (Rod Sharp Chair in Microbiology) Committee
- 2014 2017: Member, Graduate Studies Committee
- 2014 2016: Organizer of Annual Department of Microbiology Symposium
- 2013 2014: Member, OAA Unit Review Committee
- 2013: Member, Departmental Chair Search Committee
- 2010 2013: Member, Graduate Admission Committee

Non-departmental committees:

- 2022 present: Member, Ohio State Biochemistry Program Graduate Studies Committee
- 2022: Chair, OSU Beckman Scholars Program Selection Committee (Understanding Biomolecular Processes and Designing Emergent Biomaterials Program).
- 2020: Member, Cellular, Molecular, and Biochemical Sciences Program Pre-doctoral Fellowship Review Committee
- 2019 2021: Chair, Ohio State Biochemistry Program Admission Committee
- 2019 2021: Member, Ohio State Biochemistry Program Graduate Studies Committee
- 2018 2019: Member, Ohio State Biochemistry Program Admission Committee
- 2013 2016: Member, Ohio State Biochemistry Program Recruiting Committee
- 2013 CMIB T32 Postdoctoral Fellowship Review Committee member
- 2012 2016: CMIB Host-Pathogen Seminar Series Committee member

College & University service:

- 2021 present: Member, Natural and Mathematical Sciences Promotion and Tenure Committee
- 2014 2019: Member, Committee on Academic Misconduct
- 2015 2018: Member, College of Arts and Sciences Honors Committee
- 2016– 2018: Member, College of Arts and Sciences Honors Curriculum and Assessment Subcommittee
- 2015: Member, College of Arts and Sciences Honors Curriculum Subcommittee
- 2015: Member, College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to societies and networks:

2019-2022: Member of the American Society for Microbiology Microbe 2020-2022 Program Committees (3-y term)

2019- 2022: Councilor At-Large of the American Society for Microbiology Council on Microbial Sciences

2016: Member, ASM Nominating Committee for President-Elect

2016: Member, International Advisory Board for the International Microbiology Congresses of the International Union of Microbiological Societies (IUMS 2017)

2015 –2018: Member, Scientific Advisory Board of the Train2Target in the European Training Network

Service to journals:

2021 – present: Editor for Molecular Microbiology

2015 - present: Editorial Board Member of Journal of Bacteriology

2022: Guest editor for PNAS (1 paper)

2020: Guest editor for PNAS (1 paper)

2016: Guest editor for *mBio* (1 paper)

2012 – 2021: Editorial Advisory Board Member of *Molecular Microbiology*

2004 – present: Reviewer for Journal of Bacteriology, Molecular Microbiology, Journal of Biological Chemistry, EMBO Journal, Molecular Genetics and Genomics, Biotechnology Progress, Proteomics, Biochemistry, Journal of the American Chemical Society, BMC Microbiology, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the USA, Chemistry and Biology, PLoS ONE, Frontiers in Cellular and Infection Microbiology, DNA Repair, PLoS Pathogens, mBio, BBA Molecular Cell Research, PLoS Genetics, Microbiology, Marine Drugs, Glycobiology, Genes and Development, eLife, FEBS Journal, FEBS Letters, BBA Proteins and Proteomics, Microbial Drug Resistance, Scientific Reports, Science, Nature, BBA Molecular and Cell Biology of Lipids, Nature Microbiology, Marine Structural & Molecular Biology, Nature Communications, ACS Chemical Biology, mSphere, Frontiers in Microbiology, Communications Biology, Applied and Environmental Microbiology, European Journal of Lipid Science and Technology, Current Biology

Post-publication peer review:

2011 – 2017: Associate Faculty Member of Faculty of 1000

Grant reviewer:

2022: Ad-hoc reviewer, NSF (February 2022, 1 application)

2021: Ad-hoc member, NIH, Special Emphasis Panel 2022/01 ZGM1 RCB-4 (CB) (November 19, 2021)

2021: Ad-hoc reviewer, NSF (October 2021, 1 application)

June 2016 – June 2020: Member, NIH, PCMB Study Section

2019: Mail-in reviewer, European Research Council, ERC Advanced Grant 2018

February 2018: Ad Hoc reviewer, NIH (mail-in reviewer for 1 grant).

2016: Ad-hoc scientific reviewer, Wellcome Trust/DBT India Alliance Fellowship

2014: Ad-hoc scientific reviewer, Wellcome Trust Research New Investigator Award

2014: Ad-hoc reviewer, Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research Division for Earth and Life Sciences

2013: Ad hoc member, NIH, Special Emphasis Panel (March 19, 2013)

2013: Ad hoc member, NIH, PCMB Study Section (February 21, 2013)

2012: Ad-hoc reviewer, Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology

2010: Ad-hoc reviewer, Wellcome Trust Research Career Development Fellowship

2010: Ad-hoc reviewer, Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, ALW Open Programme Grant

2007: Ad-hoc reviewer, NSF's merit review (1 application)

Consulting:

2021 Ad-hoc Councilor, National Advisory General Medical Science Council, National Institute of General Medical Sciences at NIH (May 20, 2021)

2018 – 2020: Anexigen, Inc., San Diego, CA.

2018 Common Fund Glycoscience Program, National Institutes of Health.

OTHER SERVICE

- 2022 Participant of OSU-Howard University Ecology and Evolutionary Sciences Mini-Symposium, Howard University, Washington DC.
- 2014, 2017, 2018, 2020, 2022: Speaker at the OSU Microbiology Club.
- 2019 External examiner for senior honor research thesis (Jesse Griffith & Jeremy Moore, Molecular Biology), Kenyon College, Gambier, OH
- 2015, 2018, 2019: Department of Microbiology Faculty Representative at BioSci Day, hosted by the OSU chapter of Helix/Tri-Beta (March 28, 2015, March 24, 2018, March 23, 2019)
- 2012, 2015, 2019, 2021: Speaker at Helix/Tri-Beta meeting at the OSU Chapter (Topic: How to pursue a career in research, 11/19/12, 10/27/15, 2/11/19, 3/30/21)
- 2017 2018, 2021, 2022: OSU Cellular, Molecular & Biochemical Sciences Training Program and Center for RNA Biology Annual Symposium poster judge
- 2017 present: Member of the Foro Unico Committee, Córdoba University (Spain). Outreach program established by Córdoba University to foment professional interactions between students and accomplished professionals born in Córdoba who pursued careers abroad.
- 2015 2016: Faculty mentor for the OSU Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Program
- 2016 Department of Microbiology Faculty Representative at the Experience ASC Day (February 27, 2016)
- 2016 Discussion panel member on grant writing hosted by the OSU Students for the Advancement of Microbiology Organization (September 29, 2016)
- 2013 2015: OSU Denman Undergraduate Research Forum poster judge
- 2015 Department of Microbiology Faculty Representative at The Experience Sciences and Mathematics Day, OSU (February 14, 2015)
- 2014 External examiner for senior honor research thesis (Michael Harden, Molecular Biology), Kenyon College, Gambier, OH
- 2014 Panel member at "Postdoc Orientation: the Essentials", organized by the OSU Postdoc Association (Topic: Preparing postdocs for a career in academic research, Apr. 16, 2014)
- 2014 Panel member at the Delta Omega Kappa Professional Event (March 17, 2014) at the OSU Chapter
- 2014 Panel member at a career development discussion at the OSU Postdoc Association (Topic: Pursuing a career in academic research, Jan. 27, 2014)
- 2011 & 2014: CMIB Retreat poster judge
- 2013 OSU Fulbright Review Panel member
- 2012 present: Departmental representative in undergraduate thesis committees: Sachi Chaudhari (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2022); Matthew Schuetz (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2021); Gabriella Matheny (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2021); MacKenzie Deighen (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2021); Rachel Lew (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2020); Dean Watkins (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2019); Adam Bercz (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2018); Jessica Waibl (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2018); (Mubarik Mohamed (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2017); Serena Nayee (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2016); Jasmine S. Moshiri (Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2016); Ronald S. Nowak (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2016);

Ryan J. Tran (Honors Research Distinction in Biology, 2016); Bailyn Hogue (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2016); James C. Stock (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2015); Eric Tretter (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2015); Justin Tossey (Honors Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2013); Paul A. Nicholson (Research Distinction in Microbiology, 2012)

- 2011 present: Dissertation Graduate Faculty Representative: Kathryn Seeley (Veterinary Medicine; 2022); Regina Trevino (Chemistry, 2022); Linnea Turco (Political Science, 2021); Seemaab Ali (Neuroscience, 2020); Mackenzie Leadston (French & Italian, 2019); Hao Yang (Electrical and Computer Science, 2017); M.S. Park (Chemistry, 2016); Antonio Bentivegna (Spanish & Portuguese, 2015); Neal Edgren (Mathematics, 2014); I-Ju Lee (MCDB, 2013); Rajakrishnan Rajkumar (Linguistics, 2012); Deepak Bhasin (Pharmacy, 2011)
- 2011 Hayes Graduate Research Forum, Biological Sciences poster judge

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2021: Better Research through Better Mentoring Workshop (June 15 and 17, 2021)
- 2020: Optimizing the Practice of Mentoring 101: For Research Mentors of Graduate Students, Fellows, and Early-Career Faculty. On-line training provided by the University of Minnesota (February 22, 2020)
- 2019: Teaching@Ohio State. On-line training provided by OSU University Institute for Teaching and Learning (May 2019).

MEMBERSHIPS

- 2018 present: American Association for the Advancement of Science
- 2011 present: Ohio State Biochemistry Program
- 2011 present: OSU Infectious Diseases Institute (formerly Center for Microbial Interface Biology Center, 2011-2017)
- 2000 present: American Society for Microbiology

LANGUAGES

English

Spanish