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**Educational Background:** 

2005-06	Fellowship	Hedwig van Amerigen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine	
		Program, Drexel University College of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA	
1985	Certificate	Molecular Immunology, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA	
1981	Ph.D.	Nutrition, Iowa State University, Ames, IA	
1977	M.S.	Nutrition, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO	
1975	D.V.M.	Veterinary School, Tehran University, Tehran, Iran	

#### **Academic and Administrative Positions:**

1983-Present	JM-USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University:

2009-Present	Director
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2005-2009 Associate Director

1990-Present Director, Nutritional Immunology Laboratory

1994-Present Senior Scientist 1989-1994 Scientist I 1984-1989 Scientist II

1983-1984 Visiting Scientist

# 1984-Present Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University:

2001-2005 Director, Cell and Molecular Nutrition Program

1994-Present Professor of Nutrition

1989-1994 Associate Professor of Nutrition 1984-1989 Assistant Professor of Nutrition

# 1996-Present Professor of Immunology, Sackler Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Tufts

University School of Medicine

1983-1984 Senior Research Associate, Department of Biology, Brandeis University

1981-1983 Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Nutrition, School of Public Health, Harvard University

1980-1981 Temporary Instructor in Nutrition, Iowa State University

1978-1980 Research Assistant, Food and Nutrition Department, Iowa State University
1976-1978 Research Assistant, Department of Food Science and Nutrition, Colorado State

University

# Director, JM-USDA HNRCA at Tufts University (2009-Present)

# **IM USDA-HNRCA facts:**

The HNRCA staff conducts advanced studies on nutrition and aging. HNRCA is one of the six human nutrition research centers in the United States, supported by the USDA/ARS, and operated by Tufts University through a cooperative agreement. Total budget is >\$24 million, about half of which is provided by the USDA and the other half from NIH, industry and foundations. Housed in a 14-story, 210,000 sq. ft. research facility, the HNRCA has 19

laboratories and 9 core units including metabolic research unit and animal facilities, and 260 staff of which about 80 have a Ph.D., M.D., and/or D.V.M.

#### Major duties:

Reports to the Tufts University Provost and Senior Vice President, and in collaboration with the USDA's Agriculture Research Service (ARS) Area Director, I am responsible for determining and implementing long-range strategic direction and Center priorities – in scientific research, education and outreach, and institution building; recruiting, developing, and mentoring experienced as well as young scientists and staff; assessing the performance and results of the Center's multi-disciplinary translational programs/laboratories, and guiding laboratory directors as they set individual and team performance expectations for the coming year.

Initiates and engages in community education and outreach efforts; secures resources and generates support – from governments, industry, and foundations; represents the Center to its varied stakeholders, the public and the media; teaches and engages with students in the School of Nutrition and Medical School; oversees compliance with all federal and University policies related to personnel, laboratory safety, IRB, IACUCC, and conflict of interest and technology transfer.

As an active member of Tufts President's Academic Council and Provost's Council, participates in Tufts University leadership initiatives and collaborates with Deans across the University's basic and life sciences, arts and humanities, law and public policy, and engineering communities.

As one of six USDA Human Nutrition Research Center Directors nation-wide, participates with ARS area director and USDA National Program Leaders in developing criteria for programmatic and budgetary priorities in the area of human nutrition research.

#### Major accomplishments:

• Completed and published the first strategic plan in the 30 year history of the Center to set the next 5 years' priorities in research, education, community and global outreach, and institution building

(http://www.tufts.edu/hnrca/webcm/docs/HNRCA Strategic Plan Final.pdf)

- Created two new core facilities: Functional Genomics and Dietary Assessment
- Increased collaboration within the Center by establishing four inter-disciplinary Research Clusters in Obesity, Inflammation, Immunity and Infectious Diseases, Cancer, and Cardiovascular Diseases.
- Re-organized existing strengths in neuroscience into a new translational laboratory and secured additional funding from the ARS and the University to recruit a new high profile laboratory leader to address the ever growing challenge of age-associated cognitive impairment.
- Supported professional development for scientists, postdoctoral fellows, students and staff by providing training opportunities in leadership and customer service, facilitating cross-lab collaboration including post-docs and junior scientists, and securing internships and research opportunities in Center labs for graduate students
- Helped the Tufts President and Provost establish "Active and Healthy Aging" as one of the, soon to be announced, university-wide thematic areas.
- Enhanced cross-University collaboration by:
  - increasing adjunct scientist appointments in the Center for faculty from other Tufts schools

- contributing to training grants, minority undergraduate educational grants, and multi-PI grants,
- Strengthened the HNRCA seminar series by bringing in high caliber speakers with broader appeal to biological scientists across the University.
- Increased Center visibility by hosting high profile symposia, nominating Center scientists for national and international awards, hosting key decision makers at the Center, and communicating Center's accomplishments inside and outside Tufts.
- Increased the Center's community engagement by partnering with the Mayor of Somerville to initiate programs to enhance active and healthy aging for the town's older residents.
- Improved Center staff morale and sense of community by increasing transparency and communication and by including scientists and staff in Center decision making processes.
- Started exercise and weight loss programs, and a mothers' lounge for HNRCA scientists and staff.
- Increased scientists' salaries, oversaw major lab and office renovations (totaling \$9.6 M), and acquired scientific equipment (>\$4 M).
- Secured fund raising resources: hired a grant manager to facilitate identification of new funding sources as well as submission of proposals; instituted a \$400,000/year pilot grant program; and secured from the University, for the first time, Center-specific development personnel for participation in the next Capital Campaign.
- Enhanced the Center's Intranet to increase compliance with regulatory bodies.

# Associate Director, JM-USDA HNRCA at Tufts University (2005-2009)

#### **Major duties:**

Reported to the Center Director, and acted as a the Director's business partner on a wide variety of research and management issues: expanding extramural sources of funding; directing research staff including Laboratory Directors and Core Unit Managers (including Metabolic Research Unit, and animal facility), overseeing annual projects involving core service units/laboratories; and decision making on financial and other major issues confronting the Center. In conjunction with the Center Director, represented the Center to HNRCA scientists, senior management, faculty across the university, the USDA, other academic institutions and the private sector.

### Major accomplishments:

- Chaired the MRU Evaluation and Reorganization Committee, implemented major culture and personnel changes. Results: improved efficiency and revenue generation, grants cost recovery close to \$100,000/year.
- Worked with the Core Unit managers, addressed efficiency, revenue generation and customer satisfaction. Results: greatly increased cost recovery, improved customer satisfaction, and expedited research
- Worked with the Director and the Administrative Director, increased transparency, accountability, and equitable distribution of Center resources among labs and programs.
- Fostered collaboration between USDA Centers: organized collaboration between HNRCA and USDA Eastern Regional Research Center (EERC), which yielded funds for HNRCA-EERC collaborative studies.
- Developed strategic alliances with Unilever and Kraft and signed master agreements with both. Unilever committed to 1 M Euro in research support to the Center. Kraft has supported 4 research projects.

- Helped initiate and oversee mentoring program for junior scientists at HNRCA; produced recommendations for improving postdoctoral experience at Tufts as a member of university-wide committee.
- Increased the Center's visibility world-wide: hosted USDA –EU Biotechnology meeting on behalf of the Center and the annual international meeting of the American Aging Association (largest number of attendees and largest amount of funds raised in the history of the association to that date).

# Director of the Cell and Molecular Nutrition Program (2001-2005)

Program facts and major duties: The program started in 2000 to address the increased need for training of nutritionists with knowledge and expertise in cell and molecular biology. Reported to the Dean of Tufts Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, oversaw all aspects of the Cell and Molecular Nutrition Program including student recruitment and admission, curriculum development, student progress and compliance with school and university requirements, and ensured cohesion with other programs.

# **Major accomplishments:**

- Increased the number of enrolled students.
- Submitted, with assistance of other faculty, a training grant and obtained funding to train Ph.D. students in Cell and Molecular Nutrition using a novel Co-mentoring program between faculty of School of Nutrition and Sackler Graduate Program at Tufts.
- Increased enthusiasm for graduate studies in the molecular basis of nutrition.

# **Director Nutritional Immunology Laboratory (NIL):**

#### **Major duties:**

Oversees the Nutritional Immunology Laboratory's research and management needs including: fiscal solvency and expanding intra- and extra-mural sources of funding; directing and developing research staff and mentoring graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, junior faculty and visiting scientists; maintaining a high level of research productivity; meeting USDA required mandates; complying with all federal and Tufts policies for personnel and laboratory safety; facilitating collaboration within and outside of HNRCA; and contributing to overall productivity and visibility of HNRCA to achieve its mandated mission.

#### **Laboratory facts:**

Established in 1990, consists of Scientists (faculty), postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, visiting scientists, technicians and other support staff (currently 3 full and part time scientists, 2 adjunct scientist, 2 postdoctoral fellows, 3 graduate students, 2 research technicians, 2 visiting scientists, ½ FTE administrative assistant) supported by funds from USDA, NIH, industry and foundations (current year approximately \$1,800,000).

# **Major accomplishments:**

- Established the first Nutritional Immunology Laboratory for the USDA.
- Grew the laboratory from a program with a small budget (\$116,000) and staff (2) to a nationally and internationally known research group many times its original size and budget. PI on funded research totaling > 16 M. Co-Investigator on additional grants totaling > 24 M.
- The laboratory has made significant contributions to the fields of nutrition, aging and immunology by determining the molecular basis of age-related changes in immune response

and pathogen virulence and by determining the effect of nutrients on the immune response, and their implications for health promotion and prevention of diseases.

• The accomplishments of the program have been recognized by the scientific community through bestowing of awards, invitations to present at meetings, and invitations to serve on national and international committees.

# **Awards and Honors:**

#### Awards:

- Helen LeBaron Hilton Distinguished Alumni Award, Iowa State University, 2011
- Food Science and Human Nutrition Alumni Impact Award, Iowa State University, 2011
- Jean Andrews Centennial Visiting Professorship, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, 2010
- Robert H. Herman Award in Clinical Nutrition, American Society of Nutrition, 2008
- Hedwig van Amerigen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine Program (Drexel University College of Medicine), 2005-2006
- President, American Aging Association, 2005-2006
- President-Elect, American Aging Association, 2004-2005
- Denham Harman Life Time Research Achievement Award, American Aging Association, 2003
- Grace Goldsmith Award. American College of Nutrition, 2001
- Malcolm Trout Annual Visiting Scholar. Michigan State University, 2001
- American Institute of Nutrition Lederle Award in Human Nutrition, 1998
- Welcome Visiting Professorship, Iowa State University, 1998
- Tufts University Faculty Recognition for Outstanding Achievement (1995-96, 1997-1998)
- International Nutritional Immunology Group Award, 1993
- International HERMES Vitamin Research Award, 1993
- Denham Harman Lecture Award of American College of Advancement in Medicine, 1990
- USDA-ARS Citation of Merit for manuscript "Vitamin E Enhances Cell-Mediated Immunity in Healthy Elderly Subjects," Meydani et al., Am J Clin Nutr 52:557-563, 1990."
- Phi Kappa Phi, 1978
- Omicron Nu (Home Economics Honor Society), 1978
- Gamma Sigma Delta (Honor Society of Agriculture), 1978
- Pahlavi Royal Gold Medal for outstanding Tehran University college graduate, 1975
- Alborz Institute Award as valedictorian of Tehran University Veterinary School class, 1975
   Other Honors

#### Other Honors:

- Co-chair and Organizer, FASEB Summer Conference on Nutrition and Immune Response, 2003, 2007, 2011
- Co-organizer, Women in Science & Medicine Symposium for American Society for Nutrition at Experimental Biology 2010, Anaheim, California.
- Chair, Tufts Women in Science, Engineering and Medicine Symposium, 2008, Boston, MA
- Organizer and Chair: Aging: Mechanism and Prevention: 35th Annual Meeting of AGE, Boston, June 2006.
- Organizing Committee, First and Second International Aging and Immunology Meeting, 1998, 2001
- Chair and Organizing Committee, International Life Sciences Institute Conference on Nutrition and Immunity, 1997

#### Awards received by advisees:

 Maria Carlota Dao, FASEB Summer Research Conference 2011, Abstract Travel Award, Carefree, Arizona

- Maria Carlota Dao, FASEB Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) Best Poster Award.
   EB2011, Washington, DC
- Sarah E. Belisle, Nutritional Immunology Research Interest Section (RIS) Student Poster Competition, EB2009
- Sarah Belisle, American Oil Chemists Society Honored Student Award, 2008; Health and Nutrition Division Student Excellence Award, 2008
- Raina T. Gay, Munro Postdoctoral Award for Research Excellence, 2007; Walter R. Nicolai Pre-Doctoral Award American Aging Association, 2005; American Society of Nutritional Sciences, Nutritional Immunology Research Interest Section Graduate Student Wyeth Poster Award, 2004; American Oil Chemists' Society Honored Student Award, 2004; American Society of Nutritional Sciences, Nutritional Immunology Research Interest Section Graduate Student Poster Award, 2003; Glenn/AFAR Scholarship for Research in Biology of Aging, 2002
- Melissa Marko, Walter R. Nicolai Award, American Aging Association, 2006; American Oil Chemists Society Outstanding Paper Presentation, 2006; American Oil Chemists Society Honored Student Award, 2006; American Society for Nutritional Sciences Procter & Gamble Graduate Student Research Award, 2006; Fellowship Award from New York Academy of Sciences at the Vitamin E and Health Conference, Boston, MA, 2004; Oxygen Club of California/BASF Young Investigator Award, 2004; Unilever Health Institute Scholarship, 2003
- Tanvir Ahmed, Paul F. Glenn Post-Doctoral Award of the American Aging Association,
   2005; Fellowship Award from New York Academy of Sciences at the Vitamin E and Health Conference, Boston, MA, 2004; Oxygen Club of California/BASF Young Investigator Award,
   2004
- Kate J. Claycombe, American Aging Association Paul E. Glenn Postdoctoral Award, 2000
- Oskar Adolfsson, American Society for Nutritional Sciences Proctor and Gamble Graduate Student Award, 2001; Nutritional Immunology Research Interest Section, Poster Award, 2001
- Sung Nim Han, American Aging Association Walter Nicolai Predoctoral Award, 1997
- Michael G. Hayek, American Aging Association Paul Glenn Postdoctoral Award, 1996
- Alison A. Beharka, Outstanding Young Scientist Poster Presentation, First International Conference on Immunology and Aging, 1996
- Michelle Santos, American Oil Chemist Society Best Student Poster Award, 1995
- Alice Shapiro, American Dietetic Association Best Student Paper Award, 1992

# **Committee Memberships: 1987-Present:**

Government &	International Advising Committees membership:
2011-Present	Data and Safety Monitoring Board, Member, for "Vitamin D and Immunosenescence in Older
	Long-Term Care Residents", PI Adit Ginde, MD K23 AG040708
2009-Present	VIGOR Project Advisory Board [Correction of the unbalanced diet for the preVentIon of
	multiorGan functiOnal decline in the elderly]
2009-Present	Aging Systems and Geriatrics (ASG) Study Section
2009-Present	External Advisory Group, Harvard Clinical Nutrition Research Center funded by NIDDK.
2008-Present	Lipid Maps Scientific Advisory Committee: NIH-funded Consortium
2007-2009	Cellular Mechanism of Aging and Development (CMAD) Study Section
	ARS Human Nutrition National Program Stakeholders Workshop, Baltimore, Maryland
2006	Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel (March and November)
2002-2007	NIA Data and Safety Monitoring Board: Physical Activity,
	Aging, and Immune Function Project University of Illinois, Urbana/Champaign

Scientific Advisory Board, NIA Calorie Restriction Program in Primates

2001-2008

1996-2001	Scientific Advisory Board, UCLA Claude Pepper Center for Older Americans, Los
	Angeles, California
1998	FAO/WHO Joint Expert Committee report on "Nutritional Requirements of the Aged"
1994-2000	NIA Geriatric Rehabilitation Study Section
1994	FAO/WHO Joint Expert Committee report on "Fats and Oils in Human Nutrition":
	responsible for preparation of the report on dietary lipids and immune response
1993-1996	USDA Human Nutrient Requirements for Optimal Health Program Grant Review Panel
1992	NIH Nutrition Study Section, Academic Research Achievement and Small
	Business Innovation Research Award
1992	NIA Immunobiology Study Section, Ad hoc Review Committee
1991	NIH Nutrition Study Section for Academic Research Achievement Award

# **Industry and Foundations:**

2011-Present	Scientific steering committee of the Sackler Institute Monitoring & Evaluation Group, New
	York Academy of Sciences
2009-Present	Activia and DanActive Advisory Board
2006-2007	Novartis Geriatric Advisory Panel
2005-Present	Dannon-Yakult Scientific Advisory Board
2004-2006	Bayer Consumer Care Advisory Board
2004-Present	The Beverage Institute for Health and Wellness, Scientific Advisory Board, Coca Cola
	Company
2003-2006	International Scientific Advisory Board for Research on Actimel, Danone Vitapole
2002-2004	Novartis Medical Nutrition, Scientific Advisory Board
2001-2004	The Minute Maid Company, Scientific Advisory Board
1998-2003	Ocean Nutrition Canada, Ltd, Scientific Advisory Board
1996-1999	AFAR Grant Review Committee
1991-1995	National Dairy Council, Nutrition Research Scientific Advising Committee

# <u>Tufts University:</u>

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2009-Present	Tufts President Academic Council, Member
2009-Present	Provost's Council, Member
2006-2008	Friedman School Annual Signature Symposium organizing committee; Co-Chair, 2006
	Meeting
2004-2006	Postdoctoral Task Force
2005-Present	Scientific Advisor, Pre-doctoral NIA training grant, Friedman School of Nutrition
	Science and Policy at Tufts University
2004-2009	Data Safety Monitoring Committee for DIET Study (Nutrition Intervention for
	Metabolic Complications in HIV+), Tufts University School of Medicine
2003-2006	Finance and Fundraising Committee, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at
	Tufts University; Chair, 2003-2004
2002-2004	Dean's Council, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
2002-2009	University Research Council
2002-2005	University Academic and Scientific Fraud Committee
2001-Present	Ross Aging Initiative Steering Committee
1995-1998	Appointment and Promotion Committee, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and
	Policy at Tufts University
1992-Present	Steering Committee, Pre-doctoral NIA training grant, Friedman School of Nutrition
	Science and Policy at Tufts University
1988-1990	Admissions Committee, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University

# **IMUSDA-HNRCA:**

2007 Chair, Metabolic Research Unit Evaluation and Reorganization Committee

2003-2005 Chair, Animal Users Committee

2003-Present **Executive Committee** 

2001-Present Awards and Mentoring Committee

1990-2003 Animal Care and Use Committee, Chair, 1990-1993

2000-2001 Chair, Retreat Committee 1998-Present **Promotions Committee** Chair, Seminar Series 1988-1991 1995-2002 Safety Committee

Comparative Biology and Medicine Task Force 1987

# Professional Societies Memberships and Leadership Roles, Past and Present:

- International Society for Executive Leadership in Medicine
- American Society of Nutritional Sciences/American Society of Clinical Nutrition
- American Aging Association
- American Geriatric Society
- American Association of Immunologists
- Oxygen Club of California
- American College of Nutrition
- New York Academy of Sciences
- American Association for the Advancement of Science
- International Association for Vitamins and Nutritional Oncology
- Sigma Xi (Scientific Research Society)
- American Oil Chemists Society
- International Society for the Study of Fatty Acids and Lipids
- International Nutritional Immunology Group
- Gerontological Society of America

# **Leadership Roles in Professional Societies:**

2011 Local Program Committee Chair of the 2011 Gerontological Society of America, Boston, MA 2011 Organizer, Metabolic Regulation and Immune Cells: Implication for Chronic and Infectious Diseases, American Society of Nutrition, Experimental Biology 2010 -Present Strategic Oversight Committee of the American Society for Nutrition (ASN) Fellows Committee of the American Society for Nutrition (ASN) 2010-2011 Nutrition Society Irish Section Meeting 2011 and the American Society for Nutrition, "Vitamins in Early Development and Healthy Aging" Scientific Steering Committee, Cork, Ireland 2010-Present American Society of Nutrition Liaison to Association of Nutrition Department Chairs 2010 Organizer, Women in Science & Medicine Symposium for American Society for Nutrition at Experimental Biology 2010, Anaheim, California. Co-chair, Development Committee International Society for Executive Leadership in Medicine 2005-2006 President-Elect, American Aging Association Board of Directors, American Aging Association

2001-Present 1994-1995 Fundraising Committee, American Aging Association

2006 Journalism and Elvehjem Conrad Award Selection Committees of American Society for

Nutrition

1999-2001 Chair, American Society of Nutritional Sciences, Nutritional Immunology Research

**Interest Group** 

1998-1999 Chair, Bio Serv Award Nominating Committee, American Society for Nutrition

Membership Committee, American Society for Nutrition 2002-2005

Young Investigator Award selection Committee of American Clinical Nutrition
 Bio Serv Award Nominating Committee, American Society for Nutrition
 Chair, Council on Immunology, Hematology, and Oncology American College of Nutrition
 Chair, Review Committee on Sunflower and Soybean Oil Safety, American College of Nutrition
 Review Committee on Corn Oil Safety, American College of Nutrition
 Nutrition Steering Committee, Gerontological Society of America

#### Editorial Board Member and Journal Reviewer: 1987-Present:

# **Editorial Board Member:**

2008-Present Functional Food Reviews

2006-2010 Journal of the American Medical Directors Association

2003-Present American Journal of Clinical Nutrition 2001-Present Journal of Nutritional Biochemistry

2000-2003 Journal of Experimental Biology and Medicine

1990-Present Journal of Nutritional Immunology

1993-Present Nutrition Research1991-1995 Journal of Nutrition

# Reviewer:

Nature

Journal of Immunology

Journal of American Clinical Nutrition

Journal of American College of Nutrition

Journal of American Medical Association

Journal of American Oil Chemists Society

Biochem Biophys Acta

Journal of Nutrition and Cancer

New England Journal of Medicine

American Journal of Physiology

Immunology

Journal of Infectious Diseases

Journal of Leukocyte Biology

# **Research Support:**

#### Funded:

- 1) Nutrition, Aging, and Immune and Inflammatory Responses in Health and Disease, (CRIS) USDA contract #53-2K06-1, \$332,977, 10/1/00-Present, renewable annually, Simin N. Meydani, CRIS leader.
- 2) The Addition of Whole Grains to the Diets of Adults: A Study of Digestive Health and Natural Defenses, General Mills, \$761,946, 4/5/11-4/30/13, Simin Nikbin Meydani, Principal Investigator with Co-PI, Mohsen Meydani.
- 3) Calorie Restriction and Immune Response in Humans, NIH, \$1,001,100, 4/1/07-3/31/13, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 4) Effect of White Button Mushroom Supplementation on Resistance to *Salmonella* Infection, and Immune Response in an Animal Model, The Mushroom Council, \$218,861, 10/1/11-9/30/13, Simin Meydani, Co-Investigator.

- 5) FASEB SRC on Nutritional Immunology: Its effects on health and disease, NIH/NIDDK, \$23,500, 6/1/2011-5/31/2012, Simin Meydani, Principal Investigator with Co-PI Melinda Beck.
- 6) Effect of Olive Oil Supplementation on Immune and Inflammatory Responses of Elderly. Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas, \$246,473, 6/1/2010-10/14/2012. Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 7) Green Tea EGCG and T Cell Function in Autoimmune Inflammation. USDA, \$500,000, 12/1/09-11/30/12. Dayong Wu, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani, Co-Investigator
- 8) Hepcidin as a Link Between Iron Status and Immunity in Obesity A Caloric Restriction Study, Simin Meydani, Principal Investigator with Carlota Dao, Co-Investigator, HNRCA Pilot Study Grant Program \$9,349. 7/2010-7/2011
- 9) Effect of Dietary Supplementation with Wolfberry and Probiotics on Viral Infection. Nestle, \$755,462 9/1/2008-8/30/2011, Simin Nikbin Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 10) Age-related Changes in the Proteome and Lipodome of the Immunological Synapse, NIH, \$434,500, 7/1/07-6/30/11, Simin Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 11) Calorie Restriction and Immune Response in Humans, NIH, Supplement, 4/1/07-3/31/12, \$189, 570, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 12) Maternal Obesity and Offspring Immune Dysregulation. Tufts Medical Center Research Fund, \$50,000, 2/1/10-1/31/11, Simin N. Meydani, Co-investigator with Principal Investigator, Sarbattama Sen.
- 13) Aging, Vitamin E, and Immune Function in Aged, NIA, \$1,400,000, 09/30/2003-08/31/2008, (No cost extension in 2009-2010), Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 14) Oxidant Balance in Maternal Obesity. Natalie V. Zucker Foundation Grant for Women Scholars, \$5,000, 5/1/09-4/30/10, Simin N. Meydani, Co-Investigator with Principal Investigator, Sarbattama Sen.
- 15) Rapid Estimation of Influenza Vaccine Effectiveness in a Wisconsin Population Cohort, CDC, \$2,439,305, 6/1/2008-7/31/2011, Edward Belongia, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-I and PI of Tufts subcontract for nutrient analysis.
- 16) Boston OAIC: A Translational Approach to Function Promoting Anabolic Therapies, NIH, \$8,224,193, 4/12008-3/31/2013, Shalender Bhasin, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-I and Co-Director of Research Career Development Core and Pilot/Exploratory Studies Core.
- 17) Zinc Intervention in Nursing Home Elderly, (Pilot Study) \$61, 254, 4/1/08-3/31/09, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 18) Effect of Mushroom Supplementation on Resistance to Influenza Infection, Mushroom Council, \$104,339 direct cost, 10/08-4/10. Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 19) Phytonutrient Suppression of Wnt Signaling in Cancer, NCI, \$1,981,250, 12/1/03-11/30/08, Amy Yee, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator

- 20) Nutritional Immunology: Its Impact on Health and Disease, (R13) NIDDK, \$56,750, 6/1/07-8/30/07, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator with Pam Fraker as Co-Principal Investigator.
- 21) Aging: Mechanism and Prevention: 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of AGE, NIH, \$50,000., 5/1/06-7/31/06, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 22) Effect of Short Term Supplementation with Lactobacillus Acidophilus (LBA) LAFTI L10 on resistance to influenza infection in young and old mice, DSM, \$197,589, 2/1/06-1/31/07, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 23) The Effects of Vitamin E on Gene Expression in Murine Lymphocytes. BASF Aktiengesellschaft, 640,000, 2/1/06-1/31/07, Simin N. Meydani, Co-Principal Investigator.
- 24) Effect of Mushroom Supplementation on Innate Immune Response. Mushroom Council, \$60,000, 6/1/05-12/31/06, Dayong Wu, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 25) Vitamin E and Infection in the Elderly, NIA, \$1,750,261, 5/15/97-4/30/04, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 26) Vitamin E and Infection in the Elderly-Supplement, NIA, \$220,416, 6/15/01-4/30/04, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 27) Nutrition, Immunity & Health Status of Elderly Ecuadorians, Fogarty International Research Collaborative Award (FIRCA), \$145,200, 7/1/02-6/1/06, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 28) Mechanism of Autoantibody Formation in Human Aging, NIA, \$713,250, 7/1/01-6/3/04, David Stollar, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 29) Impact of Nutritional Status on Immune Function and Health Conference, NIH, \$28, 010, 7/5/03-7/10/03, Pamela J. Fraker, Simin N. Meydani Co-Chairs.
- 30) Cryptosporidiosis Among the Elderly in Massachusetts, Tufts University Ross Aging Initiative, \$8000, 6/1/01-5/30/02, Elena Naumova, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 31) Dietary Fat, Plasma Lipids and other CHD Risk Factors, NIH, \$1,532,220, 9/1/00-8/30/04. Alice H. Lichtenstein, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 32) Dietary Energy Restrictions and Metabolic Aging in Humans, NIH, \$7,571,404, 9/1/01-8/31/08, Susan B. Roberts, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 33) Vitamin A and Zinc-Prevention of Pneumonia (VAZPOP), NIH, \$2,636,243, 12/1/99-11/30/2004, Jeffrey K. Griffiths, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 34) Nutrition, Immunology, and Epidemiology of TB, NIH, \$1,598,489, 6/1/99-7/31/06, Wafaie Fawzi, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 35) Aging, Vitamin E, and Macrophage Cyclooxygenase Regulation, NIA, \$769,143, 7/1/98-3/30/03, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.

- 36) Nutrition and Oral Infectious Disease Workshop, NIH, \$40,000, 11/5/00-11/7/00, Dominick DePaola and Simin N. Meydani as Co-Chairs.
- 37) Characterization of the Gut-associated Immune Response of the elderly, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, \$35,000, 11/1/95-10/30/97, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 38) Effect of Dietary Vitamin E Supplementation on Young and Old Canine Immune Response and Oxidative Stress Status, The Iams Company, \$101,486, 1/1/97-12/30/99, Co- Principal Investigators, Mohsen Meydani and Simin N. Meydani.
- 39) Vitamin E and the Aging Immune Response, NIA, \$308,419, 4/1/94-3/30/97, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 40) Vitamin E Requirement of Elderly with High (n-3) PUFA Intake, NIA, \$428,434, Mohsen Meydani, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 41) Dietary energy Restriction and Metabolic Aging in Women, NIA, \$769,878, 12/1/94-11/30/97, Susan B. Roberts, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 42) Effect of Essence of Mushroom on Immune Response of the Aged, Windsor Health Products, \$67,654, 1/1/95-1/1/96, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 43) Conjugated Linoleic Acid and Immune Response in Aged Mice, National Dairy Council, \$99,986, 6/1/94-5/30/96, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 44) Molecular Mechanisms of Age and Vitamin E-induced Changes in Macrophage PGE<sub>2</sub> Production, USDA, \$128,000, 9/1/94-8/30/96, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 45) Nutrition and HIV Infection, PO1 NIH, \$4,292,055 (Biochemistry Core \$576,250), 7/1/94-6/30/99, Sherwood L. Gorbach, Principal Investigator, (B. Goldin, Biochemistry Core PI) with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator in Biochemistry Core.
- 46) Effect of Long Term  $\beta$ -carotene Supplementation on Immune Response, Hoffmann-La Roche, \$21,000, 1992-1993, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 47) Vitamin E Requirement of Elderly Consuming Fish-derived (n-3) Fatty Acids, USDA, \$129,000, 6/1/93-5/30/95, Mohsen Meydani, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 48) Effect of Dietary Omega 3 Fatty Acids on Plasma Lipoprotein Metabolism and Immune Function, Kraft General Foods, \$48,192, 12/23/91-11/2/92, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 49) Effect of Black Currant Seed Oil on Immune Response of Healthy Older Adults, Nestle Inc., \$195,000, 11/1/91-6/30/94, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 50) Effect of Lactobacillus GG on Immune Response of Young and Old Subjects, Vallio Dairies, \$50,000. Sherwood L. Gorbach, Principal Investigator with Simin N, Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 51) Effects of Dietary Fats On Lipoprotein Metabolism, NIH, \$382,194, 1/7/90-6/30/95, Ernst Schaefer, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.

- 52) Dietary Fat And Immune Response, CPC, Inc. and Lever Brothers, Inc., \$70,000, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 53) Diet, Estrogen and Breast Cancer, NCI, \$1,598,717, 7/1/90- 6/30/95, Sherwood L. Gorbach, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Consultant for prostaglandin analysis.
- 54) The Effect of Long-Term Vitamin E Supplementation on Immune Function and Blood Clotting in Healthy Older Adults, Hoffmann-La Roche, \$160,000, 1/1/91-6/30/94, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 55) Vitamin E and the Aging Immune Response, NIA, \$244,525, 1/4/90-3/31/94, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 56) Nutrition, Aging, and Immune Response, USDA CRIS Contract; renewable annually, first Year: \$116,477, last Year: \$476,000, 10/1/92-9/30/00, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 57) The Effect of Long-term Natural Vitamin E Supplementation on Lipid Peroxidation Events, Immune Function and Drug Metabolism in Young and Elderly Subjects, Henkel Corporation, \$90,000, 9/1/89-8/30/91, Mohsen Meydani, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 58) Effect of Dietary Fats (w3 and w6 Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids) on Cell-Mediated Immune Response of Mice, NIH Tufts Biomedical Research Support, \$4,471, 4/1/89 –3/31/90, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 59) Effect of Vitamin E on Exercise Induced Lipid Peroxidation, Hoffmann-La Roche Research, \$40,000, 1/1/86-1/1/88, Jeffrey B. Blumberg, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator.
- 60) Effect of Dietary Fats on Lipoprotein Metabolism, NIH, \$400,000 (\$52,000 Subcontract to S. Meydani), 7/1/87 6/30/90, Ernest J. Schaefer, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Co-Investigator responsible for immunological assessment and prostanoid metabolism.
- 61) Diet, Estrogen and Breast Cancer, NCI, \$1,048,807, 7/1/86-6/30/90, Sherwood L. Gorbach, Principal Investigator with Simin N. Meydani as Consultant to project for prostaglandin analysis.
- 62) Role of Oxidative Metabolites of Macrophages in Vitamin E Induced Enhancement of Aging Immune Response, NIH Tufts Biomedical Research Support, \$5,597, 4/1/87-3/31/88, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 63) Effect of Dietary Fat (Fish Oil And Corn Oil) and Vitamin E on Natural Killer Cell Activity and PGE<sub>2</sub> Synthesis, NIH Tufts Biomedical Research Support, \$5,331, 4/01/86-3/31/87, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 64) Effect of Vitamin E Supplementation on Immune Response of Elderly, Hoffmann-La Roche, \$50,000, 1/1/85-10/17/86, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.
- 65) Nutrition, Aging And Immune Response, NIA, \$112,500, 4/1/84-4/1/87, Simin N. Meydani, Principal Investigator.

#### Pending:

1) Effect of Age and Weight Loss on Inflammation and Iron Homeostasis in Obese Women. NIA, \$444,387, 09/1/2012-08/31/2014. Simin Nikbin Meydani, Principal Investigator.

# Other fundraising activities:

In addition to securing funds for my research, I have successfully raised funds in support of professional meetings, symposiums, and for the Nutritional Immunology Research Interest Section of the American Society of Nutritional Sciences (ASNS) from Federal, industry and foundations. In each case, the funds collected exceeded our original goal and were used for support of similar activities in subsequent years or by the organization for other purposes.

# **Patents:**

# Approved:

Immune stimulating dietary supplement and method of use thereof. US Patent No. 6,642,259, issued November 4, 2003

#### Pending:

Modifying cyclooxygenase and nitric oxide synthetase pathways using oat-derived phenolic compositions

#### Teaching:

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1989-Present "Nutritional Impact on the Immune System and Related Diseases," Friedman School of

Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University, offered every other year.

#### **Lectures:**

2006-	Present	"Human Subj	ects and	Conflict o	f Interest."	In: Immunol	ogy Ethics	Course Tufts

University Sackler School of Biomedical Sciences, offered yearly.

2005 "Antioxidants in immune function." In: Dietary Antioxidants and Degenerative

Diseases. Friedman School of Nutrition and Science Policy.

2004 "Nutrition and Infectious Diseases." In: Immunology of Diseases, Tufts University

Sackler School of Biomedical Sciences.

2003 "Should the Vitamin E Recommended Daily Allowance for the Elderly Be Increased"

Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University

2000-Present "Appropriating the Ideas of Others" In: Immunology Ethics Course,

Tufts University Sackler School of Biomedical Sciences, offered yearly

1989-Present "Essential Fatty Acids and Prostaglandins" In: Nutritional Biochemistry

Course, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts

University, offered yearly

2000-Present "Nutrition and Immune response" In: Nutritional Problems in

Developing Countries, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston,

Massachusetts, offered yearly

1999 "Vitamin E" In: Nutritional Biochemistry, Friedman School of

Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University

1990-Present "Antioxidants and Immune Function" In: Dietary Antioxidants and

Degenerative Diseases, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at

Tufts University, offered every other year

1989-Present "Essential Fatty Acids and Prostaglandins" In: Nutritional Biochemistry

Course, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts

University, offered every year

1996 "Aging, Nutrition, and Immune Function," In: Clinical Nutrition in

	Aging and Disease Course, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and
	Policy at Tufts University
1994	"AIDS, Immune Response, and Nutrition" In: Principles and Practice of
	Clinical Nutrition, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at
	Tufts University
1993	"Nutrition and Immune Function" In: Nutritional Approach to Disease
	Prevention and Treatment, a case-based course in nutritional medicine,
	Tufts School of Medicine and Harvard School of Medicine
1992	"Zinc and Immune Function in Elderly" In: Health Claims for Foods: Case
	Studies on the Nutrition Science/Public Policy Interface, Friedman School
	of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1989	"Aging, Nutrition, and Immune Function" In: Nutrition and Aging
	Course, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts
	University
1991	"Interrelationship between Nutrition and Infection" In: Clinical Nutrition,
	Graduate Program, School of Dentistry, Tufts University
1988	"Selenium and Platelet Aggregation" In: Nutritional Biochemistry and
	Physiology, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts
	University
1987	"Nutrition and Immunity" In: Graduate Nutrition Course, School of Dental
	Medicine, Tufts University
	"Essential Fatty Acids and Prostaglandins" In: Advanced Nutrition, School
	of Public Health, Harvard University
1980	"Prostaglandins" In: Advanced Nutrition, Iowa State University
1979	"Diet and Disease," Colorado State University
	"Experimental Animal Laboratory for Nutritional Studies," Colorado State
	University

# **Teaching: Advising**

2011-Present Sally Vanegas, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts 2010-Present Mitra Rozati, MD, U Mass Lowell, Department of Molecular Biology/Biotechnology 2009 Jennifer Felsted, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Directed Study in Nutritional Immunology Laboratory 2008-Present Maria Carlota Dao Saldivia, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
2009 Jennifer Felsted, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Directed Study in Nutritional Immunology Laboratory 2008-Present Maria Carlota Dao Saldivia, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts
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2003-2009 Mario Flores, MD, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
2003-2008 Sarah Belisle, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
2001-2006 Melissa Marko, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
2001-2003 Shaun Rodriguez, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University,
Academic advisor
1999-2006 Raina Gay, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1997-2003 Heekyung Chung, Friedman School of Nutrition Science, and Policy at Tufts University
1997- 2000 Catarina Sacristan, Immunology Program, Sackler School of Biomedical Sciences, Tufts
University
1996-2001 Oskar Adolfsson, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1994-1995 Zheng Wang, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1994-1999 Sung Nim Han, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1991-1995 Michelle Santos, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1990-1995 Laura Rall, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University
1984-1993 Alice Shapiro, Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University

#### Ph.D. Thesis Committee Member:

I am currently or have been a member of Ph.D. Thesis Committees for the following students from the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy:

Vincent Tang, Munkyong Pae, Jiyoung Kim, Heather Mernitz, Chung-Yin Huang, Mei Xiu, Elaine Larson, Gaston Bathalon, Dr. Lisa Freeman, J. Eric Triau, and from Wageningen University: Judith Graat.

# Ph. D. Qualifying Exam:

I have served on several Ph.D. qualifying exams.

The most recent (2004-Present) are listed: Yu-Lin Kuang, Nicholas Sylvain, Nicole Rogers Others:

2004-2006 Member of Internship Advisory Committee, Cynthia Castillo

# <u>Postdoctoral Fellows & Visiting and Junior Scientists:</u>

2011-12	Advisor, Visiting Scholar, Sang Han Lee, PhD, Principal Research Scientist, Department of
	Food Science and Biotechnology, Kyungpook National University.

	Food Science and Biotechnology, Kyungpook National University,
2011-Present	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow,, Xiaogang Du, PhD, Republic of China
2010-11	Advisor, Scientist III, Alberto Acevedo-Molano, PhD
2009- Present	Mentor, Rimi Sen, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics, Tufts University
	Medical School
2008-2010	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Zhaofeng Huang, Ph.D.
2007	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Hoan-Jen Eunice Pang, PhD
2006-2007	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Melissa Marko, Ph.D.
2005-Present	Angelo Azzi, PhD, Visiting Scientist,
2005-2011	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Zhihong Ren
2004-2005	Advisor, Scientist III, Xuelin Cui, PhD
2003-Present	Co-Advisor, Ellison Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow, Bertha Estrella, MD
2003	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Heekyung Chung, PhD
2002-2003	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Raina Gay, Ph.D.
2003-2005	Advisor, Ellison Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow, Tanvir Ahmed, MD
2001-2002	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Sung Nim Han, PhD
2001-2002	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Oskar Adolfsson, PhD

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2002-2003	Advisor, Postdoctoral Associate, Raina Gay, Ph.D.
2003-2005	Advisor, Ellison Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow, Tanvir Ahmed, MD
2001-2002	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Sung Nim Han, PhD
2001-2002	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Oskar Adolfsson, PhD
1999-2001	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Kate J. Claycombe, PhD
1997-1998	Advisor, Visiting Scientist, Woel Kyu Ha, Ph.D., Maeil Dairy, Seoul, South Korea.
1997-1998	Advisor, Visiting Scientist, Mauro Serafini, Ph.D., Istituto della Nutrizione, Rome, Italy.
1990-1995	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Dayong Wu, M.D., Ph.D.
1991-1995	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Michael Hayek, Ph.D.
1988-1990	Advisor, Postdoctoral Fellow, Mehrdad Farhang Mehr, D.V.M.
1984	Advisor, Visiting Scientist, Tadayasu Furukawa, Ph.D., Kyowa Hakko Kogyo Food

Company, Japan

Advisor, Visiting Scientist, Wen-Huey Wu, M.S., Cheng Shan Medical and Dental

College Trichung Trivon

College, Taichung, Taiwan

#### <u>Interns:</u>

2006 American Clinical Nutrition Society, Medical Student Summer Intern,

Isabella Martin, University of Vermont College of Medicine

2005 American Clinical Nutrition Society, Medical Student Summer Intern,

Candice Rose, Kansas State University

# **Training Grants**

Research Training Program in Nutrition and Chronic Disease PI-Andrew Greenberg

Doctoral Program in Human Nutrition and Metabolism PI-Joel Mason

Post-Baccalaureate Research Education Program (PREP) PI-Henry Wortis

Tufts Global Health Research Training Program for Postdoctoral Fellows PIs-Joyce Sackey, Christine Wanke, Honorine Ward, and Jeff Griffiths.

#### **International and National Invited Presentations:**

2012 "Nutrition Policies for Healthy Aging." WHO Panel Discussion at United Nation, NY, NY

2011 "Reviving the Ageing Immune Response - Are all Antioxidants equal?" Gerontological Society of America, Boston, Massachusetts

"Nutrition and Immunity." Association of Nutrition Departments and Programs (ANDP) and the Council of Food Science Administrators (CFSA) Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania

"Nutrition, Aging, and Immune Response," Cell Signaling Cell Signaling Networks (CSN) Conference 2011, Mérida, Mexico

"Nutrition, immunity, inflammation, and infectious diseases: a translational approach." Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa (Award recipient presentation for the Helen LeBaron Alumni Award)

"Vitamin E, signalosomes and gene expression in T cells." FASEB Summer Research Conference, Nutritional Immunology: Role in Health and Disease. Carefree, Arizona

"Impact of lacto-wolfberry and probiotic supplementation on influenza infection: a collaborative project between Tufts and Nestlé." and "Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging 5 year strategic plan: Meeting public health challenges of nutrition and aging." Nestlé Research Center, Lausanne, Switzerland

"Immunity and aging." 5th International Workshop on Immunonutrition." Puerto Vallarta, Mexico

2010 "Nutrition, Immunity and Elderly." 2010 American Dietetic Association Food and Nutrition Conference & Expo, Boston, Massachusetts

"Nutrition and age-associated inflammation: implication for disease prevention." NIA/NIH Inflammation and Aging Workshop. Bethesda, Maryland

"Nutrition and double burden of diseases in elderly in less developed countries." Nutrition and Global Health 12th Annual Postgraduate Nutrition Symposium. Boston, Massachusetts

"Nutritional modulation of T cell function in the aged" and "Aging and adipose tissue inflammation: role of nutrition." American Aging Association 39th Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon

Micronutrients and respiratory infections in the elderly. Micronutrients and Respiratory Infections Workshop, Bethesda, Maryland

"No one is immune from nutrition: an exploration of the relationship between nutrition, immunity and infection." Beals Lecture, University of Massachusetts and ADA, Northampton, Massachusetts

"Using nutrition to protect from infectious diseases" and "Nutrition, immunity and infectious diseases: a transitional approach." Jean Andrews Centennial Visiting Professorship, University of Texas Austin, Texas

"Nutrition and age-associated inflammation: implication for disease prevention." Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University, Seminar Series, Boston MA

2009 "Nutrition and age-associated inflammation: implication for disease prevention." American Dietetic Association (ADA) 2009 Food and Nutrition Conference and Expo, Denver Colorado

"Immune status of aging populations and methods of modulating susceptibility." Institute of Medicine (IOM) of the National Academies, Washington DC

"Vitamin E and immunocompetence in aged." 3rd International Immunonutrition Workshop, Girona, Spain

"Antioxidants and immune response: molecular mechanisms and clinical implications." NIH Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) 2009 Fall Seminar Series, Rockville, Maryland

"Vitamin E, macrophage inflammatory response and risk of infections." 6th annual American Geriatric Society (AGS) Bedside-to-Bench Conference, Bethesda, Maryland

"Protective nutrients including prebiotics in elderly." Harvard Medical School and Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts

"Optimizing vaccine response in elderly through nutritional modification." Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

"Nutrition and infectious diseases: a transitional approach." Stonybrook University Medical Center, Stonybrook, New York

2008 "Immune function as a biological marker to assess micronutrient status." Gates Foundation Micronutrient Assessment Meeting, Seattle, Washington

"Antioxidants and immunocomptence." First International Congress on Nutrition and Cancer. Antalya, Turkey

"Probiotics, immune function and infectious diseases in aging." 2008 American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting, Washington DC

"Pneumonia in nursing home elderly-novel risk factors." Hebrew Rehabilitation Center, Boston, Massachusetts

"How can nutrition and supplements affect the inflammatory response in healthy elderly?" 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference on Nutrition and Supplements: an evidence-based approach. Irvine, California

"Nutrition and age-associated inflammation: implications for disease prevention." A.S.P.E.N. Clinical Nutrition Week 2008, Chicago, Illinois

2007 "Nutrition, immune response and infectious diseases in the aged, American Association of Veterinary Immunologists, Chicago, Illinois

"Age-associated immune and inflammatory dysregulation: modification by nutritional intervention. Pennington Biomedical Research Center Scientific Symposium, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"Zinc, selenium and vitamin E." Danone Vitapole Workshop, Palaiseau, France

"Molecular mechanisms and clinical implications of the age associated changes in the immune response: can they be modified by nutritional interventions?" 2<sup>nd</sup> Congress of Molecular Medicine. Istanbul, Turkey

"Immunity, ageing and nutrition." 2<sup>nd</sup> International Vitagora Health and Nutrition Congress, Dijon, France

"A road less traveled: personal reflections on three decades of Nutritional Immunology, Nutritional Immunology: its role in health and disease," FASEB Summer Research Conference, Tucson, Arizona

"Antioxidant status, stress and immunocompetence." International Life Sciences Institute (ILSI) Symposium at Experimental Biology 2007, Washington, DC

"Vitamin E and immune response: molecular mechanisms and clinical implications." Who we are and what we ear: the role of metabolomics and nutrigenomics in creating healthier foods and healthier lives. University of North Carolina, Greensboro, North Carolina

"Molecular mechanisms and clinical implications of the age associated changes in the immune response: Can they be modified by nutritional interventions?" Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts

"Aging, nutrition and infectious diseases: molecular mechanisms and clinical implications". Tufts New England Medical Center, Division of Geographic Medicine and Infectious Disease, Boston, Massachusetts

2006 "Micronutrients and immune health." 2006 Wyeth Consumer Healthcare Global Nutrition Advisory Board. Ottawa, Canada

"T cell receptor proximal effects of vitamin e (e) in old mice: reversal of age-associated decrease in effective immune synapse formation and phosphorylation of early signaling proteins in t cells." 13<sup>th</sup> Biennial Congress of the International Society for Free Radical Research, Davos, Switzerland

"Immunity, inflammation and dietary intervention." Living Well to 100: Tufts Care Institute. Boston, Massachusetts

"Molecular mechanisms and clinical implications of the age associated changes in immune response: can they be modified by nutritional interventions?" Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences Seminar, University of Kentucky. Lexington, Kentucky.

"Probiotics, immune function and infectious diseases." American College of Nutrition  $47^{th}$  Annual Meeting. Reno, Nevada

"Novel approaches/new uses of probiotics." First International Drug Information Association (DIA) Workshop, College Park, Maryland

"Antioxidants, immune response & infectious diseases in the aged." 4th Nathan W. Shock Aging Symposium, Towson, Maryland

"Can probiotics help elderly patients?" 2006 American Academy of Family Physicians, Washington, DC

"Questions and quandaries about Vitamin E." Friedman School Symposium, Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts

"Vitamin E and respiratory infection in elderly" Marshfield Clinic Research Foundation Scientific Seminar Series, Marshfield, Wisconsin

"Molecular mechanisms and clinical implications of the age associated changes in the immune response: Can they be modified by nutritional interventions?" Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts

"Vitamin E supplementation: beneficial or harmful?" IN: Controversy Session: Vitamin E research: controversies between basic research and clinical trials. Experimental Biology 2006, San Francisco, California

"Age-associated immune and inflammatory changes: role of nutrition intervention. Novartis Clinical Nutrition Week, Dallas, Texas

2005 "Vitamin E and Respiratory Infections in the Elderly." Oxidants and Antioxidants in Biology (Oxygen Club of California and University of Turin), Alba, Italy

"Aging, Immunosenescence and Related Diseases in the Elderly." 2005 Healthy Ageing Workshop, Nestle Research Center, Lausanne, Switzerland

"T cell receptor proximal effect of vitamin E in old mice: reversal of age-associated decrease in effective immune synapse formation," Signaling Defects in Aging Immune Cells Workshop, Potomac, Maryland

"Nutrition, Immunity and Infectious Diseases in the Elderly: an Emerging Public Health Problem in Less Developed Countries," HNRCA at Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts

"Essential fatty acids and immune function." Centennial: Celebrating 100 years of the College of Human Sciences. Tallahassee, Florida

"Is antioxidant supplementation beneficial for elderly?" Longwood Nutrition Seminar, Boston Massachusetts

"Antioxidants and Inflammatory Mediators in the Aged. 2005 Conference on Aging: Mechanisms and Prevention, Oakland, California

"Influences of Nutrition on Immune Function in the Elderly," 12<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Functional Medicine, Palm Springs, California

"Vitamin E and Respiratory Infections," Diet and Optimum Health, Linus Pauling Institute, Portland, Oregon

"Vitamin E, Nutritional Status, and Infectious Diseases in Nursing Home Residents," First International Conference on Nutritional Needs of Elderly People in Long-term Care, Washington DC

"Nutritional Modulation of the Immune Response in the Aged: Molecular Mechanisms and Clinical Implications." University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois

"Are Fat-Soluble Vitamins Effective in Enhancing Tumoricidal Cell Activity?" NCI Immunonutrition Workshop, Bethesda, Maryland

"Antioxidant, Immune Function and Infectious Diseases in the Elderly." Texas A & M University Graduate Nutrition Seminar, College Station, Texas

2004 "Scientific Basis for use of Immune Function as a Biomarker to Assess the Benefits of Probiotics." 3rd Danone International Probiotics Convention, Paris, France

"Ageing and Immune Function." 26th ESPEN Congress, Lisbon, Portugal

"Vitamin E and Respiratory Infection." Council for Responsible Nutrition, Landsdowne, Virginia

"Aging and Immunity." Trudeau Institute of Immunology, Saranac Lake, New York

"Immune System Optimization." U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine, Natick, Massachusetts

"Vitamin E and Prevention of Respiratory Infections in the Elderly," New York Academy of Science conference on Vitamin E and Health, Boston, Massachusetts

"The Role of Nutrition in Improving Immunity and Resistance to Disease," Tufts University Campus Visit Program, Boston, Massachusetts

"Nutrition and Immunity." International Life Sciences Institute Annual Conference, Washington, DC

"Nutrition and Infection in the Aged." Office of Dietary Supplement, Washington, DC

2003 "Nutrition and Infection in Elderly". Wageningen University, Wageningen, The Netherlands

"Aging, Immune Response, and Infectious Disease: Molecular Mechanisms and Reversal by Nutrient Intervention." ARS Immunology Research Workshop, Washington, DC

"Should the Vitamin E RDA for Elderly be Increased?" Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Boston, Massachusetts

"Molecular mechanism of antioxidant-induced immune enhancement in the aged." 2003 FASEB Summer Research Conference, Saxtons River, Vermont

"Vitamin E and Respiratory Infection in Elderly." JMUSDA-HNRCA at Tufts University, Boston, Massachusetts

"Age-related Immune Dysregulation: Molecular Mechanisms and Reversal by Antioxidant Nutrient Intervention" American Aging Association 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland

"Molecular Mechanisms of Vitamin E-induced Enhancement of Immune Response in the Aged." University of Medicine and Dentistry at New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine. Stratford, New Jersey

"Age-related Immune Dysregulation: Molecular mechanisms and Reversal by Nutrient Intervention." Pennington Biomedical Research Center, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

"Is the Vitamin E RDA for Older Adults Set Too Low?" In Symposium: Controversies in Dietary Reference Intake, Experimental Biology 2003, San Diego

"Nutrition and Infection in the aged." Symposium: Nutrition, Host Defense, and Infectious Disease, Experimental Biology 2003, San Diego

2002 "Vitamin E and the Immune Response." Oxygen Club of California 2002 World Congress, Santa Barbara, California. Cadiz, Spain

"Immunonutrition." (Keynote lecture), Joint Nutrition Symposium, [European Society College of Veterinary and Comparative Nutrition; American College of Veterinary Nutrition; Comparative Nutrition Society; European Zoo Nutrition Research Group.] Antwerp, Belgium

"Nutrition and Immune Response in the Aged." Grand Rounds, Angell Memorial Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts

"Nutrition and Immune Function in the Aged. "Grand Rounds: Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition." Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois

"Nutrition and Immunity in the Aged: a Mechanistic Approach." International Conference on Immunology and Aging, Washington, DC

"Vitamin E and Immune Response in the Aged." American College of Veterinary Medicine Convention, Nashville, Tennessee

"Nutrition to Preserve the Immune System in the Elderly." 1st Asia Pacific Conference & Exhibition on Anti-Aging Medicine, Raffles City, Singapore

"Micronutrients Deficiencies in the First Months of Life." 52<sup>nd</sup> Nestles Nutrition Workshop Dubai, United Arab Emirates

"Substantiation of Markers of Immune Function and their Links to Diet." International Life Sciences Institute conference on Functional Foods for Health, EB 2002, New Orleans, Louisiana.

"Vitamin E and Immune Function During Aging." USDA/Beltsville Human Nutrition Research Center, Beltsville, Maryland.

"Vitamin E and the Immune Response." Oxygen Club of California World Congress, Santa Barbara, California.

2001 "Immunity (Prevention of Infection and Cancer)." 6<sup>th</sup> Nestle Nutrition Workshop Nutrition and Aging, Seville, Spain.

"Scientific Basis for Nutritional Supplements for the Elderly." 17th International Congress of Nutrition, Vienna, Austria.

"Nutrition and Immune Function: Clinical Implications and Molecular Mechanisms." American College of Nutrition Grace Goldsmith Award Lecture, Orlando, Florida.

"Effects of Aging on the Immune System." Tufts Animal Expo 2001 Veterinarian Session, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Vitamin E and Immune Function: Molecular Mechanisms and Clinical Implications." 13th Annual G. Malcolm Trout Visiting Scholar Lecture, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.

"Nutrients as Regulators of the Immune System." Co-organizer of Symposium, Experimental Biology, Orlando, Florida.

"Nutrition, Aging and Immune Function." HNRCA Seminar Series, Boston, Massachusetts. Live videoconference to Pennsylvania State University and Cornell University.

2000 "Ageing and Immunity." Nutrition for Optimal Health: Relevance and Riddles. CSIRO Health Sciences and Nutrition, Adelaide, Australia.

"Can Functional Foods Be Used to Improve Immune Response in the Aged?" Functional Foods 2000, The Hague, The Netherlands.

"Nutrition and Oral Infectious Disease Workshop." The Forsyth Institute, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Nutrition and Immune Function in the Elderly." AOA 105th Annual Convention Scientific Seminar, Orlando, Florida.

"International Life Sciences Institute North American Technical Committee on Food Components for Health Promotion." International Life Sciences Institute, Washington, DC.

"Nutrition and Immunity: Role of Vitamin E, Vitamin C, and Zinc." The American Dietetic Association (ADA), Denver, Colorado.

"Dietary Modulation of the Aged Immune System." American Aging Association Symposium, In: Dietary Interventions in Aging and Age-Associated Diseases." Boston, Massachusetts.

"Overview of Impact of Nutrition on Immune Function." Workshop on Macronutrients and Immune Function, National Academies-Institute of Medicine, Washington, DC.

"Antioxidants and Diseases of Elderly Persons: Antioxidants and Immune Function." AGS/AFAR Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tennessee.

"Tocopherol Modulation of Cyclooxygenase Activity: Implications for Inflammatory Cell Function." Experimental Biology 2000 Symposium: Molecular Mechanisms of Protective Effects of Vitamin E in Atherosclerosis, San Diego, California.

"Antioxidant Vitamins and Immune Function." Linus Pauling Institute, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon.

"Dietary Fatty Acids and the Immune Response Function." 23<sup>rd</sup> World Congress, International Society for Fat Research, Brighton, England.

"Vitamin E, Immune Response, and Infectious Diseases in the Elderly." 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Nutrition and Aging, International Life Sciences Institute, Tokyo, Japan.

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"The Effect of Vitamin Deficiencies and Supplementation on Infection and the Immune Response." 45th Nestle Nutrition Workshop, Bangkok, Thailand.

"Nutrition and Immune Function in the Elderly." Nestle Consultative Committee on Nutrition, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Facility for Testing Interventions to Promote Healthy Aging." NIA, San Antonio, Texas.

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1998 "Dietary Interventions which alter Immune Function in the Elderly." Nutritional Immunology Symposium, Harrogate, England.

"Lipid Supplementation and Immunity in the Elderly." 3<sup>rd</sup> Congress of the International Society for the Study of Fatty Acids and Lipids (ISSFAL), Lyon, France.

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"Vitamin E, Immune Response, and Resistance to Disease." The Synergy of Diversity Symposium, Tallahassee, Florida.

"Antioxidants and Immune Function." FASEB Summer Research Conference, Copper Mountain, Colorado.

"Vitamin E and Immune Response in Aged Dogs." Iams International Nutrition Symposium, San Francisco, California.

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"Lipids and Immune Response." British Biochemical Society, Brighton, England.

"Vitamin E and Immune Response." European Nutrition Society Meeting, Nice, France.

"Vitamin E, Immune Response, and Infectious Diseases in the Aged." International Symposium on Vitamin E, Kyoto, Japan.

"Vitamin E, Antioxidants, and Immunity." Department of Nutrition, School of Medicine, University of Tokushima, Tokushima, Japan.

"Vitamin E and Aging." Small Animal Internal Medicine Program Committee Forum (sponsors: University of Pennsylvania and The Iams Company) Orlando, Florida.

"Recent Developments in Vitamin E and Immune Response." Nutrition and Immunity, International Life Sciences Institute, Atlanta, Georgia.

"Antioxidant Modulation of the Immune Response in the Aged." VIII Biennial Scientific Meeting of the International Society for Free Radical Research, Barcelona, Spain.

"Vitamin E, Antioxidants, and Immunity." Nutritional Seminar, Nutrition Sciences Program, College of Agriculture, University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, Champaign-Urbana, Illinois.

"Antioxidants and Disease Prevention." Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, Boston, Massachusetts.

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"Molecular Mechanisms and Health Effects of Vitamin E," Experimental Biology '96, Washington, DC.

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"Antioxidant Nutrients and the Immune Response." Seventh European Nutrition Conference, Vienna, Austria.

"Antioxidant and Aging Immune Response." Nutrition Department, University of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois.

"Nutrition, Aging and Host Defense." 1994 Work Group Meeting: Improving the Performance of Vaccines in Older Adults, Washington DC.

"Nutrient Modulation of Immune Response in Aged." Fifteenth Ross Research Conference on Medical Issues, Sanibel Island Florida.

"Vitamin E and the Aging Immune Response." American College for Advancement in Medicine Convention, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"Vitamin E Enhancement of T Cell-Mediated Function in Aged Mice and Humans." Tufts University School of Medicine, Immunology Department, Boston, Massachusetts.

"The Effect of Gamma Linolenic Acid on Cytokine Production and the Immune Response." American Oil Chemists' Society, San Antonio, Texas.

"The Influence of Vitamin E and B<sub>6</sub> on Immune Response." Annual Meeting of New York State Dietetic Association, New York, New York.

"Antioxidants and Aging Immune Response." 1995 FASEB Summer Research Conference: Antioxidant Nutrients in the Cellular Biology of Health and Disease, Saxtons River, Vermont.

"Nutrition and Aging Immune Function." Adjuvant Nutrition & Chronic Diseases: Preventative and Therapeutic Effects Meeting, sponsored by Canadian Hospital Association, Canada.

"Dietary Lipids, Antioxidants and the Immune Response." British Biochemical Society Symposium

"Lipids in Immune Function and Inflammatory Disorders," University of Sussex, Brighton, England.

"Nutrition and Immunity." The 4th International Expert Forum on Immunology, Oslo, Norway.

"Immune Responses: Overview of Present Evidence." Second International Conference Antioxidant Vitamins and Beta-Carotene in Disease Prevention, International Congress Center, Berlin, Germany.

"Antioxidant Nutrition and Immune Function." Annual meeting of the American Aging Association, Washington D.C.

"Vitamin E Enhancement of T Cell Mediated Function in the Healthy Elderly: Mechanism of Action." University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

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"Antioxidants in Aging." 10th Annual Nutrition and Aging Symposium," Little Rock, Arkansas.

"Nutrients as Immune System Modulators." Adjuvant Nutrition in Cancer Treatment Symposium, San Diego, California.

"Vitamin E." Chair, Minisymposium, Annual FASEB meeting, Anaheim, California.

1993 "Effect of (N-3) Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids on Cytokine Production: Clinical Implications." McMaster University, Ontario, Canada.

"Antioxidant Modulation of Immune Response in the Elderly." McMaster University, Ontario, Canada.

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"Lipids" and "Antioxidants." Nutrition and Immunology Course, Janeway Child Health Centre, St John's, Newfoundland, Canada.

"Health Effects of Vitamin E." Betacaroteno y Asociaciones Antioxidantes Profilaxis de la Oxidacion Celular Meeting, School of Pharmacology and Medicine, University of Central Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela.

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"Health Protective Effects of Vitamin E." Natural Protectants Against Natural Toxicants Symposium, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. Live videoconference to several off site locations.

Organizer and speaker at the "Workshop on Nutrition, Aging and the Immune Response" sponsored by the Foundation for Nutritional Advancement, Boston, Massachusetts.

"n-3 PUFA and the Immune Response." Plenary Lecture, 32nd International Conference on Biochemistry of Lipids, Granada, Spain.

"Antioxidant Status and Aging Immune Response." Free Radicals and Aging Meeting, Paris, France.

"Influence of Vitamin E and B<sub>6</sub> on Immune Response." New York Academy of Sciences Meeting, Arlington, Virginia.

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"Nutrition and Aging Immune Response." Current Issues in Nutrition Symposium, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa.

"Antioxidants and Aging Immune Response." NIA workshop, Free Radicals in Aging, Berkeley, California.

"Dietary Lipids, Eicosanoid and the Immune Response." Chair, Minisymposium, Annual FASEB meeting, Los Angeles, California.

"Effects of Dietary Fatty Acids on Immune Function." Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"Vitamin E and the Immune Response." FASEB summer research conference, Saxtons River, Vermont.

"Nutrition and Immunology." Hyperalimentation: a Practical Approach. New England Deaconess Hospital and Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts.

"Dietary Antioxidant Modulation of the Immune Response in the Aged." Annual Meeting of the American Aging Association, San Francisco, California.

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"The Role of Dietary Factors on Immune Function during Aging." Bristol-Myers Squibb Company, Mead Johnson Research Center, Evansville, Indiana.

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"Dietary Modulation of Cytokines." US-Japan Malnutrition Panel's Session on Dietary Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids and Eicosanoids, Beltsville, Maryland.

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"Antioxidants and the Immune Response." Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts.

1990 "Dietary Modulation of the Aging Immune Response." Universita Scienze Farmacologiche, Milan, Italy.

"Effect of Vitamin E on Immune Response of the Aged." Tehran University, Tehran, Iran.

"Diet, Immunity and Infectious Disease." Tehran University, Tehran, Iran.

"Role of Dietary Factors on the Immune Response of Elderly." Nutrition Research Seminar Series, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mississippi.

"Influence of Dietary Fatty Acids on Eicosanoids and the Immune Response."" Short Course on Health Effects of Dietary Fatty Acids, American Oil Chemists' Society, Baltimore, Maryland.

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"Nutritional Modulation of the Immune Response in the Aged." Annual Meeting of the American Aging Association, New York, New York.

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"Nutrition and Aging Immune System." Campbell Soup Workshop on Nutrition and the Immune Response, Camden, New Jersey.

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- "Vitamin E and the Immune Response." Vitamin E Symposium, Colorado Spring, Colorado.
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