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**Education:** AB Goucher College 1948 (Honors; Phi Beta Kappa)

MS Northwestern University 1950 Ph.D. Northwestern University 1953

**Honors:** Doctor of Science, Goucher College 1982

Williams Distinguished Service Award - Endocrine Society 1985

Northwestern University Alumnae Award 1987 American Academy of Arts and Science 1992

Carl Hartman Research Award - Society for the Study of Reproduction 1992

Northwestern Alumni Excellence in Teaching Award 1995 Women in Endocrinology Mentor of the Year Award 1997 Distinguished Educator Award - Endocrine Society 1998

AAAS Lifetime Mentor Award 2003

Northwestern School of Medicine Alumni Merit Award 2004

Pioneer In Reproductive Research Award 2007

Author of over 200 articles, chapters and books

Field of Research - reproductive neuroendocrinology focused on:

regulation of the reproductive cycle;

the relation between the brain, pituitary gland and the gonads;

stress and reproduction

**Research Support** - National Institute of Child Health and Development

**Offices held**: President, Association of Women in Science 1971-73

President, Society for the Study of Reproduction 1977-78

President, Endocrine Society 1982-83

Acting Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Northwestern 1996-97

Current Board Membership: Lincoln Park Zoo Medical Advisory Board, Chicago

Visiting Committee: Goucher College, Baltimore MD Ext Advisory Committee: UMB BIRCWH, Baltimore MD

## Selected recent articles -

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Foeking, E.M., Szabo,M, Schwartz, N.B. and Levine, J.E. (2005) Neuroendocrine consequences of prenatal androgen exposure in the female rat: absence of Luteinizing Hormone (LH) surges, suppression of progesterone receptor gene expression, and acceleration of the gonadotropin-releasing hormone pulse generator. Biol Reprod 72:1475-1483.

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