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Areas of Interest:
The effect of diet on bone and body composition and designing interventions for obesity prevention in infants



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Molecular nutrition; Protein-lipid interactions; Gene-nutrient



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Community-based nutrition programs; dietary self regulation, eating patterns and outcomes; food insecurity; underserved populations



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Medical Nutrition Therapy/Nutrition Care Process/Nutrition Diagnosis



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Areas of Interest:
Pediatric Nutrition and leadership



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Areas of Interest:

The contribution of nutrition to comorbidities, including HIV, obesity, diabetes, liver disease, kidney disease, and SARS-CoV-2 infection. Association of nutritional status and food insecurity with mental health and with immune status.



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Areas of Interest:

Zinc transporters, autophagy, and nutrigenomics.



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Areas of Interest:

Gut microbiome, diet, cardiometabolic risk factors, and health disparities.



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Areas of Interest:

Medical nutrition therapy, clinical nutrition, medical school education