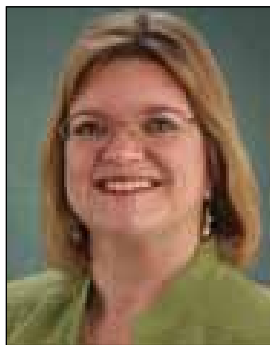


## President's Column



**Greetings from the President:**  
**Sharon M. Donovan, PhD, RD**  
**Melissa M. Noel**  
**Endowed Professor in Nutrition and Health, UIUC.**

Over the past eighty-plus years, many have contributed to nurturing ASN, a Society dedicated to advancing excellence in nutrition research and practice through its publications, education, public affairs, and membership programs. It is my distinct privilege and honor to take over as President of ASN effective June 2011 and I hope to contribute in a small way to the continued history of our great society.

By all measures, ASN is at an all-time high. We are financially secure, our membership tops 4,100, we publish the top nutrition journals, and our annual meeting is exciting and well attended. How is this achieved? Through the hard work of our dedicated Executive Officer, John Courtney, PhD; the ASN staff; the journal editors and associate editors; and you, the member volunteers.

As ASN President for the next year, I am looking forward to continuing the excitement and ideas brought forth at this year's Annual Meeting. ASN's Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions in Washington, DC, was outstanding, with more than 2,746 attendees from nutrition and 1,748 submitted abstracts. The annual awards ceremony was a showcase of ASN's talented and hard-working members. First-time events such as speed mentoring and the advocacy workshop were well-received. As I visited with many of you at the meeting in April, I was struck by your willingness to contribute your time, energy, and ideas to ASN. I left the meeting with a sense of purpose and excitement about what we could achieve by working together in the upcoming year.

In thinking about the next year and how ASN can best move forward, I have three major objectives that I wish to achieve during my presidency. 1.) The first will be to evaluate our progress toward meeting our strategic priorities, and working with ASN leaders and members to develop a new Strategic Map to guide the society from 2011-2014. We have already begun the initial steps in this process. The ASN Executive Officer and staff are currently evaluating our progress towards meeting our strategic objectives over the past 3 years and will be bringing that information to the Strategic Planning Working Committee, which meets in late June.

2.) My second goal is to establish education as a key strategic area for ASN. Education is central to the mission of our society and the careers of most of our members, whether it is in the classroom, at the bedside, or in the community. It is embedded within several of ASN's strategic objectives, but is not featured as its own strategic priority on the map. As ASN members are the experts in the field, I think education is a natural priority for the Society. Further, consolidating and curating state-of-the science nutrition information would provide a clear member value and access to these educational resources could drive membership and garner income for the society. I look forward to working closely with our Councils, RIS, and committees as we move this initiative forward.

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## ASN Class of 2011 Fellows



**Jim Anderson, MD,** graduated from West Virginia University and Northwestern Medical School. He trained in internal medicine and endocrinology at the Mayo Clinic. After five years at University of California in San Francisco, he moved to University of Kentucky (UK) in Lexington in 1973. In 2008 he became Professor, Emeritus. He directed the UK Health Management Resources Weight Management Program for 25 years and is Founder and former President of the Obesity Research Network. Dr. Anderson currently divides his time between research, private practice and consulting. His current research interests relate to nutrition and health, obesity, and meditation. He pioneered use of high fiber diets for treatment of diabetes and helped launch the "oat bran craze." An active writer, Dr. Anderson has published 222 peer-reviewed articles and 170 book chapters, education articles and books. He edited *Nutraceuticals, Glycemic Health and Type 2 Diabetes* (Blackwell, 2008) and his weight and health management book for consumers, *The Simple Diet*, will be published in January 2012.



**Leann L. Birch, PhD,** is a Distinguished Professor of Human Development and Nutritional Sciences at the Pennsylvania State University, where she also holds an appointment in the Department of Pediatrics. She has been conducting research on factors that

influence the developing controls of food intake during infancy, childhood, and adolescence for 30 years. This research has provided insight into individual and familial factors implicated in the development of food preferences and eating behaviors and risk and protective factors for childhood obesity. Dr. Birch is internationally recognized for her research and is the author of more than 200 publications. She has served on the Council of Scientific Advisors to the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center,



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and has served as a member of the National Academy of Science, Institute of Medicine (IOM) Committee on Prevention of Obesity in Children and Youth. Currently, she is a member of the Standing Committee on Childhood Obesity Prevention, and serves as Chair of the IOM Committee on Obesity Prevention Policies for Young Children. She received the Centrum Award for Human Nutrition from the American Society for Nutrition and was awarded the Faculty Scholar Medal for Outstanding Achievement in Social and Behavioral Sciences as well as the Pauline Schmitt Russell Distinguished Research Career Award from Pennsylvania State University. She received her PhD in Psychology from the University of Michigan.



**Peggy Borum, PhD,** is Professor of Human Nutrition in the Department of Food Science and Human Nutrition with a dual appointment in the Department of Pediatrics at

the University of Florida. Research has focused on carnitine biosynthesis, transport, function, role in disease etiology, and clinical applications. Goals of current research projects include development of a very preterm piglet model to study nutrition therapy of the very preterm neonate; optimization of Ketogenic Therapy for seizures and elucidation of its mechanism as a potential anti-epileptogenesis therapy; and pediatric acquired metabolic dysfunction frequently seen in chronic diseases including HIV disease.

Variety of courses have been taught with long term responsibilities for teaching undergraduate biochemistry, enteral and parenteral nutrition courses for 3rd and 4th year PharmD students and Clinical Nutrition (taught since 1984) for 4th year medical students. In addition to graduate students and postdocs, undergraduate researchers have filled the lab since the mid 1990's. Known as the InvestiGators, about 25 - 40 undergraduate students actually do research as opposed to having a research experience. She received the University of Florida Advisor of the Year Award in 2006.

She has served on several ASN committees including the Board of Directors of the American Society of Clinical Nutrition and on several NIH and USDA study sections and site visit teams. She was a member of the Dietary Guidelines for Healthy Americans 1990 committee.



**Robert Cousins, PhD,** received his MS degree in Animal Science from the University of Connecticut and earned his PhD at University of Connecticut. His experience working with large animals and exquisitely designed nutrition experiments was

an important foundation. Postdoctoral Research position offers included one from Hector DeLuca at Wisconsin which he had accepted to gain a more biochemical focus. He went to Rutgers University where his initial work was on cadmium toxicity but that rapidly changed to the molecular aspects of zinc metabolism and function. Colleagues there including Hans Fisher were very helpful to him in getting started. Rutgers was good to him as he rose to the position of Distinguished Professor (Professor II) in nine years. Subsequently, he was offered a number of positions, including the Boston

Family Professorship in Nutrition; an endowed position at the University of Florida where he has been since 1982. He has been fortunate to have received many awards from ASN including the Mead Johnson (1979), Osborne and Mendel (1989); Dannon Mentorship (2010) and W.O. Atwater Lectureship (2011) and served as President (1996-97) and as FASEB President (1991-92). Other awards include a MERIT Award from the NIH, USDA Secretary's Honor Award (2000), Bristol-Myers Squibb/Mead Johnson (2003), and election to the National Academy of Sciences (2000). Current service includes Editor of the Annual Review of Nutrition.



**John Erdman, PhD,** is Emeritus Professor of Food Science and Human Nutrition, Professor of Internal Medicine and Professor of Nutrition in the Division of Nutritional Sciences at the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Dr. Erdman's training and expertise encompass the nutritional and physiological biochemistry of man and animals. He has authored over 170 original research articles on these subjects and has over 300 total publications including other articles and chapters. He is a member of a variety of professional organizations including the American Society for Nutrition (ASN), the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), and the American Heart Association (AHA). He is past President of the American Society for Nutritional Sciences (now ASN), and has been elected Fellow for both AHA and IFT. He has been extensively involved with the Food and Nutrition Board (FNB) of the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences (NAS), where he served on the FNB for 9 years, 6 as Vice Chair. Among other committees of the FNB, he recently served as Chair of the Standing Committee on the Scientific Evaluation of Dietary Reference Intakes (DRIs) and is currently Chair of the Committee on Military Nutrition Research. For his extensive contributions to the NAS, he was named as Lifetime National Associate of the NAS in 2001 and was elected as a Member of the Institute of Medicine, NAS in 2003. Other honors include: receipt of the Samuel Cate Prescott Award for Research and the William Cruess Award for Teaching from IFT; the Borden Award from ASN; being named as an Original Member in Agricultural Science by ISI as an Highly



Cited Researcher (top 0.05%); and several University of Illinois Excellent and Outstanding Teaching awards. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of ILSI- NA. Dr. Erdman has is past Executive Director of the Mars Science Advisory Council and is currently Executive Director of the Wrigley Science Institute. Dr Erdman received his BS, MS, MPh, and PhD in Food Science from Rutgers University.



**Frank Greer, MD,** graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1972 and completed his residency in pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center in 1975. After completing three years of general pediatrics at the

U.S. Army Hospital in West Berlin, he returned to Cincinnati where he completed a fellowship in neonatology in 1980 under the mentorship of Dr. Reginald Tsang. He then joined the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine where he has remained until the present day. He became a full professor in 1991 and directed the neonatology fellowship program until 2008. His research interest has focused on the nutrition of the full term and preterm infant, particularly the requirements for minerals and fat soluble vitamins. He has more than 160 publications and has served on numerous editorial boards. In 1989 he did a sabbatical year with Norlin Benevenga in the Animal Science Department which resulted in a long collaborative research effort using the newborn piglet model to study infant nutrition. From 1999 to 2009 he served on the Committee on Nutrition of the Academy of Pediatrics and was chairman from 2005 to 2009. This allowed him to become very involved with pediatric nutrition policy and expanded his interests in nutrition beyond the newborn period.



**Sooja Kim, PhD, RD,** is Chief of the Endocrinology, Metabolism, Nutrition, and Reproductive Sciences (EMNR) Integrated Review Group (IRG), Center for Scientific Review (CSR), National Institutes of Health (NIH). Dr. Kim joined the staff of the CSR at NIH in

1988 and throughout two decades, Dr. Kim was

dedicated and contributed to the advancement of nutritional and metabolic research and the mentoring of applicants. Applicants appreciated her quiet and supportive leadership style always willing to assist them especially for young investigators and women scientists in the biomedical communities.

Although Dr. Kim manages 10 NIH study sections in her capacity as Chief of the EMNR IRG, she also chose to continue as a Scientific Review Officer of the Integrative Nutrition and Metabolic Processes Study Section (INMP) because of her deep commitment to the promotion of nutrition research. A few years ago when the CSR was in the process of reorganizing study sections, there was great concern by nutrition scientists at ASN that we would lose the Nutrition Study Section. In her capacity in leadership of CSR, Dr. Kim played an influential role to retain a nutrition scientific review group at NIH, now named the Integrative Nutrition and Metabolic Processes Study Section. Many of the grant applications of ASN members that have been submitted to NIH have been reviewed by the INMP Study Section and indeed, many of the leaders at ASN have served on this study section. Drs. R. Sunde, C. Weaver, S. Zeisel, D. Matthews, and AC Ross, have served as its chair in recent years. Dr. Kim has been a strong supporter of nutrition science at ASN by organizing workshops for ASN at EB meetings. These workshops have provided important information on recent changes that are taking place at NIH in regards to grant submission and the peer review process as well as general training on how to write a successful NIH grant application.



**Roy Martin Jr., PhD,** was raised on a small dairy farm in the middle of Louisiana Cajun country. After receiving his PhD in Animal Nutrition with Lee Baldwin at UC-Davis, he and his wife Sue took their first job as assistant professor at the

Pennsylvania State University. Under the mentorship of Bill Baumgardt, Roy became interested in the study of food intake control and adipose tissue development, and was awarded an NIH grant on "Metabolic Regulation of Growth and Development." Also during that time Joe Herbein, a PhD student,

suggested that they use the domestic pig to study gestational diabetes, and this led to an additional NIH award.

In 1978 Roy began a 23 year research journey at University of Georgia that led to series of collaborative studies: in utero and paracrine regulation of adipose tissue with Gary and Dorothy Hausman, set point regulation of body weight with Ruth Harris, and hypothalamic regulation of hunger and satiety neuropeptides with Gaylen Edwards.

In 2001 the opportunity to work at the Pennington Biomedical Research Center and LSU Agcenter and to be near Roy's relatives was too good to be true. In between enjoying Cajun dancing and great food, Mike Keenan, June Zhou and Roy developed a research program focused on manipulation of gut fermentation to reverse obesity and diabetes. After 10 years in Baton Rouge, Roy and Sue will move to Davis, California, to begin a new adventure.



**Barbara Rolls, PhD**, is Professor of Nutritional Sciences and the Helen A. Guthrie Chair in Nutrition at The Pennsylvania State University. She received a BA in biology from the University of Pennsylvania and a PhD in physiology from the University of

Cambridge, England. After spending her early research career at the University of Oxford, England, Dr. Rolls joined the faculty of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine as Professor of Psychiatry. In 1992, she became a faculty member at Penn State.

Dr. Rolls has been a member of the American Society for Nutrition since 1989, serving on the Budget and Finance Committee from 1994 through 1996, the Nominating Committee in 1995, and the Public Policy Committee from 2003 through 2005. She joined The Obesity Society's Advisory Council in 1990, and served as President from 1996 to 1997. She was also President of The Society for the Study of Ingestive Behavior, as well as a member of the Advisory Council of the NIH's National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases.



**Walter Willett, MD, DrPH**, is Professor of Epidemiology and Nutrition and Chairman of the Department of Nutrition at Harvard School of Public Health and Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Willett, an American, was born in Hart,

Michigan and grew up in Madison, Wisconsin, studied food science at Michigan State University, and graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School before obtaining a Doctorate in Public Health from Harvard School of Public Health. Dr. Willett has focused much of his work over the last 25 years on the development of methods, using both questionnaire and biochemical approaches, to study the effects of diet on the occurrence of major diseases. He has applied these methods starting in 1980 in the Nurses' Health Studies I and II and the Health Professionals Follow-up Study. Together, these cohorts that include nearly 300,000 men and women with repeated dietary assessments are providing the most detailed information on the long-term health consequences of food choices.

Dr. Willett has published over 1,100 articles, primarily on lifestyle risk factors for heart disease and cancer, and has written the textbook, *Nutritional Epidemiology*, published by Oxford University Press. He also has three books for the general public, *Eat, Drink and Be Healthy: The Harvard Medical School Guide to Healthy Eating*, which has appeared on most major bestseller lists, *Eat, Drink, and Weigh Less*, co-authored with Mollie Katzen, and most recently, *The Fertility Diet*, co-authored with Jorge Chavarro and Pat Skerrett. Dr. Willett is the most cited nutritionist internationally, and is among the five most cited persons in all fields of clinical science. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and the recipient of many national and international awards for his research.

**ASN** wishes departing staff members **Ryan Cliche**, Education and Professional Development Manager and **Diana Tavares Mertz**, Membership Marketing Manager, the best of success in their future endeavors.

## Committee News

### Graduate and Professional Education Committee (GPEC)

ASN's Graduate and Professional Education Committee (GPEC) continues to guide the organization's educational activities. Recent highlights include:

Dr. Daniel Bessesen, Professor of Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine was awarded ASN's 2011 Physician Nutrition Specialist Award. The Physician Nutrition Specialist Award provides a \$30,000 salary stipend to support the educational role of an academic physician who is focusing his or her career in nutrition. Dr. Bessesen has a basic science laboratory and provides clinical services in general endocrinology. His research focuses on the role that abnormalities in the partitioning of dietary fat between storage and oxidation might play in the development of obesity and insulin resistance.

*Agri-Medical Research: Providing Dual Benefit for Agriculture and Human Health, July 9, New Orleans, LA*

ASN is collaborating with the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) and American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) on a one-day event: *Agri-Medical Research: Providing Dual Benefit for Agriculture and Human Health*, Saturday, July 9, in New Orleans, LA. Chaired by Mathew Waldron, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Missouri's Animal Science Research Center, this pre-conference to the 2011 ADSA-ASAS Joint Annual Meeting will cover biomedical and agricultural interventions or therapies to improve both human health, companion animal health and farm animal health and production. The program will include top experts in metabolism, developmental origin of adult disease and infectious (zoonotic) diseases and nutritional impact of pro-inflammatory response discussing applications for animal species.

For information, visit [www.nutrition.org/meetings/jam-2011-pre-conference/](http://www.nutrition.org/meetings/jam-2011-pre-conference/)

#### *Teaching Tools Library—A New Effort*

Over the next year, GPEC will be working to support an organizational effort to foster the development of an "educational portfolio" that

will include a library of teaching tools accessible to ASN members. The library will include tools for undergraduate, graduate and medical schools. Stay tuned for updates on this exciting new initiative.

A new staff member has been hired to support the work of GPEC. Gwen Twillman, Managing Director, Professional Development comes to ASN with a strong background in non-profit management and education program development. Please reach out to Gwen ([gtwillman@nutrition.org](mailto:gtwillman@nutrition.org)) with your ideas for furthering ASN's educational and professional development efforts.

Richard Wood

### Student Interest Group (SIG)

It was wonderful to see so many students at EB 2011 this year! The SIG hosted a variety of student sponsored events including Speed Mentoring (jointly sponsored with the YPIG), Student Breakfast, Travel Award competition, Walk around the Mall, Meet the Fellows, and a special session. We hope students found these events informative and educational, and were able to make new connections with nutrition scientists at multiple stages of their careers!

We would like to thank National Dairy Council for generously sponsoring the Student Breakfast at EB. In conjunction with the breakfast, we held the final poster competition for the SIG Travel Award. A record 130 abstracts were submitted, and the following six students were selected as finalists for the poster competition: Suzanne Devkota (University of Chicago), Nan Huang (Iowa State University), Nick McCormick (Pennsylvania State University), Megan Dubenetzky (Rush University), Emily Arentson (Purdue University), Lorien Urban (Tufts University). All of the student finalists did an excellent job presenting to the judges and should be very proud of their accomplishment. We especially congratulate Suzanne Devkota as this year's winner for her poster presentation entitled, "*Diets high in saturated fat increase risk for IBD in genetically susceptible hosts via induction of immunogenic microflora.*"

In order to sponsor the annual Travel Award, the SIG sells t-shirts and other items during EB to raise funds. This year's t-shirt was designed by Mansi Parasramka (Oregon State University) and Julie Shlisky (Pennsylvania State University)

who independently submitted the same design. If you didn't get a chance to pick up your own neon-green t-shirt at EB, they will be sold all year! You can purchase one by contacting ASN ([mem@nutrition.org](mailto:mem@nutrition.org)).

The SIG Special session on the role of nutrition policy in shaping the field of nutrition was very well attended! We were extremely fortunate to have a very accomplished and experienced panel to speak at this student symposium. Thank you very much to Dr. Paul Coates (Office of Dietary Supplements), Dr. Dora Hughes (Department of Health and Human Services), and Dr. Catherine Woteki (United States Department of Agriculture). We also want to thank the large number of ASN Fellows who took the time to share their insights and wisdom with students at the "Meet the Fellows" event.

The success of the SIG events was due to the tremendous efforts of the SIG leaders throughout the entire year. Thank you to Sheau Ching Chai, Sabrina Sales Martinez, Elizabeth Ko, Pao Ying Hsiao, Lenis Chen, Mary Henderson, Sylvia Ley, Emily Tomayko, Dr. Deborah Silverman (Faculty Advisor), and Diana Tavares Mertz (ASN Staff Liaison) for your very hard work.

As always please let myself, Rachel Kopec ([kopec.4@osu.edu](mailto:kopec.4@osu.edu)), or incoming-chair Sheau Ching Chai ([sc07@fsu.edu](mailto:sc07@fsu.edu)) know if you have any questions about the SIG or have ideas for us to better serve you as students!

Rachel Kopec

### Young Professionals Interest Group (YPIG)

The first year of official YPIG activities at EB 2011 was a success. Thanks to all of ASN's young professional members who served as mentors to students during the "Speed Mentoring" event held jointly with the SIG—your advice was greatly appreciated! We were also glad to see a strong attendance at the Networking Reception for young professionals—thanks again to Solae, LLC for sponsoring the hors d'oeuvres. We look forward to building on these events and more for EB 2012!

This month Vicki Vieira Potter assumes the chair with Robin Minor becoming Past Chair. Holiday Durham will become Vice-Chair. We look forward to another productive year!

**Chair:** Vicki Vieira Potter

**Vice-Chair:** Holiday Durham

**Past-Chair:** Robin Minor

**Leadership Committee:** John Apolzan, Charles Guo, Veronica Lopez, April Stull

**Advisors:** Regan Bailey, Elizabeth Parks

**Board of Directors Liaison:** Dr. Penny Kris-Etherton

Vicki Vieira Potter

## Council News



### International Nutrition Council (INC)

Experimental Biology this year had a record number of abstracts submitted and was full with research on international nutrition. There were four INC-sponsored symposia, four oral mini-symposia, and five poster sessions. Amazing! Thanks to all of you who presented your best work and contributed to a great meeting. If you missed a symposium or keynote lecture, ASN will post selected recorded sessions to the ASN web site—including Andrew Prentice's presentation for the EV McCollum International Lectureship.

There was excellent attendance at the INC business meeting on Monday night of EB—with extra chairs having to be brought in. If you did not attend this year—make sure you do next year to learn about the council activities and to be part of the development of the scientific program for EB. INC will continue to have a very strong presence at the next EB meetings—as demonstrated by the wonderful flow of ideas for the 2013 symposia! We will be contacting members later this summer to start working on these INC-sponsored symposium proposals.

The INC governing committee members shared the on-going activities of the council. The council has grown by 8% this past year—the largest percent increase among the three councils. Our membership is distributed globally. Take a look at the regional maps of ASN members and reach out to your colleagues in under-represented areas. New members join our society primarily through personal contacts—help us make a contact today!

Three students, Rebecca Day Merrill (Johns Hopkins University); Andrew Jones (Cornell



University); Amanda Palmer (Johns Hopkins University) received the council travel awards. Congratulations to Andrew Jones who was the finalist. The INC also gave out two new travel awards: the Early Professional International Travel Award to Nannette Lee (USC-Office of Population Studies Foundation, Inc., Cebu, Philippines) and the Student International Travel Award to Fernanda Kroker (INCAP, Guatemala). All of the winners presented their research posters and were available to talk with council members before the business meeting.

The business meeting was also an opportunity for us to pay tribute to our colleague Michael Latham who was Professor and Director of the Program in International Nutrition at Cornell University. Peggy Koniz-Booher and Meera Shekar spoke of his importance to the field and as a mentor for many, many students. We remember him fondly.

Each year we are privileged to have the support of the Kellogg Foundation to recognize a senior scientist in the field of international nutrition. The Kellogg Prize was given this year to Michael Hambidge who shared with us the development of his fascinating research. Our congratulations to him!

We would like to hear your ideas on how the council should move forward in developing collaborations for international meetings, relevant research/program/policy initiatives, and training opportunities. Please contact any of the governing committee members.

Finally, we bring to your attention the following initiative. The New York Academy of Sciences has launched the Sackler Institute for Nutrition Science. The Institute is dedicated to advancing nutrition science research and knowledge, mobilizing communities, and applying this work in the field. In collaboration with WHO, the Institute is launching a global initiative to formulate a prioritized agenda for nutrition science research. The Institute is already generating a coordinated network across sectors, disciplines, and countries that promotes open communication; encourages exchange of information and resources; nurtures the next generation of scientists; and drives community intervention design and public policy changes. For more information on the Institute visit [www.nyas.org/SacklerInstitute](http://www.nyas.org/SacklerInstitute) or contact Sackler Institute Advisory Board member (and INC chair-elect) Rafael Pérez-Escamilla.

Grace Marquis  
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Chair, International Nutrition Council

## Medical Nutrition Council (MNC)

We are pleased with the successful turnout for MNC-sponsored and co-sponsored programs held during ASN's Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting in DC. We remain hopeful about holding the Clinical Nutrition Update annually based on very positive evaluations from session attendees. Discussions are underway to identify ways to make these lectures available to people who would like to update their lectures on specific clinical nutrition topics. Thanks to the Vitamin Shoppe for providing an unrestricted educational grant in support of this event at EB.

Thank you to everyone who played a role in making all MNC-sponsored programs at EB a great success. I am especially thankful to the MNC Co-Chair, Ed Saltzman, and all the MNC Councilors: Connie Bales, Mary Ann Johnson, Nancy Krebs, Sue Roberts, Robert Kushner, and Steven Smith.

The winner of the MNC Clinical Emerging Leader Award Competition was Suzanne Devkota for her presentation, "Diets high in saturated fat increase risk for IBD in genetically susceptible hosts via induction of immunogenic microflora." The abstract citation is: Suzanne Devkota, Wang Y., Musch, M., Antonopoulos, D., Jabri, B., Chervonsky A., Chang, EB.

Additional Clinical Emerging Leader Award finalists included Waqas Khan, University of Toronto, Daniel Roth, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, Ann Skulas-Ray, Penn State University, and Maureen Spill, Penn State.

At the MNC Business Meeting, there were discussions about building bridges with other professional organizations. Activities are underway to make this happen. Updates will be shared in the future about our progress. Another major topic discussed at the Business Meeting was increasing efforts to develop additional nutrition education programs for physicians in collaboration with NIH. Details on this are forthcoming.

Dr. Penny Kris-Etherton  
Chair, Medical Nutrition Council



## Nutritional Sciences Council (NSC)

The major highlight of the NSC activities at this year's EB was the NSC graduate student awards. Twelve finalists made outstanding presentations. We congratulate them all, and particularly the grand prizewinners, Frederick Grant, Harmony Faith Turk, and Jian Yan. In addition, we are also proud to note that our NSC Council post-doctoral representative, Nancy Engelmann, was the grand prize winner for the ASN Post-doctoral award. We had a good turnout for our business breakfast meeting and welcome all the new volunteers who expressed interest in getting involved in NSC activities. We will be in touch soon with many of you as we continue to expand the mission and activities of the NSC over the coming year.

Continuing board members for the coming year are Katherine Tucker, Chair; Malcolm Watford, Chair elect; Susan Hutson, past-chair; Janos-Zemplini, Secretary-treasurer; Cindy Fitch, At-large representative; Judy Storch, Cell and molecular nutrition representative and Nancy Engelmann, Post-doctoral student representative. Elections are underway for representatives for human nutrition, comparative and animal nutrition, and graduate student. The winners are Christine Swanson, Gary Johanning, and Pao Ying Hsiao. We want to extend our sincere thanks to Elizabeth Parks, Werner Bergen, and Victoria Viera for their service over the past two years. We also thank John Apolzan for his work on the development and updating of our website. Please send any website suggestions to John, or to any of the board members.

Our next order of business is to consider developing Late Breaking Symposia, Controversy and Workshop proposals for EB 2012. Note that these proposals should address scientific advances or events that occurred after March 15, 2011 to be considered, but do send you ideas to any of us as we continue planning for the next EB, as well as any ideas for activities before that.

Katherine Tucker,  
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Chair, Nutritional Sciences Council

### Welcome 2011 ASN Summer Interns

**James Bequai**, Auburn University  
**Griff Courtney**, Salisbury University  
**Corinne Foley**, Spelman College  
**Emily Suttle**, American University

## Research Interest Section (RIS) News



### RIS Director

ASN's Scientific Sessions at EB 2011 were a great success in Washington, DC with more than 2,500 attendees and 1,750 submitted abstracts. Key to this success was the Research Interest Sections (RIS) sponsored quality symposia and mini symposia talks and posters covering the latest science and bringing together scientists and students alike for scientific exchange on topics of mutual interest and study. With involvement in these and other activities, the RIS represent ASN's strong commitment to facilitate scientific exchange and to provide community, interaction and mentorship among ASN members who focus on specific scientific topical areas. In particular, the RIS business meetings offer an opportunity to meet, interact and network with others in a particular interest area and EB 2011 was no exception. Many RIS business meetings had record attendance of members and potential members with the opportunity to view award winning posters, congratulate awardees and listen to hot topic lectures. Currently there are 15 RIS groups representing a wide variety of research interests, so please join one or more and become more involved in these and other activities for *EB* 2012.

During 2010-2011, the RIS Chairs served their respective RIS groups with dedication, creativity, and innovation. Successful activities include: the doubling of RIS membership, record student involvement and number of volunteers, enhanced communications via list serves, newsletters and twitter, electronic elections for official positions, record number of students applying for and receiving awards, timely and well attended webinars, many high quality abstracts submitted for oral presentations and poster sessions, and successful fund raising with dollars raised for RIS collaboration and outreach efforts. Looking ahead to 2011-2012, RIS Chairs will continue these activities as well as work with ASN staff on ways to improve minisymposia programming and scheduling, better understand membership profiles, and enhance fundraising efforts. RIS are always looking for new ways to add value to members so if you

would like to contribute to or have any ideas for topics for future ASN programs or RIS activities contact the appropriate RIS chair.

You can read more about EB 2011 and current activities and programs of each RIS group in the individual reports that follow. Also, I encourage RIS members to read RIS related email when it comes your way to keep informed of RIS events and opportunities throughout the year. If not a RIS member it is easy to join. ASN members should log in to the members' only area of the website using your username and password provided. You can join as many RIS groups as you prefer by visiting the "Update My Member Profile" page.

If you have any suggestions or comments, please feel free to contact me at shirley\_gerrior@msn.com.

Shirley Gerrior  
ASN RIS Director

## Aging and Chronic Disease

The Aging & Chronic Disease RIS had a very successful meeting at EB 2011 in Washington, DC, with four minisymposia and five poster sessions. We had a great turnout for our RIS business meeting and lunch on Sunday, April 10, which included a presentation on new opportunities for aging and chronic disease research in the Women's Health Initiative (WHI) study by Dr. Steve Kritchevsky. Minisymposium topics for EB 2012 in San Diego, CA, and the possibility of holding a student poster competition in conjunction with the RIS business meeting as well as Symposium topics for EB 2013 were also discussed. If you have an aging and chronic disease related-topic that you feel is on the cutting-edge for EB 2012, the deadline for submitting a Late-Breaking Symposium proposal to ASN is September 1, 2011. The RIS leadership can help facilitate symposium proposal development (contact me at dhouston@wakehealth.edu). Membership in our RIS group has more than doubled over the past year to 581 members.

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## CARIG

CARIG sponsored the following minisymposia at EB 2011: "Biofortification of staple crops

with micronutrients," "Carotenoids and health," and The Vitamins & Minerals RIS sponsored: "Vitamin A, Carotenoids and Retinoids," Tuesday, April 12.

On April 12, the symposium "Biofortification of Provitamin A Carotenoids in Maize for Africa" used maize as a case study to present findings along the entire product development pathway of a successful biofortification effort in Zambia. It included recent research related to genetic variation and breeding, issues of retention during processing and storage, *in vitro* and *in vivo* bioavailability studies, and partnerships needed to successfully get biofortified maize "on the table."

Announcement of upcoming meetings:

**Macular Carotenoids & AMD, 2011.** A conference for macular carotenoid researchers, exploring up-to-date and evidence-based hypotheses and the supporting research data into the role of the macular carotenoids in age-related macular degeneration (AMD). Downing College, University of Cambridge, UK, July, 12-15 July 2011. Visit the conference website: <http://www.macularcarotenoids.org/>

**The 16th International Symposium on Carotenoids** will be held in July 2011 in the World Heritage city of Krakow, Poland. Jagiellonian University will be hosting this Symposium. Early registration and poster submission is open through May 15. Visit the conference website at: [www.carotenoid.pl](http://www.carotenoid.pl)

CARIG News: On June 1, Mario Ferruzzi, PhD, Purdue University (Lafayette, IN, USA), became the new CARIG Chair. We all welcome Mario's skills, wide knowledge of our field and experience in ASN. 2011-12 should be a propitious year!

Lewis Rubin, MD  
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CARIG Chair

## Community and Public Health Nutrition

At the 2011 EB meeting in Washington, D.C., the CPHN RIS sponsored 1 late-breaking symposium, 4 poster sessions and 4 oral minisymposia and co-sponsored 2 symposia, once of which was late-breaking. The sponsored symposia was

entitled "Improving the Food Environment at Worksites and Schools through Sustainable and Healthy Food Procurement from Farm to Institution Strategies" (chaired by J. Kimmons and A. Wasserman). The co-sponsored symposia were entitled "Tackling Iron Deficiency and Anemia in Infants and Young Children in Malaria-Endemic Areas: Moving from Controversy towards Guidance for Safe, Effective and Feasible Policies and Programs" (chaired by L.M. Neufeld and A.G. Scrimgeour) and "Food Aid Commodities: Optimum Micronutrient Composition and Best Programmatic Uses" (chaired by B. Rogers and P. Webb). The minisymposia were entitled "Changing Retail Environments" (chaired by D. Rose and E. Racine), "Advances in Food Insecurity Research" (chaired by S. Jones and E. Frongillo), "Community, Economic, Social Approaches to Public Health Nutrition Intervention" (chaired by K. Harding and N. Fitzgerald) and "Advances in Measurement of Nutrition Behaviors" (chaired by E. Frongillo and C. Blake)

Thanks to everyone who attended the RIS business meeting; we had 48 members in attendance! Main discussion points were: the CPHN RIS-sponsored symposium at World Nutrition Congress in Oporto, Portugal; program development for annual meetings; policies and operating procedures for managing industry relationships; opportunities for RIS advocacy; budget; membership (584 in 2011!); program planning for EB 2012; and opportunities for getting involved with the RIS. Veena Singh at Johns Hopkins University was the student award winner. Sonya Jones at the University of South Carolina (sjones@mailbox.sc.edu) continues as the RIS chair, Kim Harding at the Micronutrient Initiative (kharding@micronutrient.org) continues as the Communications Officer and Priyanka Chakraborty at the University of Georgia (cpirya@uga.edu) continues as the Student Representative. Nurgul Fitzgerald at Rutgers University (nfitzgerald@AESOP.Rutgers.edu) is the Chair Elect, Virginia Carraway-Stage at East Carolina University (carrawaystagev@ecu.edu) will be the next Student Representative and an election for the next Communications Officer will be held shortly.

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## Diet and Cancer

Our mini-symposia and poster sessions at EB 2011 were well attended. Cindy Davis (NCI), Manal Elfakhani (Texas Woman's University), Susan McCann (Roswell Park Cancer Institute), Niyati Parekh (NYU), Rosalia Simmen (University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences), Petra Tsuji (NCI), Jay Whelan (University of Tennessee) and Hang Xiao (University of Massachusetts) were the chairs and co-chairs of the sessions. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their time. The student co-chairs/trainees of the mini-symposia this year had a wonderful experience and we will continue to encourage student participation next year. Based on the content and number of abstracts received this year, we decided to have three mini-symposia next year (Diet and Cancer—Molecular Targets, Diet and Cancer—Animal Studies, and Diet and Cancer—Translational, Clinical and Survivorship Issues).

I was glad to see many of our RIS members at the business meeting in Washington D.C. We had an excellent turnout and discussed several plans and issues of our RIS. Our student/postdoctoral members presented a total of fifteen posters at the AICR & Harlan Student Award Poster Competition for the Diet and Cancer RIS, generously supported by American Institute for Cancer Research and Harlan Laboratories. The winners for the graduate student category were: First place—John Clarke from Oregon State University; Second place—Jodee Johnson from University of Illinois. The winner for the postdoc category was Kirstie Adams from Johns Hopkins University. Jessica Flower (Harlan Laboratories), Diane Harris (CDC), Susan Higginbotham (AICR), Norman Hord (Michigan State University), Brian Lindshield (Kansas State University), Rosalia Simmen (University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences), Nancy Turner (Texas A & M University) and Ivana Vucenik (University of Maryland) judged the posters. Let's congratulate the winners and thank the participants and judges for their excellent work.

In the past year I have enjoyed the enriching experience of RIS chair. Let's welcome our new chair, Brian Lindshield, who will lead this RIS to the next phase of growth.

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# Annual Meeting Moments

Read the entire Member Spotlight section online at [www.nutrition.org/publications/nutrition-notes](http://www.nutrition.org/publications/nutrition-notes).

✓ ASN Board of Directors.



✓ Sustaining Member Networking Event at the National Academy of Science Koshland Science Museum.



✓ Attendees fold cranes at the Membership Reception and University Mixer to help Japanese tsunami victims.



▲ Andrew Prentice of London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, delivers the E.V. McCollum lecture.







✓ ASN Fellows and 50-Year Members enjoy lunch.



◀ John Bieri is recognized for being a 50-year member of ASN.

✓ Members and Editors enjoy the Journals Reception.



▲ ASN Awards, Donors and Sponsors Reception.

➤ Johanna Dwyer catches Gil Leveille in the hall.



## Dietary Bioactive Components

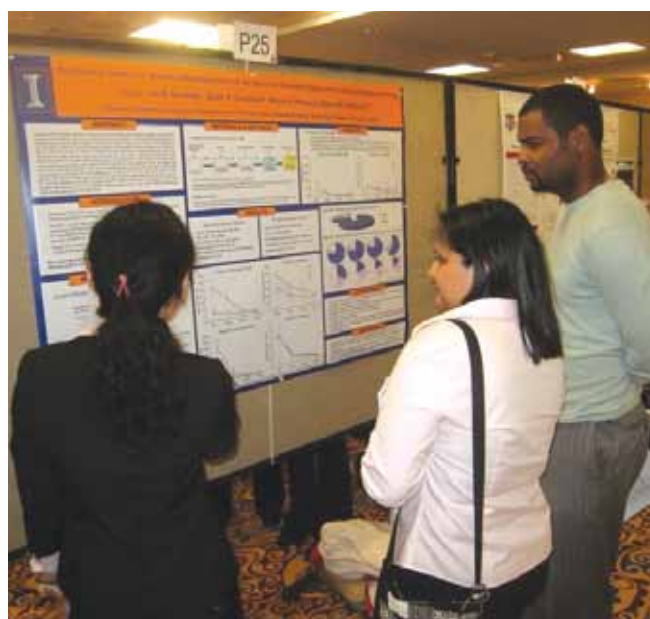
EB 2011 in D.C. was quite an event for the Dietary Bioactive Components RIS. We hosted 10 minisymposia, had several well attended poster sessions and an excellent symposium.

Our business meeting and student poster competition were well attended and showcased 26 student and post-doc research posters. Congratulations the travel award winners:

- Tom Charoensinphon – University of Massachusetts at Amherst
- John Clarke – Oregon State University
- Sonja Volker – University of Illinois
- Kirstie Adams – Johns Hopkins University

Choosing these winners was not an easy task, as the posters continue to showcase the exciting and high-quality work contributed by our members. We would like to thank all the judges, Kee-Hong Kim, Anne Kurilich, Kelly Walsh, JoLynne Wightman, Susie Rockway, Kevin Fritsche, Corey Scott and Nikky Contractor for their hard work and commitment during the poster session.

Our student careers lunch was also a great success, thanks our Academic, Industry and Government panelists, Elizabeth H. Jeffery, from the University of Illinois, Kelly Walsh from Mead Johnson and John W. Finley from the USDA-ARS. Some of the key discussion points included



*Jin Lu from the University of Illinois presents her poster during the DBC RIS poster competition.*

building professional networks, differentiating yourself and getting noticed.

Our new Chair-Elect for 2011-2012 is G. Keith Harris from N.C. State University. We also appointed a new Student Representative, Hsueh-Li (Shirley) Tan from the Ohio State University. Shirley will begin her term in June. Special thanks to our outgoing student representative, Jenna Cramer from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, for all her hard work and dedication to our RIS over the past two years! Kee-Hong Kim from Purdue University will continue his role as Secretary/Treasurer.

If you have a symposium topic proposal for EB 2012, contact one of us or send it to [dietarybioactivesris@gmail.com](mailto:dietarybioactivesris@gmail.com). The late breaking submission deadline is coming up in September, so it's not too late.

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## Joint ASN-Nutrition Society, Irish Section, Conference

On June 15-17, 220 delegates from around the world convened at the University College Cork, in Cork, Ireland, to present the latest research on vitamins in early development and healthy aging and their impact on infectious and chronic disease. There were 68 abstracts of Original Communications presented via posters and oral presentations, which will be published online in the *Proceedings of the Nutrition Society*.

## Energy and Macronutrient Metabolism (EMM)

The Energy & Macronutrient Metabolism Research Interest Section (EMM-RIS) welcomes ASN members interested in the function, metabolism, and utilization of carbohydrates, lipids, and proteins. *If you are interested in joining*, please select the EMM-RIS on your membership profile.

Experimental Biology 2011 was a great success this year with a solid turnout for the "Hot Topics" talk and the EMM-RIS reception including poster presentations by the student/postdoc abstract award winners. Support for the EMM-RIS was stronger than ever, enabling us to fully fund the EMM-RIS activities and to provide ten student/postdoc abstract awards. Generous support for these activities came from the Almond Board of California, Cambridge Isotope Laboratories, Columbus Instruments, Lilly USA, LLC, GlaxoSmithKline Consumer Healthcare, ISOTEC Stable Isotope Products, Sigma-Aldrich, Kraft Foods, Mead Johnson Nutrition, Shaklee Corporation, Solae, LLC, and Tate & Lyle. 2011 student and postdoc abstract award winners, mentors, and institutions are as follows:

Student/Postdoc	Mentor	Institution
Antje Bruckbauer	Michael Zemel	University of Tennessee
Travis Conley	Wayne Campbell	Purdue University
Benjamin Curry	Michael Zemel	University of Tennessee
Kimberly Fisher	Jeffrey Escobar	Virginia Polytechnic Institute
Melissa Glier	Angela Devlin	University of British Columbia
Nishan Kalupahana	Naima Moustaid-Moussa	University of Tennessee
Yasmine Shafaie	Beverly Tepper	Rutgers University
Renee Stancliffe	Michael Zemel	University of Tennessee
Minghua Tang	Wayne Campbell	Purdue University
Victoria Vieira-Potter	Andrew Greenberg	Tufts University

## Lactation

Experimental Biology 2011 is already part of the past, but was a full success for the Lactation RIS. Our symposium and the two minisymposia presented exciting new research and were very well attended. The Lactation RIS Business Luncheon was again held in conjunction with the International Society for Research on Human Milk and Lactation (ISRHML). At the meeting Dr. Cheryl Lovelady, Professor at The University of North Carolina, Greensboro, was confirmed as the new Lactation RIS Chair-Elect, while I, Dr. Lars Bode, Assistant Professor at the University of California, San Diego, will chair our RIS for the

Other good news is that the EMM-RIS continues to grow, with our current numbers over 650 members. With increased EMM-RIS participation comes the opportunity to foster additional cutting-edge minisymposia and symposia, and to help the ASN prosper and grow as a whole.

Writing this piece is my last duty as EMM-RIS Chair, and I thank you for the opportunity to serve the group over the last year. I have been thankful to have collaborated with and learn from Doug Mashek (Chair-Elect) and Sean Adams (Past-Chair). Moving forward, the group is in excellent hands with Doug as your new Chair, and Heather Leidy as Chair-Elect.

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next two years. I would like to thank our outgoing Chair Dr. Laurie Nommsen-Rivers, Research Assistant Professor at Cincinnati Children's, for dedicating her time and effort to the Lactation RIS. Dr. Nommsen-Rivers has done an outstanding job in consolidating our finances and restructuring our Standard Operating Procedures, placing the Lactation RIS on solid grounds for the years to come.

During the business luncheon, eleven trainees received an ISRHML Travel Award. Congratulations to all recipients! Katherine Hunt, graduate student in Dr. Mark McGuire's lab at the University of Idaho, was this year's Student



Volunteer, and I strongly encourage graduate students and postdoctoral trainees to apply for the next Student Volunteer position. The selected student(s) will be involved in planning and execution of Lactation RIS activities for the 2012 Experimental Biology conference in San Diego. If you are interested in "looking behind the scenes" of RIS, ASN and EB, please send your CV to lbode@ucsd.edu.

With 132 members in 2010 and now 236 members in 2011, Lactation RIS membership has almost doubled over the past 12 months. I welcome all new members and encourage everyone, established and new members, to get actively involved in Lactation RIS activities.

Dr. Rafael Pérez-Escamilla chaired and presented at the IOM workshop on 'Updating the USDA "Loving Support Makes Breastfeeding Work" Campaign.' Washington DC, April 28. If you would like to contribute to this section of the Nutrition Notes with announcements of upcoming seminars or conferences, awards or prizes, please email me at lbode@ucsd.edu.

The Lactation RIS leadership team wishes you a joyful and exciting summer!

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## Nutrition Education

The Nutrition Education RIS sponsored exciting and informative events at the 2011 Experimental Biology meeting. Three mini-symposia and three poster sessions provided cutting edge information about programs and ideas that promote better dietary and health habits. Forty-six individuals attended the annual business meeting where the current and future state of the RIS was discussed. Currently 490 individuals are members of the Nutrition Education RIS and this is an increase of 300 individuals since 2010. At the annual business meeting the Executive Committee members were introduced and the retiring Past-Chair Cindy Fitch and Student Representative Henna Muzaffar were thanked for their contribution to the RIS. The post-doctoral and graduate student awards were presented and each recipient was given a check for \$250. Monal Shroff from the University of Michigan won the post-doctoral award for her abstract titled "Adherence to a Snacking Pattern is Related to the Development of Adiposity in School-Aged

Children." Courtney Perry from the University of Minnesota won the graduate student award for her abstract "Individualized Situation-Based Nutrition Counseling in Midlife Women."

The RIS Executive Committee Members for the upcoming year include: Chair Suzie Goodell, Chair-Elect Joyce Ann Gilbert, Past-Chair Georgianna Tuuri, Communications Chair Barbara Lohse, and Student Representative Natalie Cooke. Six mini-sessions are planned for the 2012 Experimental Biology meeting. Topics included: Aligning Nutrition Education Programs and Research to Promote Change, Preventing Childhood Obesity, Development of Evidence-Based Nutrition Education, Behavioral Science and Eating Behavior Change, Synergy between Nutrition Education and Industry Initiatives, and Nutrition Education Intervention for Diabetes. Members interested in serving as chair or co-chair of a 2012 EB mini-session were asked to contact Suzie Goodell. Symposium topics for future EB meetings were discussed.

The upcoming year promises to be an exciting and innovative one for the Nutrition Education RIS. I am confident that the group will continue to grow under the capable leadership of Suzie Goodell and the 2011-2012 Executive Committee. I would particularly like to thank Cindy Fitch for all her help and mentoring throughout this past year. Finally, I wish to extend my thanks to each and every one of the members who were willing to donate time and energy to make the year successful for the Nutrition Education RIS.

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## Nutrient-Gene Interaction

Hello NGI-RIS members, I thought we had a very good meeting at EB. We had an excellent (albeit it a little cramped) turnout, plenty of food, and of course posters and awards. We have to recognize the many sponsors we had to allow us to have such a session by their generous support. For the NGI-RIS, that includes the Egg Nutrition Center, Harlan Teklad, and Mead Johnson Nutrition. Of course, we had a joint meeting with the VN-RIS and we had a number of sponsors through them as well. I know not everyone (obviously) could attend our poster competition and business meeting, so I thought in my final Nutrition Notes I would recap a few things and mention some items for the upcoming year, leading to EB 2012.



The winners of our poster competition were: Nishan Kaluphanna, University of Tennessee—Knoxville; Kristina Martinez, University of North Carolina—Greensboro; and Stephanie Tammen, Tufts University. Congratulations to them, and all of the students that participated. Also, a big thank you to our judges: Matthew Picklo, USDA Grand Forks; Matthew Rowling, Iowa State University; and Jimmy Crott, Tufts University. This was also our inaugural year for recognizing an outstanding investigator in the NGI-RIS, and the winner was Yuan-Xiang Pan, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. All of our winners received a cash award and certificate/ ribbon. I know the NGI-RIS is in good hands for the next few years, and along with a strong commitment of working with the VM-RIS, I am confident that we can continue to garner the support we need for these activities.

In addition to the awards ceremony, we entertained nominations at our business meeting for the next Chair-elect to work with Kate Claycombe this coming year and assume the Chair position for the 2012-2013 year. Our two nominees are: Jung Han Kim, Marshall University; and Matthew Rowling, Iowa State University. I have asked both of them to provide me with a biosketch and a ballot, including that information, will be sent out to all NGI-RIS members for a vote.

It is also that time of year when we start planning for next year's meeting. So far I have received approximately 10 minisymposia topics to submit to ASN—some the same as last year, and some new ones. We will be working hard in the coming months to solidify topics for abstract submission for EB 2012.

Thank you to all for supporting our RIS and its activities. I hope that our RIS can continue to have a strong presence at EB! I enjoyed serving as the NGI-RIS Chair this past year, and look forward to working with Kate Claycombe who assumed the Chair position on June 1.

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## Nutrition Translation

The Nutrition Translation RIS 2011 EB business meeting on April 09 outlined these major accomplishments for the 2010-2011 year:

- The NT-RIS membership nearly doubled in size (from 217 to 412). Data from the 2010-11 membership survey indicated this profile: ~ 50% of the members are from

industry; 40%, academia; 10%, government. Approximately 85% are senior or mid-level in their career; 12%, entry level; 2%, students. More than 60% noted they attend the NT RIS business meeting to network with colleagues and enhance professional knowledge; >70% cited symposia as the #1 reason for attending EB. This information helped to frame strategic planning, which is further reflected in the below report.

- The NT RIS Advisory Committee was expanded to 6 members, including representation from industry and academia, along with a student representative.
- To enhance communication with the RIS members, a quarterly, online newsletter was initiated by Dr. Patricia Williamson-Hughes, incoming chair for 2011-12.
- For 2011 EB, the NT RIS sponsored four scientific symposia: (1) *Is "processed" food a four letter word?—The Role of Processed Foods in Achieving Dietary Guidelines and Nutrient Recommendations in the US*—with a publication scheduled for Advances in Nutrition during 2011, both of which were supported by an unrestricted grant from the Campbell Soup Company; (2) *Evidence-based Analysis—Is it appropriate for nutrition?*—supported by an unrestricted grant from Kraft Foods, with a publication from this session in progress; (3) *Exploring Factors that Impact Blood Cholesterol and Heart Disease Risk: Is dietary cholesterol as bad for you as history leads us to believe?*; (4) *The 2010 Dietary Guidelines for Americans: New Process, Recommendations and Implications for the Future*—co-sponsored with the Nutritional Epidemiology RIS. In addition, the RIS sponsored a mini-symposium along with four poster sessions. During the NT RIS business meeting, Dr. Paul Coates, Director—NIH Office of Dietary Supplements, was the invited guest speaker who addressed the topic, *Framing the Next Generation of Research*.
- Candidates for chair-elect and secretary are being reviewed by the leadership team. Members from academia are of particular interest to reflect the composition of the NT-RIS membership. Electronic elections will occur during late May or early June.
- For 2012 EB, three RIS-sponsored proposals along with two co-sponsored proposals for scientific symposia have been submitted.

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## Nutritional Immunology

Hello to everyone. Thank you to everyone who attended our Nutritional Immunology RIS meeting, the minisymposia and symposium. The meeting was a great success! We encourage members to recruit others to get involved in nutritional immunology.

This year, we were able to present two travel awards and two awards for best posters at the RIS meeting. The awards were \$500 each. The winners were Christine Hughes, Benjamin Drew Rockett, Justin Milner, and Jon Clinthorne. We also elected our new officers, which are S. Raza Shaikh (president-elect), Benjamin Drew Rockett (student representative) and David Duriancik (secretary). Patricia Sheridan is our president for the upcoming year.

The summer is approaching fast, which means the upcoming FASEB Nutritional Immunology Meeting organized by Dr. Melinda Beck and Dr. Simin Meydani is not so far away. I hope you are making travel plans and getting abstracts submitted for a very exciting conference. The meeting, entitled Nutritional Immunology: Role in Health and Disease, is from July 10-15th, 2011 in Carefree, Arizona. Meeting information and registration can be found at <http://www.faseb.org/src/Home.aspx>

Have a great summer!

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## Nutritional Epidemiology

It was a great pleasure to see many of you during the RIS business meeting in April in Washington DC. There are several important issues we hope to communicate:

### I. Some changes in our RIS leadership:

I'll become the Past Chair, and Dr. Carol Boushey will become the new RIS Chair on July 1, 2011. This will be my last note to as the RIS chair. Dr. Boushey was elected as the new chair elect this spring by the RIS Steering Committee to replace Dr. Sangita Sharma who resigned from the position. Carol has been an active RIS Steering Committee member and has contributed a lot in the past. Please contact her in the future if you'll have suggestions for our RIS: Carol Boushey, Epidemiology Program, University of Hawaii Cancer Center, [cjboushey@cc.hawaii.edu](mailto:cjboushey@cc.hawaii.edu). Dr.

Anna Maria Siega-Riz will step down from the RIS Past Chair position. She has made great contributions to our RIS over the past several years. Many of us in the RIS Steering Committee including myself have benefited greatly from her dedication, support and mentoring. We'll hold a new online election to elect the next RIS Chair elect. Voting ends June 15. Our RIS Steering Committee elected two top candidates for the coming election: 1) Lisa M. Troy from USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging, Tufts University; and 2) Claire A. Zizza from Department of Nutrition, Dietetics, and Hotel Management, Auburn University.

### II. Some updates on old and new business:

Our RIS membership has grown rapidly over the past year, increasing from 256 in 2010 to 616 by March 2011. This is due partly to the effort made by our RIS Steering Committee led by Niyati Parekh and Michael Zanovec, who helped develop membership recruitment flyers that we shared with our RIS members and other RIS.

At the recent EB meeting in April, we discussed a number of issues related to our RIS's future development, such as about how to better support RIS members, develop symposia and minisymposia topics for EB 2012, and raise more funds.

In addition, we held a poster competition among 12 finalists. Let's congratulate the following students and their mentors who won the top three prizes: First Place, Eva Erber, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC); Recognition of excellence: TusaRebecca Schap from Department of Foods and Nutrition, Purdue University and Carmen Piernas from UNC. We should also thank Boushey and several other RIS committee members such as Amy Millen and Ka He for their hard work to help arrange the event at EB.

Over the past year our RIS has held several webinars. Dr. Regan Bailey's hard work made this possible. Please let her ([baileyr@mail.nih.gov](mailto:baileyr@mail.nih.gov)) or Carol know in the future if you have suggested topics for webinars. This spring our RIS has sponsored or co-sponsored several symposia proposals for EB 2012. Thus far, two have been selected by ASN:

- 1) "Frontiers in Fiber Nutrition Research and Application", Chair and co-Chair: Shiu-Ming Kuo and Christine L. Pelkman
- 2) "Controversies regarding reported trends: Has the obesity epidemic leveled off in the United States?" Youfa Wang and William H. Dietz

This fall ASN will accept late breaking symposia topics for EB 2012; please let Carol or me know if you'd like to suggest some topics. Our RIS hopes to raise more funds to support programs such as the EB poster competition and travel awards for graduate students to attend EB. Please help encourage others to make donations to our RIS and contact Dr. Amy Millen (aemillen@buffalo.edu) if you have any suggestions.

I wish you all a great summer!

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## Vitamins and Minerals

I hope you enjoyed EB 2011 in Washington DC as much as I did. We appreciate that so many of you came by to check out the VMRIS poster competition; the turnout was nothing short of amazing. The student presenters did an excellent job with their posters and fielding all the questions (in spite of the close quarters—you can be sure that we will ask for a larger room next year in anticipation of a repeat attendance level). The conversation was energizing, and I hope that many new connections were made.

The poster awards were announced at the VMRIS business meeting that immediately followed the event, and I am pleased to announce the winners: 1st place: Young Ah Seo (Penn State), 2nd place: Anthony Belenchia (University of Missouri), and 3rd place: Chang Cao (Cornell). Each of these students will receive a certificate and a monetary award. I am also extremely pleased to announce that Maret Traber (Oregon State University) was the recipient of the First Annual VMRIS Membership Recognition Award for excellence in the area of vitamin and mineral research. She received a plaque at the meeting and will be receiving a cash award. This award will become a regular fixture at the annual meeting; I encourage you to think of who you

might want to nominate for this award next year. We will be seeking nominations later this year.

Based on input from the VMRIS members, eight minisymposia titles for EB 2012 have been submitted to ASN: iron, copper and chronic disease; vitamin D and obesity; fat soluble vitamins and chronic disease; micronutrient bioavailability; antioxidant micronutrients; water soluble vitamins; B vitamins and one-carbon metabolism; and micronutrient interventions. We appreciate your input regarding the selection of these topics, and we thank the many of you who volunteered to chair these minisymposiums.

After a call for nominations, two VMRIS members were placed on the ballot for the 2011-2012 VMRIS Chair-Elect: Christopher J. Cifelli, PhD (Director of Nutrition Research at the National Dairy Council) and Guoxun Chen, PhD (Assistant Professor of Nutrition at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville). The ballot was sent to the VMRIS membership on May 10th and closed on May 25th; watch your email for the announcement of the new VMRIS Chair-Elect in June. Finally, please join me in welcoming Dr. Susan Zaripheh (Sara Lee Corporation) as the 2011-2012 VMRIS Chair. I have truly enjoyed this past year as VMRIS Chair—I have met many wonderful people at ASN and am very proud to have been a part of this wonderful organization. I encourage others to consider serving the VMRIS in future years as it will expand your appreciation of ASN.

Thank you again for all your support at the 2011 meeting. Our RIS is growing—we want to keep this momentum strong.

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3.) Finally, I wish to contribute to ASN's goal of expanding and strengthening key partnerships within the U.S. and with global partners. In closing, I would like to thank my immediate predecessors, Jim Hill and Rob Russell, for their contributions over the past 3 years. ASN is very fortunate to have such dedicated people who put the interests of the society above their own and give so much of their time. I am very pleased

that both are continuing to serve the society through the ASN Foundation.

I will continue to update you on the progress of this initiative through member newsletters. Should you have any suggestions regarding the Strategic Map, education or other areas of the society, I am happy to hear them. Please email me at: sdonovan@illinois.edu.

# American Society for Nutrition Awards Invitation for Nominations for 2012

The American Society for Nutrition (ASN) awards programs honors scientists, clinicians and scholars for significant achievements in nutrition research and practice. The awards outlined in this call for nominations will be presented at the ASN Awards Ceremony at the 2012 Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology.

## Nominations Instructions

- A letter of support outlining the basis for the nomination and the significance of the candidate's work is required. A brief curriculum vitae for each nominee, including a list of the nominee's publications in refereed journals, is also required. For most awards, a reprint or series of reprints reporting the research for which the candidate is nominated is recommended. Please be aware, certain awards have additional requirements.
- ASN membership is not a requirement to receive all Society awards, but outlining service to the Society is helpful when applicable.
- Nominations may be made by ASN members or individuals from outside the Society. Nominations for each award will be retained for two years. Candidates may be re-nominated; the letter and CV on file must be updated in order for the candidate to be re-considered.
- Nominating panels are in place for three categories: Young Investigator Awards, Senior Investigator – Educator & Mentor Awards, and Senior Investigator Awards. These volunteers help to solicit and complete nominations for each award; you can suggest a candidate or volunteer to serve on a panel by emailing [sec@nutrition.org](mailto:sec@nutrition.org).
- All material for a nomination must be submitted electronically. Incomplete or late nominations will not be considered.

## Selection Process

- Confidential award juries are appointed each year by the Society President. Juries rank the candidates based on the award criteria.
- An individual who has received one ASN award is not eligible to receive another award unless it is for accomplishments not previously recognized.
- An award is usually given to one person, but a jury may recommend that the award be given to two or more individuals who collaborated in recent research. Similarly, a jury can determine that there are no deserving candidates in a given year.
- The deadline for receipt of nominations is September 15, 2011 at [sec@nutrition.org](mailto:sec@nutrition.org).

## YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARDS

### The Bio-Serv Award in Experimental Animal Nutrition

This award is given for meritorious research in nutrition accomplished by an investigator within ten years of postgraduate training. The work recognized must involve the nutrition of experimental animals used as models. The award of \$1000 and an engraved plaque is supported by Bio-Serv, Inc.

**Recent recipients include:** L. Qi, R. Johnson, S. Hursting, K.A. Tappenden, C. Jolly, J. Bassaganya-Riera, L. Wykes, J. Crott, and K. Swanson.

### The E. L. R. Stokstad Award

This award is given for outstanding fundamental research in nutrition, with preference to scientists at relatively early stages in their careers. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the family of E. L. R. Stokstad.

**Recent recipients include:** Q. Jiang, M. Beck, J. Beverly III, A. Diamond, S-D. Wang, K. Schalinske, S. Booth, M. Nakamura, C. Allred, and S. Kelleher.

### The Mary Swartz Rose Young Investigator Award

This award is given to an investigator within ten years of postgraduate training, for outstanding research on the safety and efficacy of bioactive compounds for human health. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by The Council for Responsible Nutrition.

**Recent recipients include:** M. Ferruzzi, M. Gamble, S. Talcott, and H. Chen.

### The Mead Johnson Award

This award is given to an investigator for a single outstanding piece of nutrition research or a series of papers on the same subject accomplished within ten years of postgraduate training. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Mead Johnson Nutrition.

**Recent recipients include:** J. Collins, A. Buchman, D. Lee Alekel, M. Zimmermann, X. Lei, J. Zemleni, C. Mantzoros, S. W. Choi, and P. MacLean.



### **The Norman Kretchmer Memorial Award in Nutrition and Development**

This award is given to a young investigator for a substantial body of independent research in the field of nutrition and development with a potential relevance to improving child health. The award of \$3000 and an engraved plaque is supported by Abbott Nutrition. Nominations should include a brief summary of the candidate's research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award.

**Recent recipients include:** D. Dolinoy, M. I. Goran, U. Ramakrishnan, L. A. Woollett, R. J. Stoltzfus, S. M. Donovan, H. Weiler, M. Caudill, S. Ross, and K. O'Brien.

### **The Peter J. Reeds Young Investigator Award**

This award is given for outstanding research in macronutrient metabolism accomplished within 5 years of completing formal training of either a Ph.D. degree or postdoctoral fellowship. In the case of M.D. candidates, eligibility includes time of completing residency training or postdoctoral fellowship. The award will provide \$1500, an engraved plaque, and travel funds (\$1000 maximum) to the Experimental Biology meeting. This Award was established with an initial contribution from the Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine. Nominations should include copies of four manuscripts and abstracts supporting the nomination; and proof of ASN membership.

**Recent recipients include:** N. Gabler, T. G. Anthony, B. Mittendorfer, B. Deplancke, X. Guan, J. Mark Brown, J. Escobar, A. K. Shoveller, and R. Dilger.

### **The Samuel J. Fomon Young Physician Award**

This award is given to a physician within ten years from completion of medical postdoctoral training, for outstanding work in the general area of pediatric nutrition; in particular, in infant nutrition, infant growth or body composition. As the award honors Dr Fomon, preclinical and/or clinical research that contributes to medical applications or produces impacts upon the practice of infant feeding will be recognized. The award of \$5000 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the Nestlé Nutrition Institute.

**Recent recipients include:** The first award was presented in 2011 to R. Orellana.

### **The Vernon Young International Award for Amino Acid Research**

This award is given to an investigator for a single outstanding piece of research or for a series of papers in a related area of amino acid metabolism completed early in his or her career (usually interpreted as within ten years of postgraduate training). The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by an endowment from the Ajinomoto Co., Inc.

**Recent recipients include:** G. Henderson, D. Paddon-Jones, M. Engelen, K. Short, J. Van Goudoever, and S.W. Kim.

## **SENIOR INVESTIGATOR – EDUCATOR & MENTOR AWARDS**

### **The Dannon Institute Mentorship Award**

This award is given for outstanding mentorship in the development of successful nutritional research science investigators. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by the Dannon Institute. Nominations should include a description of the nominee's mentoring skills and evidence of mentorship (joint publications grant funding with trainee, etc.); a list of current and former trainees and the positions they have achieved; and additional support letters from trainees (a minimum of two and a maximum of five).

**Recent recipients include:** H. Anderson, D. R. Romsos, D. H. Baker, J. R. Lupton, D. C. Beitz, R. L. Baldwin, M. Failla, D. Bauman, and K. Rasmussen.

### **The Excellence in Nutrition Education Award**

This award is given for outstanding contributions to teaching nutrition. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Cengage Learning. The recipient will have demonstrated current superior ability as an educator in nutrition science as evidenced through a combination of the following: acknowledged excellence in nutrition teaching or nutrition education research; and, original contributions to teaching and translating new discoveries into classroom or educational materials.

**Recent recipients include:** D. Levitsky, K.M. Rasmussen, G. Kauwell, J. Greger, A. Knehans, and M. Watford.

### **The Roland L. Weinsier Award for Excellence in Medical/Dental Nutrition Education**

This award is given in recognition of an outstanding career in medical/dental nutrition education. The nominee's efforts should be widely recognized and should have had a national or international impact. Nomination depends on acknowledged excellence in nutrition teaching or nutrition education research that extends beyond the local institution and that includes innovations in medical/dental education. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque are sponsored by the Dannon Institute. Nominations should include a brief summary of the candidate's research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award.

**Recent recipients include:** P. Brannon, R. F. Kushner, R. Touger-Decker, L. Van Horn, L.A. Hark, W. A. Walker, S. St. Jeor, D. Bessesen, D. Heber, and C. Lo.

## **SENIOR INVESTIGATOR AWARDS**

### **The Centrum Center for Nutrition Science Award**

This award is given for recent investigative contributions of contemporary significance to the understanding of human nutrition. The contributions need not be restricted to investigative work with humans as long as they have relevance to human nutrition and health. Preference is usually given to

scientists in the western hemisphere. The award of \$1500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Pfizer.

**Recent recipients include:** B. Strupp, I. Jialal, S.J. James, L.B. Bailey, J.O. Hill, M. Levine, J. Ordovas, B. Rolls, D. Allison, and R. Krauss.

#### **Conrad A. Elvehjem Award for Public Service in Nutrition**

This award is given for specific and distinguished service to the public through the science of nutrition. Such service could be rendered through governmental, industrial, private or international institutions but contributions of an investigative character are not excluded. The award of \$1500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Kraft Foods. Nominations should include a selected bibliography indicating the candidate's contributions to public service.

**Recent recipients include:** P. Coates, G. A. Leveille, V. R. Young, J. W. Suttie, J. T. Dwyer, I. Rosenberg, J. C. King, C. Garza, L. Allen, and E. Yetley.

#### **The David Kritchevsky Career Achievement Award in Nutrition**

This award is presented in recognition of a career devoted to promoting interaction among, support for and assistance of outstanding nutrition researchers in governmental, private, and academic sectors resulting in the application of fundamental knowledge to delivery of better nutrition products and information to the public. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Kraft Foods.

**Recent recipients include:** J. O. Hill, D. Kritchevsky, J. Milner, R. Russell, M. Pariza, and M. F. Picciano.

#### **The E. V. McCollum Award**

This award is given to a clinical investigator who is perceived as a major creative force, actively generating new concepts in nutrition and personally seeing to the execution of studies testing the validity of these concepts. An award of \$1500 and inscribed plaque are provided by Pfizer. Nominations should include a brief summary of the candidate's research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award.

**Recent recipients include:** C. Bouchard, B. C. Hansen, R. P. Heaney, E. S. Nair, J. Wahren, V. Stallings, J. O. Hill, D. Ludwig, S. Roberts, and R. Kumar.

#### **The E. V. McCollum International Lectureship in Nutrition**

This bi-annual award provides a means to encourage sound advancements in nutritional science and their application for improving the health and well-being of people worldwide and to commemorate the life and contributions of E. V. McCollum. An outstanding nutritionist will be invited to lecture on a topic consistent with the purpose of the lectureship in a location that will assure a large and broad audience. Multiple presentations are encouraged; with one lecture delivered at the ASN Scientific Sessions. Letters of nomination should include the proposed

topic(s) and site(s) of the lecture. The lectureship is supported by the E. V. McCollum International Lectureship Endowment Fund.

**Recent recipients include:** A. M. Prentice, R. Martorell, N. Scrimshaw, R. Uauy-Dagach, R. Black, M. Wahlqvist, J-P. Habicht, B. Popkin, and A. Prentice.

#### **The Gilbert A. Leveille Lectureship and Award**

This award recognizes outstanding research in nutrition science and food technology. This award was created in 2009; is sponsored by a group of ASN and IFT corporate partners; and is co-administered by ASN and the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT). Recipients receive \$5000 and deliver a lecture at either the ASN or IFT annual meeting.

**Recent recipients include:** G. Leveille (inaugural lecture, IFT Annual Meeting & Food Expo, July 2010); C. Weaver (inaugural award recipient, ASN Scientific Sessions & Annual Meeting at EB, April 2011). The second recipient will present their lecture at the IFT Annual Meeting & Food Expo in June 2012. Nominations for the 2012 awardee will be accepted by IFT; however, suggestions can be emailed to ASN at [sec@nutrition.org](mailto:sec@nutrition.org).

#### **General Mills Bell Institute of Health and Nutrition Innovation Award**

This award recognizes an investigator whose scientific contributions advance the understanding of the health benefits of whole grains. Eligible recipients are conducting mechanistic, epidemiological, clinical, translational, in vitro and/or ex vivo research contributing to the knowledge of the health benefits of cereal and grain components. The \$5000 award and engraved plaque are endowed by General Mills Bell Institute of Health and Nutrition.

**Recent recipients include:** G. Fahey, J. Lupton.

#### **The Kellogg Prize for International Nutrition**

This award is given to a member of the International Nutrition Council, actively engaged in research to benefit populations in non-industrialized countries, as demonstrated through publications in the scientific literature and actively engaged in training new scientists for international nutrition research. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by Kellogg Company.

**Recent recipients include:** K. M. Hambidge, N. Scrimshaw, R. Martorell, C. West, K. Dewey, R. Uauy, K. West, Jr., J. Beard, J. Rivera, and R. Stoltzfus.

#### **The Mary Swartz Rose Senior Investigator Award**

This award is given to an investigator for outstanding research on the safety and efficacy of bioactive compounds for human health. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by The Council for Responsible Nutrition.

**Recent recipients include:** X. Wang, B. Ames, N. Farnsworth, and J. Mason.

### **The McCormick Science Institute Research Award**

This award is presented to an investigator conducting clinical, translational, in vitro and/or ex vivo research, whose scientific contributions have advanced the understanding of the potential health benefits of culinary herbs and spices. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is endowed by the McCormick Science Institute.

**Recent recipients include:** D. Heber, B. Aggarwal, Y-J. Surh, and D. W. Kraus.

### **The Osborne and Mendel Award**

This award is given for outstanding recent basic research accomplishments in nutrition. The award of \$2500 and an engraved plaque is supported by ILSI North America.

**Recent recipients include:** D. Hwang, R. O. Ball, P. B. Pencharz, R. A. Coleman, J. Ntambi, D. B. Jump, H. S. Sul, A. Taylor, S. Zeisel, M. Stipanuk, and J. Storch.

### **Robert H. Herman Memorial Award**

This award is given each year to a clinical investigator whose research work has contributed importantly to the advancement of clinical nutrition, particularly the biochemical and metabolic aspects of human nutrition. Nominations should include a letter stating the basis for the nomination; a brief summary of the candidate's research or contribution and importance in the area covered by the award; and the candidate's curriculum vitae.

**Recent recipients include:** R. Eckel, R. E. Olson, M. F. Holick, J. D. Kopple, M. D. Jensen, A. Lichtenstein, R. Roubenoff, S. Meydani, C. Weaver, and D. Kelley.

## **ASN FELLOWS**

### **The Fellows Committee of the American Society for Nutrition invites nominations for Fellows.**

Scientists who have had distinguished careers in nutrition and are at least sixty-five years of age are eligible for nomination. Membership in the Society is not a requirement for eligibility. Nominations may be made by any member of the Society. Send nominations including a supporting statement setting forth the basis of the nomination, and a brief curriculum vitae, to [sec@nutrition.org](mailto:sec@nutrition.org) by **October 1, 2011**. Final selection will be made by the Fellows Committee. The Class of 2012 Fellows will be honored at the ASN Luncheon for Fellows & 50-Year Members at the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2012 in San Diego, California.

#### **Email nominations to the ASN Fellows Committee:**

Harvey Anderson, Chair  
Dennis Bier  
Francis Coletta  
John Erdman

Mark Levine  
Simin Meydani  
Ricardo Uauy

For a complete listing of the Fellows of the Society visit the ASN website at: [www.nutrition.org/fellows/](http://www.nutrition.org/fellows/).

## **Special Awards & Competitions**

ASN offers many additional awards for graduate and medical students, faculty, clinicians, researchers, and academic physicians. We invite your applications and sponsorship inquiries. Please see the ASN website for more detailed award descriptions, application deadlines and sponsorship opportunities.

- *The Nutrition Science Media Award (contact: ASN Public Information Committee Chair, Jeannie Gazzaniga-Moloo)*
- *W.O. Atwater Lectureship (contact: USDA Agricultural Research Center, Kim Kaplan)*
- *Milton L. Sunde Award (for publication in The Journal of Nutrition of outstanding experimental, applied or fundamental research in nutrition that uses an avian species)*
- *Physician Nutrition Specialist Award*
- *Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) Travel Awards*
- *Postdoctoral Research Awards Competition, endowed by Solae, LLC*
- *Predoctoral Fellowships for Students in Nutrition Research (supported by Cargill, Gerber Foundation, Kraft Foods, Mars, Inc., McNeil Nutritionals, Pfizer, Inc., and Wrigley Science Institute)*
- *ASN/Nutritional Sciences Council Graduate Student Research Awards Competition*
- *ASN/Medical Nutrition Council Clinical Emerging Leaders Award Competition*
- *ASN/International Nutrition Council Kellogg Student Prize*
- *Clinical Nutrition Internship Program*
- *Volunteer of the Year*
- *Sustaining Member Committee Award of Distinction*



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The deadline for abstract submission is November 8, 2011. Join us at the Annual Meeting April 21-25, 2012 in San Diego!



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