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Education and Training:

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2013-2018	Doctorate of Philosophy in Molecular Physiology and Biophysics, Vanderbilt University,
	Nashville TN
	Mentor: Dr. Alyssa Hasty
	 Title: Elucidating the role of iron-handling macrophages in adipose tissue
2011-ongoing	Doctorate of Medicine, Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN
2009-2011	Masters of Science in Biology, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL
	Mentor: Dr. Karen Sears
	• Title: The development of the marsupial shoulder girdle: a case study in <i>Monodelphis</i>
	domestica
2005-2009	Bachelors of Science in Honors Integrative Biology, University of Illinois, Urbana IL
	Dean's List for academic honors 2006-2009
	Edmund J. James Scholar, University of Illinoi 2005-2009
	 Distinction of Senior Thesis 2009
Positions and H	lonors
Committee Pos	itions
2016-2017	Secretary and newsletter chair, MPB Graduate Student Association
2014-2015	Executive Admissions Committee, Vanderbilt Medical School, TN
2012	Committee Member, Interview Admission Committee, Vanderbilt Medical School, TN
2013	Committee Member, MSTP Student Advisory Committee, Vanderbilt MSTP, TN
2011-2012	Programming Chair, South East Medical Scientist Symposium, Vanderbilt MSTP, TN
2008-2010	Chair, Board of Directors, Campus Middle School for Girls, IL
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- 2013 Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical and Translational Research (VICTR) pilot grant recipient
 - Title: Iron Metabolization in Adipose Tissue: A Pilot Study to Characterize a Newly Identified Population of Iron-Metabolizing Macrophages in Human Visceral Adipose Tissue
- 2010 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2010 Clark Research Support Grant
- 2010 Isabel Norton Award for Research
- 2010 Sigma-Xi Grant-in-Aid of Research

Honors and Awards

2014	Auburn University Boshell Diabetes Day Poster Competition – 1st place
2013	Vanderbilt Medical Scientist Program Meade Haven Scholar
2013	Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical and Translational Research (VICTR) pilot grant recipient2009
	Bachelors Graduation with Distinction for Senior Research Thesis
2009	List of Excellent Teachers,
	 Special recognition for outstanding student feedback
2005-2009	Dean's List
2005-2008	Honors Integrative Biology Program
	 Small honors program with 12 students, individual biology classes and laboratories, rigorous class requirements in math, physics, and chemistry
2005-2009	Edmund J. James Scholar
	Top 20% of incoming class
	Maintain CBA above 3.5

- Maintain GPA above 3.5
- Completed one James Scholar project or took honors course each semester

Publications:

Research Papers

<u>Hubler MJ</u>, Erikson KM, Kennedy AJ, Hasty AH. 2018. MFehi adipose tissue macropahges compensate for tissue iron perturbations in mice. Am. J. of Physiol Cell Physiol. [in press] PMID: 29768045

Bolus WR, Peterson KR, <u>Hubler MJ</u>, Kennedy AJ, Gruen ML, Hasty AH. 2017. Elevating adipose eosinophils in obese mice to physiologically normal levels does not rescue metabolic impairments. Mol. Metab. 8:86-95. PMID: 29306658

Cooper LN, Sears KE, Armfield BA, Kala B, <u>Hubler M</u>, Thewissen JGM. 2018. Review and experimental evaluation of the embryonic development and evolutionary history of flipper development and hyperphalangy in dolphins (Cetacea: Mammalia). Genesis. 56(1). PMID: 29068152

Orr JS, Kennedy AJ, Hill AA, Anderson-Baucum EK, <u>Hubler MJ</u>, Hasty AH. 2016. CC-chemokine receptor 7 (CCR7) deficiency alters adipose tissue leukocyte populations in mice. Physiol. Rep. 4(18). PMID: 27655794

<u>Hubler M</u>, Molineux AC, Keyte A, Schecker T, and Sears KE. 2013. Development of the marsupial shoulder girdle complex: a case study in Monodelphis domestica. Evolution and Development (1):18-27. PMID: 23331914.

Sears KE, Patel A, <u>Hubler M</u>, Cao X, Vadeber JL, Zhong S. 2012. Disparate lgf1 expression and growth in foreand hind limbs of a marsupial mammal (Monodelphis domestica). J. Exp Zool B Mol Dev Evol 318(4):279-93. PMID: 22821864.

<u>Hubler M</u>, Niswander LA, Peters J, Sears KE. 2010 The developmental reduction of the marsupial coracoid: a case study in Monodelphis domestica. J Morphol 271(7):769-76. PMID: 20151407.

<u>Hubler MJ</u>, Buchman TG. 2008. Mathematical estimation of recovery after loss of activity: II. Crit Care Med 36(2):489-94. PMID: 18216602.

<u>Hubler MJ</u>, Buchman TG. 2007. Mathematical estimation of recovery after loss of activity: I. Renal Failure. J Trauma 63(1):232-8. PMID: 17622898.

Reviews

Hubler MJ, Kennedy AJ. Role of lipids in the metabolism and activation of immune cells. 2016. J Nutr Biochem 34:1-7. PMID: 27424223

Hubler MJ, Peterson KR, Hasty AH. 2015. Iron homeostasis: a new job for macrophages in adipose tissue? Trend in Endocrinology and Metabolism 26(2):101-109. PMID: 25600948.

Abstracts

<u>Hubler MJ</u>, Jeb Orr, Anders Etzerodt, Alyssa Hasty. 2014, February. Elucidation the Role of "MFehi" Macrophages in Adipose Tissue Iron Metabolism. Poster presented at the Molecular Cell Biology of Macrophages in Human Disease Keystone Symposium, Santa Fe, NM.

<u>Hubler MJ</u>, Jeb Orr, Anders Etzerodt, Alyssa Hasty. 2014, February. Elucidation the Role of "MFehi" Macrophages in Adipose Tissue Iron Metabolism. Poster presented at the Annual Research Day at Auburn University, Boshell Diabetes and Metabolic Disease Research Program, Auburn, Alabama.

Hubler MJ, Jeb Orr, Anders Etzerodt, Alyssa Hasty. 2014, February. Elucidation the Role of "MFehi" Macrophages in Adipose Tissue Iron Metabolism. Poster presented at BioMetals 2014.

<u>Hubler MJ</u>. 2011. Differences in shoulder girdle development between Eutherian and Marsupial mammals. Oral presentation at the Graduate Students in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Symposium, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.

<u>Hubler MJ</u> and Karen Sears. 2009. The developmental reduction of the marsupial coracoid: A case study in monodelphis domestica. Poster presented at the Current Frontiers in the Integration of Evolution, Development and Genomics Symposium, Indiana University.

Peters JE, <u>Merla Hubler</u>, and Karen Sears. 2008. Ontogenesis of the Coracoid in the Marsupial Short-tailed Opossum (Monodelphis domestica). Poster presented at the Illinois State Academy of Sciences Conference, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign.