

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

04/2006	PhD	University of Padova, Italy	Tissue Engineering
03/2002	BS/MS	University of Padova, Italy	Molecular Biology

Post-doctoral Training

04/2006 – 11/2010 **Research Fellow in Vascular Biology, Department of Surgery**
 Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA
 Mentor: Joyce Bischoff, PhD

Academic Appointments

11/2021- Present	Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Tenured Division of Experimental Hematology and Cancer Biology, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, Cincinnati, OH
05/2014 – 11/2021	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Tenure Track Division of Experimental Hematology and Cancer Biology, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, Cincinnati, OH
12/2010 – 04/2014	Instructor Department of Surgery- Vascular Biology Program Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
11/2010 – 04/2014	Research Associate Department of Surgery- Vascular Biology Program Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA
04/2006 – 12/2010	Research Fellow Department of Surgery- Vascular Biology Program Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA

Licensing and Certification

- 06/2009 **Responsible Conduct of Research** (Boston Children's Hospital)
- 06/2014 – Present **CITI Training Courses**
- Academical and Regional Health Center Core Curriculum (ID29817 Record ID13362132)
 - Good Clinical Practice (ID29819 Record ID: 13362133; ID1332281 Record ID 25552485, 39864435)
 - Human Subject Research (ID29822 Record ID15576184; ID132310 Record ID23813911, 35448126)
 - Responsible Research Conduct (ID38650 Record ID13362134; ID103532 Record ID15576187; ID132307 Record ID25550448)
 - Pregnant Women/Fetuses/Neonates (ID29824 Record ID 15576185; ID132282 Record ID25550447)
 - Children Research (ID29825 Record ID155576186; ID132283 Record ID23813907)
 - Lab Core Curriculum (ID132314 Record ID23813913 38452489)
 - Biosafety (ID132315 Record ID23813914 38452490)
 - Animal Research (ID59066 Record ID13362135 14767185; ID59069 Record ID13362136 2199675; ID104727 Record ID14761583 24970222; ID132291 Record ID23813908 23896666; ID132294 Record ID23813909; ID132309 Record ID23813910; ID168123 Record ID29802630; ID145807 Record ID24935953)
 - Export Controls (ID132304 Record ID39864434)

Awards and Honors

- 01/2008 **Travel Award**, North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
- 08/2009 **Scholarship Award**, Angiogenesis Gordon Research Conference
- 02/2010 **Scholarship Award**, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), Keystone Symposia
- 06/2012 **Travel Award**, North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)- Received at the International Vascular Biology Meeting (IVBM)
- 04/2014 **Best Scientific Paper, John Mulliken Award**, International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA)
- 01/2019 **Career Award, Charlotte R. Schmidlapp Women Scholars Program**, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
- 02/2020 **2020 Werner Risau Early Career Investigator Award in Vascular Biology**, American Heart Association

06/2021	Elected Councilor for the North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
06/2023	Elected Meritorius Award Committee Member for North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
06/2024	Elected member of the DEI committee for North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)

Research and Scholarly Activities

Research and Scholarly Activities

The goal of my research program is to investigate the cellular and molecular mechanisms responsible for the formation and growth of childhood vascular anomalies.

Research as a trainee

The goal of my PhD training in Italy was the study of physiological cellular mechanisms regulating blood vessel formation and regression for tissue engineering purposes. My overarching idea has been that the best learning of developmental and physiological processes comes from the study of naturally occurring errors and mutations. This prompted me to join the laboratory of Dr. Joyce Bischoff - at Boston Children's Hospital/Harvard Medical School - as a postdoctoral fellow to study a vascular tumor called infantile hemangioma, which is characterized by a unique life cycle of vascular growth followed by spontaneous regression. I discovered a hemangioma stem cell population which is sufficient to recapitulate the tumor life cycle in vivo and we generated the first murine model of this vascular tumor. I also identified major signaling pathways (VEGF-A, VEGFR-1 and JAGGED1) involved in the differentiation of hemangioma stem cells into endothelial cells and into pericytes greatly contributing the scientific knowledge of infantile hemangioma formation and growth mechanisms.

Research as Independent PI

At Cincinnati Children's Hospital I developed a strong passion for translational research. My scientific goal is to elucidate the cellular and molecular mechanisms that underlie the development and growth of vascular anomalies in children. These disfiguring and life-threatening diseases still lack FDA-approved targeted treatments. One of the strengths of my research program is the use of patient-derived biopsies to isolate and characterize vascular cells. This allowed us to identify somatic mutations, determine activated signaling pathways, identify targeted treatments in vitro, and establish murine models of vascular anomalies. To date, we have pioneered the generation of xenograft and transgenic murine preclinical models of several vascular anomalies including vascular tumors (infantile hemangioma, GNAQ-related vascular tumors) and vascular malformations (venous malformation). My flexibility to pursue new research directions and opportunities is demonstrated by my ability 1- to switch from xenograft models to transgenic systems and additionally 2- I have established long standing scientific collaborations for the study of simple and complex lymphatic malformations. This unique field of study enabled me to establish additional extended collaborations with clinicians that are the world-experts in the field of vascular anomalies. This fueled the translation of our basic research findings on the mTOR inhibitor Sirolimus into safe and effective clinical trials in patients. My translational research program is one of a handful devoted to vascular anomalies. Beyond my lab, my expertise is being tapped in the form of national service as participant to NIH and DoD study sections and programmatic review panels. These experiences, combined with our track record, illustrate that my team is well positioned to impact the field of vascular biology and to shift treatment paradigms for children affected by vascular anomalies.

2R01 HL 117952

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

**02/15/2021 – 01/31/2027
NCE**

Effort 38%

NIH/NHLBI

Title: Venous Malformation (VM): Murine Model to Identify Therapies to Target Aberrant Venous Development

The goal of this project is to deepen our understanding of molecular determinants of vascular lumen enlargement driven by mutant TIE2.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

Declined Grants and Contracts

PR201273

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

09/01/2021 – 08/31/2025

Effort 42%

Department of Defense PRMRP

Mechanisms of Pathological Vascular Lumen Expansion in Venous Malformation

The goal of this project is to deepen our understanding of molecular determinants of vascular lumen enlargement driven by mutant TIE2.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

Reason for Decline: Overlap with funded NIH/NHLBI **2R01 HL 117952**

Previous Grants and Contracts

CCHMC Gap Award

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

06/01/2023 – 05/31/2024

Effort: Not allowed

Title: Pathogenesis of Vascular Anomalies with GNAQ mutations

The goal of this project is to support a scored but not yet funded R01 project aimed at developing innovative in vivo, in vitro, and Vessel-on-Chip models for the identification of cellular and molecular mechanisms implicated in vascular disease.

Role: Principal Investigator, Peer Reviewed

CCHMC GpG Award

Elisa Boscolo (coPI)

07/01/2023 – 06/30/2024

Effort: Not Allowed

Title: A novel gene therapy strategy for GNAQ-mediated vascular anomalies

The goal of this project is to develop a new Ras/MAPK-modulating gene therapy for GNAQ-associated vascular anomalies.

Role: co Principal Investigator with Elliott Robinson, Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

01/01/2020 – 12/31/2021

Effort % (not allowed)

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Charlotte R. Schmidlapp Women Scholars Award

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

04/01/2021 – 03/30/2022

Effort % (not allowed)

University of Cincinnati, Center for Clinical and Translational Science and Training (CCTST)

Title: Pathogenesis of vascular anomalies with constitutive active GNAQ mutations

Our goal is to generate a model of hyperactive GNAQ-mutated vascular malformations and to identify novel endothelial-specific targets that could be used to advance targeted treatment in patients. We will also determine the role of MAPK/ERK signaling in the formation and expansion of vascular malformations and in the permeability of the blood vessels.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

AHA 833891

Sandra Schrenk (PI)

04/01/2021- 03/31/2023

Effort % (not allowed)

American Heart Association

AHA Postdoctoral Fellowship (*Awarded to Sandra Schrenk, Post-doctoral Fellow*)

Title: Semaphorin 3A and 3F in TIE2-mutated Venous Malformation

Role: Mentor

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Sandra Schrenk (PI)

08/01/2020 – 07/31/2021

Effort % (not allowed)

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Arnold Strauss Fellowship (*Awarded to Sandra Schrenk, Post-doctoral Fellow*)

Title: Semaphorin 3A and 3F in TIE2-mutated Venous Malformation

Role: Mentor

Peer Reviewed

R01 HL 117952

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

06/12/2013 – 04/30/2019

Effort 40%

NIH/NHLBI

Venous Malformation (VM): Murine Model to Identify Therapies to Target Aberrant Venous Development

This project proposes the establishment of a murine VM model that will help determine the mechanisms of abnormal venous channel formation. Our end-goal is to test and discover novel efficient treatments to normalize the pathological VM vasculature and avoid a rebound of the disease.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Elisa Boscolo (Co-PI) 50%

07/01/2018 – 06/30/2019

Effort not allowed

Timothy LeCras (Co-PI) 50%

Cincinnati Children's Center for Pediatric Genomics Internal Pilot Grant

Pathogenesis and Treatment of Capillary Lymphatic Venous Malformations (CLVM)

The overall objective of this project is to elucidate the pathogenesis of CLVM, identifying signaling pathways activated in mutated cell populations and test potential treatments in vitro.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Timothy LeCras (PI)

05/01/2017 – 04/30/2019

Effort 5%

The Lymphatic Malformation Institute

Biomarkers and Pathogenesis of Lymphatic Anomalies

This project aims at measuring different cytokines with known pro-angiogenic function in plasma and serum from patients with lymphatic malformations. The long-term goal is to identify biomarkers for different types of vascular anomalies.

Role: Co-Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

07/01/2017 – 06/30/2018

Effort not allowed

University of Cincinnati, Center for Clinical and Translational Science and Training (CCTST)

Targeting c-ABL as a Novel Strategy to Treat Vascular Malformations

This project aims at investigating the safety and efficacy of a novel drug combination: Ponatinib (c-ABL inhibitor) + Rapamycin for the treatment of venous malformation. The drug combination will be tested in a TIE2 driven VM murine model and in a patient derived xenograft that we propose to establish with the funding obtained.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

01/01/2012 – 12/01/2014

Effort 60%

Charles H. Hood Foundation

NOTCH Signaling During Pathological Blood Vessel Formation and Maturation

The goal of this project is to study JAGGED1-NOTCH3 signaling in the perivascular differentiation of stem cells infantile in infantile hemangioma and in the differentiation of mesenchymal stem cells in a tissue-engineering model to build blood vessels.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

No Assigned Number

Elisa Boscolo (PI)

11/01/2012 – 10/31/2013

Effort 30%

Manton Center for Orphan Disease Research, Boston Children's Hospital

Venous Malformation (VM): Murine Model to Identify Therapies to Target Aberrant Venous Development

This project proposes the establishment of a murine VM model to test novel efficient treatments to normalize the pathological VM vasculature and avoid a rebound of the disease.

Role: Principal Investigator

Peer Reviewed

Publications

Original Peer Reviewed Articles (*corresponding author)

1. Yu Y, Wylie-Sears J, **Boscolo E**, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Genomic imprinting of IGF2 is maintained in infantile hemangioma despite its high level of expression. Mol Med. 2004;10(7-12):117-23. PMCID: [PMC1431374](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/1431374/)
2. Conconi MT, Lora S, Baiguera S, **Boscolo E**, Folini M, Scienza R, Rebuffat P, Parnigotto PP, Nussdorfer GG. In vitro culture of rat neuromicrovascular endothelial cells on polymeric scaffolds. J Biomed Mater Res A. 2004;71(4):669-74. PMID: 15499589
3. Khan ZA, Melero-Martin JM, Wu X, Paruchuri S, **Boscolo E**, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Endothelial progenitor cells from infantile hemangioma and umbilical cord blood display unique cellular responses to endostatin. Blood. 2006;108(3):915-21. PMCID: [PMC1895853](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/1895853/)

4. **Boscolo E**, Pavesi G, Zampieri P, Conconi MT, Calore C, Scienza R, Parnigotto PP, Folin M. Endothelial cells from human cerebral aneurysm and arteriovenous malformation release ET-1 in response to vessel rupture. *Int J Mol Med*. 2006;18(5):813-9. PMID: 17016610
5. **Boscolo E**, Folin M, Nico B, Grandi C, Mangieri D, Scienza R, Zampieri P, Conconi MT, Parnigotto PP, Ribatti D. Beta amyloid angiogenic activity in vitro and in vivo. *Int J Mol Med*. 2007;19(4):581-7. PMID: 17334633
6. Picard A, **Boscolo E**, Khan ZA, Bartch TC, Mulliken JB, Vazquez MP, Bischoff J. IGF-2 and FLT-1/VEGF-R1 mRNA levels reveal distinctions and similarities between congenital and common infantile hemangioma. *Pediatr Res*. 2008;63(3):263-7. PMCID: [PMC2810617](#)
7. Khan ZA*, **Boscolo E***, Picard A, Psutka S, Melero-Martin JM, Bartch TC, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Multipotential stem cells recapitulate human infantile hemangioma in immunodeficient mice. *J Clin Invest*. 2008;118(7):2592-9. PMCID: [PMC2413184](#) (*co-first authors).
8. Jinnin M, Medici D, Park L, Limaye N, Liu Y, **Boscolo E**, Bischoff J, Vikkula M, Boye E, Olsen BR. Suppressed NFAT-dependent VEGFR1 expression and constitutive VEGFR2 signaling in infantile hemangioma. *Nat Med*. 2008;14(11):1236-46. PMCID: [PMC2593632](#)
9. Wu JK, Adepoju O, De Silva D, Baribault K, **Boscolo E**, Bischoff J, Kitajewski J. A switch in Notch gene expression parallels stem cell to endothelial transition in infantile hemangioma. *Angiogenesis*. 2010;13(1):15-23. PMCID: [PMC2846229](#)
10. Greenberger S, **Boscolo E**, Adini I, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Corticosteroid suppression of VEGF-A in infantile hemangioma-derived stem cells. *N Engl J Med*. 2010;362(11):1005-13. PMCID: [PMC2845924](#) **Editorial Frieden IJ Infantile Hemangioma Research: Looking Backward and Forward J Invest Derm 2011 131:2345-2348**
11. Greenberger S, Adini I, **Boscolo E**, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Targeting NF-κB in infantile hemangioma-derived stem cells reduces VEGF-A expression. *Angiogenesis*. 2010;13(4):327-35. PMCID: [PMC3034388](#)
12. **Boscolo E**, Stewart CL, Greenberger S, Wu JK, Durham JT, Herman IM, Mulliken JB, Kitajewski J, Bischoff J. JAGGED1 signaling regulates hemangioma stem cell-to-pericyte/vascular smooth muscle cell differentiation. *Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol*. 2011;31(10):2181-92. PMCID: [PMC3174332](#)
13. Adepoju O, Wong A, Kitajewski A, Tong A, **Boscolo E**, Bischoff J, Kitajewski J, Wu JK. Expression of HES and HEY genes in infantile hemangiomas. *Vasc Cell*. 2011;3:19. PMCID: [PMC3189131](#)
14. Greenberger S, Yuan S, Walsh LA, **Boscolo E**, Kang K, Matthews B, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Rapamycin suppresses self-renewal and vasculogenic potential of stem cells isolated from infantile hemangioma. *J Invest Dermatol*. 2011;131(12):2467-76. PMCID: [PMC3213330](#)
15. **Boscolo E**, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. VEGFR-1 mediates endothelial differentiation and formation of blood vessels in a murine model of infantile hemangioma. *Am J Pathol*. 2011;179(5):2266-77. PMCID: [PMC3204018](#)

16. Stahl A, Joyal JS, Chen J, Sapieha P, Juan AJ, Hatton CJ, Pei DT, Hurst CG, Seaward MR, Krah NM, Dennison RJ, Greene ER, **Boscolo E**, Panigrahy D, Smith LE. SOCS3 is an endogenous inhibitor of pathologic angiogenesis. *Blood*. 2012;120(14):2925-9. PMID: [PMC3466973](#)
17. **Boscolo E**, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Pericytes from infantile hemangioma display proangiogenic properties and dysregulated angiopoietin-1. *Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol*. 2013;33(3):501-9. PMID: [PMC3573237](#) **Editors Pick, Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol, 2013 33(3)**
18. Smadja DM, Guerin CL, **Boscolo E**, Bieche I, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. α 6-integrin is required for the adhesion and vasculogenic potential of hemangioma stem cells. *Stem Cells*. 2014;32(3):684-93. PMID: [PMC3944134](#)
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20. Smadja DM, Dorfmueller P, Guerin C, Bieche I, Badoual C, **Boscolo E**, Kambouchner M, Cazes A, Mercier O, Humbert M, Gaussem P, Bischoff J, Israël-Biet D. Cooperation between human fibrocytes and endothelial colony-forming cells increases angiogenesis via the CXCR4 pathway. *Thromb Haemost*. 2014;112(5):1002-13. PMID: [PMC4751883](#)
21. **Boscolo E**, Coma S, Luks VL, Greene A, Klagsbrun M, Warman ML, Bischoff J. AKT hyperphosphorylation associated with PI3K mutations in lymphatic endothelial cells from a patient with lymphatic malformation. *Angiogenesis*. 2015;18(2):151-62. PMID: [PMC4366356](#)
22. **Boscolo E***, Limaye N, Huang L, Kang KT, Soblet J, Uebelhoer M, Mendola A, Natynki M, Seront E, Dupont S, Hammer J, Legrand C, Brugnara C, Eklund L, Vikkula M, Bischoff J, Boon LM. Rapamycin improves TIE2-mutated venous malformation in murine model and human subjects. *J Clin Invest*. 2015;125(9):3491-504. PMID: [PMC4588237](#)
23. Rossi E, Smadja DM, **Boscolo E**, Langa C, Arevalo MA, Pericacho M, Gamella-Pozuelo L, Kauskot A, Botella LM, Gaussem P, Bischoff J, Lopez-Novoa JM, Bernabeu C. Endoglin regulates mural cell adhesion in the circulatory system. *Cell Mol Life Sci*. 2016;73(8):1715-39. PMID: [PMC4805714](#)
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33. Crane J, Manfredo J, **Boscolo E**, Cohan M, Takemoto C, Itkin M, Adams DM, Le Cras TD. Kaposiform lymphangiomatosis treated with multimodal therapy improves coagulopathy and reduces blood angiopoietin-2 levels. *Pediatr Blood Cancer.* 2020 Sep;67(9):e28529. doi: 10.1002/pbc.28529. Epub 2020 Jul 7. PMID: 32634277
34. **Boscolo E***, Pastura P, Schrenk S, Goines J, Kang R, Pillis D, Malik P, Le Cras TD*. NRAS^{Q61R} mutation in human endothelial cells causes vascular malformations. *Angiogenesis.* 2022 Aug; 25(3): 331–342. PMCID: [PMC9631803](#)
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39. Schrenk S, Sherpa C, Bischoff LJ, Cai Y, **Boscolo E***. Semaphorin 3A and 3F Promote Lumen Expansion in TIE2-Mutated Venous Malformation. *Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology*. 2025; 45(12):2243-2260. PMCID: PMC12616615 **(This Article was Featured on Arteriosclerosis Thrombosis and Vascular Biology December issue, 2025) (Cover Image of December 2025 issue)**
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Peer Reviewed Books, Chapters, Reviews, and Other Publications

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2. Le Cras TD, **Boscolo E***. Cellular and molecular mechanisms of PIK3CA-related vascular anomalies. *Vasc. Biol*. 2019 May 28;1(1):H33-H40. *Review*. PMCID: [PMC7439927](#)
3. Goines J, **Boscolo E***. A xenograft model of venous malformation. *Methods Mol Biol*. 2021;2206:179-192. *Book Chapter*. PMCID: [PMC7444280](#)
4. Hammill AM, **Boscolo E***. Capillary malformations. *J Clin Invest*. 2024 Apr 15;134(8):e172842. [PMC11014659](#)
5. Komal S, **Boscolo E***. Advances in genetics, signaling, and modeling of venous malformations. *Frontiers in Cardiovascular Medicine*. 2026; 13:1770126. PMCID: PMC12921440

Invited Commentary

1. Schrenk S, **Boscolo E***. A transcription factor is the target of propranolol treatment in infantile hemangioma. J Clin Invest. 2022 Feb 1;132(3):e156863. (* **corresponding author**)
PMCID: [PMC8803321](#)

Quality Review of Publications

1. **Boscolo E**, Folini M, Nico B, Grandi C, Mangieri D, Scienza R, Zampieri P, Conconi MT, Parnigotto PP, Ribatti D. Beta amyloid angiogenic activity in vitro and in vivo. Int J Mol Med. 2007;19(4):581-7. PMID: 17334633

Quality Review: During my PhD training I investigated the effects of β Amiloid peptide on the proliferation and vascular tube formation of endothelial cells and demonstrated that the peptide has pro-angiogenic properties.

39 total citations (Web of Science)

2. Khan ZA*, **Boscolo E***, Picard A, Psutka S, Melero-Martin JM, Bartch TC, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Multipotential stem cells recapitulate human infantile hemangioma in immunodeficient mice. J Clin Invest. 2008;118(7):2592-9. PMCID: [PMC2413184](#) (***co-first authors**).

Quality Review: In 2008, we isolated and characterized a stem cell population (HemSC) from infantile hemangioma tumor. When injected into mouse, these cells form hemangioma-like blood vessels in vivo in 7 days and after 2 months these blood vessels spontaneously regress while HemSC-derived adipose cells appear, thereby recapitulating the life-cycle of the tumor.

192 total citations (Web of Science)

3. Jinnin M, Medici D, Park L, Limaye N, Liu Y, **Boscolo E**, Bischoff J, Vikkula M, Boye E, Olsen BR. Suppressed NFAT-dependent VEGFR1 expression and constitutive VEGFR2 signaling in infantile hemangioma. Nat Med. 2008;14(11):1236-46. PMCID: [PMC2593632](#)

Quality Review: VEGFR1 is downregulated in Endothelial cells isolated from infantile hemangioma promoting constitutive activation of VEGFR2 and excessive blood vessel formation. We found that decreased VEGFR1 expression is due to reduced activity of a novel signaling complex by Integrin β 1-TEM8-VEGFR2-NFAT.

232 total citations (Web of Science)

4. Greenberger S, **Boscolo E**, Adini I, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. Corticosteroid suppression of VEGF-A in infantile hemangioma-derived stem cells. N Engl J Med. 2010;362(11):1005-13. PMCID: [PMC2845924](#)

Quality Review: Corticosteroids act specifically on the hemangioma stem cells (HemSC) by down-regulating VEGF-A. Here, I performed crucial experiments to show that 1-HemSC upregulated VEGF-A, and 2- downregulation of VEGF-A in HemSC prevented hemangioma formation in vivo.

154 total citations (Web of Science)

5. **Boscolo E**, Stewart CL, Greenberger S, Wu JK, Durham JT, Herman IM, Mulliken JB, Kitajewski J, Bischoff J. JAGGED1 signaling regulates hemangioma stem cell-to-pericyte/vascular smooth muscle cell differentiation. Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol. 2011;31(10):2181-92. PMCID: [PMC3174332](#)

Quality Review: *I determined that endothelial JAGGED1-NOTCH activation is crucial for differentiation of hemangioma stem cells-to-pericytes. Excessive levels of JAGGED1 in hemangioma endothelial cells cause abnormal proliferation of blood vessels and prevent their maturation.*

48 total citations (Web of Science)

6. **Boscolo E**, Mulliken JB, Bischoff J. VEGFR-1 mediates endothelial differentiation and formation of blood vessels in a murine model of infantile hemangioma. Am J Pathol. 2011;179(5):2266-77. PMCID: [PMC3204018](#)

Quality Review: *I determined that VEGF-A is involved in the differentiation of hemangioma stem cells into vascular cells. In particular, disruption of the VEGF-A/VEGFR-1 signaling in the hemangioma stem cells prevented their differentiation into endothelial cells, the cells that form the tumor blood vessels. This data was validated in a murine model of infantile hemangioma pinpointing the crucial role of VEGF-A in the formation and progression of this childhood tumor.*

45 total citations (Web of Science)

7. **Boscolo E**, Coma S, Luks VL, Greene A, Klagsbrun M, Warman ML, Bischoff J. AKT hyperphosphorylation associated with PI3K mutations in lymphatic endothelial cells from a patient with lymphatic malformation. Angiogenesis. 2015;18(2):151-62. PMCID: [PMC4366356](#)

Quality Review: *We have identified somatic activating PIK3CA mutation H1047L in endothelial cells isolated from patients affected by lymphatic malformation. Rapamycin and PI3K-inhibitors halted AKT phosphorylation downstream of PIK3CA mutation and inhibited proliferation and vessel sprouting.*

59 total citations (Web of Science)

8. **Boscolo E***, Limaye N, Huang L, Kang KT, Soblet J, Uebelhoer M, Mendola A, Natynki M, Seront E, Dupont S, Hammer J, Legrand C, Brugnara C, Eklund L, Vikkula M, Bischoff J, Boon LM. Rapamycin improves TIE2-mutated venous malformation in murine model and human subjects. J Clin Invest. 2015;125(9):3491-504. PMCID: [PMC4588237](#) (*corresponding Author)

Quality Review: *In 2015, I devised a murine model of venous malformation, based on the TIE2 mutation identified in patients. I showed that rapamycin effectively prevents lesion growth in the murine model and we determined its efficacy in a subset of patients enrolled in a pilot clinical trial.*

78 total citations (Web of Science)

9. Li X, Cai Y, Goines J, Pastura P, Brichta L, Lane A, Le Cras TD, **Boscolo E***. Ponatinib combined with Rapamycin causes regression of murine venous malformation. Arterioscler Thromb Vasc Biol. 2019 Mar;39(3):496-512. PMCID: [PMC6392210](#) (*corresponding author)

Quality Review: *Combination treatment with the ABL kinase inhibitor Ponatinib and the mTOR inhibitor rapamycin caused murine VM lesions to regress. Mechanistically, the drug combination enhanced AKT inhibition compared to monotherapy and reduced PLC γ /MAPK activity.*

5 total citations (Web of Science)

10. Le Cras TD, Goines J, Lakes N, Pastura P, Hammill AM, Adams DM, **Boscolo E***. Constitutively active PIK3CA mutations are expressed by lymphatic and vascular endothelial cells in Capillary Lymphatic Venous Malformation. Angiogenesis. 2020 Aug;23(3):425-42. PMCID: [PMC7311380](#) (*corresponding author)

Quality Review: *We determined that PIK3CA mutations are present in both lymphatic and vascular endothelial cell clonal populations isolated from patients affected by capillary lymphatic venous malformation. These patient-derived clonal populations showed constitutive AKT activation, increased proliferation and generated lymphatic or vascular lesions in mouse.*

3 total citations (Web of Science)

Patents

15/649,786	07/14/2017
Bcr-ABL inhibitors to treat Venous Malformations with activated TIE2.	
Inventor: Elisa Boscolo	Non-provisional Patent

Teaching and Mentoring

Teaching

Trainees

06/2008 – 06/2009	Camille Linick Stewart; Boston Children's Hospital
	Responsibility: Training of medical student awarded <u>Sarnoff Fellowship</u>
	Achievements under my mentorship: AHA 2008, poster presentation, Sarnoff Medical Student Meeting, seminar, Children's Hospital Research Day, poster presentation <u>*AWARDED AS BEST "BASIC RESEARCH" PRESENTATION</u> . Second author in ATVB publication, 2011
	Current Position: General Surgeon, Duarte, CA

12/2014 – 12/2017	Xian Li, PhD; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of post-doctoral scholar Achievements under my mentorship: <u>2 publications (1 first author)</u> Current position: Research Associate, University of Kentucky, PI Jeremy Wood
10/2015 – 04/2018	Yuqi Cai, PhD; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of post-doctoral scholar Achievements under my mentorship: <u>4 publications (2 first author)</u> Current Position: Senior Account Manager at GenScript
06/2016 – 09/2016	Alexandra Burnett, BS; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of medical school summer student Current Position: MD, MHS, University of Cincinnati
10/2017 – 03/2018	William Sebastien; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of undergraduate McNair student
06/2018 – 10/2018	Omar Khalfaoui; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of undergraduate RAMP student Achievements under my mentorship: <u>Recipient of the SURF poster presentation award</u> Current Position: Biology Student (Pre-Med) at Ohio State University.
09/2019 – 12/2019	Austin MacMillian, BS; University of Cincinnati Responsibility: Training of rotating graduate student in UC's Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program
01/2020 – 3/2020	Zhiyun Yu, BS; University of Cincinnati Responsibility: Training of rotating graduate student in UC's Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program
10/2019 – 11/2020	Junyi Zhu, MD, PhD; visiting scholar recipient of the China Council Scholarship Responsibility: Training of visiting post-doctoral scholar
05/2018 – 05/2020	Nora Lakes, BS; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of undergraduate student (Capstone) and Research Assistant Achievements under my mentorship: <u>Recipient of the Peter K. Lauf Travel Award of the Ohio Physiological Society, 1 publication</u> Current Position: MD/PhD (MSTP) student at University of Cincinnati.
09/2014 – Present	Jillian Goines, MS; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of Research Assistant III & IV Achievements under my mentorship: <u>9 publications (4 first author); Recipient of the Safety Star Award (CCHMC)</u>
04/2019 – Present	Sandra Schrenk, PhD; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of post-doctoral scholar

Achievements under my mentorship: 8 publications (first and second author), Recipient of the Arnold Strauss Award in 2020 and American Heart Postdoctoral Fellowship in 2021.

01/2021 – 04/2021	Andrew Hoffmann, UC Undergraduate Student; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training for CoOp in my laboratory
01/2021 – Present	Rachel Kang, UC Undergraduate Student; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of undergraduate RAMP (virtual) and SURF (on site) student. She is now lab aide while planning to apply to MD or MD/PhD-MCAT score 523! Achievements under my mentorship: <u>1 publication</u> as coauthor.
07/2021 – Present	Lindsay Bischoff, UC Graduate Student; Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program, University of Cincinnati. Responsibility: Training of PhD student. Achievements under my mentorship: <u>AHA and F31 predoctoral fellowships.</u> Abstract selected for talks in 4 different conferences/meetings. European Vascular Biology Organization <u>Summer School Award</u> , June 2022; <u>Travel Award</u> at the Vascular Anomalies Conference in Brussels, Febr 2023; 2 publication as second author, 1 publication as 1 st author
07/2022 – 06/2024	Jorie Gatts, MD. Clinical Fellow in Hematology/Oncology. Responsibility: Training Clinical Fellow.
05/2022 – 08/2022	Lauren Mestas, University of Cincinnati Cancer Scholar Research Responsibility: Research training of undergraduate student in my laboratory
05/2023 – 08/2023	Amelia Uhde, University of Cincinnati Cancer Scholar Research Responsibility: Research training of undergraduate student in my laboratory
05/2023 – present	Lydia Knutson, University of Cincinnati Cancer Scholar Research, RAMP & Capstone Responsibility: Research training of undergraduate student in my laboratory
08/2023 – present	Andrew Barney, University of Cincinnati Cancer Scholar Research, RAMP & Capstone Responsibility: Research training of undergraduate student in my laboratory
06/2023 – 09/2024	Dhanashri Deshmukh, PhD; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of post-doctoral scholar
05/2024 – present	Kara Soroko, Research Assistant IV Responsibility: Research training in my laboratory Achievements under my mentorship: <u>1 publication</u> as coauthor.
08/2024 – present	Chhiring Sherpa, MS; Research Assistant Responsibility: Research Training in my laboratory Achievements under my mentorship: <u>2 publications</u> as coauthor.

09/2024 – 01/2025	Kaitlyn Zenner, MD; Clinical Fellow Responsibility: Training Clinical Fellow.
12/2024 – present	Komal Sagar, PhD; Postdoctoral Fellow- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of post-doctoral scholar
01/2026 – present	Favour Onyeogaziri, PhD; Postdoctoral Fellow- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center Responsibility: Training of post-doctoral scholar

Academic Courses

11/2019	Data Critique course, Taught 1 class. University of Cincinnati, Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program.
10/2020	Data Critique course/Virtual Journal Club, Taught 1 class. University of Cincinnati, Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program
09/2023-present	2 Classes/year: Cell-Cell Communication Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program

Invited Lectures

02/2008	Role of VEGF-B and VEGF-B Receptors in Hemangioma Stem Cells. Developmental Vascular Biology Workshop III, Monterey, CA. [Seminar]
06/2008	Multipotential Stem Cells Recapitulate Human Infantile Hemangioma in Immunodeficient Mice. The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 17 th International Workshop, Boston, MA. [Seminar]
10/2011	JAGGED1 Signaling Regulates Hemangioma Stem Cell-to-Pericyte/Vascular Smooth Muscle Cell Differentiation. NAVBO Workshop in Vascular Biology, Hyannis, MA. [Seminar]
11/2011	The Origin of EC in Pathological Angiogenesis -Infantile Hemangioma. Boston Angiogenesis Meeting, Boston, MA. [Seminar]
10/2012	Venous Malformation (VM): Murine Model to Identify Therapies to Target Aberrant Venous Development. NAVBO-Genetics and Genomics of Vascular Disease Workshop II, Monterey, CA. [Seminar]
04/2014	Venous Malformation (VM): From Causative TIE2 Mutation to Murine Model and Targeted Therapy. The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 20th International Workshop, Melbourne, Australia. [Seminar]

- 10/2015 **Rapamycin Improves TIE2-mutated Venous Malformation in Murine Model and Human Subjects.** NAVBO- Vascular Biology 2015, Hyannis, MA. [Seminar]
- 03/2017 **Identification of Novel Targeted Therapies for the Treatment of Venous Malformation.** Boston Children's Hospital, Boston, MA. [Seminar]
- 05/2017 **Targeted Therapies for Venous Malformation.** 9th Annual Vascular Anomalies Symposium. Charleston, SC. [Seminar]
- 10/2017 **Identification of Novel Targeted Therapies for the Treatment of Venous Malformation.** Ohio University, Athens, OH. [Invited Seminar]
- 11/2017 **Identification of Novel Targeted Therapies for the Treatment of Venous Malformation.** UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX. [Invited Seminar]
- 03/2018 **Pathogenesis of Capillary Lymphatic Venous Malformations.** 10th Annual Vascular Anomalies Symposium, Charleston, SC. [Invited Seminar]
- 05/2018 **Activation of AKT in Endothelial Cells & Elevated Serum ANG-2 levels in Patients with Capillary Lymphatic Venous Malformations.** The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 22nd International Workshop, Amsterdam, Netherlands. [Presentation]
- 05/2018 **ABL Kinase Inhibitor Ponatinib Combined with Rapamycin Causes Regression of Murine Venous Malformation.** The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 22nd International Workshop, Amsterdam, Netherlands. [Presentation]
- 07/2018 **Our Research on Capillary-Lymphatic Venous Malformation.** K-T Support Group Meeting at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN. [Invited Seminar]
- 09/2018 **Future of Overgrowth Syndrome: Basic Science.** Medical, Surgical, and Minimally Invasive Management of Vascular Anomalies and Overgrowth Syndromes, Atlanta, GA. [Invited Lecture]
- 07/2019 **Vascular Anomalies: Disease Models and Targeted Therapies.** The Sturge-Weber Foundation Research Network International Conference, Wilmington, DE. [Invited Lecture]
- 10/2019 **Constitutive Active Mutant TIE2 Induces Enlarged Vascular Lumen Formation with Loss of Apico-basal Polarity and Pericyte Recruitment.** Vascular Biology 2019, NAVBO, Asilomar, CA. [Seminar]
- 02/2020 **Vascular Anomalies: Disease Models and Targeted Therapies.** Vascular Anomalies Meeting, Charleston, SC [Invited Seminar]

- 04/2020 **Ponatinib Combined with Rapamycin Causes Regression of Murine Venous Malformation.** Vascular Discovery: From Genes to Medicine Scientific Session 2020 Chicago (Virtual) [Invited Lecture to receive AHA Award]
- 04/2020 **Constitutive Active Mutant TIE2 Induces Enlarged Vascular Lumen Formation with Loss of Pericyte Recruitment.** NAVBO Virtual Mini-Symposia [Invited Seminar]
- 10/2021 **Molecular Mechanisms of Venous Malformation.** EMBO Meeting on Vascular Anomalies, Barcelona, Spain. [Invited Seminar]
- 05/2022 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition.** The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 23rd International Workshop, Vancouver, Canada. [Presentation]
- 05/2022 **Cellular and molecular Mechanisms of Pathological Vascular Lumen Expansion in Venous Malformation.** University of Illinois Chicago. Virtual. [Invited Lecture]
- 02/2023 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition.** Vascular Anomalies Conference in Brussels, Belgium. [Invited Presentation]
- 05/2023 **Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Pathological Lumen Formation in Vascular Anomalies.** National Institute of Health- NHLBI Bethesda, MD [Invited Speaker]
- 10/2023 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition.** Vascular Biology 2023, Newport, RI [Selected Presentation]
- 10/2024 **Cell autonomous and non-Cell autonomous roles of Semaphorin 3A and 3F in TIE2-mutated Venous Malformation.** Vascular Biology 2024, Asilomar, CA [Selected Brief Presentation]
- 03/2025 **Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms driving aberrant vascular development in Venous Malformation.** Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA [Invited Speaker]
- 04/2025 **Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms driving aberrant vascular development in Venous Malformation.** Tulane University, New Orleans, LA [Invited Speaker]

11/2025 **Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms driving aberrant vascular development in Vascular Anomalies.** Ball State University, Muncie, IN
[Invited Speaker]

Invited Seminars at CCHMC/UC

09/2014 **Vascular Anomalies: Murine Models and Targeted Therapies.**
Division of Critical Care

10/2016 **Vascular Anomalies: Disease Models and Targeted Therapies.**
Hematology Grand Rounds

10/2016 **Venous Malformations: from causative TIE2 mutations to murine model to targeted therapy.** HVMC Radiology Conference

02/2017 **Targeting mTOR and c-ABL as a novel strategy to treat Venous Malformation.** University of Cincinnati Vontz Center Cancer Biology Seminar Series

02/2017 **Identification of a novel Combination therapy for Venous Malformation.** Hematology Grand Rounds

05/2018 **Vascular Anomalies: from causative mutations to murine models and targeted therapies.** Cronobiology, Vascular Biology and Visual System Group Combined Seminar Series

09/2018 **Murine models to study mechanisms of pathological vasculogenesis.** Translational Vascular Anomalies Series

05/2019 **Vascular Anomalies: disease models and targeted therapies.** Cronobiology, Vascular Biology and Visual System Group Combined Seminar Series

04/2021 **Cellular and molecular Mechanisms of Pathological Vascular Lumen Expansion in Venous Malformation.** University of Cincinnati Vontz Center Cancer Biology Seminar Series 2021

08/2022 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition. 2022 Translational Research Retreat.** Cincinnati Children's Hospital. [Invited Presentation]

10/2022 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition.** University of Cincinnati Cancer Center [Invited Presentation]

02/2023 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition.** Rasopathy meeting - CCHMC [Invited Presentation]

Participation in Patient and Family Educational Activities

- 07/2017 **Our Research on Sturge Weber Syndrome and tour of my Laboratory with patients and families.** The Sturge-Weber Foundation Patient Conference, Cincinnati, OH. [I Presented an Invited Lecture and Brought Patients to Visit my Laboratory with Fun Science Activities for Children)
- 07/2018 **Our Research on Capillary-Lymphatic Venous Malformation.** Klippel-Trenaunay (K-T) Support Group Patient Meeting at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN. [I Presented an Invited Seminar]
- 07/2019 **Vascular Anomalies: Disease Models and Targeted Therapies.** The Sturge-Weber Foundation Research Network International Conference, Wilmington, DE. [I presented an Invited Lecture]
- 05/2022 **Cellular and molecular Mechanisms of Pathological Vascular Lumen Formation in Vascular Anomalies.** Lymphatic Anomalies Association (LGDA). <https://lqdalliance.org/who-we-are/> Virtual. [Invited Presentation]
- 08/2022 **Constitutively active PIK3CA mutations are expressed by lymphatic and vascular endothelial cells in Capillary Lymphatic Venous Malformation.** PIK3CA-related Overgrowth syndrome (PROS) Roundtable, CLOVES syndrome community. <https://clovessyndrome.org/physicians-researchers/#pik3ca-related-conditions-research-roundtable> Virtual. [Invited Lecture]
- 02/2024 **GNAQ mutation in the endothelium causes aberrant vascular morphogenesis and coagulopathy that are rescued by MEK inhibition.** Lymphatic Anomalies Association (LGDA). <https://lqdalliance.org/who-we-are/> Virtual. [Invited Presentation]

Mentoring

Thesis Committees

- 12/2014 – 02/2017 PhD Thesis Committee member for Michelle Glaunert (PI Lionel Chow)
Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
- 02/2015 – 02/2018 PhD Thesis Committee member for Andrew Koenig (PI Saulius Sumanas)
Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
- 10/2016 – 03/2020 PhD Thesis Committee member for Satish CasieChetty (PI Saulius Sumanas)
Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
- 01/2018 – 11/2020 PhD Thesis Committee member for Jennifer Courtney

	(PI Helen Jones) Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
05/2019	Qualifying Exam Committee member for Johnny Donovan (PI Tanya Kalin) Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
08/2020	Qualifying Exam Committee member for Xuyao Chang (primary reviewer) (PI Richard Lu) Molecular and Developmental Biology Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
10/2019 – 12/2021	PhD Thesis Committee member for Xin Wei (PI Timothy Phoenix) Pharmaceutical Sciences Graduate Program University of Cincinnati
10/2020 – 11/2024	PhD Thesis Committee member for Anusha Acharya (PI Tanya Kalin) Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
12/2020	Grant Writing Course 'expert' for Maria Uscatelgui Calderon Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
04/2023-present	PhD Thesis Committee member for Roman Caceres (PI Biplab Dasgupta) Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
12/2022 – 05/2025	PhD Thesis Committee member for Alyssa Solano (PI Brian Gebelein) Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
10/2024 – Present	PhD Thesis Committee member for Sara Alharbi (PI Timothy Le Cras) Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
12/2024 – 02/2026	PhD Thesis Committee member for Griffin McDaniel (PI Timothy Le Cras) Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
08/2025 – Present	PhD Thesis Committee member for Sadani Lyana Badalge (PI Nancy Ratner) Molecular and Developmental Biology Graduate Program Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Qualifier Exams

09/2024 – 09/2025	Qualifier Exam Standing Committee Member - Molecular and Developmental Biology (DSRM) Graduate Program
05/2022 – 4/2023	Qualifier Exam Standing Committee Member - Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program (years 2022 and 2023)
02/2022 – Present	Qualifier Exam Ad-Hoc Reviewer for: Alyssa Solano 2022 – MDB/DSRM Mingjun Cai - 2022 - MDB/DSRM Sara Alharbi 2023 - CCB

Graduate Program Rotating Students

2019	Austin McMillan – CCB
2019	Zhiyun Yu – CCB
2021	Lindsay Bischoff – CCB
2022	Andy Wong – MDB/DSRM
2022	Sara Alharbi - CCB
2022	Camila Hayde Cuervo Jimenez - PMM
2023	Nonso Nduka – MDB/DSRM
2024	Taylor Joseph - CCB
2025	Pardis Amini – DSRM
2026	Haedi Dinh - DSRM

Fellow Scholarship Oversight Committees

06/2017 – 2019	SOC Committee member for Catherine Urban (PI Basilia Zingarelli) Division of Critical Care Medicine Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
11/2019 – 2021	SOC Committee member for Anthony Sabulski (PI Stella Davies) Division of Hematology Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
01/2024 – Present	SOC Committee member for Lindsay Haacker (PI Susa Wells) Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
06/2025 – Present	SOC Committee member for Matthew Hapstack (PI Mihir Atreya) Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
01/2025 – Present	SOC Committee member for Svatava Merkle

(PI Tim Le Cras)
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Post-doctoral Mentoring

08/2018 – 06/2020 Post-doctoral Mentoring Committee member for Sanjeeva Metikala
(PI Saulius Sumanas)
Molecular and Developmental Biology
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Career Development Committee

09/2020 – 05/2025 Career Development Committee member for Mihir Atreya, Instructor
Division of Critical Care Medicine
Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

Service and Leadership

Service

Professional Organizations

05/2007 – Present North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
Regular Member

05/2014 – Present International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA)
Active Member and Member of the Scientific Committee

06/2021 - 2024 North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
Elected Councilor

02/2022 - Present European Vascular Biology Organization (EVBO)
Regular Member

08/2023 - Present North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
Elected member of the Meritorious Award committee

08/2024 - Present North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
Elected member of the Growth and Enrichment committee

Committees

05/2019 – 06/2022 Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC)
Local, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
Committee Member

08/2019 – 06/2022 Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP)
Local, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine

Admission Committee Member

- 12/2022 – present Cancer and Cell Biology Graduate Program
Local, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
Committee Member
- 08/2023 – present CBDI seminar series co-Organizer with Dr. Andrew Volk
CCHMC

Editorial Service

- 11/2014 – 06/2022 Member of Editorial Advisory Board for American Journal of Hematology
IF: 10.05
- 12/2014 – Present Member of Editorial Board for Journal of Hematology and Thrombosis
- 11/2021 – Present Associate Editor for Frontiers in Cardiovascular Medicine IF: 6.050

Grant Reviewer

- 02/2011 Call for Grants from Italian Ministry of Health- study section reviewer
- 02/2012 Call for Grants from Italian Ministry of Health- study section reviewer
- 02/2017 Ohio University Research Council- Ad Hoc reviewer
- 03/2017 – Present CCHMC RIP/GAP grant applications- study section member
- 02/2018 Israel Science Foundation- Ad Hoc reviewer
- 12/2018 CCHMC Center for Clinical and Translational Science and Training (CCTST)
- 06/2019 Department of Defense (DoD), PRMRP Discovery Award
- 10/2019 The Cancer Biology Research Center, Tel-Aviv University- Ad Hoc reviewer
- 04/2019 – Present CCHMC Arnold Strauss Fellowship for Research Fellows- study section member
- 04/2020 CCTST Rochester- Ad Hoc reviewer
- 06/2020 Joint NSFC-ISF Research Grant- Ad Hoc reviewer
- 09/2020 CCTST Pilot Translational Research and Innovative Core Program
- 07/2020 – Present CCHMC Trustee Award- study section member
- 06/2021 Cancer Free Kids
- 06/2021 Department of Defense (DoD), PRMRP Discovery Award

10/2021	Orphan Disease Center- Million Dollar Bike Ride (UPenn)
09/2022	Department of Defense (DoD), PRMRP Focused Program Award - study section member
10/2022	UCCC Pilot Project Award – study section member
10/2022	Orphan Disease Center Million Dollar Bike Ride at UPenn, Pilot Grant Program
11/2022-Present	Schmidlapp Scholars Award - study section member
10/2023, 02/2024	NIH – BMBI study section (9 grants)
10/2023-	Orphan Disease Center Million Dollar Bike Ride at UPenn, Pilot Grant Program
12/2023	Cardiovascular Research Institute Pilot Grants– University of Cincinnati
05/2024	LMI Lymphatic Malformation Institute
10/2024	NIH Study Section ZRG1 EMS-Y (58) Understanding Chronic Conditions Understudied Among Women Special Emphasis Panel (SEP)
06/2024	PTEN research foundation
09 & 12/2024	Department of Defense PRMRP Programmatic Review I and II
10/2025	NIH – CDD study section (8 grants)

Conference Abstract Reviews and Poster Judging

01/2018	Reviewer of 58 Abstracts for The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 22nd International Workshop, Amsterdam, Netherlands
10/2019	Poster judge at the Vascular Biology Meeting 2019- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
01/2020	Reviewer of 35 Abstracts for The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 23rd International Workshop, Vancouver, Canada
10/2020	Poster judge at the Vascular Biology Meeting 2020- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO) Virtual Meeting
06/2021	Podium talks judge for the LEARN Young Investigator Award at the Lymphatic Forum 2021
10/2021	Poster judge at the Vascular Biology Meeting 2021- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO) Virtual Meeting

01/2022	Reviewer of 35 Abstracts for The International Society for the Study of Vascular Anomalies (ISSVA) 2022 ISSVA World Congress, Vancouver, Canada
10/2022	Poster judge at the International Vascular Biology Meeting 2022- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO) San Francisco, CA
10/2023	Poster judge at the Vascular Biology Meeting 2023- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO) Newport, RI
07/2025	Poster judge at the Angiogenesis Gordon Conference 2025 Newport, RI
08/2025	Abstract judge for the American Heart Association meeting 2025, New Orleans, LA
12/2025	Abstract judge for ISSVA – 2026 Philadelphia Congress

Manuscript Reviews

Journal of Clinical Investigation; Nature Communications, Nature Cardiovascular Research, AAAS, JCI Insight; Human Molecular Genetics; Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis and Vascular Biology; Angiogenesis; FASEB Journal; Experimental Cell Research; Circulation Research, Circulation, Journal of Hematology and Oncology; Vascular Cell; Cellular Physiology and Biochemistry; Acta Pediatrica; Pediatric Blood and Cancer; Vascular Biology; Journal of European Academy of Dermatology Venereology; Scientific Reports; PlosOne

Average of 10-15 Manuscripts/Year

Professional and Leadership Activities

2014 – Present	Representative at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center for the North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
10/2015	Chair of 'Matrix Remodeling in Vascular Disease' session at Vascular Biology Meeting, Hyannis, MA
10/2019	Chair of 'Mural Cell Origins and Functions' session at Vascular Biology Meeting, Asilomar, CA
10/2020	Poster Discussion Moderator at the Vascular Biology Meeting 2020- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO), Virtual Meeting
10/2021	Invited Plenary Session Leader/Moderator at the LGDA/LMI International Research Symposium, Virtual Meeting
10/2021	Chair of 'Blood Vessel and Lymphatic Malformations I' session at Vascular Biology Meeting, 2021
10/2021	Chair of 'Pre-Clinical research Session' at International Scientific Meeting for PIK3CA Related Conditions, Virtual Meeting 2021

07/2021 - Present	Elected - Councilor for the North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
10/2022	Chair of ' Vascular Anomalies Session' at International Vascular Biology Meeting 2022- North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO) San Francisco, CA
09/2023	Session Leader/Moderator at the LGDA/LMI International Research Symposium, Dallas, TX
09/2023-present	Elected - Voting member of the meritorious award committee for the North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)
03/2023 -present	Co-organizer for CBDI seminar series
10/2024	Panelist for session on mentoring – Vascular Biology Meeting 2024, Asilomar, CA
07/2025	Session Chair and moderator at the Angiogenesis Gordon Conference 2025 Newport, RI
08/2026	<i>Organizer and moderator of an online roundtable: Strategies to build an academic scientific career in the US</i>

Community Activities

08/2014	Volunteer for event at Gabriel's Place <i>Organized by Office of Faculty Development CCHMC</i>
02/2015	Volunteer for event at Freestore Foodbank <i>Organized by Office of Faculty Development CCHMC</i>
07/2015	Volunteer for Health Fair event at Su Casa Hispanic Center in Cincinnati
09/2015	Presenter for Career Symposium for postdoctoral fellows (CCHMC) Presentation: How to find a job in Academia
04/2018	Published personal article on the NAVBO website: Lessons Learned http://www.navbo.org/resources/lessons-learned

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07/20/2026

Faculty Member Signature and Date