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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

University of Iowa	B.S. in Biomedical Engineering, 1990
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## APPOINTMENTS

University of Iowa	Undergraduate Research Assistant (Mentor: David Skorton, M.D.), 1989-1990
Syracuse University	Graduate Research Assistant (Mentor: Robert Smith, Ph.D.), 1991-1992
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Boston University	Assistant Professor, Biomedical Engineering, 2004-2011
University of South Florida	Associate Professor, Chemical & Biomedical Engineering, 2011-2017
University of South Florida	Professor, Chemical & Biomedical Engineering, 2018-2019
University of South Florida	Professor, Molecular Pharmacology & Physiology, 2018-present
University of South Florida	Professor, Ophthalmology, 2018-present
University of South Florida	Professor, Medical Engineering, 2019-present
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## HONORS AND AWARDS

The Capranica Foundation, Capranica Award in Neuroethology, 1997  
The Society for Neuroscience, Donald B. Lindsley Prize in Behavioral Neuroscience, 1998  
National Institutes of Health, NRSA Postdoctoral Fellowship, 1999  
Karl Kirchgessner Foundation, Vision Research Award, 2004  
The Medical Foundation, Smith Family New Investigator Award, 2005  
National Science Foundation, CAREER Award, 2006  
BrightFocus Foundation, Thomas R. Lee Award, 2014  
University of South Florida, College of Engineering Outstanding Research Achievement Award, 2021  
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## PATENTS

1. **Passaglia CL.** Auto-regulation system for intraocular pressure, US 9022968, issued 05/2015
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4. Bello SA, **Passaglia CL.** Continuous wireless powering of moving biological sensors, US 10027179, issued 07/2018
5. Sunol AK, Ticknor EJ, Guardino S, Jacobsen TW, Rogers ED, Cogswell K, Frisina RD, **Passaglia CL.** Gas-inflatable personal floatation devices, US10027179, issued 09/2019

6. Bello SA, Correa EM, **Passaglia CL**. User-controlled urination management system, US 10744298, issued 08/2020
7. **Passaglia CL**, Malvade S. Tethered eye cannula and method of use, US 10758408, issued 09/2020
8. Muncey A, Enderling H, Pasetto S, **Passaglia CL**, Yarinsky J, Yamamoto Alves Pinto C, Blocker A. Time or tidal volume splitting ventilator and methods of use, Provisional 63/320453, filed 03/2022

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### *Pending*

NSF IUSE:EDU "IUSE: Science, technology, and engineering partnership upscale program (STEP-UP) for professional development of biomedical engineering"

PI: **Passaglia CL**, Co-PI: Kim A, Akintewe O, Zekri S, Jaroszeski M Amount: \$2,000,000 Period: 01/2024-12/2028

NIH R41 EY036307 "Evaluating the efficacy of 4-phenylbutyrate prodrug-nanoparticles (Pro-PBA-NP) in lowering intraocular pressure (IOP) and retinal ganglion cell neuroprotection"

PI: **Passaglia CL**, Co-PI: Inman DM, Organization: Nutriforward LLC Award: \$299,986 Period: 07/2024-06/2025

### *Present*

NIH R01 EY027037 "Continuous measurement and control of intraocular pressure in normal and glaucomatous eyes"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$1,427,799 Period: 02/2021-01/2025

NIH R01 GM054508 "Functions of regulatory motifs in signaling networks."

PI: Iyengar R, Co-I: **Passaglia CL** Co-I Award Amount: \$282,335 Period: 09/2020-08/2025

### *Prior*

NIH R01 EY027037 "Continuous measurement and control of intraocular pressure in normal and glaucomatous eyes"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$1,426,711 Period: 08/2016-07/2021

BrightFocus Foundation "An implantable system for intraocular pressure measurement"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$100,000 Period: 07/2014-07/2016

NIH R21 EY023376 "A novel method of glaucoma induction and regulation",

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$388,769 Period: 04/14-03/2016

NIH NEI R01 EY016849 "Retinal physiology in experimental glaucoma"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$975,000 Period: 09/2006-08/2011

NSF CAREER BES0547457 "Deciphering the neural basis of a visual behavior"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$400,000 Period: 02/2006-01/2011

The Medical Foundation "Retinal coding of visual information in rat eyes"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$200,000 Period: 12/2005-11/2007

Karl Kirchgessner Foundation "Quantitative assessment of rat visual function"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$50,000 Period: 11/2004-10/2006

NIH NRSA F32EY06908 "Role of correlated neuronal discharges in cat retina"

PI: **Passaglia CL** Amount: \$61,000 Period: 03/1999-02/2001



**INVITED TALKS**

1. Northwestern University, Biomedical Engineering Department, "What the Limulus eye tells the Limulus brain", 02/1998
2. University of California-Berkeley, Molecular & Cell Biology Department, "What the Limulus eye tells the Limulus brain", 04/1998
3. Illinois Institute of Technology, Biomedical Engineering Department, "Deciphering the neural code for horseshoe crab vision", 12/2000
4. University of Illinois-Chicago, Biomedical Engineering Department, "Orientation sensitivity of primate retinal ganglion cells", 05/2001
5. Duke University, Biomedical Engineering Department, "The non-classical receptive field of cat retinal ganglion cells", 01/2002
6. University of California-Irvine, Biomedical Engineering Department, "The non-classical receptive field of cat retinal ganglion cells", 03/2002
7. Boston University, Biomedical Engineering Department, "The non-classical receptive field of cat retinal ganglion cells", 03/2002
8. University of Pennsylvania, Department of Neuroscience, "Sex, eyes, and videotape", 11/2003
9. Boston University, Program in Neuroscience, "Sex, eyes, and videotape", 01/2004
10. University of Southern California, Biomedical Engineering Department, "The spectral properties of retinal discharge noise and the impact on visual information transmission", 06/2006
11. Illinois Institute of Technology, Biomedical Engineering Department, "Control of retinal output by luminance and contrast dependent mechanisms", 04/2007
12. Boston University Medical Center, Department of Pharmacology, "Retinal coding of visual information in normal and glaucomatous eyes", 09/2007
13. Vanderbilt University, Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences, "Retinal ganglion cell function in rats with normal and elevated IOP", 10/2009
14. Neurotech Inc, "Retinal ganglion cell function in rats with normal and elevated IOP", Cumberland, RI, 06/2010
15. Association for Research in Vision & Ophthalmology Symposium, "Understanding day and night vision: from experiments to models to behavior", Ft. Lauderdale, FL, 05/2010
16. Mt. Sinai Medical School, Department of Neuroscience, "Retinal adaptation to luminance and contrast", 10/2010
17. Ohio University, Department of Biological Sciences, "Retinal adaptation to luminance and contrast", 12/2010
15. University of Illinois-Chicago, Department of Ophthalmology, "Detangling retinal mechanisms of visual adaptation", 05/2011
16. Draper Laboratory, "Dissecting the functional properties of retinal neurons in normal and diseased eyes", Cambridge, MA, 05/2012
17. University of Pennsylvania, Department of Neuroscience, "Development of a wireless intraocular pressure sensor for rats", 12/2013
18. International Society for Eye Research Symposium, "Continuous measurement and control of intraocular pressure in rats", San Francisco, CA, 07/2014
19. University of Colorado-Denver, Department of Neuroscience, "Wireless measurement and control of intraocular pressure in rats", 05/15
20. Recent Trends in Vision & Ophthalmic Drug Delivery Symposium, "Continuous measurement and control of intraocular pressure in rats", Tampa, FL, 09/2015
21. Recent Trends in Vision & Ophthalmic Drug Delivery Symposium, "Monitoring intraocular pressure, ocular fluid dynamics, and optic nerve health in normal and glaucomatous rat eyes", Tampa, FL, 09/2016
22. University of Connecticut, Biomedical Engineering Department, "Continuous measurement and control of IOP in

- normal and glaucomatous eyes", 03/2017
23. University of Illinois-Chicago, Biomedical Engineering Department, "Continuous measurement and control of IOP in normal and glaucomatous eyes", 04/2017
  24. An Evening of BrightFocus, "Technologies being developed to understand the cause and effects of glaucoma", Washington, DC, 06/2017
  25. Recent Trends in Vision & Ophthalmic Drug Delivery Symposium, "Round-the-clock IOP monitoring and manipulation in rats", Tampa, FL, 09/2017
  26. International Society for Eye Research Symposium, "Round-the-clock IOP monitoring and manipulation in rats", Atlanta, GA, 10/2017
  27. Biomed: Research to Reality Symposium, "Developing new technologies to study and treat glaucoma", Sarasota, FL, 08/2018
  28. Recent Trends in Vision & Ophthalmic Drug Delivery Symposium, "Effect of elevation intracranial pressure of rat outflow facility", Tampa, FL, 02/2019
  29. University of Alabama-Birmingham, Department of Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences, "Continuous monitoring and control of intraocular pressure in conscious rats", Birmingham, AL, 04/2022
  30. International CSF Dynamics Symposium, "Intracranial pressure in the subarachnoid space and lateral ventricle of pigmented rats", Gainesville, FL 06/2022
  31. International Society of Eye Research Symposium, "ICP of conscious rats and its influence on aqueous humor dynamics", Queensland, Australia, 02/2023

## TEACHING HISTORY

### *Undergraduate Level*

1. Engineering Physiology Labs, F2005-F2011
2. Modeling and Analysis of Engineering Systems, F2012
3. Research Design, Methods, and Interpretation, F2013
4. Numerical Methods in Chemical & Biomedical Engineering, F2015-F2016, S2012-S2018
5. Signals and Systems in Biomedical Engineering, F2004-F2005, F2018-F2021
6. Engineering Physiology, F2014-F2017, S2019-S2022

### *Graduate Level*

7. Systems Identification & Parameter Estimation in Biomedical Engineering, S2005
8. Numerical Methods in Biomedical Engineering (co-instructor), S2007-S2011
9. Quantitative Physiology for Engineers, S2007-S2011
10. Biomedical Engineering II, S2015

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

### *Scientific Review Service*

- Reviewer, American Institute of Biological Science, BrightFocus Foundation Award, 02/2022
- Reviewer, NIST US-Israel BIRD Foundation, 11/2021
- Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 03/2021
- Reviewer, NIH ETTN Special Emphasis Panel, 10/2020
- Reviewer, NIH ETTN Special Emphasis Panel, 07/2020
- Reviewer, NIH VSN Special Emphasis Panel, 08/2019
- Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 06/2019
- Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 03/2019
- Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 06/2018

Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 03/2018  
Reviewer, NIH VSN Special Emphasis Panel, 12/2017  
Member, NIH NTRC Study Section, 09/2017  
Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 06/2017  
Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 03/2017  
Member, NIH F02B Study Section, 10/2016  
Reviewer, VA CDA1 Program Panel, 11/2014  
Member, NSF CBET Study Section, 05/2011  
Member, NSF CBET Study Section, 05/2009  
Reviewer, NIH BDPE Study Section, 04/2008  
Reviewer, NIH BDPE Study Section, 04/2006

*Scientific Publishing Service*

Review Editor, *Frontiers in Neuroscience*, 2023-present  
Reviewer (past 3 years) for *Acta Biomaterialia*, *Annals of Biomedical Engineering*, *Communications Biology*, *Current Eye Research*, *European Journal of Ophthalmology*, *Experimental Eye Research*, *Eye and Vision*, *Fluids and Barriers of the CNS*, *Investigative Ophthalmology & Visual Science*, *Journal of Physiology*, *Life Sciences*, *PLOS: Computational Biology*, *Science Advances*, *Scientific Reports*, *Sensors & Actuators A: Physical*, *Translational Visual Science & Technology*

*Scientific Society Service*

Reviewer, BMES Conference 2014, 2015, 2020  
Reviewer, Southern Biomedical Engineering Conference 2013  
Session Chair, ARVO Conference 2006, 2007, 2013, 2017-2019  
Session Chair, BMES Conference 2006, 2013, 2014

*University Service*

Member, USF Health Research Misconduct Investigation Panel, 2023  
External Reviewer, Faculty Promotion to Full Professor, 2018, 2023  
Member, USF Faculty Senate, 2016-2017, 2018-2021  
Member, USF Undergraduate BME Program Development Committee, 2016-2018  
Member, USF Joint Medical Engineering Department Development Committee, 2015-2017  
Reviewer, USF Internal Grant Proposals, 2014-present  
Member, USF Faculty Council on Student Admissions, 2014-2017  
Member, USF Joint Department of Medical Engineering Planning Committee, 2015-2016  
Member, BU Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, 2008-2010  
Member, BU Scientific Instruments Facility Committee, 2007-2009  
Member, BU Biology Faculty Search Committee, 2007

*Department Service*

Member, USF MedE, Faculty Search Committee, 2021-present  
Member, USF MedE Undergraduate Affairs Committee, 2019-present  
Member, USF MedE Graduate Affairs Committee, 2019-present  
Member, USF MedE Program Assessment Committee, 2019-present  
Member, USF MedE, Faculty Search Committee, 2017-2019  
Member, USF MedE, Chair Search Committee, 2018  
Member, USF ChBME Graduate Program Committee, 2012-2018  
Member, BU BME Senior Project Committee, 2006-2010

Member, BU BME Undergraduate Program Committee, 2005-2007

Member, BU BME Graduate Admissions Committee, 2004

*College Service*

Member, USF COE Administration and Research Management Committee, 2021-present

Member, USF COE Scholarship Committee, 2012-2018

Advisor, USF Tau Beta Pi Chapter, 2012-2013

Judge, USF COE Research Day, 2011-2018

Judge, BU Science and Engineering Day, 2006-2010

Advisor, BU Tau Beta Pi Chapter, 2006-2010

*Community Outreach*

STEM Presenter, Hillsborough County School District (Tampa, FL), 2012-present

- 1 to 3 presentations per year spanning elementary, middle, and high school

External Advisory Member, Helios Education Foundation (Tampa, FL), 2011-2013

*Memberships*

Association for Research in Vision & Ophthalmology (ARVO), 1995-present

Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES), 2003-present

International Society for Eye Research (ISER), 2013-present

Society for Neuroscience (SFN), 1998-2012

**STUDENT ADVISING**

*Undergraduate Students (past 3 years)*

Carolyn Morales, Noreden Bitar, Martin Recalde, Samantha Chanthalima, Krystian Gonzalez, Jacob Yarinsky, Ethan Daniels, Katriana Johnson, Andrew Kaiser, Mohammad al Mousa, Jade Houston, Emily Cecchio

*M.S. Students*

1. Aditi Pillai, 2017-2018, currently a Quality Engineer at Rook Quality Systems
2. Tchoudomira Valtcheva, 2012-2014, currently a Quality Associate at Baxter International Inc
3. Victor Hernandez, 2006-2008, currently a Quality Manager at Intelligent Hearing Systems Inc

*Ph.D. Students*

1. Kinnera Khareedu, 2023-present
2. Alexandra Zamitalo, 2022-present
3. Cesar Isidro-Hernandez, 2020-present
4. Christina Nicou, 2018-2023, currently a postdoc in Dr. Crawford Downs labs in UAB
5. Youssef Mohamed, 2017-2022, currently a medical student in USF Health
6. Nicholas Johnson, 2017-2022, currently a postdoc in Drs. Ravi Iyengar and Chris Cardozo labs in Mt. Sinai Health
7. Kayla Ficarrota, 2014-2018, currently Diagnostic Medical Physicist at Fusion Physics LLC
8. Simon Bello, 2012-2016, currently Senior System Design Engineer at Carl Zeiss Meditec
9. Walter Heine, 2007-2011, currently Clinical Research Director at Sanofi
10. Jiahui Liu, 2006-2011, currently Head of Business Model Transformation at Novartis
11. Birgit (Werner) Fullerton, 2004-2008, currently Data Scientist at Hawa Dawa Inc (Munich, Germany)
12. Daniel Freeman, 2003-2008, currently Senior Research Engineer at MIT Lincoln Laboratory

*Postdoctoral Students*

1. Aman Chawla, 2017-2018, currently Assistant Professor in Electrical and Electronics Engineering at Dayananda Sagar College of Engineering (Bengaluru, India)
2. Xiaolan Tang, 2014-2015, currently Resident Physician at University of Central Florida

3. G. David Grana, 2009-2011, currently Academic Editor at Research Square Company
4. B. Hyle Park, 2006-2008, co-mentor: Prof. Johannes deBoer, currently Associate Professor at University of California-Riverside