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### **CITIZENSHIP**

United States Citizen

### **EDUCATION**

<b>Medical School</b>	University of Miami School of Medicine Miami, FL Doctor of Medicine	2002 – 2006
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<b>Undergraduate</b>	University of Miami Miami, FL Bachelor of Science, Psychobiology major, Chemistry and Religious Studies minors	1997 – 2001
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### **POSTGRADUATE TRAINING**

<b>Fellowship</b>	Maternal-Fetal Medicine Columbia University New York, NY	2012 – 2015
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<b>Other</b>	Fetal Echocardiography Training Dr. Alfred Abuhamad and Dr. Elena Sinkovskaya Eastern Virginia Medical School Norfolk, VA	2015
	Teratology/ Reproductive toxicology Fellowship REPROTOX Washington, DC	2010 – 2012

<b>Residency</b>	Obstetrics and Gynecology George Washington University Washington, DC	2006 – 2010
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## **BOARD CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES**

### **Specialty Certification**

Obstetrics and Gynecology- American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology	2015 – Current
Maternal-Fetal Medicine - American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology	2018 – Current

### **Professional Licenses**

State of Florida Medical License	2015 – Current
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## **AWARDS, HONORS, AND MEMBERSHIPS IN HONORARY SOCIETIES**

Association Fellow, The American Gynecological and Obstetrical Society	2024
Top Docs-OBGYN Winner, Tampa Magazine	2024
Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honor Society	2020
AAMC Leadership Course, Washington, DC	2019
F. Clark Fraser New Investigator Award, Teratology Society	2015
Scottish Obstetrics & Gynecology Case History Prize for Medical Students (Mentor role: Primary awardee Dr. C. Chu)	2013
Allan B Weingold Award for Administrative Leadership and Teaching, George Washington University	2010
Kane King Dodek Obstetrical Honor Society, George Washington University	2010
Baldrige Award (Hospital staff excellence), George Washington University	2008
Outstanding Second Year Resident Award, George Washington University	2008
Golden Apple Teaching Award, George Washington University	2008
Alpha Epsilon Delta Honor Society, Vice President, University of Miami	2001
Beta Beta Beta Honor Society (Biological Sciences), University of Miami	2001
Theta Alpha Kappa Honor Society (Religious Studies), University of Miami	2001
College Gold Circle Award for Journalism, University of Miami	2000

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Associate Professor Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	2021 - Current
Division Director, Maternal-Fetal Medicine Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	2020 - Current
Assistant Professor Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida Tampa, FL	2015 – 2020
Assistant Professor Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology George Washington University Washington, D.C.	2010 – 2012

## **LEADERSHIP/DIRECTORSHIP**

Society of Birth Defects Research Nominations & Elections Committee	2021 - Current
Organization of Teratology Information Specialists Past President	2023 – 2025
President	2021 – 2023
President-Elect	2019 – 2021
Board of Directors	2019 – Current
Medical Director USF Teratogen Information Service, MotherToBaby FL University of South Florida	2018 – Current
Secondary PI North American Fetal Therapy Network (NAFTNet) University of South Florida	2018 – Current
Council (Board of Directors) Teratology Society/ Society of Birth Defects Research in Prevention	2015 – 2017
Board of Directors MotherToBaby Organization of Teratology Information Specialists	2013 – 2016

Administrative Chief Resident George Washington University	2009 – 2010
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Professional Liaison University of Miami School of Medicine Department of Community Service	2004 – 2005
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Student Director University of Miami Project Medishare Primary and Gynecological Care -Haiti	2003 – 2004
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### **HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS**

Staff Physician Tampa General Hospital Tampa, FL	2015 – Current
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Staff Physician St. Joseph Women's Hospital Tampa, FL	2016 – 2019
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Staff Physician George Washington University Hospital Washington, D.C.	2010 – 2012
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### **OTHER**

Perinatal Mental Health Program Women's Institute FY25 SOC Tampa General Hospital	11-2024
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The Highest Level of Care: TGH's Nationally Acclaimed Maternal-Fetal Medicine Program	2022-2023
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Nonprescription Drugs Advisory Committee (NDAC) Meeting Teratology and Obstetrics Expert Review of Adapalene Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	2016
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Perinatal Mental Health Program Tampa General Hospital	
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Scientific writer REPROTOX, Arlington, VA	2010 – 2012
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### **OUTREACH**

The 2024 "Latch Con" Event	2024
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### **TEACHING ACTIVITIES**

## International

Director and Faculty Human Teratogens Course University of South Florida Tampa, FL	2023
Director and Faculty Human Teratogens Course University of South Florida Tampa, FL	2021
Director and Faculty Human Teratogens Course CAMLS/ University of South Florida Tampa, FL	2019
Faculty American Austrian Foundation Open Medical Institute Week-long course, Maternal-Fetal and Neonatal Medicine (4 lectures) Salzburg, Austria	2017
Faculty Human Teratogens Course (2 lectures) Harvard University, Boston, MA	2017
Faculty International Society in Obstetrics and Gynecology Ultrasound Conference (3 lectures) Moscow, Russia	2016
Co-Director and Faculty 1. "Embryology and Physiology of the Perinatal Period" 2. "Advances in Placenta Research Symposium" (Co-Director) 3. Mentorship lecture: "From Mentee to Mentor" Teratology Society Annual Meeting San Antonio, TX	2016

## National

Elected Forum Leader - Ultrasound Scientific Forum "The Incredible First trimester" Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Annual Meeting Grapevine, TX	2020
Elected Forum Leader - Ultrasound Scientific Forum "Chest Masses: The Common and the Uncommon" Society of Maternal Fetal Medicine Annual Meeting Las Vegas, NV	2019

Obstetric Complications Debates: Preterm Birth and Beyond “Cerclage in Twin Pregnancies: Never indicated vs. a Viable Option Course presenter Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Education Course	2019
<b>Local</b>	
Introduction to Clerkship (Preceptor) Paper Cases (OBGYN) Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2023
OBGYN EPA Course (Year IV Students) “EPL and Breaking Bad News” Center for Advanced Medical Learning and Simulation Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2023
Ultrasound Quarterly Meeting “Skeletal Dysplasias” Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2022
Co-Director, Resident Ultrasound Rotation Ob/Gyn Residency Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2016 – 2019
Year I-IV USF Residents Obstetrics Lectures (rotating topics) “Gastroschisis,” “Teratology,” “Fetal Monitoring” Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2016 – Current
USF/Moffitt Gynecology Oncology Fellowship Lecture “Malignancy in Pregnancy” Moffitt Cancer Center Tampa, Fl	2016
USF Perinatal Lecture Series “Cholestasis and PR interval” Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2016
Year I-IV USF OB/GYN Residents Supervision in the operating room, Labor and Delivery, Ultrasound Unit, Antepartum Unit, Floor Rounds, Patient Care Conferences and Outpatient Clinic Tampa General Hospital	2015 – Current
Fetal Echocardiography Module (monthly lectures) Maternal-Fetal Medicine Fellowship Morsani College of Medicine University of South Florida	2015 – Current

Medical Student Lecture Series (annually) “Teratology Overview” Columbia University	2013 – 2015
Elective seminar (Year II medical students) “Contraception for the non-Ob/Gyn practitioner” George Washington School of Medicine	2011 – 2012
Practice of Medicine (Year I-II medical student core curriculum) “Contraception course” and “Perineal Repair course” George Washington School of Medicine	2011 – 2012
Year I-IV GWU OB/GYN Residents Supervision in the operating room, Labor and Delivery, Antepartum Unit, Floor Rounds, Patient Care Conferences, and Outpatient Clinic. George Washington University Hospital	2010 – 2012
Medical Student Lecture Series (annually) “Preconception Counseling and Prenatal care” George Washington School of Medicine	2010 – 2012

## **MENTORSHIP**

Alexia Eiges	Mentor Committee	2022 – 2023
Claudio Schenone	Mentor	2022 – 2023
Quality improvement project for " Fetal Care Center Educational materials including 3-D Modeling"		
Madison Lake	Thesis Committee	2020 – 2022
Masters in Genetic Counseling		
Adetola Louis-Jacques	Research Preceptor (PGY7)	2018
Awarded Organization of Teratology Information Specialists Seed Grant Project Title “Milk and Meds”		
Lindsey Victoria	Thesis Committee	2017 – 2018
Masters in Genetic Counseling		
Anjalika Ghandi	Faculty Advisor (PGY3)	2016
Quality improvement project: “Intrauterine Fetal Demise”		
Jeannette Green	Faculty Advisor (PGY3)	2016
Quality improvement project: “Placenta Accreta”		
Alyson Small	Research Preceptor (MS3)	2014
“First Trimester Cardiac Axis as a Marker for Congenital Heart Disease”		
Danielle Heller	Research Preceptor (MS3)	2014
“Pulmonary Hypertension in Pregnancy”		

Cristina Chu	Research Preceptor (MS4)	2013
“Management of placenta Accreta”		
Awarded Scottish Obstetrics & Gynaecology Case History Prize for Medical Students		

## **LECTURES BY INVITATION**

### **International**

ENTIS Session Moderator	10/2025
Lecturer Human Teratogens Course “Detection of Birth Defects on Prenatal Imaging” University of South Florida Tampa, FL	11/2023
Lecturer Human Teratogens Course “Pain Management and Analgesics” University of South Florida Tampa, FL	11/2023
Lecturer Human Teratogens Course “Cosmetics and Topical Exposures in Pregnancy” University of South Florida Tampa, FL	11/2023
Lecturer European Network of Teratology Information Services 34 <sup>th</sup> Conference of ENTIS Fetal ultrasound and detection of birth defects Dublin, Ireland	09/2023
Lecturer European Network of Teratology Information Services 33 <sup>rd</sup> Conference of ENTIS Hyperpyrexia as a major teratogen: COVID-19 vaccine implications (lecture) Bergamo, Italy	09/2022
Lecturer Predicting and Preparing for the Next Pandemic: Protecting Pregnant Persons, the Fetus, and the Children Workshop Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention 62 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting Vancouver, BC, Canada	06/2022
Chairperson and Lecturer	06/2022



Gerald G. Briggs Research Symposium: Can Experimental Animal Studies  
Be Used in Counseling Patients?  
Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention  
62<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting  
Vancouver, BC, Canada

“Teratology and Fetal Therapy” 05/2020  
European Network of Teratology Information Specialists  
Lugano, Italy  
*Postponed due to COVID-19 concerns*

Clark F. Frasier New Investigator Award Recipient Presentation of Research 06/2015  
Teratology Society Annual Meeting  
Montreal, Canada

## National

"Perinatal Mental Health - an obstetrician's perspective" 04/2025  
Mother To Baby Journal Club

“Fellow Lecture Series” 02/2025  
Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Annual Meeting

“Principles of Teratology: From the historical perspective to the modern era” 08/2024  
Webinar hosted by BIDMC Maternal-Fetal Medicine

“Principles of Teratology”  
Columbia University Grand Rounds 10/2023  
Columbia, NY

“Pregnancy Mental Healthcare Challenges” – MotherToBabyFL Experience 06/2023  
OTIS Annual Education Meeting  
Charleston, SC

“Principles of Teratology: From the historical perspective to the modern era.” 05/2023  
Atrium Health Grand Rounds  
Charlotte, NC

“We can Do This Summit: Conversations on Encouraging COVID-19 04/2022  
Vaccinations. Panel 2: Pregnancy and Nursing Moms: Addressing  
Misinformation”  
Webinar hosted by the White House/US Department of Health and  
Human Services

“Prenatal Diagnosis for Disorders of TGE Head and Skull” 03/2020  
National Birth Defects and Prevention Network  
Arlington, VA

“Interpretation of Data and How Much Weight Is Placed on the Label, 06/2019  
Nonclinical and Clinical Information”  
Teratology Society and Office of Teratogen Information Specialists

Joint Annual Meeting  
San Diego, CA

“Sifting through the Smoke: The Latest Research Surrounding Marijuana Exposure in Pregnancy and Breastfeeding,” Webinar jointly hosted by the Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Teratology Society, and Organization of Teratogen Information Specialists	05/2019
“Communicating with Others: What Is a Teratogen?” Webinar hosted by The Teratology Society (177 participants)	04/2019
“Cerclage in Twins” Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Annual Meeting Las Vegas, NV	02/2019
“Current and Future Trends in Research with Pregnant and Lactating Women” Webinar jointly hosted by the Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Teratology Society, and Organization of Teratogen Information Specialists	01/2019
“Using Registries and Crowdsourcing to Conduct Research with Pregnant and Lactating Women” Webinar jointly hosted by the Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Teratology Society, and Organization of Teratogen Information Specialists	01/2019
“Third Trimester Uterine Artery Dopplers Indices and Predictors of Preeclampsia” American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine Annual Meeting New York, NY	04/2018
“Management options for a short cervix in twins and higher order multiples” American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine Annual Meeting New York, NY	04/2018
“First trimester neuroanatomy” Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Annual Meeting Dallas, TX	02/2018
Opioid Webinar (955 participants) Jointly hosted by the Organization of Teratogen Information Specialists and Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine	01/2018
“Overview of Skeletal Dysplasia” Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine Annual Meeting Las Vegas, NV	01/2017
“Fetal Echocardiography” Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds George Washington University	04/2016
“Short cervix and intra-amniotic infection” American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine Annual Meeting	03/2016

New York, NY

“Perinatal Exposure to Medications and Child Outcomes: What Do Patients Want to Know?” Pregnancy and lactation in women with autoimmune diseases conference San Diego, CA	02/2015
“Clinical cases in reproductive environmental health” Conference on Environmental Health for Obstetricians and Gynecologists Mid-Atlantic Center for Children’s Health and Environment, Arlington, VA	10/2013
“Maternal and Neonatal Thyroid Screening in Pregnancy and Post-Partum” “How Is Risk Perceived Amongst Patients?” (2 lectures) 2013 Teratology Society/OTIS Joint Annual Meeting Tucson, Arizona	06/2013
“First Trimester Pregnancy Dating by Fetal Heart Rate - A Simple Formula” American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine Annual Meeting New York, NY	04/2013
“Vitamin D Deficient Populations” 2012 Teratology Society Annual Meeting Baltimore, MD	06/2012
“Methotrexate in Pregnancy” 2012 Teratology Society Annual Meeting Baltimore, MD	06/2012
“Thyroid Disease in Pregnancy” Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Spring, MD	02/2012
“A Review of Obstetrical Ultrasound: A Clinician’s Perspective” Radiology Grand Rounds George Washington University Hospital, Washington, DC	10/2010
“PRES and Subarachnoid Hemorrhage in the Setting of Eclampsia” Morbidity and Mortality Conference George Washington University Hospital, Washington, DC	03/2009
“The Place and Placement of Cerclage,” Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Spring, MD	02/2009
“Management of Severe Preeclampsia” Morbidity and Mortality Conference Inova Fairfax Hospital, Fairfax, VA	04/2008

## Regional

“Teratogen and Medication Exposure: Pre and Early Pregnancy” ACOG District XII 2024 Meeting Orlando, FL	08/2024
“Florida Society of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility” ACOG District XII 2024 Meeting Orlando, FL	08/2024
“Principles of Teratology: From the Historical Perspective to the Modern Era” ACOG District XII Ingram/Spellacy lectureship <i>Postponed due to COVID-19 concern</i>	08/2020
“Principles of Teratology: From the Historical Perspective to the Modern Era” Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds University of Florida, Gainesville, FL	10/2019

## Local

EPA Case Ultrasound	03/2025
Management of Monochorionic Diamniotic Twins For the OB/GYN Specialist University of South Florida, Tampa, FL	03/2025
“First Trimester Neuro Anatomy” Grand Rounds Ultrasound Quarterly Meeting University of South Florida	10/2021
“COVID-19 & Women’s Health” Virtual Panel University of South Florida	09/2021
“COVID Update: Hesitancy in the Obstetric Patient” Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds University of South Florida, Tampa, FL	08/2021
“Birth Defects: What Are They and How to Prevent Them” Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, FL	01/2021
“Principles of Teratology: From the Historical Perspective to the Modern Era” Tampa General Hospital Tampa, FL	01/2021
“The Risk of a Broken Heart-Cardiac Teratogenesis” Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds	07/2020

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“Teratology 101” 03/2020  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

“Principles of Teratology: From the Historical Perspective to the Modern Era” 09/2019  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

“Bad Words and What Do They Mean- What Is a Teratogen?” 05/2019  
Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

“Infections in Pregnancy and the Newborn – Advances and Opportunities” 03/2019  
Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

“Everything You Need to Know About the Cervix” 07/2018  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Ultrasound Quarterly Meeting  
University of South Florida, Tampa, F

“First Trimester Anatomy Ultrasound” 04/2016  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Ultrasound Quarterly Meeting  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

“The Risk of a Broken Heart” 08/2015  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds  
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

## **SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY**

### **Grants and Contracts**

Site PI  
Myread Genetics  
Development and Validation of Parallel Aneuploidy and Recessive Surveillance via  
Noninvasive Prenatal Screening (parsNIPS)  
National Institute of Health  
Department of Health and Human Services  
“Human Teratogens Course”  
P.I.: Sarah Običan, M.D.  
Awarded: \$1390  
Project Period: 09/2023 – 8/31/2027

CDC Grant, DD-23-0004  
Grant Number: NU01DD000041  
P.I.: Sarah Obican, MD  
Approved: Component A: \$448,986  
Project Period: 08/2023 – 08/2028

Development and Validation of Parallel Aneuploidy and Recessive Surveillance via Noninvasive Prenatal Screening (parsNIPS)

P.I.: Sarah, Obican, MD

Project Period: 08/2023-08/2023

Intentions, Barriers, and Supports for Women at All Stages of Childbearing in High Demand Professions.

Funding sources:

1) The USF Women's Health Collaborative Seed Grant

2) The Pilot Project Research Training (PPRT) through the Sunshine ERC

University South Florida

Cycle 1 Conference Support Grant

P.I.: Sarah Obican, M.D.

Total Cost: \$5,000

Project Period: 07/2018-06/2019

Organization of Teratogen Information Services/ Mother to Baby Seed Grant

P.I.: Sarah G. Obican M.D,

Reka Muller, Neven Krstic

Role: PI

Total Cost: \$5,000

Project Period: 05/2021-05/2022

Gastroschisis Outcomes of Delivery (GOOD) Study

Medical College of Wisconsin

P.I.: Sarah Obican, MD

Total Cost: \$10,050

Project Period: 04/2022-06/2023

Outcomes of Rare and Sex Chromosome Aneuploidies  
In Pregnancy Detected via Screening by cell-free DNA  
(ORCHIDS)other

PI: Sarah Obican, MD

Total Cost: \$18,000.01

Project Period: 03/2021-03/2026

Gastroschisis Outcomes of Delivery (GOOD) Study

Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Foundation

P.I.: Sarah Obican, MD

Total Cost: \$2,000

Project Period: 07/2020-06/2021

Organization of Teratogen Information Services

Health Resources and Services Administration Sub-Award

P.I.: Sarah Obican, M.D.

Total Cost: \$173,750

Project Period: 09/2019-08/2023

University South Florida

Scientific Meeting Support Grant  
“Human Teratogens Course”  
P.I.: Sarah Obican, M.D.  
Total Cost: \$5,000  
Project Period: 02/2019

Teratology Society and Organization of Teratogen Information Services  
Scientific Meeting Support Grant  
“Human Teratogens Course”  
P.I.: Sarah Obican, M.D.  
Total Cost: \$10,000  
Project Period: 02/2019

Mother to Baby/University of California San Diego  
Exposures Research Sub-Award  
“Drug exposures in pregnancy”  
P.I.: Sarah Obican, M.D.  
Yearly Cost: \$5,000  
Project Period: 07/2019-06/2020 (yearly renewable)

Florida Department of Health  
Zika Research Grant  
“Zika Virus Screening and Prevention: Development of USF Zika Resource Center”  
P.I.: Patricia Emmanuel, M.D.  
Role: Co-Investigator  
Percent Effort: 10%  
Total Cost: \$300,000  
Project Period: 03/2018-12/2020

University of South Florida  
Travel Grant  
International Society in Obstetrics and Gynecology Ultrasound Conference, Moscow, Russia  
P.I. Sarah Obican, M.D.  
Total Cost: \$2,000  
Project Period: 05/2016

Organization of Teratogen Information Services/ Mother to Baby  
Seed Grant  
“Milk and Meds”  
Co-P.I. : Adetola Louis-Jacques, M.D.  
Role: Sponsor/Mentor  
Total Cost: \$6,830  
Project Period: 03/2016-08/2016

Mother to Baby/University of California San Diego  
Exposures Research Sub-Award  
“Drug exposures in pregnancy”  
P.I.: Sarah Obican, M.D.  
Total Cost: \$52,818.92  
Project Period: 05/2016-03/2019

The Organization of Teratology Information Services Autoimmune Diseases in Pregnancy  
PI: Sarah Obican, MD  
Total Cost: \$15,000  
Project Period: 01/2016-12/2018

American Medical Association  
Seed Grant

“Do infants of mothers with cholestasis have an increased PR interval as opposed to those without cholestasis?”

P.I: Sarah Obican, M.D.

Total Cost: \$2,500

Project Period: 03/2014-03/2015

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. **Običan SG**, Finnell RH, Mills JL, Shaw GM, Scialli AR. Folic acid in early pregnancy: a public success story. *FASEB J.* 2010 Nov; 24(11): 4167-4174. PMID: 20631328
2. **Običan SG**, Scialli, AR. Teratogenic Exposures. *Am J Med Genet C Semin Med Genet.* 2011 Aug 15; 157(3):150-69. Epub 2011 Jul 15. PMID: 21766437 Review
3. Hyoun S, **Običan SG**, Scialli A. Teratogen update: Methotrexate. *Birth Defects Res A Clin Mol Teratol.* 2012 Apr; 94(4):187-207. PMID: 22434686
4. Li Q, Hankin JR, Wilsnack SC, Abel E, Kirby RS, Keith LG, **Običan SG**. Detection of alcohol use in prenatal care settings among low-income pregnant women in Jefferson County, Alabama. *Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research.* 2012 Aug; 36(8):1449-55. PMID: 22375628
5. **Običan SG**, Jahnke GD, Soldin OP, Scialli AR. Teratology public affairs committee position paper: iodine deficiency in pregnancy. *Birth Defects Res A Clin Mol Teratol.* 2012 Sep; 94(9): 677-82. Epub 2012 Aug 18. PMID: 22903940
6. Uriu-Adams JY, **Običan SG**, Keen CL. Vitamin D and maternal and child health: Overview and implications for dietary requirements. *Birth Defects Res C Embryo Today.* 2013 Mar; 99(1):24-44. PMID: 23723170 Review
7. **Običan SG** and Cleary KL. Pulmonary arterial hypertension in pregnancy. *Semin Perinatol.* 2014 Aug; 38(5):289-94. PMID: 25037519 Review
8. **Običan SG**, Khodak-Gelman S, Elmi A, Larsen J, Friedman A. First trimester dating by fetal heart rate assessment: A comparison with crown-rump length measurement. *J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med.* 2015 Jan; 28(1):68-70. PMID: 24635416
9. Brohl AS, Li L, **Običan SG**, Cioffi A, Dudley JT, Kasarskis A and Maki RG. Age-stratified risk of unexpected uterine sarcoma following surgery for presumed benign leiomyoma. *Oncologist.* 2015 Apr; 20(4):433-9. PMID: 25765878
10. Drassinower D, Friedman AM, Levin H, **Običan SG**, Gyamfi-Bannerman C. Does magnesium exposure affect neonatal resuscitation? *Am J Obstet Gynecol.* 2015 Sep; 213(3):424.e1-5. PMID: 26026919



11. **Običan SG**, Small A, Smith D, Levin H, Drassinower D, Gyamfi-Bannerman C. Mode of delivery at periviability and early childhood neurodevelopment. *Am J Obstet Gynecol*. 2015 Oct; 213(4):578.e1-4. PMID: 26116869
12. **Običan SG**, Brock CO, Berkowitz R, Wapner RJ. Multifetal Pregnancy Reduction. *Clin Obstet Gynecol*. 2015 Sep; 58(3):574-84. PMID: 26083128 Review
13. Brock CO, Brohl AS, **Običan SG**. Incidence, pathophysiology, and clinical manifestations of antiphospholipid syndrome. *Birth Defects Res C Embryo Today*. 2015 Sep; 105(3):201-8. PMID: 26396056 Review
14. Drassinower D, **Običan SG**, Siddiq Z, Heller D, Gyamfi-Bannerman C, Friedman AM. Does the clinical presentation of a prior preterm birth predict risk in a subsequent pregnancy? *Am J Obstet Gynecol*. 2015 Nov; 213(5):686.e1-7. PMID: 26215326
15. Drassinower D, Friedman AM, **Običan SG**, Levin H, Gyamfi-Bannerman C. Prolonged latency of preterm premature rupture of membranes and risk of neonatal sepsis. *Am J Obstet Gynecol*. 2016 Jun; 214(6):743.e1-6. PMID: 26723194
16. Drassinower D, Friedman AM, **Običan SG**, Levin H, Gyamfi-Bannerman C. Prolonged latency of preterm prelabour rupture of membranes and neurodevelopmental outcomes: a secondary analysis. *BJOG*. 2016 Sep;123(10):1629-35. doi: 10.1111/1471-0528.14133. Epub 2016 May 31. PMID: 27245741.
17. Drassinower D, Friedman AM, **Običan SG**, Levin H, Gyamfi-Bannerman C. Prolonged latency of preterm premature rupture of membranes and risk of cerebral palsy. *J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med*. 2016 Sep; 29(17):2748-52. PMID: 26595801
18. Drassinower D, Lavery JA, Friedman AM, Levin HI, **Običan SG**, Ananth CV. The effect of maternal haematocrit on offspring IQ at 4 and 7 years of age: a secondary analysis. *BJOG*. 2016 Dec;123(13):2087-2093. doi: 10.1111/1471-0528.14263. Epub 2016 Aug 17. PMID: 27533357.
19. Louis-Jacques AF, **Običan SG**, Nguyen T, Odibo A. Prenatal diagnosis of aortopulmonary window associated with aberrant subclavian artery. *Cardiol Young*. 2017 Sep; 27(7):1441-1443. Epub 2017 Mar 16. PMID: 28300009
20. Levin HI, Sciscione A, Ananth CV, Drassinower D, **Običan SG**, Wapner RJ. Activity Restriction and Risk of Preterm Delivery. *J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med*. 2018 Aug; 31(16):2136-214. Epub 2017 Jul 6. PMID: 28573877
21. Nwabuobi C, McDowell M, **Običan SG**. Severe Bicuspid Aortic Stenosis in Pregnancy: Balancing the Risk of Prematurity and Maternal Mortality. *Cardiol Young*. 2018 May; 28(5):756-758. Epub 2018 Feb 8. PMID: 29415779
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#### Scholarly Work in Other Media

“#BumpDay,” What to Expect Foundation Social Media Campaign	2016
“IVF and the Risk of a Broken Heart” MotherToBaby Blog	2016
Conover B, and Obican S. “Prime Capsule” (How to choose a prenatal vitamin) Pregnancy and Newborn Magazine	2016
Television Appearance, “Women’s Week,” 7 News (local)	2016
LA Times Interview, “Five Ways Scientists are going after Zika Virus”	2016
New York Times Interview “DEET seen as safe for pregnant women to avoid Zika despite few studies”	2016
“Dear Opioid-Addicted Moms-To-Be, We Are Here for You” MotherToBaby Blog	2018
Facebook Live Interview, USF “Fetal Care Center of Tampa Bay”	2018
Facebook Live Interview, USF “MotherToBaby Florida Teratogen Information Service”	2019

Facebook Live Interview, USF “COVID-19 and Pregnancy”	2019
Webinar Presenter, “COVID-19 and Pregnancy” Mommy Spot	2020
Webinar Presenter, “COVID-19 and Pregnancy” **NATIONAL** What to Expect When You Are Expecting with Heidi Murkoff	08/2020
Webinar Presenter, “Cesarean Deliveries” ***NATIONAL*** What to Expect When You Are Expecting with Heidi Murkoff	08/2020
Channel 8 News Interview “COVID-19 and Pregnancy”	11/2020
Obesity Blog MotherToBaby	01/2021
Webinar Presenter “COVID-19 and Pregnancy-through Tampa General Hospital	05/2021
Sinclair Broadcast Group Interview with Angela Brown “Opioid Use Disorder” MotherToBaby	07/2021
“The Day the World Went Dark: A Personal Account of Miscarriage, Abortion and Ectopic Pregnancy” MotherToBaby	09/2022
“Pain Management in Pregnancy and Delivery Webinar” Broadcast via GoMeeting ***NATIONAL**	10/2022
“Weight Loss drugs in pregnancy/breastfeeding” Podcast - MotherToBaby	06/2023
“Principles of Teratology: From the Historical Perspective to the Modern Era Florida Council of Nurse Midwives Meeting	08/2023
FOX 13 Tampa Bay “Some Ozempic users report unexpected pregnancies”	04/2024
Syndrome and Twin Anemia-Polycythemia Sequence SMFM Podcast- Twin-Twin Transfusion	08/2024
WFLA News Channel 8 On Your Side Tampa Bay “Birth Defects Prevention”	01/2025
Fox 13 LIVE Virtual Interview	01/2025

## **SERVICE**



## University/TGH Committees

OB/Gyn APT Committee	2023 – Current
Florida Birth Defects Registry Stakeholder Group	2020 – Current
Obstetrics and Gynecology Department COVID-19 Working Group Tampa General Hospital and the University of South Florida	2020 – Current
Palliative Care Committee, Tampa General Hospital	2020 – Current
USF Genetic Counseling Advisory Board	2020 - Current
Member, USF Faculty Council	2017 – Current

## Committees

BDRP 2026 Program Committee	2026
Data Safety Monitoring Board for the FLUMEN study Fetoscopic laser photocoagulation in management of vasa previa	2025
SMFM DRC-Document Review Committee	2024 – Current
NAFTNET Ethics Committee	2024 - Current
WHO Tuberculosis and Pregnancy Study, Sub-Group	2024 - Current
SMFM DRC Committee	2024 - Current
Active Fellow – American Gynecological & Obstetrical Society (AGOS)	2024 - Current
Program Committee, Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention	2020
PRGLAC Working group for OTIS and Society of Birth Defects Research and Prevention	2019 – Current
Nominations and Elections Committee, Teratology Society	2018 – 2019
Continuing Medical Education Committee Teratology Annual Meetings (Society for Birth Defects Research and Prevention)	2017 – Current
Strategic Planning Committee, Teratology Society	2017
Sustainability Committee, Organization of Teratogen Information Specialists	2016 – Current
Board of Directors, Reproductive Toxicology Center	2015 – Current

HRSA Seed Grant Review Committee	
Organization of Teratology Information Specialists	2015 – Current
Awards Committee, Teratology Society	2015 – 2017
Public Affairs Committee, Teratology Society	2010 – 2015

## **Membership in Professional & Scientific Societies**

### **National**

Member, North American Fetal Therapy Network (NAFTNet)	2018 – Current
Member, Society for Maternal Fetal Medicine SUM Question Bank	2015 – 2016
Member, Society of Maternal Fetal Medicine	2011 – Current
Member, Teratology Society/ Society of Birth Defects Research and Prevention	2010 – Current
Member, Organization of Teratogen Information Specialists	2010 – Current
Member, Society of Toxicology	2010 – 2012
Member, American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists	2006 – Current

### **Editorial Positions**

Associate Editor for Wiley Birth Defects Research Journal	2018 – Current
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### **Ad hoc Reviewer for Multiple Journals**

New England Journal of Medicine, Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology, Birth Defects Research, ACTA Obstetrica et Gynecologia Scandinavica, WHO Guidelines for Malaria

## **LANGUAGE FLUENCY**

English, Spanish, and Croatian

## **INTERESTS**

Flamenco, Opera, and Travel