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Clemson University, B.S., Agricultural and Biological Engineering, 1994
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Appointments:

2004-present Assistant Professor, Agricultural and Biological Engineering Department, Univ. of Florida
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Publications

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Awards and Honors

- 2007 Appreciation Award for Participation on the TROPI experiment, from European Space Agency and National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- 2007 Young Research Award, Florida Section of the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers
- 1990-1994 USDA National Needs Fellowship

Synergistic Activities

- (a) Editor, *Advances in Space Research* Volume 39, Issue 7, 2007, (b) Reviewer for scientific Journals (*Advances in Space Research*, *Journal of Biological Engineering*, *In Vitro-Plant*, *HortScience*, *American Society of Space and Gravitational Biology Bulletin*) (c) Mentor for high school students in the Student Science Training Program (2006, 2007), (d) 4-H workshop development and presentation on Space Agriculture (2008), (e) Development of a new undergraduate course and labs entitled "Applications in Biological Engineering" (f) Session chair Congress on Space Research (COSPAR 2008), (g) Publications committee member (Institute of Biological Engineers) (h) Speaker and mentor for the Center for Precollegiate Education on Biological Engineering for recruitment of minorities (i) Science for Life mentor for undergraduate research.

Recent Collaborations: Robert Bowmann (NASA-Ames), Ray Bucklin (Univ. of FL), Khe Chau (Univ. of FL), Joe H. Cho (Univ. of Central FL), Richard Edelman (Miami Univ.), Mike Eoidice (NASA-Ames), Robert Ferl (Univ. of FL), Bin Gao (Univ. of FL), Maria Gallo (Univ. of Florida), Ruth Grene (Virginia Tech.), Roger P. Hangarter (Indiana Univ.), Jim Jones (Univ. of FL) Jack L. Mullen (Colorado State), M. Lia Molas (Argentina, a Dept. Agriculture), Sudipta Seal (Univ. of Central FL), Marianne Steele (NASA-Ames), C. Eduardo Vallejos (Univ. of FL), Steve Welch (Kansas State University), Jeff White (USDA-ARS, Tempe)

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