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Education/Learning, Research, Health and Wellness

Osteoarthritis, Epidemiology, Radiographic Osteoarthritis, Rheumatology, Immunology, Genetics of Osteoarthritis, Ethnic Health Disparities, Biomarkers, Heavy Metal Exposures, Disability, Hemochromatosis

American College of Rheumatology : Board of Directors

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill MPH Epidemiology

**Duke University Medical Center** Fellowship Rheumatology

**Duke University Medical Center** Residency Internal Medicine

The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine M.D. Medicine

Cornell University A.B. Biology

**Distinguished Service to Rural Life Award** 2011 Awarded by the Rural Sociological Society Inaugural Award for Excellence in Investigative Mentoring 2009 Awarded by the American College of Rheumatology Research and Education Foundation

Osteoarthritis Research Society International Clinical Research Award 2007

Inductee Conferred by the American Clinical and Climatological Association

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