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## **EDUCATION**

2020 **University of Florida** Gainesville, Florida

PhD Veterinary Medical Sciences

Dissertation Topic: Central and Peripheral Modulation of Reflex Tracheobronchial Cough

2012 University of North Florida Jacksonville, Florida

BS Psychology (Minor: Sociology) cum laude

# **ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

2020 –Current	Postdoctoral Associate Kentucky Spinal Cord Injury Research Center University of Louisville	Louisville, Kentucky
2020 – 2020	Adjunct Research Associate Department of Physiological Sciences University of Florida	Gainesville, Florida
2014 – 2020	Graduate Student Alumni Fellow Department of Physiological Sciences University of Florida	Gainesville, Florida
2015 – 2017	Graduate Teaching Assistant Department of Physiological Sciences University of Florida	Gainesville, Florida
2013 – 2014	Biological Scientist Department of Physiological Sciences University of Florida	Gainesville, Florida
2011 – 2013	Research Assistant Department of Psychology University of North Florida	Jacksonville, Florida
2011 & 2013	Teaching Assistant Department of Psychology University of North Florida	Jacksonville, Florida

# **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

2019 - Current	Society for Neuroscience
2014 - Current	American Physiological Society
2011 - 2015	Florida Association of Behavior Analysis
2013 - 2015	Comparative Cognition Society
2013 - 2014	Animal Behavior Society
2011 - 2013	American Psychological Association

# **AWARDS & GRANTS**

- 2019 Phi Zeta Excellence in Doctoral Research Award
- 2019 9th Annual SfN NCF Chapter Conference Graduate Student Poster Competition First Place
- 2018 Phi Zeta Excellence in Basic Science Research Award
- 2017 Phi Zeta Annual Research Symposium Best in Show Second Place
- 2016 VGSA Travel Award
- 2014 UF Alumni Graduate School Fellowship (aka Graduate School Preeminence Award)
- 2011 UNF Academic Enrichment Grant
- 2005 Florida Medallion Scholar

# **TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE**

## University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine

VEM 5110 Animal Systems I

VEM 5010A Endocrinology Histology Lab

VEM 5010D Neuroscience Neuroanatomy & Histology Lab

VEM 5111 Animal Systems II

VEM 5011E Reproduction Histology Lab

VEM 5011F Musculoskeletal Histology Lab

VEM 5011G Cardiovascular Histology Lab

VEM 5011H Respiration Histology Lab

VEM 5112 Animal Systems III

VEM 5011I Renal Histology Lab

VEM 5011J Digestion Histology Lab

# University of North Florida, College of Arts and Sciences

EAB 3013c Foundations of Experimental Analysis of Behavior Lab

#### Students Mentored

Michael Frazure PhD student University of Louisville
Kellyanna Young PhD student University of Louisville
Justin McLeod undergraduate Arizona State University

# **SERVICE & OUTREACH**

2016 – 2019	Brain Awareness Week Dissection Instructor
2017	Summer Health Professions Education Program (SHPEP) Volunteer
2017	Veterinary Graduate Student Association Executive Board Member

2012 – 2013 Behavior Observation Team Member

# **PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

### **Publications**

- Shen TY, Pertzborn MC, Rose MJ, Musselwhite MN, Davenport PW, and Bolser DC. (2022) Influence of Intrathoracic Vagotomy on the Cough Reflex in the Anesthetized Cat. Respiratory Physiology & Neurobiology. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resp.2021.103805">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resp.2021.103805</a>
- 2. Shen TY, Poliacek I, Rose MJ, **Musselwhite MN**, Kotmanova Z, Martvon L, Pitts T, Davenport PW, and Bolser DC. (2021) The Role of Neuronal Excitation and Inhibition in the Pre-Bötzinger Complex on the Cough Reflex in the Cat. *Journal of Neurophysiology*. https://doi.org/10.1152/jn.00108.2021

- 3. **Musselwhite MN**, Shen TY, Rose MJ, Iceman KE, Poliacek I, Pitts T, and Bolser DC. (2021) Differential Effects of Acute Cerebellectomy on Cough in Spontaneously Breathing Cats. *PLOS ONE*. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0253060.
- 4. King SN, Shen TY, **Musselwhite MN**, Huff A, Reed MD, Poliacek I, Howland DR, Dixon W, Morris KF, Bolser DC, Iceman KE, Pitts T. (2020) Swallow Motor Pattern Is Modulated by Fixed or Stochastic Alterations in Afferent Feedback. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*. https://doi.org/10.3389/fnhum.2020.00112.
- Reed MD, English M, English C, Huff A, Poliacek I, Musselwhite MN, Howland DR, Bolser DC, Pitts T. (2019) The Role of the Cerebellum in Control of Swallow: Evidence of Inspiratory Activity During Swallow. *Lung*. https://doi.org/10.1007/s00408-018-00192-2
- 6. Kotmanova Z, Simera M, Veternik M, Martvon L, Misek J, Jakus J, Shen TY, **Musselwhite MN**, Pitts T, Bolser DC, Poliacek I. (2018) GABA-ergic Neurotransmission in the Nucleus of the Solitary Tract Modulates Cough in the Cat. *Respiratory Physiology & Neurobiology*. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resp.2018.02.009">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resp.2018.02.009</a>
- 7. Pitts T, Gayagoy AG, Rose MJ, Poliacek I, Condrey JA, **Musslewhite MN**, Morris KF, Davenport PW, Bolser DC. (2015) Suppression of Abdominal Motor Activity during Swallowing in Cats and Humans. *Plos One*. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0128245

# **Invited Talks**

- 1. **Musselwhite MN.** (2022) From Brain To Breath: The Neural Control of Respiration and Airway Protection. *Biology Department Seminar*. Rocky Mountain College, Billings, Montana
- 2. **Musselwhite MN.** (2022) Neural Control of Breathing and Airway Protective Behaviors. *Biology department seminar*. Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia
- 3. **Musselwhite MN.** (2021) Basic Science and Speech Language Pathology. *Research Methods*. University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky
- 4. **Musselwhite MN.** (2018) Of Cats and Men: A Translational Tale. *Center for Respiratory Research and Rehabilitation Respiratory Social & Science*. University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

# **Conference Presentations**

- 1. **Musselwhite MN** (2018) The Influence of CO2 on Spatiotemporal Features of Mechanically-Induced Coughing in Anesthetized Cats. *Experimental Biology Respiration Section Trainee Breakfast*. San Diego, California
- 2. **Musselwhite MN**. (2017) Adaptive Mechanisms Governing Tracheobronchial Cough: In Vivo Experiments and Model Simulations. *Center for Respiratory Research and Rehabilitation Annual Retreat*. Gainesville, Florida
- 3. **Musselwhite MN**. (2016) Adaptive Mechanisms Governing Tracheobronchial Cough: In Vivo Experiments and Model Simulations. *Phi Zeta Annual Research Symposium*. Gainesville, Florida
- 4. **Musselwhite MN**. (2013) Comparison of Forward and Backward Chaining Procedures, *Third Annual Florida Undergraduate Research Conference*. Gainesville, Florida
- 5. **Musselwhite MN**. (2012) Comparison Of Training Procedures for Heterogeneous and Homogenous Behavior Chains, *Florida Association of Behavior Analysis Annual Conference*. Jacksonville, Florida

# **Posters**

- 1. **Musselwhite MN**, Young K, Frazure M, Greene C, Iceman KE, Pitts T. (2022) The 5-HT1A Agonist 8-OH-DPAT Enhances Submental Laryngeal Elevator EMG Amplitude During Swallow. *Experimental Biology*, Philadelphia, PA (Upcoming)
- 2. **Musselwhite MN**, Frazure M, Young K, Greene C, Iceman KE, Howland DR, Pitts T. (2021) Swallow Synchrony is Restored with a 5HT1a Agonist After Cervical Spinal Cord Injury. *Neuroscience*, Chicago, Illinois (Virtual)
  - a. Also presented at Research!Louisville, Louisville, KY

- 3. Frazure M, Young K, **Musselwhite MN**, Greene C, Iceman KE, Pitts T. (2021) Swallowing Disorder Following a Clinical Dose of Buprenorphine in Adult Cats. *Neuroscience*, Chicago, Illinois (Virtual)
- 4. **Musselwhite MN**, Shen TY, Rose MJ, Poliacek I, Iceman KE, Bolser DC, Pitts T. (2021) Mapping of the Substrate for Production of Swallow and Cough Within the Rostral Nucleus of the Tractus Solitarius (NTS)/Paramedian Reticular Nucleus by Electrical Stimulation. *Experimental Biology*, Virtual
  - a. Also presented at 26th Annual KSCHIRT Symposium, Virtual
- 5. Shen TY, Rose MJ, **Musselwhite MN**, Wang W, Bolser DC. (2021) Stimulation of Upper Airway Afferents with Capsaicin and Section of the Superior Laryngeal Nerve Modulate Mechanically Induced Coughing from the Tracheobronchial Airways in Male But Not Female Cats. *Experimental Biology*, Virtual
- 6. Mellen N, Gourévitch B, Cai J, **Musselwhite MN**, Iceman KE, Pitts T. (2021) Large-scale Optical Recording of Respiration-modulated Neurons in Ventrolateral Medulla Reveals Cycle-to-cycle Variability Compatible with Multifunctionality. *Experimental Biology*, Virtual
- 7. **Musselwhite MN**, Shen TY, Rose MJ, Reed MD, Poliacek I, and Bolser DC. (2019) The Role of the Cerebellum on the Control of Tracheobronchial Cough in Spontaneously Breathing Cats. *Experimental Biology*, Orlando, Florida
- 8. Bolser DC, Shen **TY, Musselwhite MN**, Rose MJ, Davenport PW, Morris KM, and Pitts T. (2019) Influence of Codeine on Swallow in the Anesthetized Cat: Evidence for Peripheral and Central Actions of Opioids to Induce Dysregulation of Deglutition. *Experimental Biology*, Orlando, Florida
- 9. Shen TY, Poliacek I, Martvon L, **Musselwhite MN**, Rose MJ, Morris KM, and Bolser DC. (2019) Microinjection of Gabazine and Kynurenic Acid into the PreBötzinger Complex Alter Cough Phase Durations in the Cat. *Experimental Biology*, Orlando, Florida
- Rose MJ, Shen TY, Musselwhite MN, Davenport PW, and Bolser DC. (2019) Role of Vagal Pathways in the Respiratory Depressant Effect of Codeine on Breathing in the Anesthetized Cat. Experimental Biology, Orlando, Florida
- 11. **Musselwhite MN**, Shen TY, Rose MJ, Watts J, and Bolser DC. (2018) The Influence of CO2 on Spatiotemporal Features of Mechanically-induced Coughing in Anesthetized Cats. *Experimental Biology*, San Diego, California
- 12. Shen TY, Poliacek I, Kotmanova Z, **Musselwhite MN**, Rose MJ, and Bolser DC. (2018) Evidence that the preBotzinger Complex Does Not Participate in Cough Rhythmogenesis in the Anesthetized Cat. *Experimental Biology*, San Diego, California
- 13. Fullerton AL, Shen TY, **Musselwhite MN**, Rose MJ, Davenport PW, Morris KF, and Bolser DC. (2018) Multiple Abdominal Burst Patterns Observed During Tracheobronchial Coughing in Anesthetized Cats. *Experimental Biology*, San Diego, California
- 14. Bolser DC, Shen TY, Rose MJ, **Musselwhite MN**, and Davenport PW. (2017) Influence of Intrathoracic Vagotomy on the Cough Reflex in the Anesthetized Cat. *Experimental Biology*, Chicago, Illinois
- 15. Shen TY, Morris KF, Baekey DM, **Musselwhite MN**, Segers LG, Nuding S, Rose MJ, Lindsey BG, and Bolser DC. (2017) Distributed Networks of Medullary Tonic Expiratory Neurons Regulate Cough Motor Drive. *Experimental Biology*, Chicago, Illinois
- 16. Rose MJ, Shen TY, **Musselwhite MN**, Pitts TG, and Bolser DC. (2017) Sex Differences in Cough Responses of Cats. *Experimental Biology*, Chicago, Illinois
- 17. **Musselwhite MN**, Pitts TE, Morris KF, Shen TY, Davenport PW, and Bolser DC. (2016) Adaptive Mechanisms Governing Tracheobronchial Cough: In Vivo Experiments and Model Simulations. *Experimental Biology*, San Diego, California
  - a. Also presented at Science by the Shore St. Augustine, Florida 2017
  - b. Also presented at 9th Annual SfN NCF Chapter Conference Gainesville, Florida 2019
- 18. Shen TY, Gestreau C, **Musselwhite MN**, Rose MJ, Pitts TE, Morris KF, Lindsey BG, Davenport PW, and Bolser DC. (2016) Frequency Dependent Inhibitory Mechanisms Controlling the Laryngeal Adductor Response (LAR). *Experimental Biology*, San Diego, California

- 19. King S, Bolser DC, Rose MJ, Poliacek I, Shen TY, **Musselwhite MN**, and Pitts T. (2016) Influence of Electrical and Natural Stimulation of Pharyngeal/Laryngeal Sensory Afferents on the Swallow Motor Pattern. *Experimental Biology*, San Diego, California
- 20. **M Musselwhite** Pitts T, Shen TY, Rose MJ, Poliacek I, Morris KF, Davenport PW, and Bolser DC. (2015) Cough-Induced Hyperventilation Does Not Elicit Prolonged Apnea During The Cough-to-Eupnea Transition Period. *Experimental Biology*, Boston, Massachusetts
- 21. Shen TY, **Musselwhite MN**, Rose MJ, Bolser DC, and Pitts T. (2015) Effects of Tracheal Distension on Upper Airway Reflex Responsiveness in Cat. *Experimental Biology* Boston, Massachusetts
- 22. **Musselwhite MN** and Iverson I. (2013) Comparison of Forward and Backward Chaining Procedures, *Florida Undergraduate Research Conference*, Gainesville, Florida

# SOCIAL MEDIA











