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## Employment

### University of Arkansas

Graduate Research Assistant (University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR)

2017-Present

Conducting biomedical research in oncology in animal models using optics and molecular biology  
Technical writing of academic papers, conference presentations, and student mentoring

### Universidad Rafael Landivar

Teaching Assistant Professor

2016-2017

Professor of Chemistry at the Environmental and Agricultural Sciences Department  
Prepared lectures, supervised labs, mentored students, wrote lab manuals

Adjunct Professor

2013-2017

Taught Introductory Chemistry in the Engineering, Environmental and Agricultural, and Health Sciences Departments

### Lacteos Balcanicos Glad

Assistant Plant Engineer

2012

In charge of the production of the main product (yogurt,  $\approx$  3000 L per week)

## Education

University of Arkansas, PhD. Biomedical Engineering

Expected summer 2022

Universidad Rafael Landivar (Guatemala), B.S. Chemical Engineering (cum laude)

2009

## Publications

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

**Mundo, Ariel I.**, John R. Tipton, and Timothy J. Muldoon. "Using generalized additive models to analyze biomedical non-linear longitudinal data." *bioRxiv* (2021). <https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.06.10.447970> (This preprint is under revision in *Statistics in Medicine*)

**Mundo, Ariel I.**, Gage J. Greening, Michael J. Fahr, Lawrence N. Hale, Elizabeth A. Bullard, Narasimhan Rajaram, and Timothy J. Muldoon. "Diffuse reflectance spectroscopy to monitor murine colorectal tumor progression and therapeutic response." *Journal of Biomedical Optics* (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1117/1.JBO.25.3.035002>

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

**Mundo, Ariel I.** "Using generalized additive models for biomedical longitudinal data. *When linear models don't work*". RMedicine 2021 Conference. Recording: <https://tinyurl.com/39epnpr6> Repository (slides and data): <https://aimundo.rbind.io/talks/gams-biomedical/>

**Mundo, Ariel I.**, Abdussaboor Muhammad, and Timothy J. Muldoon. "Optical and molecular longitudinal tracking of primary colorectal murine tumors shows differences in the angiogenic response to maximum-tolerated and metronomic approaches." In *Label-free Biomedical Imaging and Sensing (LBIS) 2021*, vol. 11655, p. 116551C. *International Society for Optics and Photonics*, 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1117/12.2576906>

**Mundo, Ariel I.**, Elizabeth Bullard, Kyle P. Quinn, and Timothy J. Muldoon. "Optical spectroscopic and imaging biomarkers of ulcerative colitis disease progression and remission (Conference Presentation)." In *Multiscale Imaging and Spectroscopy*, vol. 11216, p. 1121605. *International Society for Optics and Photonics*, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1117/12.2543369>

**Mundo, Ariel I.**, Gage J. Greening, and Timothy Muldoon. "Characterization of a multimodal endoscopically deployable veterinary spectroscopy and imaging probe to determine therapeutic response in a murine orthotopic tumor model." In *Label-free Biomedical Imaging and Sensing (LBIS) 2019*, vol. 10890, p. 108901L. *International Society for Optics and Photonics*, 2019.

## Awards and Recognition

*Fulbright Faculty Development Scholarship*

2017-2019

Only two scholarships awarded for that period in the whole country

*OMNI Endowed International Scholarship*

2020

Granted as a scholar fulfilling the mission of the OMNI Center in Fayetteville

*Professional Awareness, Advancement, and Development (PADD) Scholar*

2020-2021

Received funding and participated in the PAAD program to supplement my graduate education in persuasive speaking, commercialization, and data science.

## Grants

*Arkansas Biosciences Institute 2021 seed grant competition*

2021

Main author on a proposal submitted with my advisor to examine gene expression and optically derived markers in a mouse model of colorectal cancer (\$30,000 in funding). *Proposal scored in the top 2 of all the individual research projects for the cycle.*

## References

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Dr. Christopher Nelson, Assistant Professor, Department of Biomedical Engineering, University of Arkansas  
[nelsonc@uark.edu](mailto:nelsonc@uark.edu)

Dr. John R. Tipton, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematical Sciences, University of Arkansas  
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