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### Mission and Vision

"Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known"

- Carl Sagan

My dad made me watch Carl Sagan's "Cosmos" when I was ten years old. He was not an astronomer. He was not a cosmologist. He was a mechanical engineer who had a passion for learning, regardless of subject. My dad impressed in me that same passion for – and love of – learning, questioning, and scientific discovery.

To this day, I can still hear Dr. Sagan say, "billions and billions." He inspired a generation of scientists because of his awe for the universe and talent for relating with others. My mission, like Dr. Sagan, is two-fold. First, through research I strive to answer burning questions and never lose the drive for inquiry in my own life. Second, through teaching I aim to help others recognize their passions and instill in them a thirst for lifelong, multidisciplinary learning

I have read the following and certify

that it is a current and accurate statement

of my professional record

as of the date below

Kyle William Wasserberger

Name

Signature

2021-06-02

Date

## **Education**

2021 Doctor of Philosophy; Kinesiology (in progress)

Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA

Dissertation: The Effect of Intensity on Overhead Throwing Mechanics: Implications for

Throwing Rehabilitation

Advisors: Gretchen Oliver (chair); Wendi Weimar, David Shannon, William Murrah

2018 Master of Science; Exercise Science

Biomechanics Emphasis

Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA

2016 Bachelor of Arts; Exercise Science

Pre-professional Emphasis

Calvin University; Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA

# **Employment**

2021 - Present Sports Science Intern

**Driveline Baseball**Kent, Washington, USA

2018 - Present Graduate Teaching Assistant

Undergraduate Research Mentor

**Auburn University** Auburn, Alabama, USA

2016 – 17 Assistant Baseball Coach

Pitching Coordinator Calvin University

Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA

2016 – 17 Head Strength and Conditioning Coach

**Hofbauer Performance** 

Byron Center, Michigan, USA

# **Peer-Reviewed Manuscripts**

(organized by year of publication; accepted manuscripts ahead of print are included in the year they were accepted)

† = indicates undergraduate or masters student author under my supervision

#### 2021

- 1. **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, de Swart A†, Barfield JW, Oliver GD. Energy Generation, Absorption, and Transfer at the Shoulder and Elbow in Youth Baseball Pitchers. *Sport Biomechanics*, 2021: xx(xx): xxxx xxxx.
- 2. Downs JL, **Wasserberger KW**, Saper M, Oliver GD. Elbow Valgus Loading Rate and Upper Extremity Anthropometric Measures and Elbow Kinetics in Youth Baseball Pitchers. *American Journal of Sports Medicine*. 2021; xx(xx): xxxx xxxx.
- 3. **Wasserberger KW**, Friesen KB, Downs JL, Bordelon NM, Oliver GD. Comparison of pelvis and trunk kinematics between youth and collegiate softball pitchers. *Orthopaedic Journal of Sports Medicine*. 2021; xx(xx): xxxx xxxx.
- 4. Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Cassidy M†, Oliver GD. The Effect of Load Magnitude and Placement on Muscle Activation during Unilateral Dumbbell Carries. *Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research*. 2021; 35: S114 S119.
- 5. Downs JL, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. The Influence of a Pre-throwing Protocol on Shoulder and Hip Range of Motion Over the Course of a Season in High School Baseball Athletes. *International Journal of Sports Medicine*. 2021; 42(02): 183 190.
- 6. Oliver GD, **Wasserberger KW**, de Swart A<sup>†</sup>, Friesen KB, Downs JL, Bordelon NM. Effects of Hip Range of Motion and Isometric Strength on Energy Flow during Windmill Softball Pitching. *Journal of Athletic Training*. 2021; 56(3): 280 285.

#### 2020

- 7. Barfield JW, **Wasserberger KW**, Bordelon NM, Oliver GD. Relationship Between Humeral Energy Flow During the Baseball Pitch and Glenohumeral Stability. *International Journal of Sports Medicine*. 2020; xx(xx): xxxx xxxx.
- 8. **Wasserberger KW** & Downs JL, Barfield JW, Williams TK†, Oliver GD. The Effects of Elastic Resistance Bands on Lumbopelvic-Hip Complex and Scapular Stabilizing Muscle Activation during Four Full-Body Exercises. *Journal of Strength and Conditioning Research*. 2020; 34(10): 2840 2848.
- 9. Friesen KB, Downs JL, **Wasserberger KW**, Shannon D, Oliver GD. Glenohumeral and Hip Range of Motion in Youth Softball Athletes. *International Journal of Sports Medicine*. 2020; 41(01): 59 64
- 10. **Wasserberger KW**, Barfield JW, Downs JL, Oliver GD. Glenohumeral External Rotation Weakness Partially Accounts for Increased Humeral Rotation Torque in Youth Baseball Pitchers. *Journal of Science and Medicine in Sport*. 2020; 23(4): 361 365.
- 11. Brittain AR, Friesen KB, **Wasserberger KW**, Barfield JW, Oliver GD. Single Leg Squat Performance and Reported Pain within Youth Softball Players. *Applied Sciences*. 2020; 10(5): 1648.

#### 2019

- 12. **Wasserberger KW**, Barfield JW, Anz A, Andrews J, Oliver GD. Using the Single Leg Squat as an Assessment for Efficient Stride Leg Knee Mechanics in Adolescent Baseball Pitchers. *Journal of Science and Medicine in Sport*. 2019; 22(11): 1254 1259.
- 13. Giordano KA, **Wasserberger KW**, Barfield JW, Oliver GD. Acute and Chronic Kinematic Effects of a Resistance Tubing Training Device on Youth Baseball and Softball Swings. *Journal of Athletic Enhancement*. 2019; 8(6): xxxx xxxx.

#### In review

- 1. Giordano KA, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. The Effects of Cervical and Body Positioning on Shoulder External Rotation Strength. *Clinical Orthopaedics and Related Research*.
- 2. Barfield JW, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. Closed Kinetic Chain Upper Extremity Stability Test Kinematic Differences between Healthy and Previously Injured Baseball Pitchers. *Journal of Athletic Training*.
- 3. Giordano KA, **Wasserberger KW**, Watterson MW<sup>†</sup>, Oliver GD. The Effects of Hip Rotation during the Pitch on Shoulder Kinetics in Youth Baseball Pitchers. *Journal of Science and Medicine in Sport*.
- 4. Plummer HA, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Opitz TJ, Anz AW, Oliver GD. Association between hip range of motion, strength, and pitching kinematics and kinetics in high school baseball pitchers. *American Journal of Sports Medicine*.

#### In preparation

- 1. **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Bordelon NM, Oliver GD. Upper Extremity Muscle Activity and Strength during Isometric Glenohumeral Internal and External Rotation in Commonly Used Testing Positions. *Expected submission within 12 months*.
- 2. **Wasserberger KW**, Murrah HW, Oliver GD. Multilevel regression modeling as an Alternative to Traditional Repeated Measures Analysis of Variance for Sport Biomechanics Applications. *Expected submission within 12 months*.
- 3. **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. Within and Between Thrower Changes in Shoulder and Elbow Joint Loads with Increasing Effort during a Typical Throwing Warm-Up. *Expected submission within 12 months*.
- 4. Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, de Swart A, Oliver GD. Description of Energy Flow through the Kinetic Chain during Softball Batting. *Expected submission within 9 months*.

### **Conference Abstracts and Presentations**

(organized by conference date)

† = indicates undergraduate or masters student author under my supervision

#### 2021

1. Plummer HA, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Opitz TJ, Anz AW, Oliver GD. Association between hip range of motion, strength, and pitching kinematics and kinetics in high school baseball pitchers. 2021 Society for American Baseball Research Virtual Analytics Conference. March 11-14, 2021. *Podium presentation*.

\*virtual conference due to COVID-19

- 2. Cassidy MM†, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Oliver GD. Electromyographic Analysis of Shoulder Rotation Strength Testing Positions. 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine. Greenville, SC, USA. February 18-19, 2021. *Poster presentation.* 
  - \*virtual conference due to COVID-19
- 3. Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Friesen KB, Giordano KA, Fava A, Brittain AR, Washington JK, Oliver GD. Comparison between Front and Back Side Upper Extremity and Pelvis Segment Energy Flow during the Softball Swing. 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine. Greenville, SC, USA. February 18-19, 2021. *Poster presentation*.
  - \*virtual conference due to COVID-19
- 4. Maddox L<sup>†</sup>, **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Oliver GD. Associations between a Pitcher's Arm Slot and Shoulder Joint Loads. 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine. Greenville, SC, USA. February 18-19, 2021. *Poster presentation.*\*virtual conference due to COVID-19
- 5. Skinner MG<sup>†</sup>, Giordano KA, Friesen KB, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Oliver GD. Association of Upper Extremity Pain and Preparatory Softball Pitch Kinematics. 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine. Greenville, SC, USA. February 18-19, 2021. *Poster presentation*.

\*virtual conference due to COVID-19

#### 2020

6. Cassidy M<sup>†</sup>, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. Electromyographic Analysis of Shoulder Strength Testing Positions. 2020 Auburn University COSAM Research Fair. Auburn, AL, USA. November 5, 2020. *Poster presentation*.

\*virtual conference due to COVID-19

7. Maddox L<sup>†</sup>, **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Oliver GD. Associations between a Pitcher's Arm Slot and Shoulder Joint Loads. 2020 Auburn University COSAM Research Fair. Auburn, AL, USA. November 5, 2020. *Poster presentation*.

\*virtual conference due to COVID-19

8. Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Down JL, Friesen KB, Washington JK, Oliver GD. The Relationship between Humeral Segment Energy and Hand Angular Velocity in Softball Hitting. 2020 American Society of Biomechanics Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA, USA. August 4 – 7, 2020. *Poster presentation*.

\*virtual conference due to COVID-19

9. Barfield JW, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. Bilateral Differences in Lumbopelvic-Hip Complex Kinematics during the CKCUEST. 2020 American Society of Biomechanics Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA, USA. August 4 – 7, 2020. *Poster presentation*.

\*virtual conference due to COVID-19

- 10. **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Downs JL, Oliver GD. Humeral Energy Transfer and Glenohumeral Rotation Strength in Adolescent Baseball Pitchers. 2020 American Society of Biomechanics Annual Conference. Atlanta, GA, USA. August 4 7, 2020. *Poster presentation*. \*virtual conference due to COVID-19
- 11. Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Cassidy M<sup>†</sup>, Oliver GD. The Effect of Unilateral Dumbbell Carries on Lumbopelvic-Hip Complex Muscle Activation. 2020 NSCA National Conference. Las Vegas, NV, USA. July 8 11, 2020. *Poster Presentation*.

\*cancelled due to COVID-19

12. Cassidy M<sup>†</sup>, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. The Effect of Load Magnitude on Muscle Activation during Unilateral Overhead Dumbbell Carries. Auburn University COSAM Research Fair. April 9, 2020. *Poster presentation*.

- 13. Cassidy M<sup>†</sup>, Bordelon NM, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. The Effect of Load Magnitude on Muscle Activation During Unilateral Overhead Dumbbell Carries. 2020 Mid-South Biomechanics Conference. Memphis, TN, USA. February 20 21, 2020. *Oral presentation*.
- 14. Giordano KA, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. The Effects of Cervical Positioning and Mobilization on Shoulder External Rotation Strength. 2020 Combined Sections Meeting of the American Physical Therapy Association. Denver, CO, USA. February 12 15, 2020. *Poster presentation*.
- 15. **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Giordano KA, Oliver GD. Humeral Segment Energy and its Relationship to Clinical Glenohumeral Measures in Youth Baseball Pitchers. 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Oral presentation*.
- 16. Young MW<sup>†</sup>, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Giordano KA, Washington JK, Oliver GD. Does Pitch Location Affect Hitting Mechanics in Collegiate Softball Players? 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Oral presentation*.
- 17. Brittain AR, Friesen KB, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Giordano KA, Bordelon NM, Oliver GD. Associations between Single Leg Squat Stability and Overhead Throwing Kinetics in Youth Softball Athletes. 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Oral presentation*.
- 18. Downs JL, Friesen KB, **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Brittian AR, Bordelon NM, Oliver GD. Association between Pitching a Simulated Game and Pitching Performance in Youth Softball Pitchers. 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Poster presentation*.
- 19. Friesen KB, Downs JL, **Wasserberger KW**, Giordano KA, Bordelon NM, Brittain AR, Oliver GD. Body Mass Index Affects Kinematic and Kinetic Parameters during the Windmill Softball Pitch. 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Poster* presentation.
- 20. Bordelon NM, Cassidy M<sup>†</sup>, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Friesen KB, Brittain AR, Giordano KA, Oliver GD. The Effects of Load Magnitude and Placement on Muscle Activity during Unilateral Weighted Dumbbell Carries. 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Oral presentation*.
- 21. Watterson MW<sup>†</sup>, Giordano KA, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Oliver GD. Impact of Hip Internal and External Rotation on Shoulder Kinetics during a Baseball Pitch. 2020 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Jacksonville, FL, USA. February 13 15, 2020. *Oral presentation*.

### 2019

- 22. **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Giordano KA, Brittain AR, Oliver GD. Associations between Glenohumeral Rotation Strength and Select Kinetic Parameters during the Baseball Pitch in Adolescent Baseball Pitchers. The 37<sup>th</sup> International Society of Biomechanics in Sports Annual Conference. Oxford, Ohio, USA. July 21 25, 2019. *Poster presentation*.
- 23. **Wasserberger KW**, Friesen KB, Barfield JW, Oliver GD. The Association between Single-Leg Squat Performance and Stride Leg Kinematics in Adolescent Baseball Pitchers. The 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics and the XXVII Congress of the International Society of Biomechanics Joint Conference. Calgary, Alberta, Canada. July 31 August 4, 2019. *Poster presentation*.
- 24. **Wasserberger KW**, Barfield JW, Giordano KA, Young MW<sup>†</sup>, Oliver GD. Acute Effects of Resistance Tubing Device on Hand Path in Youth Baseball and Softball Hitters. 2019 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Greenville, South Carolina, USA. February 14 16, 2019. *Podium presentation*.

25. Giordano KA, Barfield JW, **Wasserberger KW**, Oliver GD. Effects of a Resistance Tubing Training Device Intervention on Youth Baseball and Softball Swings. 2019 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine Annual Conference. Greenville, South Carolina, USA. February 14 – 16, 2019. *Podium presentation*.

#### 2018

- 26. **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Williams TK†, and Oliver GD. The Effects of Resistance Bands on Trapezius Activity during Full-Body Exercises. The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics. Rochester, Minnesota, USA. August 8 11, 2018. *Poster presentation*.
- 27. Friesen KB, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Washington JK, Williams TK†, and Oliver GD. A comparison of total body band-resisted exercises on gluteus medius activation. The 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Biomechanics. Rochester, Minnesota, USA. August 8 11, 2018. *Poster presentation*.
- 28. **Wasserberger KW**, Washington JK, Gilmer GG<sup>†</sup>, and Oliver GD. Correlation of trunk and upper extremity kinematics at ball contact in the softball swing: a pilot study. 2018 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine. Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA. February 15 17, 2018. *Poster presentation*.
- 29. Hanks MM, Brewer LE, Gilmer GG<sup>†</sup>, Washington JK, Gascon SS, Barfield JW, Williams PT, Friesen KB, **Wasserberger KW**, Downs JL, Brittain AR, Oliver GD. *The influence of self-selected protective equipment on kinematics in youth lacrosse players*. 2018 Southeast American College of Sports Medicine. Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA. February 15 17, 2018. *Poster presentation*.

### **Invited Presentations**

#### 2019

1. **Wasserberger KW**, Barfield JW, Anz A, Andrews J, Oliver GD. Using the Single Leg Squat as an Assessment for Efficient Stride Leg Knee Mechanics in Adolescent Baseball Pitchers. Alabama Physical Therapy Association Annual Conference. Homewood, AL, USA. August 16 – 17, 2019.

### **Research Collaborators**

Andrews, James R. Andrews Research Institute & Education Foundation; Gulf Breeze, Florida, USA Anz, Adam W. Andrews Research Institute & Education Foundation; Gulf Breeze, Florida, USA

Barfield, Jeff W. Lander University; Greenwood, South Carolina, USA

Bordelon, Nicole M.

Brittain, Abby R.

Downs, Jessica L.

Fava, Anthony W.

Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA
Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA
Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA

Friesen, Kenzie B. University of Saskatchewan; Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

Giordano, Kevin A. Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA

Hanks, Mathew M. University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA

Oliver, Gretchen D. Auburn University; Auburn, Alabama, USA

Opitz, Tyler J. Andrews Research Institute & Education Foundation; Gulf Breeze, Florida, USA

Plummer, Hillary A. U.S. Department of Defense; Belcamp, MD, USA

Saper, Michael G. Seattle Children's Hospital; Seattle, Washington, USA

de Swart, A. Vrije Universiteit; Amsterdam, Netherlands Trigt, B.V. Vrije Universiteit; Amsterdam, Netherlands Veeger, H.E.J. Vrije Universiteit; Amsterdam, Netherlands Washington, Jessica K. Berry College; Mount Berry, Georgia, USA

# **Teaching Experience**

*Key*: DEPARTMENT Class# – Class Title (credit hours) (semesters of experience)

KINE = Kinesiology

PHED = Physical Education

KINE 1103 – Wellness (2 credit hours) (2 semesters)

- Basic concepts and principles of wellness with laboratory experiences for the self-appraisal of health-related physical fitness.

KINE 3621 – Biomechanics of Human Movement Laboratory (1 credit hour) (5 semesters)

- Laboratory experience focuses on application of knowledge of anatomical, neuromuscular, and biomechanical principles of human movement. Content emphasizes understanding the science of exercise, how to apply and interpret common mechanical measures, and writing about findings using basic scientific writing techniques.

KINE 4403 – Applied Anatomy for the Allied Health Professional (3 credit hours) (1 semester)

- Study of skeletal anatomy with an applied approach.

KINE 4880 – Training and Conditioning Programming (3 credit hours) (2 semesters)

- Skills and knowledge related to sport specific annual training regimens.

PHED 1383 – Kettlebell Training (2 credit hours) (1 semester)

- Introductory approach to kettlebell techniques and kettlebell program development.

# **Professional Memberships**

2020 - Present American Baseball Biomechanics Society

2018 - Present International Society of Biomechanics in Sport

2018 – Present American Society of Biomechanics

Wasserberger		Curriculum Vitae	Last Updated: February 2021
2017 – Present	American Kinesiology Asso	ciation	
2017 – Present	American College of Sports Medicine		
2016 – Present	National Strength and Conditioning Association		
2018 – 2019	Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi		
2015 – 2016	NCAA Division III Student	Athlete Advisory Committee	
<b>Professional Certifications</b>			
2016 – Present	Certified Strength and Cond National Strength and Cond	• 1	
2016 – Present	First Aid, CPR, AED American Heart Association	ı	
Honors and Awards			
2020 Foundation Sc	holarship; National Strength	and Conditioning Association	\$2,000
Service			
June 2019	Volunteer Group Organizer Auburn Kinesiology Summe	er Sports Science Camp	

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2018 – 2019	Student Social Subcommittee American Society of Biomechanics
2018 – 2019	Student Information Dissemination Subcommittee American Society of Biomechanics