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Ph.D., Statistics, Stanford University, 1968.  
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M.S., Statistics, University of Wyoming, 1962  
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### EXPERIENCE

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1978 – 1979: Visiting Scientist, Biometry Branch, National Institute for Environmental Health Sciences  
1968 – 1970: Staff Scientist, Mathematical Statistics and Applied Mathematics Section, Biometry Branch, National  
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### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Statistical methods for microbiology, biofilm science & technology, disinfectant efficacy  
evaluation, toxicology, epidemiology, and biological assay.  
Robust and distribution-free statistical inference.

### PUBLICATIONS

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## **AWARDS**

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Charles and Nora Wiley Faculty Award for Meritorious Research, Endowment and Alumni Foundation, Montana State University, 1984.