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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA SHEET

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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

B.S. in Biology, St. Michael's College, Burlington, VT (1955)

Ph.D. in Biology-Nutrition, University of Ottawa, Canada (1960)

PRE-NASA EXPERIENCE:

United States Air Force, Aeromedical Laboratories, Dayton, OH (1960-1963)

- Aerospace Food and Nutrition Scientist (1960-1963)

NASA EXPERIENCE:

NASA Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston, TX (1963-1967)

- Flight Food and Nutrition Coordinator, Crew Systems Division (1963-1965)
- Flight Food and Nutrition Coordinator, Biomedical Research Office (1965-1967)

POST-NASA EXPERIENCE:

Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ (1967-Present)

- Associate Professor, Department of Food Science
- Professor, Department of Food Science
- Interim/Acting Chairman, Department of Food Science (1987-1988; 1990-1991)
- Director, Graduate Program in Food Science (1988-1991)
- Chair, Department of Food Science (1991-1997)
- Director, The Nutraceuticals Institute (1997-Present)

AWARDS & CITATIONS:

- The Gemini Support Team Group Achievement Award, 1966
- Sustained Superior Performance Award, 1967
- Meritorious Achievement in Cereal Chemistry Award - New York Section - American Association of Cereal Chemists, 1972
- John C. Hartnett Award for Distinction in Science, St. Michael's College (Vermont), 1982
- Professor Endel Karmas Award for Excellence in Teaching Food Science, Rutgers Department of Food Science, 1987-1988
- William V. Cruess Award for Excellence in Teaching, Institute of Food Technologists 1991
- Doctor of Science (honorary degree), St. Michael's College. 1982

SELECT PUBLICATIONS & PATENTS:

Mary V. Klicka, H.A. Hollender, and P.A. Lachance, "Food for Astronauts," *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* (September 1967) 51: 238-245.

Robert A. Nanz, Edward L. Michel, and Paul A. Lachance, "Evolution of Space Feeding Concepts during the Mercury and Gemini Space Programs," *Food Technology* (December 1967) 2: 52-57.

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