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### PERSONAL DATA

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Place of Birth: New Delhi, India

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

08/2020-12/2021	Columbia University Research Assistant, School of Nursing	New York, NY
05/2015-05/2018	University of Rochester Research Assistant, Department of Chemistry	Rochester, NY
01/2015-05/2015	<b>University of Rochester</b> Research Assistant, Department of Psychology	Rochester, NY
EDUCATION		
08/2020-present	<b>Columbia University School of Nursing</b> PhD, Nursing Research	New York, NY
	Dissertation: Family-related factors and cardiovascular health of Advisors: B.A. Caceres, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN and T.L. Hughe	•
05/2019-08/2020	Columbia University School of Nursing Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)	New York, NY
08/2018-05/2019	<b>University of Pennsylvania</b> Post-Baccalaureate, Nursing	Philadelphia, PA
08/2014-05/2018	University of Rochester Bachelor of Arts, Chemistry <i>Minor:</i> Computational Biology	Rochester, NY
TRAINING		
10/2022-present	<b>Columbia University</b> Member Columbia Population Research Center	New York, NY
06/2021-present	<b>Columbia University School of Nursing</b> Predoctoral Fellow Center of Sexual and Gender Minority Health Research <i>Mentors:</i> B.A. Caceres, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN and T.L. Hughe	New York, NY s, PhD, RN, FAAN

08/2020-present Columbia University Irving Medical Center New York, NY Predoctoral Fellow Program for the Study of LGBT Health *Mentors:* B.A. Caceres, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN and T.L. Hughes, PhD, RN, FAAN

### LICENSURE AND BOARD CERTIFICATION

#### Licensure

09/2020-Present Registered Nurse, New York State

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

Winner, New York Academy of Medicine 1<sup>st</sup> Place Poster Award
Winner, American Heart Association's (AHA) Council on Cardiovascular and Stroke Nursing

- Best Abstract Award. This award is given annually to the highest scoring abstract submitted to the Council on Cardiovascular and Stroke Nursing.
- 2021 Winner, Student Conference Scholarship Award, Eastern Nursing Research Society
- 2018 *Winner,* Chemistry Department Award, University of Rochester

#### ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

Academic Service

Columbia University 2021-Present PhD Faculty Representative, School of Nursing PhD Program 2021-2022 Committee Chair, Student Council of School of Nursing

University of Rochester

2017-2018 *President*, Community Service Network

2017-2018 *Peer Mentor,* Department of Chemistry

Professional Organizations

2021-Present Member, Eastern Nursing Research Society Communications Committee

#### PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIETIES

Memberships and Positions 2022-Present New York Academy of Medicine 2021-Present AHA 2021-Present Eastern Nursing Research Society

# FELLOWSHIP AND GRANT SUPPORT

# Active Research Funding

AHA, Predoctoral Fellowship (899585)Sharma, Pl2022-2023Examining associations of family-related factors with hypertension in sexual minority women\$64,072Role: Principal Investigator

# EDUCATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

# Direct Teaching/Precepting/Supervising

Guest Lecturer

2022 Columbia University School of Nursing, Intellectual and Conceptual Foundations in Nursing Science (Instructors: Elizabeth Corwin & Amanda Hessels), graduate; enrollment = 8

2021 Vanderbilt University, Programs of Research and Grantsmanship. PhD in Nursing Science course, graduate: enrollment = 10

# Teaching Assistant

2022-present Columbia University School of Nursing, Translation & Synthesis of Evidence (Instructor: Kasey		
	Jackman, Arlene Smaldone & Jaime Panton), graduate, enrollment = 152	
2022	Columbia University School of Nursing, Informatics for Practice (Instructor: Gregory L.	
	Alexander), graduate; enrollment = 124	
2020	Columbia University School of Nursing, Health, and Social Policy in the Context of Practice	
	(Instructor: Adriana Arcia), graduate; enrollment = 75	
2016	University of Rochester, Organic Chemistry	
2015-2016	University of Rochester, Generally Chemistry II	
2015	University of Rochester, Generally Chemistry I	

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- A. Published Peer Reviewed Publications in Print or Other Media (Peer-reviewed<sup>1</sup>, Data-based<sup>2</sup>).
  - Sharma, Y., Doan, D., Bhargava, A., & Caceres, B.A. (in press). An examination of sexual identity differences in the prevalence of hypertension and anti-hypertensive medication use among U.S. adults: Findings from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System. *Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes*.<sup>1,2</sup>
  - 2. Caceres, B.A., **Sharma**, **Y**., Levine, A., Wall, M. M., & Hughes, T. L. (in press) Investigating the associations of sexual minority stressors and incident hypertension in a community sample of lesbian and bisexual women. Submitted to *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*.<sup>1,2</sup>
  - 3. Caceres, B.A., **Sharma, Y.**, Levine, A., Wall, M.M., & Hughes, T.L. (in press). Investigating the associations of sexual minority stressors and incident hypertension in a community sample of sexual minority adults. Annals of Behavioral Medicine.<sup>1,2</sup>
  - Caceres, B.A., Sharma, Y., & Doan, D. (2022). Hypertension risk in sexual and gender minority individuals. *Expert Review of Cardiovascular Therapy*, 20(5), 339-341.<sup>1</sup> doi.10.1080/14779072.2022.2075345.
  - Caceres, B.A., Travers, J.T., & Sharma, Y. (2020). Differences in multimorbidity among cisgender sexual minority and heterosexual adults: Investigating differences across age groups. *Journal of Aging* & *Health*, 33(5-6), 362-376.<sup>1,2</sup> doi.10.1177/0898264320983663.

# B. Submitted

 Caceres, B.A., Sharma, Y., Ravindranath, R., Ensari, I., Rosendale, N., & Streed, C.G. (under review). An investigation of differences in ideal cardiovascular health between sexual minority and heterosexual adults: Findings from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (2008-2016). Submitted to *JAMA Cardiology*.

# C. In progress

1. **Sharma, Y.**, Doan, D., Hughes, T.L., & Caceres, B.A. (in preparation). Social determinants of cardiovascular health in sexual minority adults: A systematic review. Target journal: *Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing.* 

- 2. **Sharma, Y.**, Caceres, B.A., & Hughes, T.L. (in preparation) Examination of the association of familyrelated factors with hypertension in sexual minority women. Target journal: *Journal of Women's Health*.
- 3. **Sharma, Y.**, Leonard, S., Mackenzie, E., & Caceres, B.A. (in preparation) Family support in sexual minority populations: A concept analysis. Target journal: *Advances in Nursing Science*.
- 4. Pepe, V., **Sharma, Y.**, Doan, D., George, M., & Caceres, B.A. (in preparation). Perceptions of a cardiovascular risk reduction intervention for sexual minority adults. Target journal: *Annals of LGBTQ Public and Population Health.*

# **INVITED AND/OR PEER-SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

# **Invited Presentations**

# National Invited Presentations

1. **Sharma, Y.** & Caceres, B.A. *Examining social determinants of cardiovascular health in sexual minority women and their heterosexual sisters*. 2021 AHA Scientific Sessions. Virtual. November 14, 2021.

# **Oral Presentations**

National Oral Presentations

- 1. Caceres, B.A., **Sharma, Y**., Levine, A., Wall, M., & Hughes, T.L. *Minority stress and incident hypertension in sexual minority women.* 2021 AHA Scientific Sessions. Virtual. November 15, 2021.
- Ancheta, A., Zollweg, S., Sharma, Y., Hughes, T.L., & Caceres, B.A. Sleep duration among sexual minority adults: Is the presence of LGBTQ+ protective policies a moderating factor? 2021 American Public Health Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. October 25, 2021.
- Vo, D., Sharma, Y., Ensari, I., Jackman, K.B., & Caceres, B.A. *Examining psychosocial correlates of sleep quality in sexual minority adults: A pilot study*. 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Gay and Lesbian Medical Association Virtual. September 23, 2021.
- Caceres, B.A., Vo, D., Sharma, Y., Ensari, I., Jackman, K.B., & Belloir, J.A. (2021). Examining associations of sexual identity and cardiovascular disease risk in a nationally representative sample: The mediating role of sleep duration. 2021 AHA Epidemiology, Lifestyle, & Prevention Meeting. Virtual. May 18, 2021.

# Regional Oral Presentations

 Caceres, B. A., Travers, J.T., & Sharma, Y. Differences in multimorbidity among cisgender sexual minority and heterosexual adults: Investigating differences across age groups. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society. Virtual. March 25, 2021.

# **Poster Presentations**

National Poster Presentations

- 1. **Sharma, Y.**, Vohr, M.E., Belloir, J.A., Jackman, K.B., & Caceres, B.A. *An examination of differences in ideal cardiovascular health between gender minority and cisgender adults in the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System*. 2022 AHA Scientific Sessions. Chicago, IL. November 5, 2022.
- Caceres, B.A., Sharma, Y., Belloir, J.A., & Jackman, K.B. An investigation of differences in ideal cardiovascular health between sexual minority and heterosexual adults: Findings from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. 2022 AHA Scientific Sessions. Chicago, IL. November 5, 2022.
- Pepe, V., Doan, D., Sharma, Y., George, M., & Caceres, B.A. Sexual minority adults' perceptions of a multi-component intervention for cardiovascular risk reduction. 2022 AHA Scientific Sessions. Chicago, IL. November 6, 2022.
- 4. Leonard, S., **Sharma, Y.,** Hughes, T.L., Jackman, K.B., & Bruzzese., J.M. Weight discrimination and mental and emotional health in sexual and gender minority individuals: A scoping review. American Public Health Association; 2022 Nov 07; Boston, MA
- 5. **Sharma, Y.**, Hughes, T.L., Taylor, J.T., & Caceres, B.A. *CVSN Best Abstract Award: Investigating sexual identity disparities in hypertension and hypertension treatment among adults*. 2021 AHA Scientific Sessions. Virtual. November 13, 2021.
- Caceres, B.A., Vo, D., Sharma, Y., Jackman, K.B., Ensari, I., & Belloir, J.A. *Examining associations of sexual identity and cardiovascular disease risk in a nationally representative sample: The mediating role of sleep duration*. 2021 AHA Epidemiology, Lifestyle, & Prevention Meeting. Virtual. May 20-21, 2021.

Local Poster Presentations

1. **Sharma, Y**., Hughes, T.L., & Caceres, B.A. Social determinants of cardiovascular health in sexual minority adults: A systematic review. New York Academy of Medicine Forum for Intercollegiate Regional Events Showcase. New York, NY. April 27, 2022. Received #1 Poster award

# **OTHER MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS**

# Public Media

- 1. Christensen, Thor. Gay men and bisexual women may have higher odds of high blood pressure. (November 12, 2021). *HealthDay*. Retrieved from: https://consumer.healthday.com/aha-news-gay-men-and-bisexual-women-may-have-higher-odds-for-high-blood-pressure-2655542164.html
- Christensen, Thor. AHA news: Gay men and bisexual women may have higher odds of high blood pressure. (November 12, 2021). US News and World Report. Retrieved from: https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2021-11-12/aha-news-gay-men-and-bisexualwomen-may-have-higher-odds-for-high-blood-pressure