

## Research

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**Research Field:** Human nutrition, geriatric nutrition, healthy aging, clinical nutrition, sustainability and human nutrition, interdisciplinary teamwork

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**UN Sustainable development goals:** 2) Zero Hunger, 3) Good Health and Well-being, 4) Quality Education, 5) Gender Equality, 6) Clean Water and Sanitation, 9) Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure, 11) Sustainable cities and communities, 12) Responsible Consumption and Production, 13) Climate Action, 14) Life Below Water, 15) Life on Land, 17) Partnerships for the Goals.

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## Education

| Degree  | Type of degree  | University  | Date |
|---|-----------------|---|------|
| Ph.D.   | Human nutrition | University of Iceland   | 2011 |
| Diploma certified Education in undergraduate Teaching |                 | Iceland College of Education  | 2004 |
| M.Sc.   | Human nutrition | University of Iceland, in association with Karolinska Instituted in Stockholm (Public Health Nutrition) | 2001 |
| B.Sc.   | Food Science    | University of Iceland   | 1999 |

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## Other Activities

| Position   |  | Date         |
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| Vice-Dean  | University of Iceland, Faculty of Food Science and Nutrition | 2021-present |
| Dean   | University of Iceland, Faculty of Food Science and Nutrition | 2018-2021    |
| Winner of prize for promising researcher in gerontology at NKG24 in Oslo |  | 2018         |
| Associate professor  | University of Iceland, Faculty of Food Science and Nutrition | 2017-present |
| Assistant professor  | University of Iceland, Faculty of Food Science and Nutrition | 2012-2017    |
| Research manager   | The Icelandic Gerontological Research Center (RHLÖ)          | 2011-2018    |
| Clinical Nutritionist  | Landspítali-University Hospital/different units              | 2000-2008    |

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## Supervision of Postgraduate Students

**Masters students:** Supervisor of 12 graduated MSc students, currently supervising 2 MSc students.

**PhD students:** Currently supervising 2 PhD students (main or co-supervisor) and in 2 PhD committee.

## Publications

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Jack J. Bell, Ólöf Guðný Geirsdóttir, Karen Hertz, Julie Santy-Tomlinson, Sigrún Sunna Skúladóttir, Stefaó Eleuteri, Antony Johansen. *Nutritional Care of the Older Patient with Fragility Fracture: Opportunities for Systematised, Interdisciplinary Approaches Across Acute Care, Rehabilitation and Secondary Prevention Settings*. Pages 311-329. Springer, Cham. 2020 ISBN 978-3-030-48126-1. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-48126-1>

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