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Dartmouth College Ph.D., Chemistry (<i>with D.E. Wilcox & E.V. Pletneva</i>)	Hanover, NH 2014
Fairfield University B.Sc., Chemistry	Fairfield, CT 2009

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<i>Department of Chemistry</i> - Affiliate Faculty Member	2023 – Present
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PUBLICATIONS:

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- (60) Wu, Z.; [Widjaja, V.](#); [Skeens, E.](#); van der Velde, J.J.H.; Zahran, M.H.M.S.; Zhang, J.; Cool, R.H.; Poelarends, G.J.; **Lisi, G.P.**; Dekker, F.J.* “Discovery of Furan-2-carboxylic Acid Derivatives as Novel D-dopachrome Tautomerase (D-DT) and Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor-1 (MIF-1) Dual Inhibitors” *Manuscript in preparation*
- (59) [Widjaja, V.](#); [D’Orazio, S.](#); Das, P.; Shi, S.; [Varghese, I.](#); Wang, J.; Batista, V.S.; Bhandari, V.; **Lisi, G.P.*** “Allosteric Modulation of MIF-2 Structure, Catalysis, and Biological Signaling via Cysteine Residues and a Small Molecule, Ebselen” *Manuscript in preparation*
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- (46) Parkins, A.; [Chen, E.](#); Rangel, V.; Singh, M.; Xue, L.; **Lisi, G.P.**; Pantouris, G.* "Ligand-induced Conformational Changes Enable Intersubunit Communication in D-dopachrome Tautomerase" *Biophysical Journal*. **2023**. 122. 1268-1276
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- (33) Skeens, E.; Gadzuk-Shea, M.M.; Shah, D.; Bhandari, V.; Schweppe, D.K.; Berlow, R.B.*; **Lisi, G.P.*** “Redox-dependent Structure and Dynamics of Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor Reveal Sites of Latent Allostery” *Structure* **2022**. 30. 840-850.
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- (14) **Lisi, G.P.***; Loria, J.P.* “Allostery in Enzyme Catalysis” *Current Opinion in Structural Biology*. **2017**. *47*. 123-130.
 - Thematic issue – Catalysis and Regulation
- (13) **Lisi, G.P.**; East, K.W.; Batista, V.S.; Loria, J.P.* “Altering the Allosteric Pathway in IGPS Suppresses Millisecond Motions and Catalytic Activity” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, USA*. **2017**. *114*. E3414-E3423.
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 - Feature article
- (9) **Lisi, G.P.***; Loria, J.P.* “Solution NMR Spectroscopy for the Study of Enzyme Allostery” *Chemical Reviews*. **2016**. *116*. 6323-6369.
 - Thematic issue – Protein Ensembles and Allostery
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INVITED LECTURES & CONFERENCE LECTURES:

- (31) Wichita State University, Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry, Wichita, KS (Oct **2024**)
- (30) University of Louisville, Dept. of Biochemistry & Molecular Genetics, Louisville, KY (Oct **2024**)
- (29) 30th International Conference on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems, Seoul, South Korea (Aug **2024**)
- (28) 8th International Conference on Nucleic Acids & CRISPR, London, UK (July **2024**)
- (27) Iowa State University, Dept. of Chemistry, Ames, IA (Apr **2024**)
- (26) 65th Experimental NMR Conference (ENC), Pacific Grove, CA (Apr **2024**)
- (25) Yale University, Dept. of Chemistry, New Haven, CT (Mar **2024**)
- (24) MIF Virtual Seminar Series, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Division of Vascular Biology, Munich, Germany (Feb **2024**)
- (23) University of Michigan, Center for RNA Biomedicine, Ann Arbor, MI (Nov **2023**)
- (22) Rhode Island College, Dept. of Biology, Providence, RI (Nov **2023**)
- (21) Gordon Research Conference on Computational Aspects of Biomolecular NMR, West Dover, VT (June **2023**)
- (20) Brown University, Dept. of Chemistry, Providence, RI (Mar **2023**)
- (19) Dartmouth College, Dept. of Chemistry, Hanover, NH (Dec **2022**)
- (18) The Pennsylvania State University, Dept. of Chemistry, State College, PA (Nov **2022**)
- (17) 29th International Conference on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems, Boston, MA (Aug **2022**)
- (16) Providence VA Medical Center, Vascular Research Laboratory, Providence, RI (Feb **2022**)
- (15) National Institute of Standards and Technology and University of Maryland, Institute for Bioscience and Biotechnology Research, Rockville, MD (Nov **2021**)
- (14) American Chemical Society National Meeting, Physical Chemistry Section, Atlanta, GA (Aug **2021**)
- (13) International Council on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems Webinar Series (Aug **2021**)
- (12) University of the Pacific, Dept. of Chemistry, Stockton, CA (Mar **2021**)
- (11) Fairfield University, Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry, Fairfield, CT (Feb **2021**)
- (10) Providence VA Medical Center, Vascular Research Laboratory, Providence, RI (Dec **2020**)
- (9) Brown University, Dept. of Molecular Biology, Cell Biology, & Biochemistry, Providence, RI (Apr **2020**)
- (8) 61st Experimental NMR Conference (ENC), Baltimore, MD (Mar **2020**)
- (7) University of California, Riverside, Dept. of Bioengineering, Riverside, CA (Feb **2020**)
- (6) Brown University, Dept. of Molecular Pharmacology, Physiology, & Biotechnology, Providence, RI (Feb **2019**)
- (5) Brown University, Dept. of Chemistry, Providence, RI (Nov **2018**)
- (4) 59th Experimental NMR Conference (ENC), Orlando, FL (Mar **2018**)
- (3) University of Connecticut Health Center, Dept. of Molecular Biology & Biophysics, Farmington, CT (May **2017**)
- (2) Fairfield University, Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry, Fairfield, CT (Nov **2015**)
- (1) Northeastern Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society, New Haven, CT (Nov **2013**)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- NSF Review Panel - Molecular Biophysics 2024
- Guest Editor – *Journal of Structural Biology* 2024 – Present
Special collection on "Disorder, Dynamics, and Regulation of Proteins and Nucleic Acids"
- External grant reviewer, Grantova Agentura Ceske Republiky (Czech Science Foundation) 2024
- Mentor, NSF Chemistry Early Career Investigator Workshop 2024
- NIH MSFB Study Section (*ad hoc*) 2024
- Associate Editor, Molecular Biophysics, *Frontiers in Molecular Biosciences* 2023 – Present
- External grant reviewer, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (German Research Foundation) 2023
- NIH MSFB Study Section (*ad hoc*) 2023
- Editorial Board, Molecular Biophysics, *Frontiers in Molecular Biosciences* 2022 – Present
- Deputy Editorial Board, *Journal of Structural Biology* 2022 – Present

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- NIH BBM Study Section (*ad hoc*) 2022
- NSF Review Panel - SBIR/STTR 2021
- New England Science Symposium Judge, Harvard Medical School 2021
- Guest Editor – *Frontiers in Molecular Biosciences* 2020 – 2021
Invited collection on “Structural and Dynamic Aspects of Protein Function and Allostery”
- Manuscript Reviewer 2018 – Present
ACS Applied Biomaterials, ACS Catalysis, ACS Medicinal Chemistry Letters, ACS Physical Chemistry Au, Biochemistry, Biochemical Society Transactions, BioEssays, Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry, Biophysical Journal, Cell Genomics, Clinical and Translational Medicine, Current Opinion in Structural Biology, FEBS Letters, Frontiers in Cardiovascular Medicine, Frontiers in Molecular Biosciences, Journal of the American Chemical Society, Journal of Biomolecular NMR, Journal of Immunotherapy of Cancer, Journal of Molecular Biology, Journal of Physical Chemistry, Journal of Structural Biology, Methods in Enzymology, Nature Chemical Biology, Nature Communications, Nucleic Acids Research, Protein Science, RNA Biology, Science Advances, Structure

BROWN UNIVERSITY ACTIVITIES:

- MCB Graduate Program Executive Committee 2023 – Present
- Proteomics Core Facility Advisory Board 2023 – Present
- Structural Biology Core Facilities Executive Committee 2022 – Present
- MCB Graduate Program Admission Committee 2019 – Present
- Chair, 2024, 2025
- Vice Chair, 2023
- Faculty Trainer, Graduate Program in Molecular Biology, Cell Biology & Biochemistry (MCB) 2018 – Present
- Faculty Trainer, Graduate Program in Therapeutic Sciences (TSGP) 2018 – Present
- Faculty Trainer, Graduate Program in Pathobiology 2018 – Present

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

- Protein Society
- Biophysical Society
- American Chemical Society

TEACHING:

BIOL 0280 (Introductory Biochemistry) 2019 – Present

Instructor Score: /5.00 Course Score: /5.00 (2025, 344 students)

Instructor Score: 4.43/5.00 Course Score: 3.75/5.00 (2023, 290 students)

Instructor Score: 4.47/5.00 Course Score: 3.91/5.00 (2022, 378 students, Course Leader)

Instructor Score: 4.34/5.00 Course Score: 4.11/5.00 (2021, 442 students)

BIOL 1270/2270 (Advanced Biochemistry)

Instructor Score: 4.44/5.00 Course Score: 4.00/5.00 (2023, 12 students)

Instructor Score: 4.62/5.00 Course Score: 4.62/5.00 (2022, 18 students, Course Leader)

Instructor Score: 4.50/5.00 Course Score: 4.50/5.00 (2021, 25 students)

Instructor Score: 4.95/5.00 Course Score: 4.80/5.00 (2020, 23 students, Course Leader)

Instructor Score: 4.69/5.00 Course Score: 4.56/5.00 (2019, 31 students)

BIOL 2030 (Foundations for Advanced Study in Life Sciences)

Instructor Score: 4.67/5.00 Course Score: 4.67/5.00 (2024, 9 students)

GUEST LECTURES:

BIOL 0100 (Living Biology) 2019 – Present

BIOL 1100 (Cell Physiology & Biophysics)

BIOL 2010B (Introduction to Data Science in Molecular Biology)

RCR (Responsible Conduct of Research for Graduate Students)

EXTERNAL TEACHING:

CHEM 161 (Structure and Dynamics of Biomolecules) – Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH 2025

CHEM 041 (Biochemistry) – Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH 2020 – 2021

HLST 3900 (The Corona Pandemic, a Class and a Conversation) – Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT 2020

WORKSHOP TEACHING:

“Building a Resilient Community” – Self-advocacy and Assertiveness for Scientists – Providence, RI 2022, 2025

“Entering Research at Yale” Workshop Series – New Haven, CT 2015 – 2018

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HONORS:

- Innovator Award, CRISPR-QC 2022
- NSF CAREER Award 2021
- *Journal of the American Chemical Society* issue highlighting outstanding early career investigators 2021
- Richard B. Salomon Faculty Research Award 2021
- Arthur Dunham Holmes 1906 Memorial Graduate Fellowship, Dartmouth College 2013
- GAANN Graduate Fellowship, U.S. Dept. of Education 2010 - 2011
- Outstanding Senior Chemistry Major, Fairfield University 2009
- Distinguished Work in the Natural Sciences, College of Arts & Sciences, Fairfield University 2009
- Presidential Academic Scholarship, Fairfield University 2006 – 2009

RESEARCH GRANTS:**Current**

R01 GM144451

National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH

Unraveling the Allosteric Mechanism of Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor with Molecular Resolution

09/01/22 – 08/31/27

PI: Lisi, G. Co-I: Batista, V.

Amount: \$1,578,915

R01 HL163005

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, NIH

Combining Targeted Demethylation with Noncoding RNA-mediated mRNA Stabilization as a Strategy for Therapeutic Arteriogenesis in the Aged

05/01/22 – 04/30/27

PI: Morrison, A. Co-I: Lisi, G. Co-I: Sellke, F. Co-I: Fedulov, A.

Amount: \$2,000,000 (total) \$499,935 (Lisi)

MCB 2143760

National Science Foundation

CAREER: Molecular Resolution of Long-range Allostery in CRISPR-Cas9

01/01/22 – 12/31/26

PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$1,400,000

DBI 2233775

National Science Foundation

Helium Recovery Equipment: Securing Rhode Island and Southern New England NMR Structural Biology Infrastructure

09/15/22 – 08/31/25

PI: Fawzi, N. Co-PI: Lisi, G. Co-PI: Naik, M.

Amount: \$322,300

R01 GM136815 – *No Cost Extension*

National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH

Studies of Allostery between Multi-domain Proteins and Nucleic Acid Complexes

02/01/21 – 11/30/24

PI: Batista, V. Co-I: Lisi, G. Co-I: Palermo, G.

Amount: \$1,292,688 (total) \$430,896 (Lisi)

Completed

Project Lead, COBRE Center for the Computational Biology of Human Disease, Phase II

National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH – P20 GM109035

Mapping Long-range Allosteric Pathways in CRISPR-Cas9

09/01/21 – 08/31/26

PI: Rand, D. Project PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$239,100

Richard B. Salomon Faculty Research Award

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Office of the Vice President for Research, Brown University

Mapping the Molecular Determinants of Long-range Allostery and Specificity in CRISPR-Cas9

03/01/21 – 06/30/22

PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$15,000

Project Lead, COBRE Center for the Computational Biology of Human Disease, Phase I

National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH – P20 GM109035

Mapping Long-range Allosteric Pathways in CRISPR-Cas9

09/01/19 – 02/28/21

PI: Rand, D. Project PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$437,396

Seed Award

Office of the Vice President for Research, Brown University

Redox-mediated Control of Protein Structure as a Potential Therapy for Inflammation

01/01/19 – 06/30/20

PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$30,000

Medical Research Grant

Rhode Island Foundation

Redox Control of Immunoregulatory Factors as Targeted Therapies for Inflammation

04/01/19 – 03/31/20

PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$25,000

Pilot Award, COBRE Center for the Computational Biology of Human Disease

National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH – P20 GM109035

Developing Experimental and Computational Synergy in Studies of Enzyme Allostery

01/01/19 – 12/31/19

PI: Rand, D. Project PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$30,000

Pilot Award, Cardiopulmonary Vascular Biology COBRE

National Institute of General Medical Sciences, NIH – P20 GM103652

Redox Control of Macrophage Migration Inhibitory Factor Structure and Function

PI: Harrington, E. Co-PI: Rounds, S. Project PI: Lisi, G.

Amount: \$50,000 (Award Declined)

Ph.D. THESIS COMMITTEES:

Dominique Walker – TSGP (Christina Cuomo, supervisor)	2024 - Present
Hanna Kodama – MCB (Gerwald Jogl & Martin Taylor, supervisors) - <i>committee chair</i>	2024 - Present
Renjith Viswanathan – TSGP (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor) - <i>committee chair</i>	2024 - Present
Ryan Puterbaugh – TSGP (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor) - <i>committee chair</i>	2024 - Present
Kenneth Berard – Chemistry (Brenda Rubenstein, supervisor)	2024 - Present
Morgan Woodman – MCB (Kate Grive, supervisor)	2023 - Present
Gustavo Ramirez – Chemistry (Brenda Rubenstein, supervisor)	2023 - Present
Miguel Martinez Guzman – Chemistry (Megan Kizer, supervisor)	2023 - Present
Raphael Britt – MCB (Gerwald Jogl & John Sedivy, supervisors) - <i>committee chair</i>	2022 - Present
Noah Wake – TSGP (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor)	2022 - Present
Anna Bock – Biotechnology (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor)	2021 - 2025
Jose Mercado-Ortiz – TSGP (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor) - <i>committee chair</i>	2021 - 2024
Rachel Carley – TSGP (Alan Morrison, supervisor)	2021 - 2024
Alexandra D'Ordine – MCB (Gerwald Jogl & John Sedivy, supervisors)	2021 - 2022
Gerardo Reyes-Chavez – MCB (Gary Wessel, supervisor)	2020 - 2025
Selahaddin Gumus – Chemistry (Sarah Delaney, supervisor)	2020 - 2022
Anastasia Murthy – MCB (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor)	2019 - 2020
Veronica Ryan – Neuroscience (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor)	2019 - 2020

Ph.D. THESES SUPERVISED:

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Isabel (Iz) Varghese – TSGP (BS Colby College, co-advised w/ Brenda Rubenstein)	2024 - Present
Alexa Knight – MCB (BS University of Washington, co-advised w/ Gerwald Jogl)	2023 - Present
Camila Molina Roca – MCB (BS Bay Path University)	2023 - Present
Vinnie Widjaja – MCB (BS San Diego State University)	2022 - Present
Madeline Clark – MCB (BS Christopher Newport University)	2022 - Present
Erin Skeens – MCB (BS Tufts University)	2021 - 2025
Jennifer Cui – MCB (BS Queen's University, MS McMaster University, Canada)	2020 - 2024
Helen Belato – TSGP (BS University of Connecticut)	2019 - 2023
Emily Chen – MCB (BS Brandeis University)	2019 - 2022

Sc.M. THESIS COMMITTEES:

Victoria Johnson – Biotechnology (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor)	2025
Amber Chevannes – Biotechnology (Nicolas Fawzi, supervisor)	2019

UNDERGRADUATE HONORS THESES SUPERVISED:

Mariana Floody	2024
Yannie Lam	2023
Aditya Rao	2022
Jonathan Scalabrini	2022
Nadia Goldberg	2021

STUDENTS & STAFF:

<i>Postdoctoral</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Subsequent Position</i>
Manish Chaubey	2024 – Present	
Helen Belato	2024	Postdoctoral Fellow, Brown University (M. Kizer)
Emily Chen	2022 – 2023	Scientist, New England Biolabs
Kyle East	2019 – 2021	Scientist, biomolecular NMR, Eli Lilly & Co.
<i>Research Associates</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Subsequent Position</i>
Camila Molina Roca	2022 (Summer)	Ph.D. Student, Brown University MCB
Vinnie Widjaja	2021 (Summer)	Ph.D. Student, Brown University MCB
Jennifer Cui	2019	Ph.D. Student, Brown University MCB
Erin Skeens	2018 - 2020	Ph.D. Student, Brown University MCB
<i>Graduate Students</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Subsequent Position</i>
Isabel (Iz) Varghese	2024 – Present	
Alexa Knight	2023 – Present	
Camila Molina	2023 – Present	
Madeline Clark	2022 – Present	
Vinnie Widjaja	2022 – Present	
Erin Skeens	Ph.D. 2025	
Jennifer Cui	Ph.D. 2024	
Helen Belato	Ph.D. 2023	Postdoctoral Fellow, Brown University (G. Lisi)
Emily Chen	Ph.D. 2022	Postdoctoral Fellow, Brown University (G. Lisi)
<i>Undergraduates</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Subsequent Position</i>
Anna Steffen	2024 – 2025	
Salman Aji	2024	
Sirena D’Orazio	2023 – Present	
Mariana Floody	2022 – 2024	Research Associate, Yale University
Yannie Lam	2022 – 2023	Ph.D. Program, Biochemistry, Stanford University
Jeet Patel	2022 – 2023	Research Associate, University of Florida
Adela Herce	2021 – 2022	Research Associate, Brigham & Women’s Hospital
Aditya Rao	2021 – 2022	Research Associate, Texas Heart Institute
Jon Scalabrini	2021 – 2022	M.D./Ph.D. Program, Columbia University

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J.P. Moïse	2020 – 2021	West Virginia University Medical School
Nadia Goldberg	2019 – 2021	Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons
Ji Yun (Estelle) Han	2019 (Summer)	Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University
Allison Gallagher	2019 (Summer)	Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy
Samuel Croes	2019 – 2021	Life sciences consultant, Acsel Health
<i>Rotation Students</i>	<i>Years</i>	<i>Graduate Program</i>
Hanna Kodama	S 2024	Molecular Biology, Cell Biology & Biochemistry
Briana Mercado	W 2024	Molecular Biology, Cell Biology & Biochemistry
Renjith Viswanathan	W 2023	Therapeutic Sciences
Carmelissa Norbrun	F 2021	Therapeutic Sciences
Mai Huynh	W 2021	Pathobiology
Yanitza Rodriguez	S 2020	Molecular Biology, Cell Biology & Biochemistry
Jennifer Dumouchel	S 2020	Therapeutic Sciences
Gerardo Reyes-Chavez	W 2020	Molecular Biology, Cell Biology & Biochemistry
Maureen Dowell	W 2019	Molecular Biology, Cell Biology & Biochemistry
Layra Cintron-Rivera	F 2018	Pathobiology
Carlos Toro	F 2018	Therapeutic Sciences
