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PERSONAL DATA:

Birth date: September 23, 1972 Place of birth: Aga, El-Dakahlia, Egypt

Family status: Married

EDUCATION:

| • B.S., Agricultural Sciences | 1994 | Mansoura University, Egypt |
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| • M.Sc. Applied Microbiology | 1998 | Mansoura University, Egypt |
| • Ph.D., Bacterial Physiology/ Food Safety | 2004 | The University of Reading, UK |

POSITIONS:

- Assistant Professor (Mansoura University): 2004-present.
- Assistant Lecturer (Mansoura University): 1998-2004.
- Demonstrator (Mansoura University): 1996-1998.
- Food Microbiologist (Misr Company for Dairy Foods, Mansoura): 1995- 1996

AWARDS:

- Fellowship of the International Union for Microbiological Societies (IUMS), 2005.
- Fellowship of the Federation of European Microbiological Societies (FEMS) for young scientists, 2003.
- Scholarship from the Government of Egypt to pursue doctoral studies in Bacterial Physiology & Food Safety at the UK, 2000-2004.
- Annual prize of Mansoura University for the best M.Sc. thesis in Agricultural Sciences, 1999.

MEMBERSHIPS:

- Society for General Microbiology.
- Society for Applied Microbiology.
- Society for Dairy Technology.
- Egyptian Society for Dairy Sciences.

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

- Editor, *Science Progress* (An established international journal issued from the UK since more than 100 years)
- Scientific reviewer for *Journal of Applied Microbiology* and *Letters in Applied Microbiology*.
- Editor of a reference book entitled "Bacterial Physiology- A Molecular Approach", Springer: Germany (in press).

• Scientific editor and organizer of the first *International Microbiology Symposium* supported by the American Society for Microbiology, held at Mansoura University (2006).

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Focal Point of the EU-funded programme FP7 for Mansoura University (2007-2013).
- Coordinator of the International Research Grant Office at Mansoura University.

EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS

 Member of the managerial and executive teams of the project "Developing Applied Agricultural Courses to Increase the Capabilities of Graduates to Meet Market Needs" funded by the HEEPF programme (2005-2006).

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Principal Investigator of a research project entitled "Use of Exopolysaccharideproducing Lactic Acid Bacteria in Biotechnological Applications" supported by the Library of Alexandria (2007-2008).
- Principal Investigator of a research project entitled "Stress Responses of *Campylobacter* spp." supported by the International Foundation for Science (Sweden) (2006-2007).
- Principal Investigator of a research project entitled "Surveillance and Characterization of Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus Associated with Food Products" jointly supported by Mansoura University and the Society for Applied Microbiology (UK) (2005-2006).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Bacterial physiology as related to both basic knowledge and biotechnological applications.
- Food safety involving surveillance and characterization research on foodborne pathogens associated with foods produced/distributed under Egyptian conditions.
- Nanobiotechnology/ Lab on a chip research aiming at the development of nanodevices for the detection of bacterial pathogens in food, environmental and clinical samples.

PUBLICATIONS:

Peer-reviewed papers:

- 1. El-Sharoud, W.M. (2002). Locating a stress sensor. *Microbiologist*, 3:34-35.
- **2.** Nassib, T.A., Zin El-Din, M. and **El-Sharoud, W.M.*** (2003). Assessment of the presence of *Salmonella* spp. in Egyptian dairy products using various detection media. *Letters in Applied Microbiology* 37:405-409.
- **3.** Nassib, T.A., Zin El-Din, M. and **El-Sharoud, W.M.*** (2003). Viability of *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* during the preparation and cold storage of Egyptian soft cheeses and ice cream. *International Journal of Dairy Technology* 56:30-34.

- **4. El-Sharoud, W.M.** (2004). Ribosome inactivation for preservation: concepts and reservations. *Science Progress* 87:137-152.
- **5. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** and Niven, G.W. (2005). The activity of ribosome modulation factor during the growth of *Escherichia coli* under acidic conditions. *Archives of Microbiology* 184:18-24.
- **6. El-Sharoud, W.M.** (2005). Two-Component Signal Transduction Systems as Key Players in Stress Responses of Lactic Acid Bacteria. *Science Progress* 88: 203-228.
- 7. Nassib, T.A., Zin El-Din, M. and **El-Sharoud**, **W.M.*** (2006). Effect of thermophilic lactic acid bacteria on the viability of *Salmonella* ser. Typhimurium PT8 during milk fermentation and preparation of buffalo's yoghurt. *International Journal of Dairy Technology* 59: 29-34.
- **8. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** and Rowbury, R.J. (2006). Recent Insights into Microbial Physiology. *Science Progress* 89:141-149
- **9. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** and Niven, G.W. (2007). The influence of ribosome modulation factor on the survival of stationary-phase *Escherichia coli* during acid stress. *Microbiology* 153:247-253.
- **10. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** and Graumann, P.L. (2007). Cold shock proteins aid coupling of transcription and translation in bacteria. *Science Progress* 90:15-27.
- **11. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** and Rowbury, R.J. (2007). Major microbiology research areas and techniques: cell division, cytoskeleton, stationary-phase and bioluminescence. *Science Progress* 90:51-58.
- **12. El-Sharoud, W.M.***, Zin El-Din, M. and Abou-Ziada, D.M. (2007). Characterization of *Enterobacter sakazakii* detected in milk and dairy products. (*in preparation*).
- **13. El-Sharoud, W.M.***, Zin El-Din, M. and Abou-Ziada, D.M. (2007). Behaviour of *Enterobacter sakazakii* under dairy preservation conditions. (*in preparation*).
- **14. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** and Darwish, M.S. (2007). Effect of RpoS on the survival of *Escherichia coli* during milk fermentation conditions. (*in preparation*).
- **15. El-Sharoud, W.M.***, Darwish, M.S. and Abou-Ziada, D.M. (2007). Assessment of the presence of *Campylobacter* sp. in milk and milk products in heavily-contaminated Egyptian area. (*in preparation*).
- **16. El-Sharoud, W.M.*** (2007). A new single dimension gel electrophoresis procedure for the detection of ribosome modulation factor. (*in preparation*). *Corresponding author

COLLABORATING GROUPS:

- 1- Microbial Physiology and Genetics Group (Biocentruum, Technical University of Denmark, Denmark) http://www2.biocentrum.dtu.dk/mpg/staff/kilstrup mogens/index.html
- 2- Produce Safety and Microbiology Research Unit (USDA, USA) http://www.ars.usda.gov/pwa/wrrc/psmru
- 3- Genetic and Microbiology of Dairy Lactic Acid Bacteria (Department of Food Science and Nutrition, Utah University, USA)
 http://www.usu.edu/nfs/gee%20whiz/Jeff.PDF
- 4- Prof. Peter Graumann's group (Institute of Biology, The University of Freiburg, Germany). http://www.biologie.uni- freiburg.de/data/bio2/graumann/research.htm