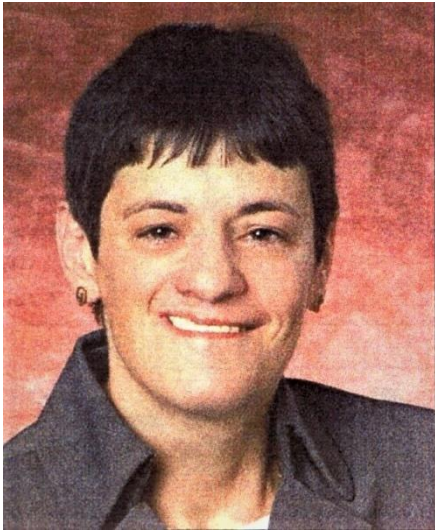


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This newsletter features Dr. Rosa Codina, PhD, Affiliate Associate Professor of Medicine, Division of Allergy and Immunology, Department of Internal Medicine, University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine.



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Dr. Rosa Codina doing pollen ID and purity



Rosa looking for collectible specimens



Rosa Codina, PhD (left) with Mary Jelks, MD (right), 2010.



Rosa and Lee, 8th wedding anniversary



Rosa and Lee with friends during a professional meeting in Nashville, TN



Fun times at a family reunion!



At a restaurant, Verdu, Spain



Rosa and Lee in Barcelona

Rosa Codina, PhD

Affiliate Associate Professor of Medicine

Rosa Codina, PhD, MS was born in Barcelona, Spain. She received her BS, MS, and PhD degrees in Zoology and Human Physiology from the University of Barcelona. She joined a residency program in Clinical Biochemistry at the Vall d'Hebron Hospital, following which she was the supervisor of the Clinical Allergy Laboratory. During that time, Dr. Codina traveled to the USA to expand her knowledge in allergy and immunology at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN, under the supervision of Dr. Charles Reed, and subsequently at the Division of Allergy and Immunology, University of South Florida College of Medicine, where Dr. Richard Lockety, MD was her mentor.

Dr. Codina joined the USF Division of Allergy and Immunology in 1994 and was a full-time faculty member until 2002. During that time, she conducted research on environmental allergens and specialized in aerobiology, a passion that Dr. Mary Jelks transmitted to her. She published numerous papers and presented research results at professional meetings, activities that are still ongoing.

Dr. Codina joined SDII-Global Corporation as Principal Environmental Scientist in 2003, a company dedicated to indoor air quality, in Tampa, FL, where she gained practical knowledge about indoor biological agents that affect human health. Subsequently, Dr. Codina joined Greer Laboratories in Lenoir, NC, as Senior Scientist of the Allergenic Raw Materials Department, where she devoted several years to improve the quality of the materials used to prepare allergenic extracts. Rosa founded Allergen Science & Consulting in 2013, a company also located in Lenoir, NC, where she is the Director and Principal Scientist. This professional opportunity allows her to use the skills developed during her professional career in the area of allergy and environmental exposures to biological agents to assist individuals and organizations to make progress in the field of allergic diseases.

Rosa met her husband, Lee Overcash, in 1996 and they have been inseparable since then. They both enjoy traveling and visiting family and friends in both Barcelona and in the USA. While Lee is an artist, Rosa is a passionate naturalist and photographer who loves collecting and identifying biological specimens.

Dr. Rosa Codina is a valued colleague and it is a pleasure to work with her. She is fondly remembered and missed by all in the Division of Allergy and Immunology, Department of Internal Medicine, and we are glad to have her continue her work in the Division as an affiliate faculty member.

With warm regards,

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