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SUMMARY

Sheldon H. Jacobson is a Founder Professor of Computer Science, Director of the Simulation and Optimization Laboratory, and Founding Director of the Bed Time Research Institute at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He holds appointments in Industrial and Enterprise Systems Engineering, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Mathematics, and the College of Medicine. He has a B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Mathematics from McGill University and a Ph.D. in Operations Research from Cornell University. He has served on the faculties at Case Western Reserve University (Weatherhead School of Management, 1988-1993), Virginia Tech (Industrial and Systems Engineering, 1993-1999), and the University of Illinois (1999-present). He served as a Program Director at the National Science Foundations (Engineering Directorate) from 2012-2014.

He has published 207 peer-reviewed articles, 12 book chapters, 50 conference proceeding papers, over 420 professional/editorial publications, and delivered over 520 presentations, seminars and posters at conferences, universities, and research laboratories around the world. He has directed 26 Ph.D. dissertations and been awarded over \$5M of research support from the National Science Foundation and the Air Force Office of Scientific Research.

As the Director of the Bed Time Research Institute, he spearheaded the creation of two research videos ("A Healthy Collaboration: Pediatric Immunization and Operations Research", "Aviation Security: Researching the Risk.") and launched websites all designed to communicate the value of basic and applied research through Broader Impact activities, and promulgate STEM activities for enhancing and growing a technically literate citizenry.

(<http://bracketodds.cs.illinois.edu>,

<http://redistricting.cs.illinois.edu>,

<http://electionanalytics.cs.illinois.edu>,

<http://drivingobesity.cs.illinois.edu>),

He has made several seminal research contributions, all focusing on applying operations research and advanced analytics to address societal problems of national interest. He launched the research field, aviation security analytics, demonstrating how probabilistic models, optimization, and artificial intelligence can be used to improve the performance of aviation security systems. His research on multi-level aviation security passenger screening at airports was the precursor to risk-based security, providing the foundational concepts that informed the design and implementation of TSA Precheck®. His contributions have been recognized with numerous awards, including a 2003 *Guggenheim Fellowship*, the 2018 *INFORMS Impact Prize*, given biennially to recognize widespread impact of operations research, and the 2023 Clayton J. Thomas Award from the Military Operations Research Society, for his sustained contributions to

homeland security. His research on the design of pediatric vaccine formularies introduced the use of operations research in the pediatric immunization domain. His research on bridging obesity, transportation, and fuel consumption established the impact of transportation on obesity, providing the foundation for non-medical obesity interventions based on modes of transportation. His research on computational redistricting demonstrates how optimization-based AI can be used to combat gerrymandering by creating a transparent environment for designing and evaluating district maps.

His research has been widely reported and communicated in the national press, including the *Washington Post*, the *Chicago Tribune*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and the *Boston Globe*, editorialized in the *New York Times*, and discussed in *Business Week*, *Forbes*, *Kiplinger*, and *The Osgood Files* on CBS radio. He has appeared on CNBC's *Street Signs* and *The Closing Bell*, MSNBC's *Weekends with Alex Witt*, *Washington Post Radio*, *CBS This Morning*, CNN's *Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer*, and *CBC Canada News* (television and radio), and *BBC World News* (television and radio).

He has been recognized with numerous professional awards for his research and service contributions. These include the *George E. Kimball Medal* (INFORMS) (2020), *Saul Gass Expository Writing Award* (INFORMS) (2020), *Omega Rho Plenary* (2020), *INFORMS Voluntary Service Award* (2020), *INFORMS Impact Prize* (2018), *President's Award* (INFORMS) (2023), *Calyton J. Thomas Award* (Military Operations Research Society) (2023), *David F. Baker Distinguished Research Award* (IISE) (2017), *Award for Technical Innovation in Industrial Engineering* (IISE) (2010, 2013), *Aviation Security Research Award* (Aviation Security International) (2002), *IIE Outstanding Publication Award* (2009), *Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Operations Research* (IISE Operations Research Division) (2011), the and a *Guggenheim Fellowship* (2003). He is an elected Fellow of the *American Association for the Advancement of Science* (AAAS, 2020), the *Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences* (INFORMS, 2013), and the *Institute of Industrial and Systems Engineers* (IISE, 2011).

His leadership acumen and technical expertise have been sought by both government and professional societies. He briefed personnel within the Office of Science and Technology Policy (in the executive Office of President George W. Bush) on 31 August 2002, on issues related to aviation security research and the cost and benefit of checked baggage screening strategies. He briefed the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice (ACIP) on a web-site he co-developed for designing optimal pediatric vaccine formularies at their October 2001 meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. He has served on committees for the National Academies, including the National Research Council *Committee on Airport Passenger Screening: Backscatter X-Ray Machines* (2013-2015) and the National Academy of Medicine (NAM) *Standing Committee for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Strategic National Stockpile* (2015-2017). He led the NSF-Funded workshop (May 2016), *Setting a Broader Impacts Innovation Roadmap*, in creating new pathways for enhancing Broader Impacts in the Engineering Directorate at the NSF. He served as the (elected) Treasurer for INFORMS (2015-2016), as a panelist at the INFORMS 2019 *Government & Analytics Summit*, and as the INFORMS NSF Liaison Chair (2019-2020). He was an invited guest for the Oral History program at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, discussing "Civic Program: Gerrymandering".

EDUCATION

- 1988 Ph.D. (Operations Research & Industrial Engineering) Cornell University,
Dissertation Supervisor: Dr. L.W. Schruben
- 1986 M.S. (Operations Research & Industrial Engineering) Cornell University
- 1983 M.Sc. (Mathematics) McGill University, Thesis Supervisor: Dr. S. Zlobec

1981 B.Sc. (Mathematics) McGill University

EMPLOYMENT

8/2006-Present Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Director, Simulation and Optimization Laboratory.
 7/2012-8/2014 Program Director, Operations Research, National Science Foundation.
 8/2002-8/2006 Professor, Willett Faculty Scholar, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
 Director, Simulation and Optimization Laboratory.
 6/1999-8/2002 Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
 Director, Simulation and Optimization Laboratory.
 8/1996-5/1999 Associate Professor, Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering, Virginia Tech. Director, Simulation and Optimization Laboratory.
 8/1993-7/1996: Assistant Professor, Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering, Virginia Tech. Director, Simulation and Optimization Laboratory.
 7/1988-6/1993: Assistant Professor, Department of Operations Research, Weatherhead School of Management, Case Western Reserve University.

APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

College of Engineering, Department of Computer Science (Primary) (2006-Present)
 College of Engineering, Department of Industrial & Enterprise Sys. Engineering (2006-Present)
 College of Liberal Arts and Science, Department of Mathematics (2001-Present)
 Carle Illinois College of Medicine, (2021-Present)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

University of Illinois:

Associate, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, 2002-2003.
 Willett Faculty Scholar, College of Engineering, University of Illinois, 2002-2009.
Aviation Security Research Award, sponsored by Aviation Security International, International Air Transport Association, and Airports Council International, (with J.E. Kobza), 2002.
Best Paper Award, IIE Transactions Focused Issue on Operations Engineering, (with J.E. Kobza and A.E. Easterling), 2003.
Guggenheim Fellowship, John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, 2003.
Operations Research Meritorious Service Award, 2003.
Award of Excellence ("College or University" and "Video News Release" Categories) for "Aviation Security: Researching the Risk," 13th Annual Communicator's Award Competition, (with WILL-TV), 2006.
 "List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students," IE410/CS481: Stochastic Processes and its Applications, Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2010.
 "List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students," IE413/CS482: Computer Simulation, Spring 2006, Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2010.
 Finalist, INFORMS Health Applications Section Pierskalla Best Paper Award, 2004, 2007.
 Semi-Finalist, Christopher Columbus Foundation Homeland Security Award, 2005, 2007, 2009.
Outstanding IIE Publication Award, Institute of Industrial Engineers (with L.A. McLay), 2009.
Award for Technical Innovation in Industrial Engineering, Institute of Industrial Engineers (with E.C. Sewell), 2010.
 Finalist (Runner-Up), Christopher Columbus Foundation Homeland Security Award (Transportation and Border Security), 2010.
 Fellow, Institute of Industrial Engineers, 2011.

Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Operations Research, Institute of Industrial Engineers Operations Research Division, 2011.

Honorable Mention, Best Paper Award, *Computational Optimization and Applications*, 2011.

Finalist, INFORMS Public Sector Operations Research (with D.M. King, E.C. Sewell), Best Paper Award, 2012.

Semi-Finalist, INFORMS Innovations in Analytics Award, 2012.

Award for Technical Innovation in Industrial Engineering, Institute of Industrial Engineers, 2013.

Fellow, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS), 2013.

University of Illinois Office of Public Affairs, Award for Communications & Marketing Excellence – Media Relations, 2013.

Top-5 Papers (of 149) Published in *Journal of Global Optimization* in 2012 (Sewell, E.C., Sauppe, J.J., Morrison, D.M., Jacobson, S.H., Kao, G.K., 2012, “Minimizing Total Tardiness for the Single Machine with Sequence Dependent Setup Time Problem Using the BB&R Algorithm,” *Journal of Global Optimization*, 54(4), 791-812).

Best Research Poster (First Place), Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine (APDIM) Spring 2014 Conference, “Annual Rotation Schedules in 45 Seconds: Simplifying Life for an Internal Medicine Residency Program,” coauthored with David R. Morrison, J. Taylor Fairbank, and Janet A. Jokela.

David F. Baker Distinguished Research Award, Institute of Industrial & Systems Engineers, 2017.

Grainger Engineering Breakthroughs Initiative’s (GEBI) Founder Professor in Computer Science, 2017-2027.

INFORMS Impact Prize (with K.C. Fletcher, L.A. Albert, A.G. Nikolaev, A.J. Lee) for their contributions to risk-based aviation security and its impact on the design of TSA PreCheck, 2018.

Honorable Mention, INFORMS Public Sector Operations Research (with R. Swamy, D.M. King), Best Paper Award, 2018.

First Place, 2018 INFORMS Poster Competition (with R. Swamy, D.M. King), “Political Districting with Fairness Objectives: An Optimization-Based Framework.”

First Place, 2019 Service Sciences Best Paper Award, INFORMS National Meeting (with R. Swamy, D.M. King), “Multi-Objective Optimization for Political Districting: A Scalable Multilevel Approach.”

Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), 2020.

Distinguished Speaker, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), 2020-2023.

Volunteer Service Award, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS), 2020.

George E. Kimball Medal, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS), 2020.

Saul Gass Expository Writing Award, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS), 2020.

Omega Rho Plenary Speaker, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS) Fall 2020 National Meeting.

Invited guest, Oral History program, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, “Civic Program: gerrymandering”.

Clayton J. Thomas Award, Military Operations Research Society, 2023.

INFORMS Presidents Award for his contributions to society, 2023.

Virginia Tech:

Best Paper Award, Industrial Simulation Track, 1997 European Simulation Multiconference, Istanbul, Turkey (with K.A. Sullivan, A.W. Johnson).

Application Award, 1998, Institute of Industrial Engineers Operations Research Division (with J.E. Kobza).

Dean's List for Teaching, Spring 1999.

Cornell University:

National Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Graduate Scholarship (1983-1986).

FCAC (Province of Quebec) Graduate Fellow (1983-1984).

Forgivable Loan Program Award, General Electric Foundation (1986).

McGill University:

FCAC Graduate Fellow (1982-1983).

NSERC Graduate Scholarship (1981-1983).

NSERC Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (1980, 1981).

Great Distinction (1981), Wolvin Scholarship (1980), Faculty Scholar (1980), University Scholar (1979, 1981), McConnell Awards (1978, 1979).

Other: Second Place in Canada, Actuarial Exam #1 (1980).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS) (1988-Present)
(Simulation Society, Computing Society, Health Care Applications Section)

Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE) (1994-Present)

American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) (1998-Present)

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) (2000-Present)

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) (2015-Present)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Associate Editor, *Operations Research* (2001-2005)

Guest Editor, *IIE Transactions* Special Issue on Homeland Security (2005-2006)

Senior Editor, *Flexible Services and Manufacturing* (2007-2009)

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Transportation Security* (2007-Present)

Associate Editor, *Int'l Journal of Applied Metaheuristic Computing* (IJAMC) (2008-2016)

Focused Issue Editor, *IIE Transactions*, Operations Engineering and Analysis (2009-Present)

Associate Editor, *Operations Research for Health Care* (2011-2012)

INFORMS Speaker's Program (1997-Present)

Reviewer, *ACM Transactions on Modeling and Computer Simulation*, *Annals of Operations Research*, *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, *Complex Systems*, *Computers and Industrial Engineering*, *Discrete Event Dynamic Systems*, *European Journal of Operational Research*, *Health Care Management Science*, *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, *IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation*, *2001 IEEE CSS Conference*, *IIE Transactions*, *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, *Journal of Global Optimization*, *Journal of Heuristics*, *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, *Management Science*, *Mathematical and Computer Modelling*, *Mathematical Programming*, *Mathematics of Operations Research*, *Naval Research Logistics*, *Operations Research*, *Operations Research Letters*, *Production and Operations Management*, *SIAM Optimization*, *Simulation*, *Winter Simulation Conference*.

Invited Visiting Scholar, S.O.R.I.E., Cornell University (1989)

Reviewer, McGraw Hill Book Company (1994)

Treasurer, INFORMS College on Simulation (1994-1996)

Panelist, National Science Foundation, DMI-OR (1995)

Best Publication Award Committee, INFORMS College on Simulation (1997-1999) (Chair, 1998)

Industrial Affiliate Development Committee, INFORMS College on Simulation (1997)

Reviewer, Ohio Supercomputer Center (1989, 1991)
 Reviewer, FCAR (Quebec Research Support Agency) (1994)
 Reviewer, Air Force Office of Scientific Research (1995, 1998)
 Reviewer, National Science Foundation EPSCoR Program (1996)
 Reviewer, Army Research Office (1997)
 Reviewer, National Science Foundation, Probability and Statistics (1998)
 Reviewer, National Science Foundation, International Programs (1999)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, Exploratory Research on Eng. the Transport Ind. (2000)
 Membership Committee, INFORMS College on Simulation (2000-2002)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, Career Awards, DMII (2001)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, 9/11 Panel, DMII (2002)
 Reviewer, Interdisciplinary Contest in Modeling, Consortium for Math. & Its Applications (2003)
 Committee Member, INFORMS George C. Nicholson Student Paper Competition (2003, 2004)
 Chair, Best Paper Award Committee, *IIE Transactions* Focused Issue on Oper. Eng. (2003)
 Reviewer, Cooperative Grants Program, U.S. Civilian R&D Foundation (2003)
 Reviewer, National Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada (2003)
 Panelist, Transportation Security Administration, Boeing USCAP Review Panel (2004)
 Reviewer, METRANS Research Center (2005)
 Committee Member, INFORMS Health Appl. Society, Bonder Student Scholarship (2006, 2007)
 Participant, NSF Healthcare Systems Engineering Workshop (2006)
 Reviewer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Panel Review (2006)
 Panelist, World Technology Evaluation Center (WTEC), International Assessment of Rapid Vaccine Manufacturing Study Group (2006-2007, 2009-2010).
 OR/MS Today Advisory Committee, INFORMS, (2007-2008)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, Career Awards, DMII (2004, 2005)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, CDI-Type I Preliminary Proposals (2008)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, Career Awards, CMII (2008, 2011, 2018)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, CMII (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, CBET (2010)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, EFRI (2010)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, CMMI (2011) (two panels)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, IGERT (2011)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, CMMI (2012) (two panels)
 Panelist, National Science Foundation, CMMI (2018)
 National Science Foundation Liaison to INFORMS (2012-2014)
 Council Member (Elected), INFORMS I-SIM (2014-2015)
 Committee Member, National Research Council, Committee on Airport Passenger Screening: Backscatter X-Ray Machines (2013-2015)
 Committee Member, National Academy of Medicine (NAM) *Standing Committee for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Strategic National Stockpile* (2015-2017)
 Treasurer (Elected), Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS) (2015-2016).
 Member, INFORMS Speakers Program Committee (2018-2019).
 Review Committee, INFORMS Health Applications Society Pierskala Best Paper Award (2018).
 Organizing Committee, National Academy of Medicine Workshop: *Medical Product Shortages during Disasters: Opportunities to Predict, Prevent, and Respond* (2018).
 Chair, INFORMS Liaison to NSF (2019-2020).
 Review Committee, INFORMS Public Service Operations Research Best Paper Award (2019).
 Co-Chair: Communications Group, Big Ten Alliance for Strategic Partnership for Applied Redistricting Knowledge (SPARK).
 Reviewer, Committee Report, National Academy of Medicine (NAM) (2020).

Dialogue on Social Justice, Wesley United Methodist Church (with J.A. Jokela, 2/13/2022)
General Chair, INFORMS 2022 Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Courses Taught at the University of Illinois

- IE310 Introduction to Operations Research (B.S.)
- CS481/IE410 Stochastic Processes and its Applications (B.S./M.S.)
- CS482/IE413 Computer Simulation (B.S./M.S.)
- IE598 Special Topics in Stochastic Models and Simulation (Ph.D.)

Courses Taught at Virginia Tech

- ISE3414 Probabilistic Operations Research (B.S.)
- ISE3424 Discrete Event Simulation (B.S.)
- ISE5424 Computer Simulation (M.S./Ph.D.)
- ISE6494 Advanced Simulation (M.S./Ph.D.)

Courses Taught at Case Western Reserve University

- OPRE425 Probability Theory in Operations Research (M.S./Ph.D.)
- OPRE432 Computer Simulation (M.S./Ph.D.)
- OPRE521 Queuing Theory (Ph.D.)
- OPRE525 Advanced Topics in Simulation and Time Series (Ph.D.)
- QUMM403 Managerial Statistics (MBA)
- QUMM405 Management Science (MBA)

Courses Taught at Other Universities

- OR260 Introduction to Probability (Cornell University) (B.S.)
- MATH111 Algebra and Trigonometry (McGill University) (B.Sc.)

Other Educational Activities

University of Illinois

Faculty Advisor, Alpha Pi Mu (2002-2006)

Virginia Tech

Advisor, MCM Undergraduate Team (1995)

Faculty Advisor, INFORMS Student Chapter (1995-1996)

Case Western Reserve University

Faculty Advisor, ORSA/TIMS Student Chapter (1990-1993)

Faculty Representative, Omega Rho (1990-1993)

Faculty Coordinator, Student Recruitment Campus Visits by Faculty (1990-1993)

Faculty Coordinator (joint), Dept. Student Recruitment Open House (1990-1993)

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- M&IE Strategic Planning (1999-2000)
- M&IE Advisory Committee (Elected) (2000-2004)
- M&IE Faculty Recruitment Committee (2000-2006)
- M&IE Social Committee (2000-2006)
- M&IE Undergraduate Program Committee (2004-2006)
- M&IE Department Head Search (2004-2005)
- C&EE Transportation Faculty Search (2005-2006)
- CS Director of Development (2007-2008)
- CS Numerous committees (2006-Present)
- UI Campus Provost Awards Committee (2021-Present)

Virginia Tech

Director, Simulation and Optimization Laboratory (1993-Present)

University Representative, Commonwealth Connection Tour (1996)

ISE Department, Computers/Networks/Software (1994-1995, 1998-1999)
 ISE Department, Positioning Plan (1995)
 ISE Department, Personnel (1995-1999) (Chairman 1996-1999)
 ISE Department, Mentor Program Development (1995-1999)
 ISE Department, Promotion and Tenure (1996-1999)
 ISE Department, SCHEV Proposal Development (Chairman) (1996)
 College of Engineering, Numerical Methods (1994-1995)

Case Western Reserve University

"Alumni Fund" Graduate School Telethon (1988-1989)
 Creator/Editor/Writer, *OR NEWS*, Department Alumni Newsletter, Issues 1-4 (1989-1993)
 Quality Management (1989-1993)
 MBA Statistics and Management Science Curriculum (1988-1993)
 Ph.D. Curriculum (1988-1993)
 Seminar (1988-1991)
 Student Recruitment (1990-1993)
 Faculty Recruitment (1992-1993)
 WSOM Computer Usage (1989-1993)
 WSOM Research (1990-1992)

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Papers in Archival Journals

Computer Simulation Methodology and Modeling

1. Jacobson, S.H., Schruben, L.W., 1989, "Techniques for Simulation Response Optimization," *Operations Research Letters*, 8(1), 1-9.
2. Jacobson, S.H., Buss, A.H., Schruben, L.W., 1991, "Driving Frequency Selection for Frequency Domain Simulation Experiments," *Operations Research*, 39(6), 917-924.
3. Jacobson, S.H., 1993, "Variance and Bias Reduction Techniques for the Harmonic Gradient Estimator," *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, 55(2&3), 153-186.
4. Jacobson, S.H., 1994a, "Optimal Mean Squared Error Analysis of the Harmonic Gradient Estimators," *Journal of Optimization Theory and Application*, 80(3), 573-590.
5. Jacobson, S.H., 1994b, "Convergence Results for Harmonic Gradient Estimators," *ORSA Journal on Computing*, 6(4), 381-397.
6. Jacobson, S.H., 1994c, "Second Derivative Estimation Using Harmonic Analysis," *Annals of Operations Research*, 53, 507-531.
7. Jacobson, S.H., 1995a, "Analyzing the M/M/1 Queue in Frequency Domain Experiments," *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, 69(2&3), 185-194.
8. Jacobson, S.H., 1995b, "How Difficult is the Frequency Selection Problem?" *Operations Research Letters*, 17(3), 139-147.
9. Jacobson, S.H., Yucesan, E., 1995, "Intractability Results in Discrete Event Simulation," *Recherche Operationelle*, 29(3), 353-369.
10. Yucesan, E., Jacobson, S.H., 1996, "Computational Issues for ACCESSIBILITY in Discrete Event Simulation," *ACM Transactions on Modeling and Computer Simulation*, 6(1), 53-75.
11. Jacobson, S.H., 1997, "The Effect of Initial Transient on Steady State Simulation Harmonic Gradient Estimators," *Mathematics and Computers in Simulation*, 43(2), 209-221.
12. Yucesan, E., Jacobson, S.H., 1997, "The Complexity of Rapid Learning in Discrete Event Simulation," *IIE Transactions*, 29(9), 783-790.
13. Jacobson, S.H., Schruben, L.W., 1999, "A Harmonic Analysis Approach to Simulation Sensitivity Analysis," *IIE Transactions*, 31(3), 231-243.
14. Jacobson, S.H., Yucesan, E., 1999, "On the Complexity of Verifying Structural Properties of Discrete Event Simulation Models," *Operations Research*, 47(3), 476-481.

15. Vazquez-Abad, F.J., Jacobson, S.H., 2001, "Phantom Harmonic Gradient Estimators for Priority Queueing Systems," *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, 13(4), 345-359.
16. Jacobson, S.H., Yucesan, E., 2002, "Common Issues in Discrete-Event Simulation and Discrete Optimization," *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, 47(2), 341-345.
17. Swisher, J.R., Jacobson, S.H., Yucesan E., 2003, "Discrete-Event Simulation Optimization Using Ranking, Selection, and Multiple Comparison Procedures: A Survey," *ACM Transactions on Modeling and Computer Simulation*, 13(2), 134-154.
18. Swisher, J.R., Hyden, P.D., Jacobson, S.H., Schruben, L.W., 2004, "A Survey of Recent Advances in Discrete Input Parameter Discrete-Event Simulation Optimization," *IIE Transactions*, 36(6), 591-600.
19. Smith, J.C., Jacobson, S.H., 2005, "An Analysis of the Alias Method for Discrete Random Number Generation," *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, 17(3), 321-327.

Discrete Optimization Algorithms (Exact and Approximation)

1. Jacobson, S.H., Solow, D., 1993, "The Effectiveness of Finite Improvement Algorithms for Finding Global Optima," *Zeitschrift fur Operations Research (ZOR) -- Methods and Models of Operations Research*, 37(3), 257-272.
2. Jacobson, S.H., Johnson, A.W., Sullivan, K.A., Fleischer, M.A., Kumar, A., 1997, "Metaheuristics for a Flexible Assembly System Design Problem," *Journal of Heuristics*, 3(2), 139-159.
3. Jacobson, S.H., Sullivan, K.A., Johnson, A.W., 1998, "Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization Using Computer Simulation and Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *Engineering Optimization*, 31, 247-260.
4. Fleischer, M., Jacobson, S.H., 1999, "Information Theory and the Finite-Time Behavior of the Simulated Annealing Algorithm: Experimental Results," *INFORMS Journal on Computing*, 11(1), 35-43.
5. Kumar, A., Jacobson, S.H., Sewell, E.C., 2000, "Computational Analysis of a Flexible Assembly System Design Problem," *European Journal of Operational Research*, 123(3), 453-472.
6. Sullivan, K.A. and Jacobson, S.H., 2000, "Ordinal Hill Climbing Algorithms for Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization Problems," *Discrete Event Dynamical Systems*, 10(4), 307-324.
7. Vaughan, D., S.H. Jacobson, and D. Armstrong, 2000, "A New Neighborhood Function for Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization Using Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *ASME Journal of Mechanical Design*, 122(2), 164-171.
8. Sullivan, K.A., Jacobson, S.H., 2001, "A Convergence Analysis of Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control*, 46(8), 1288-1293.
9. Johnson, A.W., Jacobson, S.H., 2002a, "A Class of Convergent Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *Applied Mathematics and Computation*, 125(2-3), 359-373.
10. Johnson, A.W., Jacobson, S.H., 2002b, "On the Convergence of Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *Discrete Applied Mathematics*, 119(1-2), 37-57.
11. Orosz, J.E., Jacobson, S.H. 2002a, "Finite-time Performance Analysis of Static Simulated Annealing Algorithms," *Computational Optimization and Applications*, 21(1), 21-53.
12. Orosz, J.E., Jacobson, S.H., 2002b, "Analysis of Static Simulated Annealing Algorithms," *Journal of Optimization Theory and Application*, 115(1), 165-182.
13. Fleischer, M.A., Jacobson, S.H., 2002, "Scale Invariance Properties in the Simulated Annealing Algorithm," *Methodology and Computing In Applied Probability*, 4(3), 219-241.
14. Henderson, D., Vaughan, D.E., Jacobson, S.H., Wakefield, R.R., Sewell, E.C., 2003, "Solving the Shortest Route Cut and Fill Problem Using Simulated Annealing," *European Journal of Operational Research*, 145(1), 72-84.

15. Armstrong, D.E., Jacobson, S.H., 2003 "Studying the Complexity of Global Verification for NP-hard Discrete Optimization Problems," *Journal of Global Optimization*, 27(1), 83-96.
16. Jacobson, S.H., Yucesan, E., 2004a, "Global Optimization Performance Measures for Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *Journal of Global Optimization*, 29(2), 173-190.
17. Venkat, V., Jacobson, S.H., Stori, J.A., 2004, "A Post-Optimality Analysis Algorithm for Multi-Objective Optimization," *Computational Optimization and Applications*, 28(3), 357-372.
18. Armstrong, D.E., Jacobson, S.H., 2004, "Polynomial Transformations and Data Independent Neighborhood Functions," *Discrete Applied Mathematics*, 143(1-3), 272-284.
19. Vaughan, D.E., Jacobson, S.H., 2004, "Formulating the Meta-Heuristic Tabu Search in the Generalized Hill Climbing Framework," *Methodology and Computing in Applied Probability*, 6(3), 343-354.
20. Jacobson, S.H., Yucesan, E., 2004b, "Analyzing the Performance of Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," *Journal of Heuristics*, 10(4), 387-405.
21. Vaughan, D.E., Jacobson, S.H., Hall, S.N., McLay, L.A., 2005, "Simultaneous Generalized Hill-Climbing Algorithms for Addressing Sets of Discrete Optimization Problems," *INFORMS Journal on Computing* 17(4), 438-450.
22. Armstrong, D.E., Jacobson, S.H., 2005, "Data Independent Neighborhood Functions and Strict Local Optima," *Discrete Applied Mathematics*, 146(3), 233-243
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 Carnegie-Mellon University (1998, 2014)
 Case Western Reserve University (1988, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1998-2000, 2013, 2015)
 Clemson University (2019)
 Cornell University (1986, 1987, 1995, 2011, 2020)
 George Mason University (2002, 2013, 2020)
 Georgia Institute of Technology (1997, 2015)
 Homeland Security Institute (2005)
 Illinois Institute of Technology (2014)
 Indiana University of Pennsylvania (1990)
 INSEAD, European Institute of Business Administration (1994, 1996)
 Iowa State University (2013)
 Johns Hopkins University, Applied Physics Laboratory (2004)
 Kansas University (1997)
 Kent State University (1990)
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2006, 2017)
 New Jersey Institute of Technology (1998)
 NASA Lewis Research Center, Cleveland, Ohio (1991)
 Naval Postgraduate School (2001)
 North Carolina State University (2008)
 Northeastern University (1988, 2011)

Northwestern University (2002, 2007, 2015)
Ohio State University (1990)
Oklahoma State University (1998, 2014)
Old Dominion University (1996)
Pennsylvania State University (1988, 2016)
Purdue University (2007, 2009, 2011)
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (2008, 2012, 2013)
Rochester Institute of Technology (2009)
Rice University (2018)
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology (2009)
Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey (2006)
Sandia National Laboratory (2003)
Schlumberger (Austin Research), Austin, Texas (1996)
Silicon Valley Illini Club (2008)
Southern Illinois University (Edwardsville) (1998, 2013)
Southern Polytechnic State University (1997, 1998)
Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute (2012)
SUNY Stony Brook (2013)
Texas A&M University (2012, 2013)
Texas Tech University (2007)
United States Military Academy (1996, 2000, 2003)
University of Arizona (2001, 2003)
University of British Columbia (2010)
University of Buffalo (2011, 2019)
University of California (Berkeley) (2004)
University of Florida (2006, 2007, 2013)
University of Houston (2014)
University of Illinois (Urbana-Champaign) (1998, 2003, 2008, 2009)
University of Iowa (2008)
University of Kentucky (2019)
University of Michigan (1988, 1999, 2005, 2012, 2016)
University of Maryland (2000, 2006, 2007)
University of Massachusetts (2010)
University of Minnesota (1992, 2000, 2008, 2013)
University of Missouri (2019)
University of Montreal (1996)
University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill) (1998, 2007)
University of Oklahoma (2010)
University of Pennsylvania (1996)
University of Pittsburgh (2005, 2011)
University of South Florida (2013)
University of Southern California (2008, 2013, 2019)
University of Tennessee (2014)
University of Texas (Austin) (1993, 1996, 1999, 2001, 2004, 2013, 2016)
University of Washington (2014)
University of Wisconsin (2005)
Vanderbilt University (2003)
Virginia Tech (1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998)
Washington University (St. Louis) (1992)
Worcester Polytechnic Institute (2022)
Xerox Corporation, Webster Research Center (2010)

1986,1991,1995,1997, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2004-2006, 2009-2010 Opt. Days, Montreal, Canada
 1987-1990, 1992, 1994-2000, 2005 Winter Simulation Conference
 1988-1994 ORSA/TIMS & TIMS/ORSA Joint National Meetings
 1988, 1994, 2000 International Symposium on Mathematical Programming
 1988 International Conference on Analysis and Optimization of Systems, Antibes, France
 1994, 1999 Decision Sciences Institute Annual Meeting
 1994 European Simulation Multiconference, Barcelona, Spain
 1995-2016 INFORMS National Meetings
 1995, 1998, 1999 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping Review Meeting, Dayton, Ohio
 1995 First Metaheuristics International Conference, Breckenridge, Colorado
 1995 Workshop on Industrial Systems Dynamics, Nantes, France
 1996 National Science Foundation Design & Manufacturing Grantees Conference,
 Albuquerque, New Mexico
 1996 Richmond/Tidewater INFORMS Chapter Meeting, Norfolk, Virginia
 1996,2004 St. Louis Gateway INFORMS Chapter Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri
 1996 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping Review Meeting, Athens, Ohio
 1996 Second International Workshop on Mathematical Methods in Stochastic Simulation and
 Experimental Design, St. Petersburg, Russia
 1997 National Science Foundation Design & Manuf. Grantees Conference, Seattle, Washington
 1997 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping Review Meeting, Blacksburg, Virginia
 1997 European Simulation Multiconference, Istanbul, Turkey
 1997 INFORMS Applied Probability Conference, Boston, Massachusetts
 1997 Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy, Toronto, Canada
 1998 National Science Foundation Design & Manuf. Grantees Conference, Monterey, Mexico
 1999 Advanced Aerospace Materials and Processes Conference (Aeromat '99), Dayton, Ohio
 1999 AFOSR Scientific Advisory Board Meeting, Dayton, Ohio
 2000 National Science Foundation Design & Manuf. Grantees Conference, Vancouver, Canada
 2000 SIAM Discrete Mathematics Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota
 2000 Military Operations Research Society Symposium, Colorado Springs, Colorado
 2000 Manufacturing and Service Operations Management Conference, Ann Arbor, Michigan
 2000 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping & New World Vistas – Disc. Math. Review, Orlando, Florida
 2000 NEXTOR Annual Research Symposium, Washington, DC
 2001 National Science Foundation Design & Manufacturing Grantees Conference, Tampa,
 Florida
 2001 Fourth Annual Conference on Vaccine Research, Arlington, Virginia
 2001 INFORMS International Meeting, Maui, Hawaii
 2001 International Conference on Innovation in Architecture, Engineering, and Construction,
 United Kingdom
 2001 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping, Discrete Mathematics Review, Seattle, Washington
 2001 Intelligence Processing and Manufacturing of Materials Conference, Vancouver, Canada
 2001 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice, Atlanta, Georgia
 2002 National Science Foundation Design & Manufacturing Grantees Conference, San Juan,
 Puerto Rico
 2002 National Immunization Conference, Denver, Colorado
 2002 SIAM Optimization Conference, Toronto, Canada
 2002 Institute of Industrial Engineers Annual Conference, Orlando, Florida
 2002 Hawaii International Conference on Statistics, Honolulu, Hawaii
 2002 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping, Discrete Mathematics Review, Sunnyvale, California
 2002 SIAM Discrete Mathematics Conference, San Diego, California
 2003 National Science Foundation Design, Service, & Manufacturing Grantees and Research
 Conference, Birmingham, Alabama

2003 First International Workshop on Optimization in Radiation Therapy
2003 National Immunization Conference, Chicago, Illinois
2003 Sixth Annual Conference on Vaccine Research, Arlington, Virginia
2003 Institute of Industrial Engineers Annual Conference, Portland, Oregon
2003 AFOSR Optimization and Discrete Mathematics Program Review, Estes Park, Colorado
2004 National Science Foundation Design, Service, & Manufacturing Grantees and Research Conference, Dallas, Texas
2004 Institute of Industrial Engineers Annual Conference, Houston, Texas
2004 SIAM Discrete Mathematics Conference, Nashville, Tennessee
2004 SIAM National Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon
2004 AFOSR Optimization and Discrete Mathematics Program Review, Pasadena, California
2004 Tenth International Conference on Stochastic Programming, Tucson, Arizona
2005 National Science Foundation Design, Service, & Manufacturing Grantees and Research Conference, Phoenix, Arizona.
2005 National Immunization Conference, Washington, DC
2005 IEEE Conference on Technologies for Homeland Security: Advanced Sensors for Personnel, Baggage and Cargo Security, Boston, Massachusetts
2005 SIAM Conference on Optimization, Stockholm, Sweden
2005 Genetic and Evolutionary Computation Conference, Washington, DC
2005 17th Triennial Conference of the International Federation of Operational Research Societies, Honolulu, Hawaii
2005 AFOSR Optimization and Discrete Mathematics Program Review, St. Louis, Missouri
2005 Homeland Security Institute Workshop “Advancing Analytic Techniques in Deterrence Analysis – Workshop Plenary Meeting”, Washington, DC
2005 Winter Simulation Conference, Orlando, Florida (Keynote Speaker, Ph.D. Colloquium)
2006 National Immunization Conference, Atlanta, Georgia
2006 INFORMS Optimization Society Conference on Optimization and Health Care, San Antonio, Texas
2006 INFORMS Conference on OR/MS Practice, Miami, Florida
2006 Canadian Operations Research Society (CORS) National Meeting, Montreal, Canada
2006 Institute of Industrial Engineers Annual Conference, Orlando, Florida
2006 AFOSR Optimization and Discrete Mathematics Program Review, Pensacola, Florida
2006 INFORMS Manuf. & Service Operations Management Conference, Atlanta, Georgia
2006 SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Victoria, Canada
2006 National Science Foundation Design, Service, & Manufacturing Grantees and Research Conference, St. Louis, Missouri
2006 COMPSTAT 2006, International Conference on Computational Statistics, Rome, Italy
2006 Safe Skies Symposium, Washington, DC
2007 INFORMS Computing Society Conference, Coral Gables, Florida
2007 National Immunization Conference, Kansas City, Missouri
2007 Workshop on Intl. Research & Development in Rapid Vaccine Manuf., Arlington, Virginia
2007-2011 AFOSR Optimization and Discrete Mathematics Program Review, Arlington, Virginia
2007 Institute of Industrial Engineers Annual Conference, Nashville, Tennessee
2007 Dallas/Fort Worth INFORMS Chapter Meeting, Dallas, Texas
2007 Metaheuristics International Conference, Montreal, Canada
2007 INFORMS International Conference, Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
2007 Sixth International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics, Zurich, Switzerland
2007 Operating on Health Care: An Operations Research Symposium, Vancouver, Canada
2007 Opening Workshop on Risk Analysis, Extreme Events, and Decision theory, Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina

2008 National Science Foundation Civil, Mechanical, and Manufacturing Innovation (CMMI) Engineering Research and Innovation Conference, Knoxville, Tennessee
 2008 INFORMS Opt. Soc. Conf. on Theory, Computation, & Emerging Applications, Atlanta, Georgia
 2008 National Immunization Conference, Atlanta, Georgia
 2008 INFORMS Manuf. & Service Operations Management Conference, College Park, Maryland
 2008 SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Burlington, Vermont
 2008 SIAM Annual Meeting, San Diego, California
 2008 Joint Statistics Meeting, Denver, Colorado
 2008 Northern California Symposium on Statistics & Operations Research in Sports, Menlo Park, California
 2009 INFORMS Computing Society Conference, Charleston, South Carolina
 2009 National Immunization Conference, Dallas, Texas
 2009 Canadian Discrete and Algorithmic Mathematics Conference, Montreal, Canada
 2009 IIE Research Conference Doctoral Colloquium, Miami, Florida
 2009 CORS-INFORMS International Meeting, Toronto, Canada
 2009 National Science Foundation (NSF) Civil, Mechanical and Manuf. Innovation (CMMI) Engineering Research and Innovation Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii
 2009 INFORMS Applied Probability Conference, Ithaca, New York
 2010 International Conference on Systems Analysis Tools for Better Health Care Delivery: A New Engineering/Health Care Partnership, Invited Plenary, Gainesville, Florida
 2010 IIE Research Conference Doctoral Colloquium, Cancun, Mexico
 2010 National Science Foundation, Arlington, Virginia
 2010 SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Austin, Texas
 2010 Twelfth International Conference on Stochastic Programming, Halifax, Canada
 2010 AVSEC World 2010, Frankfurt, Germany
 2011 National Science Foundation (NSF) Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation (CMMI) Research & Innovation Conference, Atlanta, Georgia
 2011 INFORMS Computing Society Conference, Monterrey, California
 2011 National Immunization Conference, Washington, DC
 2011 IIE Research Conference Doctoral Colloquium, Reno, Nevada
 2011 INFORMS Health Care, Montreal, Canada
 2011 INFORMS Simulation Society Research Workshop: Simulation in Complex Service Systems, Montreal, Canada
 2011 Mayo Clinic Conference on Systems Engineering and Operations Research in Health Care, *Rochester, Minnesota*
 2011 Transportation Hazards and Security Summit: Looking Beyond the 10th Anniversary of 9/11, Irvine, California
 2011, 2015 New England Symposium on Statistics in Sports, Boston Massachusetts
 2012 Joint Mathematics Meeting, Boston Massachusetts
 2012 Transportation Research Board, Washington, DC
 2012 World Vaccine Congress, Washington, DC
 2012 National Science Foundation (NSF) Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation (CMMI) Research & Innovation Conference, Boston, Massachusetts.
 2012 Workshop on Comp. Sim. - Opportunities & Challenges, Fudan Univ., Shanghai, China.
 2012 Workshop on Healthcare and Operations Research, SAMSI, RTC, North Carolina
 2015 Euro OR Conference, Glasgow, Scotland
 2015 CREATE-TSA Symposium on Aviation Security, Los Angeles, California
 2015 Washington INFORMS Chapter, Washington, DC
 2015 Rutgers Fourth Applied Probability Conference, New Brunswick, New Jersey

2016 Workshop on Broader Impact, National Science Foundation, Arlington, Virginia.
 2016 SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, Atlanta, Georgia
 2017 Joint Mathematics Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia
 2017 INFORMS Computing Society Conference, Austin, Texas
 2018 Joint Mathematics Meeting, San Diego, California
 2018 National Taiwan University - Illinois Forum, Taipei, Taiwan
 2019, 2021, 2022 INFORMS Outreach on the Hill
 2019 Big Ten Strategic Partnership for Applied Redistricting Knowledge (SPARK) Conference, College Park, Maryland
 2019 INFORMS, Capitol Hill Outreach, Washington, DC
 2019 American College of Physicians Spouses Program, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 2019 INFORMS Government & Analytics Summit, Washington, DC
 2019 Euro-OR Meeting, Dublin, Ireland
 2019 Coles College Research Symposium (Keynote), Kennesaw State University, Atlanta, Georgia
 2019 Big Data Ignite, Grand Rapids, Michigan
 2020 INFORMS Security Conference, Monterey, California
 2020 INFORMS Student Chapter (Chile) (Zoom)
 2020 American Statistical Association Career in Data Science (Reddit)
 2020 INFORMS Chicago Chapter (Zoom)
 2020 INFORMS Student Affairs (Zoom)
 2020 INFORMS Regional Meeting, Chicago, Illinois (Zoom)
 2020 INFORMS Annual Meeting (Omega Rho Plenary Lecture (Zoom)
 2021 University of Iowa Computing Conference (Zoom)
 2022 IFORS Webinar (Zoom)
 2022 US Army Engineering and Research Development Center Symposium (Zoom)
 2022 IISE Transactions Webinar (Zoom).
 2023 National Taiwan University
 2023 SIAM Speaker Program (Zoom)

Conference Committees, Sessions Organized and/or Chaired

1990 TIMS/ORSA Joint National Meeting, May 6-9, 1990, Las Vegas, Nevada, Sponsored by the TIMS College on Simulation, "Sensitivity Analysis."
 1991 Winter Simulation Conference, December 8-11, 1991, Phoenix, Arizona, Software/Modelware Track Tutorial, "SIGMA Tutorial."
 1993 TIMS/ORSA Joint National Meeting, May 16-19, 1993, Chicago, Illinois, Sponsored by the TIMS College on Simulation, "Simulation Sensitivity Estimation."
 1993 Winter Simulation Conference, December 12-15, 1993, Los Angeles, California, Sponsored by the TIMS College on Simulation, Ph.D. Colloquium.
 1994 TIMS/ORSA Joint National Meeting, April 24-27, 1994, Boston, Massachusetts, "Simulation Methods."
 1994 Eur. Simulation Multiconf., June 1-3, 1994, Barcelona, Spain, "Performance Analysis."
 1994 Winter Simulation Conference, December 11-14, 1994, Orlando, Florida, Advanced Tutorial Track (Nine Sessions).
 1994 Winter Simulation Conference, December 11-14, 1994, Orlando, Florida, Sponsored by the TIMS College on Simulation, Ph.D. Colloquium.
 1994 Winter Simulation Conference, December 11-14, 1994, Orlando, Florida, Panel Discussion (with D.J. Morrice), "Teaching Simulation: A Panel Discussion."
 1995 Winter Simulation Conference, December 3-6, 1995, Washington, DC, Advanced Tutorial Track (Nine Sessions).
 1996 INFORMS National Meeting, May 5-8, 1996, Washington, DC, "Scheduling."

- 1996 Second International Workshop on Mathematical Methods in Stochastic Simulation and Experimental Design, June 18-21, 1996, St. Petersburg, Russia, Member of the International Organizing and Program Committee.
- 1996 INFORMS National Meeting, November 3-6, 1996, Atlanta, Georgia, "Health Applications."
- 1996 Winter Simulation Conference, December 8-11, 1996, San Diego, California, "Discrete Optimization and Selection."
- 1997 AFOSR Electronic Prototyping Review Meeting, May 27-29, 1997, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Virginia, Host and Local Arrangement Organizer for Meeting.
- 1997 European Simulation Multiconference, June 1-4, 1997, Istanbul, Turkey, "Design, Validation, and Testing."
- 1997 INFORMS Applied Probability Conference, June 30 - July 2, 1997, Boston, Massachusetts, "Stochastic Optimization Methodologies."
- 1997 Winter Simulation Conference, December 7-10, 1997, Atlanta, Georgia, "Global Optimization via Simulation."
- 1998 Third International Workshop on Mathematical Methods in Stochastic Simulation and Experimental Design, June 28 - July 3, 1998, St. Petersburg, Russia, Member of the International Organizing and Program Committees.
- 1999 Winter Simulation Conference, December 4-8, 1999, Phoenix, Arizona, "Simulation Optimization."
- 2000 International Symposium on Mathematical Programming, August 7-11, 2000, Atlanta, Georgia, "Metaheuristics."
- 2000 INFORMS National Meeting, November 5-8, 2000, San Antonio, Texas, "Algorithm Design for Discrete Optimization Problems."
- 2002 Optimization Days, May 6-8, 2002, Montreal, Canada, "Metaheuristics I."
- 2002 SIAM Conference on Optimization, May 18-22, 2002, Toronto, Canada, "Global Optimization."
- 2002 Hawaii International Conference on Statistics, June 5-9, 2002, Honolulu, Hawaii, "Statistics."
- 2002 INFORMS National Meeting, November 17-20, 2002, San Jose, California, Cluster Organizer, "Applications of Optimization Theory."
- 2002 INFORMS National Meeting, November 17-20, 2002, San Jose, California, "Heuristic Programming Methods I."
- 2002 Winter Simulation Conference, December 8-11, 2002, San Diego, California, Modelware/Software Track Coordinator (Nine Sessions).
- 2003 Winter Simulation Conference, December 7-10, 2003, New Orleans, Louisiana, Modelware/Software Track Coordinator (Nine Sessions).
- 2004 Optimization Days, May 10-12, 2004, Montreal, Canada, "Combinatorial Optimization".
- 2004 SIAM National Annual Meeting, July 12-16, 2004, Portland, Oregon, "CP1 Contributed Session".
- 2004 Winter Simulation Conference, December 4-8, 2004, Washington, DC, "Input Modeling."
- 2005 Sixth Metaheuristics International Conference, August 22-26, 2005, Vienna, Austria, Program Committee.
- 2006 INFORMS Manufacturing and Service Operations Management Conference, June 19-20, 2006, Atlanta, Georgia, Review Committee.
- 2006 INFORMS National Meeting, November 8-11, 2006, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, "Society and Energy."
- 2007 Seventh Metaheuristics International Conference, June 25-29, 2007, Montreal, Canada, Program Committee.
- 2007 INFORMS International Meeting, July 8-11, 2007, Puerto Rico, Cluster Chair, "OR on the Edge".

2007 International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics, July 16-20, 2007, Zurich, Switzerland, Session Chair, "Probability".

2008 INFORMS Manufacturing and Service Operations Management Conference, June 5-6, 2008, College Park, Maryland, Review Committee.

2008 COMPSTAT International Conference on Computational Statistics, August 24-29, 2008, Porto - Portugal, Review Committee.

2008 SIAM National Annual Meeting, July 7-11, 2008, San Diego, California, Session Chair, "Biological and Medical Models I".

2010 Winter Simulation Conference, December 5-8, 2010, Baltimore, MD, "Epidemics and Agents."

2012 SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics, June 19, 2012, Halifax, Canada, "Discrete Algorithms."

2022 INFORMS Annual Meeting, October 16-19 2022, Indianapolis, IN, General Chair.

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WEB SITE PRODUCTIONS

election08.cs.illinois.edu Web site for predicting the outcome of the 2008 United States Presidential Election (launched September 2008)

bracketodds.cs.illinois.edu Web site for assessing the likelihood of seed combination for the NCAA Men's D1 basketball Tournament (launched March 2012, updated annual since 2013)

electionanalytics.cs.illinois.edu Web site for predicting the outcome of the 2012 United States Presidential Election and which party will control the United States Senate (launched June 2012, Updated June 2014, Updated May 2016. Updated May 2018)

drivingobesity.cs.illinois.edu Web site for assessing the impact of driving and caloric intake on body mass index (launched January 2016).

redistricting.cs.illinois.edu Web site featuring the redistricting research of the Institute for Computational Redistricting (ICOR) (launched August 2019).

DISSERTATIONS/THESES DIRECTED

Ph.D. Dissertations Directed (25 Directed, 4 Currently)

M.A. Fleischer, "Assessing the Performance of the Simulated Annealing Algorithm Using Information Theory," January 1994, United States Census Bureau, Washington, DC.

A.W. Johnson, "Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms for Discrete Optimization Problems," October 1996.

- **1997 George E. Nicholson Student Paper Competition (INFORMS), Honorable Mention.**

K.A. Sullivan, "A Convergence Analysis of Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," May 1999, Consultant, Chicago, Illinois.

- **1996 Women and Minority Award, INFORMS College on Simulation.**

- **1996 AFOSR Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship Award.**

D.E. Vaughan, "Simultaneous Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms for Addressing Sets of Discrete Optimization Problems," August 2000, Research Scientist, Los Alamos Research Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico.

- **2001 Paul E. Torgersen Graduate Student Research Excellence Award, Runner Up.**

- **2001 AAUW Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowship, Runner up.**
- **2002 IIE Pritsker Doctoral Dissertation Award Competition, Third Place.**
- D. Henderson, "Assessing the Finite-Time Performance of Local Search Algorithms," April 2001, Academy Professor, Consultant, Louisville, Kentucky.
- T. Aytemiz, "A Probabilistic Study of 3-SATISFIABILITY," July 2001, Professor, School of Business and Political Science, Mersin University, Mersin, Turkey.
- D.E. Armstrong, "A Local Search Algorithm Approach to Analyzing the Complexity of Discrete Optimization Problems," May 2002, Research Scientist, Los Alamos Research Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico.
- **2001-2002 M&IE Alumni Teaching Fellow, University of Illinois.**
- L.A. (McLay) Albert, "Designing Aviation Security Systems: Theory and Practice," May 2006, Professor, Department of Industrial Engineering, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.
- **2002-2003 Ph.D. Thesis Initiation Fellowship, Program in Arms Control, Disarmament, and International Security (ACDIS).**
- **2003-2004 M&IE Alumni Teaching Fellow, University of Illinois.**
- **2005 M&IE Harper Safety Award, University of Illinois.**
- **2006 INFORMS Computing Society Student Paper Competition, Runner Up.**
- H. Kaul, "Topics in Stochastic Combinatorial Optimization and Extremal Graph Theory," August 2006 (co-advised with D. West), Professor, Department of Mathematics, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, Illinois.
- S.N. Hall, "The Design and Analysis of Pediatric Vaccine Formularies: Theory and Practice" August 2006.
- **2006 M&IE Harper Safety Award, University of Illinois.**
- A.G. Nikolaev, "Stochastic Sequential Resource Allocation and Passenger Assignment in Aviation Security Systems" August 2008, Associate Professor, SUNY Buffalo, Buffalo, New York.
- G.K. Kao, "Two Combinatorial Optimization Problems at the Interface of Computer Science and Operations Research" August 2008, Staff Researcher, Sandia National Laboratory.
- R.A. Proano, "Strengthening the Sustainability of Pediatric Vaccine Supply by using Operations Research Methods" August 2008, Associate Professor, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York.
- A.J. Lee, "Optimality, Uncertainty, and Performance of Passenger Screening in Aviation Security Systems" May 2009, Director, Central Illinois Technology and Education Research Institute, Springfield, Illinois.
- **2008-2009 Graduate Research Award, Program on Public-Sector Aviation Issues, sponsored by the Federal Aviation Administration and U.S. Department of Transportation.**
- **2009 INFORMS Transportation Sci. & Logistics Dissertation Prize (Honorable Mention).**
- M. Robbins, "Exploring Pediatric Immunization Markets Using Operations Research and Game Theory," August 2010, Associate Professor, Department of Operational Sciences, Air Force Institute of Technology, Dayton, Ohio.
- **2011 IIE Pritsker Doctoral Dissertation Award Competition, First Place.**
- D.M. King, "Graph Theory Models and Algorithms for Political Districting: An Approach to Inform Public Policy," May 2012, Lecturer, Department of IESE, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL.
- **2009 College of Engineering Mavis Memorial Fund Scholarship, Univ. of Illinois.**
- **2010 College of Engineering Mavis Future Faculty Fellowship, Univ. of Illinois.**
- **2012 Finalist, Best Paper Award, INFORMS Section on Public Policy, Services and Needs).**

- **2012 Semi-Finalist, Advances in Analytics Award, INFORMS Analytics Society.**
- **2013 IIE Pritsker Doctoral Dissertation Award Competition, Second Place.**
- G. Baharian, "Limiting Behavior of the Target-Dependent Stochastic Sequential Assignment Problems," August 2014.
- B. Behzad, "Analysis of the United States Pediatric Immunization Market: A Game Theoretic Approach," May 2014, Assistant Professor, California State University, Long Beach.
- **2013 Gilbreth Memorial Fellowship by the Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIE).**
- D.M. Morrison, "New Methods for Branch-and-Bound Algorithms," May 2014, Inverse Limit, Sacramento, CA.
- J.J. Sauppe, "Balance Optimization Subset Selection: A Framework for Causal Inference with Observational Data," August 2015, Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin La Crosse.
- A. Khatibi, "Generalized Sequential Stochastic Assignment Problems," August 2017.
- **2018 IIE Pritsker Doctoral Dissertation Award Competition, Second Place.**
- G. Yu, "Dynamic Online Resource Allocation Problems," May 2018. Amazon, Boston, MA.
- H.-Y., Kwon, "New Developments in Causal Inference Using Balance Optimization Subset Selection", May 2018.
- **2017 College of Engineering Mavis Future Faculty Fellowship, Univ. of Illinois.**
- W. Zhang, "Cyclic Best First Search in Branch-and-Bound Algorithms", May 2020, ESRI.
- J. Pavlik, "Two Graph Problems: Bidirectional Heuristic Search and the Airplane Seating Assignment Problems," July 2021, West Point.
- I.G. Ludden, "Graph Partitioning: Redistricting Games and the Spherical Zoning Problem," August 2023, Rose Hulman Institute of Technology.
- M.S. Thesis/Projects Directed (12 Directed)*
- A.E. Simms, "A Stochastic Approach to Modeling Aviation Security Problems Using the Knapsack Problem," June 1997 (co-advised with J.E. Kobza).
- **1998 IIE Graduate Research (Master's Thesis) Award Competition, First Place.**
- J.R. Swisher, "Evaluation of the Design of a Family Practice Healthcare Clinic using Discrete-Event Simulation," May 1999.
- J.B Jun, "A Visual Simulation Life-Cycle of the Queston Physician Network," May 1999.
- J.E. Orosz, "Finite-time Performance Results for Static and Cyclical Simulated Annealing Algorithms," May 2001.
- J.M. Bowman, "Evaluating and Analyzing the Performance of Aviation Baggage Screening Security Systems," August 2001.
- J.L. Virta, "Three Essays on the Modeling and Analysis of Aviation Baggage Screening Security Systems," August 2001.
- V. Venkat, "Post-optimality Analysis for Multi-objective Optimization Problems," October 2002 (co-advised with J.A. Stori).
- T. Karnani, "Engineering the Design and Analyzing the Economics of Pediatric Vaccine Formularies," May 2003.
- **2004 IIE Graduate Research (Master's Thesis) Award Competition, Second Place.**
- I. Shyryayev, "A Sensitivity Analysis of Matching Coin Game Strategies," December 2004.
- S. Dutta, "Applications of Balance Optimization Subset Selection," August 2016.
- Z. She, "Essays on the Relationship Between Public Transit usage and Obesity," December 2017 (co-advised with D.M. King).
- K. Li, "Modeling and analyzing the NCAA Men's Division I Basketball Tournament," December 2017.
- M. Kelley, "Variations of Online Bipartite Matching," May 2021.

SPONSORED RESEARCH (Over \$5.0M)

National Science Foundation, Research Initiation Award, 9/1994 to 8/1998, "Building and Analyzing Discrete Event Simulation Models of Complex Systems: A Computational Complexity Approach," Division of Design, Manufacturing, and Industrial Innovation, DMI-9409266.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 2/1995 to 1/1998, "Building and Analyzing Discrete Event Simulation Models of Complex Manufacturing Systems: A Computational Complexity Approach," Division of Mathematical and Computer Sciences, F49620-95-1-0124.

National Science Foundation (with H.D. Sherali), 9/1995 to 8/1996, "Engineering Research Equipment: Workstations for Computational Studies in Large-Scale Simulation and Mathematical Programming Research," Division of Design, Manufacturing, and Industrial Innovation, DMI-9423929.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 2/1998 to 11/2000, "Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization Using Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," Division of Mathematical and Computer Sciences, F49620-98-1-0111.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 5/1998 to 5/2001, "AASERT - Optimal Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization," Division of Mathematical and Computer Sciences, F49620-98-1-0432.

Rowe Furniture and the Virginia Center for Innovative Technology (with J.E. Kobza), 2/1999 to 7/1999, "A Simulation Study of New Layouts for a Furniture Manufacturing Facility."

Federal Aviation Administration, 7/1999 to 12/2000. "Deployment of Aviation Security Technologies," DTFA01-99-C-00085.

National Science Foundation, 1/2000 to 1/2003, "A Study of Local Search Strategies Using Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," Division of Design, Manufacturing, and Industrial Innovation, DMI-9907980.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research (subcontracted through Austral Engineering and Software, Inc.) (with J.A. Stori), 10/2000 to 10/2001, "Software System for Criteria Management in Multi-Objective Optimization-Guided Design of Sequences of Materials Processes," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences , F49620-00-C-0044.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 12/2000 to 11/2003, "Designing Optimal Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms, with Applications to Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences, F49620-01-1-0007.

National Science Foundation (with John, E. Kobza), 9/2001 to 8/2006, "Collaborative Research: A Study of Aviation Access Control Security Systems," Division of Design, Manufacturing, and Industrial Innovation, DMI-0114499, DMI-0211053.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research (subcontracted through Austral Engineering and Software, Inc.) (with J.A. Stori), 10/2001 to 7/2004, "Software System for Criteria Management in Multi-Objective Optimization-Guided Design of Sequences of Materials Processes," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences , F49620-00-C-0044.

National Science Foundation (with Edward C. Sewell), 1/2003 to 6/2005, "Collaborative Research: Research on Designing Vaccine Formularies for Childhood Immunization," Division of Design, Manufacturing, and Industrial Innovation, DMI-0222597.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 3/2004 to 2/2007, "A Heuristic Design Information Sharing Framework for Hard Discrete Optimization Problems," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences, FA9550-04-1-0110.

National Science Foundation (with Edward C. Sewell), 8/2005 to 7/2008, "Collaborative Research: Pediatric Vaccine Formulary Design and Optimization," Division of Design, Manufacturing, and Industrial Innovation, DMI-0457176.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 3/2007 to 11/2009, "Finite-Time Performance of Local Search Algorithms: Theory and Application," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences, FA9550-07-1-0232.

National Science Foundation (with Wendy Cho) 7/2008 to 6/2009, "SGER-III-CXT: A Computational Approach to Zoning Analysis," Division of Information & Intelligent Systems, IIS-0827540.

National Science Foundation (with Wendy Cho, Edward C. Sewell), 7/2009 to 6/2012, "Collaborative Research: Shifting Paradigms: Causal Inference via Subset Selection," Division of Social and Economic Sciences, SES-0849223.

National Science Foundation, 8/2009 to 7/2013, "New Approaches to Protecting Transportation Infrastructure," Division of Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation, CMMI-0900226.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 7/2010 to 7/2013, "Optimal Dynamic Asset Allocation Problems: Addressing the Impact of Information Uncertainty and Quality," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences, FA9550-10-1-0387.

National Science Foundation, 8/2012 to 7/2017, "A Game Theoretic Approach to Pediatric Vaccine Pricing," Division of Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation, CMMI-1161458.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 2/2015 to 2/2018, "Optimal Dynamic Asset Allocation Problems: New Approaches for Managing Input Data Uncertainty," Division of Mathematical and Space Sciences, FA9550-15-1-0100.

National Science Foundation, 3/2016 to 3/2018, "Workshop: Setting a Broader Impact Innovation Roadmap; Arlington, Virginia; May 2016" Division of Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation, CMMI-1629955.

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, 3/2019 to 3/2022, "Optimal Real-time Decision-making in an Uncertain World," Division of Information and Networks, FA9550-19-1-0106.

CORPORATE GIFTS

Alcoa Foundation (with C.P. Koelling), 10/1997 to 10/1999, \$60,000 to support the ISE Computational Laboratory and the Simulation and Optimization Laboratory, Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

CONSULTING

Biological and Popular Culture, Inc., Radford, VA (4/1996-12/1997).

Logicon, Fairfax, VA (1/1998-7/1999).

SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, Philadelphia, PA (1/2000-7/2000).

Austral Engineering and Software, Inc., Athens, OH (9/2000-5/2001).

Homeland Security Institute, Alexandria, Virginia (3/2006-10/2006).

Fish and Richardson, Philadelphia, PA (2/2015-8/2015).

Security Point Media (12/2017-10/2021)

CORPORATE BOARD ACTIVITIES

Scientific Advisory Board, *Biopop Inc.*, Radford, Virginia (11/2000-12/2002).

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE AND OUTREACH

The papers "An Integer Programming Model for Vaccine Procurement and Delivery in the National Childhood Immunization Program: A Pilot Study," (co-authored with Edward C. Sewell, Robert Deuson, and Bruce G. Weniger) published in *Health Care Management Science* (Volume 2, Number 1, January 1999) by Baltzer Science Publishers, and "Addressing the Challenges to Immunization Practice with an Economic Algorithm for Vaccine Selection," (co-authored with Bruce G. Weniger, Robert T. Chen, Edward C. Sewell, Robert Deuson, J.R. Livengood, and W.A. Orenstein) published in *Vaccine* (Volume 16, Number 19) by Elsevier

Science, received significant media coverage following a press release issued on December 21, 1998 by Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Media coverage included

- Article, *Hepatitis Weekly* on 23 November 1998.
- Television news spot, WDBJ-7 (CBS affiliate in Roanoke, Virginia) on 17 December 1998.
- Radio news spot, *Morning Edition*, Virginia News Network, National Public Radio (NPR) on 21 December 1998.
- Article, *Richmond Times - Dispatch* on 24 December 1998.
- Article, *Health Letter of the CDC* on 11 January 1999.
- Article, *Vaccine Weekly* on 11 January 1999.
- Article, *Journal of the American Medical Association* (Quick Uptakes) on 27 January 1999.
- Article, *Infectious Diseases in Children*, Volume 12, Number 2, February 1999.

The paper "A New Neighborhood Function for Discrete Manufacturing Process Design Optimization Using Generalized Hill Climbing Algorithms," (co-authored with Diane E. Vaughan and Derek E. Armstrong) published in *ASME Journal of Mechanical Design* (Volume 122, Number 2, 164-171) was featured in an article on 20 October 2000 focusing on new directions in manufacturing research in *Advanced Manufacturing Technology*.

Jacobson briefed the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice (ACIP) on a web-site he co-developed for designing optimal pediatric vaccine formularies at their October 2001 meeting in Atlanta, Georgia (the ACIP is the nation's primary advisory board on immunization issues, providing guidance and advice to the Secretary of Health and Human Services).

The paper "Using Monte Carlo Simulation to Determine Combination Vaccine Price Distributions for Childhood Diseases," (co-authored with Edward C. Sewell) published in *Health Care Management Science* (Volume 5, Number 2, April 2002) by Baltzer Science Publishers, received media coverage following a press release issued on 8 April 2002 by the news bureau at the University of Illinois. Media coverage included

- Article, *UniSci, International Science News* on 11 April 2002.
- Article, *Immunization News* on 12 April 2002.
- Article, *IIE Solutions*, Volume 24(6), June 2002, p.23.
- Article, *Vaccine Weekly* on 26 June 2002.

Jacobson (with John E. Kobza) briefed personnel within the Office of Science and Technology Policy (in the executive Office of President George W. Bush) on 31 August 2002, on issues related to their aviation security research on assessing the cost and benefit of checked baggage screening strategies.

On 18 February 2003, Jacobson was a guest (with graduate student Laura A. McLay) on Focus 580 on public radio station WILL-AM580 (in Champaign, Illinois), to discuss our research activities on aviation security. Focus 580 is a daily radio program that interviews newsmakers and experts on national and international affairs.

The paper "Modeling Aviation Baggage Screening Security Systems: A Case Study," that appeared in the March 2003 issue of *IIE Transactions* (Volume 35, Number 3, pages 259-269), co-authored with J.L. Virta, J.M. Bowman, J.E. Kobza, and J.J. Nestor, was highlighted in *Research Reports* in the February 2003 of *Industrial Engineering*, the monthly professional magazine of the Institute of Industrial Engineers.

The paper "Pediatric Vaccine Stockpile Levels: How Much is Enough?" (co-authored with E.C. Sewell, R.A. Proano, and J.A. Jokela) published in *Vaccine* (Volume 24, Number 17, 3530-3537, 24 April 2006) by Elsevier Publishers, received media coverage following a press release

issued on 18 April 2006 by the news bureau at the University of Illinois. Media coverage included over sixty web sites, newspapers, and professional magazines, including

- Reference on News-Medical.Net (Australia) on 19 April 2006.
- Reference on www.vaccinationnews.com on 18 April 2006.
- Reference on www.medications.com on 18 April 2006.
- Reference on www.healthcareindustrytoday.com on 20 April 2006.
- Reference on www.medicalnewstoday.com (England) on 20 April 2006.
- Reference on www.worldwidehealth.com on 20 April 2006.
- Commentary on the *Vaccine* article posted on www.vaccineethics.org on 11 April 2006.
- Reference in *NewsRx* on 9 May 2006.
- Reference in *World Disease Weekly* on 9 May 2006.
- Reference in *Life Science Weekly* on 10 May 2006.
- Reference in *Medical Letter on the CDC & FDA* on 10 May 2006.
- Reference in *Pharma Business Week* on 10 May 2006.
- Reference in *Vaccine Weekly* on 10 May 2006.
- Reference in *Health & Medicine Week* on 11 May 2006.
- Reference in *Biotech Law Weekly* on 12 May 2006.
- Reference in *Drug Week* on 12 May 2006.
- Reference in *Science Letter* on 12 May 2006.
- Reference in *Law and Health Weekly* on 13 May 2006.
- Reference in *Aging and Elder Health Week* on 14 May 2006.

On 24 October 2006, the National Science Foundation (NSF) issued a press release (06-154) “New Technologies Could Make Airport Screening More Effective and Less Cumbersome,” which featured the video “Aviation Security: Researching the Risk.” (it can be viewed at http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=108133). This release provided the details of an NSF hosted call-in program (held 28 September 2006) on the latest developments in airport security.

The paper “The Economic Impact of Obesity on Automobile Fuel Consumption,” published in *The Engineering Economist* (Volume 51, Number 4, 307-323, October –December 2006) by Taylor and Francis received media coverage following a press release issued on 24 October 2006 by the University of Illinois News Bureau, as well as an *Associated Press* news release on 25 October 2006. Media coverage included several hundred newspaper and magazine articles, radio interviews and broadcasts, and television interviews and reports. Newspaper coverage included the *Washington Post*, *USA Today*, *The Chicago Tribune*, *the Los Angeles Times*, and *the Boston Globe*. Magazines included *Business Week*, *Car and Driver*, *Forbes*, *Kiplinger*, *Women’s Health*, and *Reader’s Digest*. Several radio interviews and reports were aired, including “Morning Edition” on *National Public Radio*, “The Osgood Files” on *CBS Radio*, and two interviews on *Washington Post Radio*. Live TV interviews were also given, including “Street Signs” on *CNBC TV* (on 27 October 2006), *MSNBC TV* (on 28 October 2006), and the “Closing Bell” on *CNBC TV* (on 16 November 2006).

Jacobson appeared as an expert in the film documentary “Killer at Large” (produced by Shinebox Media productions), which highlights the growing obesity epidemic and its impact on society. The documentary was released in December 2007.

The paper “The Tradeoff between Technology and Prescreening Intelligence in Checked Baggage Screening for Aviation Security,” that appeared in *Journal of Transportation Security*, was featured in “A Minute with Sheldon Jacobson: How can better pre-screening make airports safer?” on the University of Illinois web site on 14 February 2008.

The web site, <http://election08.cs.uiuc.edu>, spearheaded by Jacobson and his collaborators generated wide spread media attention after the press release "Latest Electoral College Forecast Shows McCain Ahead By as Many as 27 Votes," was issued on 17 September 2008 by INFORMS. National media attention included references on MSNBC.com on 17 September 2008 ("Political Picks" Ask Again later"), by Carl Bialik ("The Numbers Guy") in the *Wall Street Journal* on 26 September 2008 ("Oy, a Potential Electoral Mess: The Chance of Another Deadlock Is Greater Than You Think") and in Random Samples in *Science Magazine* on 17 October 2008 ("The (B)Ayes Have It").

The article "Web Site Provides Pediatric Vaccine Pricing", which appeared in the October 2008 issue of *Managed Care* (Volume 17(10), Page 48), a professional magazine for health care administrators, featured research that was reported in the Jacobson and Sewell (2008) article in *Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association*.

The article "A Shot in the Arm for Integer Programming" by Barry Cipra, which appeared in the November 2008 issue of *SIAM News* (Volume 41, Number 9, pages 1,4) featured the pediatric vaccine modeling and analysis research reported in the Hall et al. (2009) article in *Operations Research*.

The paper "Seeding in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament: When is a Higher Seed Better?" published in *Journal of Gambling, Business, and Economics*, (Volume 3(2), 63-87) received media coverage following a press release issued on 16 March 2009 by the University of Illinois News Bureau. Media coverage included numerous on-line web news sites and newspapers, including the *Chicago Tribune*, www.cnn.com, and the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*.

The paper "A Sequential Stochastic Passenger Screening Problem for Aviation Security," that appeared in the June 2009 issue of *IIE Transactions* (Volume 41, Number 6, pages 575-579), co-authored with L.A. McLay and A.G. Nikolaev, was highlighted in *Research Executive Summaries* in the May 2009 issue of *Industrial Engineering*, the monthly professional magazine of the Institute of Industrial Engineers.

The podcast, "Emergency! Pandemic", which was produced by INFORMS and released on 5 September 2009, featured Jacobson discussing his research on pediatric immunization, vaccine pricing, vaccine stockpiling, and pandemic response preparation.

Jacobson was featured on 2 October 2009, in *Science Live* on www.livescience.com, based on his record of research contributions during his career.

"A Minute with aviation security expert Sheldon Jacobson: Racial versus behavioral profiling in airport screenings", was featured on 8 January 2010, on the University of Illinois web site.

Jacobson provided expert commentary featured in *Will Profiling Make a Difference?* on the New York Times *Room for Debate* web site on 4 January 2010, after the 25 December 2009 terrorist attempt to explode a bomb on the Delta flight from Amsterdam to Detroit. Other quotes by Jacobson on this topic were reported at *Media Matters for America* and the *Keene Sentinel*.

The paper "Evaluating the Impact of Legislation Prohibiting Hand-Held Cell Phone Use While Driving," published in *Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice* (Volume 44(3), 182-193) received media coverage following a press release issued on 8 February 2010 by the University of Illinois News Bureau. Media coverage included over one hundred on-line web news sites and newspapers, including medicalnews.com, *Research and Development Magazine*, and the *Boston Globe*.

The paper "Seeding in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament: When is a Higher Seed Better?" published in *Journal of Gambling, Business, and Economics*, (Volume 3(2), 63-87) received media coverage following the article, "Professor of Bracketology: U of I computer

expert's conclusion: 'They call it madness for a reason'" in the *Chicago Tribune* on Sunday, 14 March 2010, and a press release issued on 16 March 2010 by the University of Illinois News Bureau. Media coverage included live radio interviews on 670 *The Score*, *WGN Radio*, and the Colin McEnroe Show on *WNPR* (Connecticut Public Radio), as well as numerous on-line web news sites and newspapers, including *msn.foxsports.com*, *cacm.acm.org*, the *Peoria Journal Star*, the *Belleville News Democrat*, and the *Rockford Register Star*, among others.

Jacobson provided expert commentary featured in *How to Improve the N.C.A.A. Tournament* on the New York Times *Room for Debate* web site on 1 April 2010.

"A *Minute with* aviation security expert Sheldon Jacobson: Changes to airport security screening procedures" was featured on 5 April 2010, on the University of Illinois web site.

"A *Minute with* data expert Sheldon Jacobson: The impact of hand-held cell phone legislation on driving safety", was featured on 26 May 2010, on the University of Illinois web site.

"A *Minute with* aviation security expert Sheldon Jacobson: The future of airport security screening," was featured on 22 November 2010, on the University of Illinois web site.

Jacobson was a guest on several radio and television stations to discuss his research on assessing the odds in the 2011 NCAA Men's basketball tournament (*WUIS Public Radio*, Springfield, IL; *New Hampshire Public Radio*; *WBEZ*, Chicago, IL, *WILL Public radio*, Champaign, IL; *WCIA-TV*, Champaign, IL). Interviews were broadcasted between 9 March and 17 March 2011.

"A *Minute with* vaccine economics expert Sheldon Jacobson: The economics of pediatric vaccine pricing," was featured on 21 June 2011, on the University of Illinois web site.

The paper "Evaluating the Effectiveness of Sequential Aviation Security Screening Policies," which appeared in the August 2011 issue of *IIE Transactions* (Volume 43, Number 8, pages 547-565), co-authored with A.J. Lee, was highlighted in *Research Executive Summaries* in the July 2011 issue of *Industrial Engineering*, the monthly professional magazine of the Institute of Industrial Engineers.

The National Science Foundation (NSF) issued the press release (11-184), "From 9/11 to Now: Lessons from the Tragedy," which featured Jacobson and his NSF supported research activities in this area.

"A *Minute with* aviation Security expert Sheldon Jacobson," was featured on 11 September 2011, on the University of Illinois web site. It discussed how aviation security has changed over the past decade, and the future of aviation security.

Jacobson published an opinion letter in *USA Today* on 3 November 2011, responding to *TSA chats address limits of technology*.

Jacobson appeared in the KCCI-TV (CBS affiliate, Des Moines, IA) news special report *Airport Insecurity, Part II* on 18 November 2011.

A *Minute with* Sheldon Jacobson, expert on statistics related to travel, was featured on 19 January 2012, on the University of Illinois web site. It discussed how the recent leveling off of obesity rates may be associated with the leveling off of how much Americans are driving.

The paper "Addressing Passenger Risk Uncertainty for Aviation Security Screening," published in *Transportation Science*, (Volume 46) received media coverage following the new release *Risk-based passenger screening could make air travel safer*, issued on 31 January 2012 by the University of Illinois News Bureau, in conjunction with the National Science Foundation. Media coverage included live radio interviews on *radioislam.com* (Chicago, IL), *WFMB-AM 1450*

(Springfield, IL), and WAND-TV (NBC Affiliate, Champaign, IL), as well as coverage on numerous web news outlets.

A Minute with Sheldon Jacobson, on “March Madness”, was featured on 7 March 2012, on the University of Illinois web site. It discussed the patterns in how the seeds advance in the NCAA Division I Men’s basketball tournament. News coverage included the *Chicago Tribune: Hoops +/- Winners?*, *Business Week: My March Madness Picks (Or 'I Think Data Made Me a Psychic')*, *Discovery News (via MSNBC.com): March Madness bracketology: The science*, *GigaOM*, and *Bloomberg Businessweek*.

Jacobson published an opinion letter in *USA Today* on 30 March 2012, about how the NCAA men’s basketball tournament serves as a stimulus for young people interested in pursuing careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Jacobson was quoted in the news article, “Republicans take aim at TSA, agency is inefficient, too expensive,” published on 1 April 2012 in the *Daily News Journal* (Nashville, TN).

Jacobson was quoted in the news stories, “Texting while driving hard to enforce,” reported by WLDS-WEAI News (Jacksonville, IL), and “Illinois Lawmakers Debate New Cell Phone Restrictions,” reported by CBS (KMOX St. Louis) on 23 April 2012.

Jacobson was quoted in the Reuters news stories, “As America's waistline expands, costs soar” on 30 April 2012. Over 120 national media outlet picked up the story, including *MSNBC*, *CNBC*, *Fox News*, *Huffington Post*, *Forbes*, *Baltimore Sun*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Orlando Sentinel*, *Sun Sentinel*, *Toronto Sun*, *Edmonton Sun*, *Winnipeg Sun*, *Ottawa Sun*, *Calgary Sun*, several public and commercial radio stations, and others.

Jacobson was quoted in the *Wall Street Journal Numbers Guy* blog on 4 May 2012, “The Waiting Game” on how long queues at international customs processing at London Heathrow airport can be improved.

Jacobson was quoted in the Reuters news stories, “U.S. airport security could detect Qaeda device: officials” on 8 May 2012 and “Would-be suicide bomber was U.S. informant” on 9 May 2012. Over 6000 national and international media outlets reported the story, including *MSNBC*, *CNBC*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Baltimore Sun*, *London Free Press*, and others.

The news article “Automobiles can increase obesity, study says,” appeared in the *Deseret News* (Salt Lake City, Utah) on 8 May 2012, featuring research that was reported in Jacobson, King, and Yuan (2011).

The news article “RSOs prepare to inform students for Election Day using UI professor's election prediction site,” appeared in the *Daily Illini* (Urbana, Illinois) on 22 August 2012, featuring the election forecasting website, electionanalytics.cs.illinois.edu.

Jacobson was featured on 24 August 2012, on Science360 radio, www.science360.gov/radio based on his research contributions.

A Minute with Sheldon Jacobson, on “Bracketology”, was featured on 11 March 2013, on the University of Illinois web site. It discussed the patterns in how the seeds advance in the NCAA Division I Men’s basketball tournament. News coverage included *Bloomberg Business Week*, *Time out Chicago Magazine*, and *WILL Radio Afternoon Magazine*.

The article “Hang Up the Car Keys,” appeared in *Cancer Today* (Spring 2013, Volume 3(1), page 57), features research on the interrelationship between caloric intake, automobile use, and obesity, which was reported in Behzad, King, and Jacobson (2013).

A Minute With™ Sheldon H. Jacobson, U. OF I Expert on Data Analytics was featured on 13 March 2014. In addition, The Bleacher Report featured four web videos: Crunching the Number

to Reveal the Biggest Potential Upsets in the West Region, Crunching the Number to Reveal the Biggest Potential Upsets in the East Region, Crunching the Number to Reveal the Biggest Potential Upsets in the Midwest Region, Crunching the Number to Reveal the Biggest Potential Upsets in the South Region. USA Today: Dominate March Madness: Tips for a better bracket, quoted Jacobson from the bracketodds web site.

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The University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana released the story (14 May 2014), "Computer Science Points to Holy Grail of Medical Scheduling," based on research on how to schedule residents in internal medicine residency programs. The joint research effort between Jacobson and Janet A. Jokela, MD, has resulted in a software package, RESIDENT, which is being alpha tested at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Urbana internal Medicine residency program.

Jacobson was quoted in the article, "Airports Have No Way to Screen for Ebola," by Patrick Tucker, which appeared on-line in the *National Journal* on 1 August 2014. Jacobson commented on the challenges of screening for Ebola at airports, the similarities in such screening with aviation security screening, and how prescreening can be an effective strategy in such environments. The story was also featured in the Homeland Security Newswire on 4 August 2014.

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Jacobson was quoted in the article, "TSA seizes record number of guns from passengers in 2014," in the *Washington Times* (4 January 2015).

Jacobson was quoted in the article, "Child vaccines out of reach for developing countries, charity warns," on *CBC New Radio Canada* (20 January 2015).

Jacobson's research on obesity and its impact on fuel economy was quoted in the article "Obesity Is Hurting the U.S. Economy in Surprising Ways on *Bloomberg.com* (4 March 2015) and "Walking's worth the (lack of) weight," in the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. (8 March 2015)

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Jacobson was quoted in the article, "How Not To Fix Airport Screening" by Patrick Tucker, Defense One (2 June 2015). See also "The One Right Way to Solve the TSA Crisis Is Politically Incorrect," in the Fiscal Times (4 June 2015).

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A Minute With™ Sheldon H. Jacobson, U. of I Professor of Computer Science, How to improve your chances for a perfect March Madness, was featured on 9 March 2016.

A Minute With™ Sheldon H. Jacobson, U. of I aviation security expert, What should be done about long delays for security checks at airports? was featured on 17 May 2016.

"O'Hare middle of the pack for security fence breaches", which appeared in the Chicago Daily Herald (Marni Pyke) quotes Jacobson on the Associated Press report discussing airport security fence breaches (25 May 2016).

"TSA PreCheck: Will it shorten security lines at airports?" which appeared in the *Christian Science Monitor* (Lucy Schouten), quotes Jacobson on the benefits of TSA PreCheck (25 June 2016).

"After Istanbul, Here's How Airport Experts Want to Protect You at the Curbside" which appeared in *Defense One* (Patrick Tucker) quotes Jacobson on how security can be further hardened, in response to Jeh Johnson's (DHS Secretary) call for more security vigilance at airports and other venues (30 June 2016). See also "How to Improve Airport Security in the Wake of the Istanbul Attack" in the *Fiscal Times* (1 July 2016).

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"This U of I Forecast had Clinton's chances at 100%. What went wrong?" covers the Election Analytics program at the University of Illinois (Chicago Inno) (9 November 2016). See also "How Chicago Tech can Help you Survive This Election" (2 November 2016); "Donald Trump has a 0% Chance of Winning the Election, According to U of I Computer Scientists" (10 October 2016).

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should drop enrollment fee for PreCheck, Study finds, *Consumer Affairs* (5 December 2016); *"TSA Could Waive \$85 PreCheck Fee and Save Millions,"* *Vocative* (6 December 2016).

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(12 October 2020, *The Morning Call*, Michelle Merlin) "Kutztown university grapples with pandemic exodus of 1,000 students, \$3.5 million budget hit" quotes Jacobson on colleges dealing with COVID-19 cases and the town-gown relationship.

(26 October 2020, *NPR Marketplace Tech*, Molly Wood) "[Is the pandemic an opportunity for more personalized learning?](#)" features Jacobson on the future of artificial intelligence for personalized learning.

(26 October 2020, *KGO-TV7 (ABC)*, San Francisco, CA, Michael Finney, Randall Yip) "[Consumers worry about holiday delivery delays as shopping moves online amid pandemic](#)" quotes Jacobson on e-commerce shipping challenges during the holiday season.

(28 October 2020, *Associated Press*, Dave Collins) "[Rising infections complicate rules for New York-area travel](#)" quotes Jacobson on state travel restrictions due to COVID-19.

(9 November 2020, *New York Times*, Shawn Hubler) "[Thanksgiving Will Soon Empty Campuses. Will Students Bring Coronavirus Home?](#)" quotes Jacobson on students departing college campuses for the holiday break.

(11 November 2020, *KGO-TV7 (ABC)*, San Francisco, CA, Michael Finney, Randall Yip) "[Fears of holiday gift shortages may be unfounded.](#)" quotes Jacobson on the goods supply chain remaining strong during the holiday season.

(19 November 2020, *New York Daily News*, Theresa Braine) "[More people are dying in U.S. this year than last year, even without COVID: studies](#)" discusses Jacobson's research on excess Non-COVID-19 deaths, published in *Public Health*.

(30 November 2020, *Diverse Issues in Higher Education*, Autumn Arnett) "[Experts Say Higher Education Should Avoid Playing a 'Numbers Game' with COVID-19](#)" quotes Jacobson on COVID-19 risk on college campuses.

(30 November 2020, *WTTW News (Chicago Public Television)*, Amanda Vinicky) "[Study Finds Rise in US Deaths Beyond COVID-19 in 2020.](#)" reports on Jacobson's research on excess Non-COVID-19 deaths.

(15 December 2020, *US News and World Report*, Josh Moody) "[Coronavirus and the College Experience This Spring.](#)" quotes Jacobson on the challenges in higher education during the Spring 2021 semester.

(16 December 2020, *District Administration*, Melissa Ezarik) "[9 points about school decision-making during COVID from a data expert.](#)" provides comments by Jacobson on how to make education decisions in a COVID-19 environment.

(18 December 2020, *Travel Weekly*, Robert Silk) "[TSA has sped up airport tech deployments since Covid.](#)" quotes Jacobson on the benefits of new technologies at airport security checkpoints.

(12 January 2021, *Retail and Hospitality Hub*, John Krukowski) "[Would an Amazon-Like Approach Help the Vaccine Rollout?](#)" quotes Jacobson on how to manage the COVID-19 supply chain.

(27 January 2021, *The Daily New York News*) "[Rising Infections make the principles for Touring Within the New York Space Tough.](#)" quotes Jacobson on state travel ban to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

(27 January 2021, *Simple Flying*, Andrew Curran) "[TSA Firearms Finds Reach Record Levels Despite Travel Slowdown.](#)" quotes Jacobson on TSA reporting higher catch rate for firearms at security checkpoints. See also "[TSA Firearm Detection Rate Doubled in 2020 – But Why?](#)" (*Homeland Security Today*, Kylie Bielby)

(28 January 2021, *Reset*, WBEZ Public Radio Chicago, IL) "[Closing the gap on vaccine access \(Part 4\)](#)" interviewed Jacobson on the COVID-19 vaccine supply chain.

(31 January 2021, *Champaign News Gazette*, Matt Daniels) "Diving into Bracket Talk for the Illini" provides commentary by Jacobson on college basketball, March Madness, and the Illini.

(1 February 2021, *The Telegraph*, Ed Grenby) "'COVID mindset' blamed as gun seizures at US airports doubles," quotes Jacobson on the cause of higher firearm catch rates by the TSA at airports.

(10 February 2021, *Front Office Sports*, Amanda Christovich) "College stadiums' role in vaccine distribution" quotes Jacobson on issues related to using sports stadiums for COVID-19 vaccination.

(20 February 2021, *Saturday Sports Talk* with Steve Kelly and Loren Tate, WDWS AM1400, Champaign, IL) Jacobson was a guest discussing the impact of COVID-19 on the upcoming NCAA Men's basketball tournament.

(3 March 2021, University of Illinois Computer Science, Aaron Seidlitz) "Jacobson's Bracketodds research takes the madness out of March" discusses the research behind the Bracketodds web site. See also

- (16 March 2021, *247 Sports*, Jeremy Werner) "Podcast Episode 242, The Winning Formula" speaks with Jacobson discussing the analytics of picking winning brackets.
- (16 March 2021, *Fox 32-TV Chicago*) "Bracket Expert gives advice ahead of March Madness" speaks with Jacobson on trends in picking winning brackets.
- (17 March 2021, *ABC 7-TV, Chicago, IL*)
- (17 March 2021, *WGN 720 Radio*, Anna Davlantes, Chicago, IL) "Taking the madness out of your NCAA bracket" speaks with Jacobson about the analytics in March Madness.
- (18 March 2021, *WLS 890 Radio, Bruce St. James Show*, Chicago, IL) speaks with Jacobson about March Madness and bracketology.
- (18 March 2021, Study Finds, Ben Renner) "Win your March Madness bracket by filling out your Final Four first."

(10 March 2021, *Front Office Sports*, Amanda Christovich) "Will the March Madness semi-bubble really be safe?" quotes Jacobson on the COVID-19 safety protocols in place during March Madness.

(11 March 2021, *Chicago Tribune*, Joe Mahr) "During pandemic, Illinois saw 27% jump in deaths, amongst worst in the US. One reason: There were two waves." Quotes Jacobson in excess deaths due to COVID-19.

(19 March 2021, *WCIA 3-TV*, Abigail Metsch, Champaign, IL) "Website founded by U of I professor helps find 'Bracket Odds'."

(21 March 2021, *City Journal*, John Tierney) "Death and Lockdowns" quotes Jacobson on non-COVID-19 excess deaths in the United States.

(24 March 2021, *Eureka Alert*, Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences) "New Research finds seating assignments on airplanes can reduce the spread of COVID-19" based on a paper that appeared in *Service Sciences*. See also

- (24 March 2021, *FOX 32 TV Chicago*, Anthony Ponce) "New research could make air travel safer amid pandemic."
- (24 March 2021, *News-Medical Life Sciences*) "Seating assignments on airplanes can limit the risk of COVID-19 transmission."
- (25 March 2021, *Economic Times (Healthworld)*) "Seating assignments on airplanes can reduce spread of Covid-19, finds research."

- (28 March 2021, *Business Standard*) “Social distancing in flight seat assignment can reduce Covid-19 spread.”
- (30 March 2021, *Corporate Travel Community*) “IATA has highlighted aircraft cabins are low-risk for virus spread, now new academic research concurs seating assignments on aircraft can limit the risk of COVID-19 transmission.”
- (30 March 2021, *Contagion Live (Infectious Diseases Today)*, Jared Kaltwasser) “New modeling suggests optimal airplane seating to limit COVID-19 transmission.”
- (31 March 2021, *WGN 720 Radio*, Chicago, IL , Anna Davlantes) “Does blocking the middle seat on airplanes make passengers safer?”

(6 April 2021, *The New American*, Annalisa Pesek) “Reopening Schools: Are Parents Doing their Homework?” quotes Jacobson on non-COVID-19 excess deaths.

(6 April 2021, *KMBC-TV9 ABC*, Kansas City, MO, Alan Shope) “Researchers believe the office is going to look different when employees return” interviewed Jacobson on how businesses will adjust when employees return to working on-site.

(12 April 2021, *KCBS Radio*, San Francisco, CA) “Ask An Expert with Stan Burger” features Jacobson on how businesses are getting employees back to work.

(27 April 2021, *Yahoo News 360*, Mike Bebernes) “Should colleges require students to get the COVID vaccine?” quotes Jacobson and Jokela’s oped that appeared in the *Indianapolis Star* on 8 April 2021.

(12 May 2021, *Business Travel News*, Dawit Habtemariam) “Suppliers Say Staffing Shortages Dragging Recovery.” quotes Jacobson on how labor shortages are challenging the travel industry’s recovery.

(13 May 2021, *Lidovsky* (Czech Republic) John Radek) “A good servant, but a bad master. Cars make you fat, people don’t walk much.” Quotes Jacobson’s research linking obesity and automobile use.

(19 May 2021, *US News*, Joshua Moody) “Colleges Requiring a Coronavirus Vaccine for Fall.” quotes Jacobson on the benefits of mandatory coronavirus vaccines for college students.

(26 May 2021, *Christianity Daily*, Sarah Mae Saliong) “Protesters Troop to Rutgers University to Rally Against Mandatory COVID Vaccines.” quotes Jacobson on the benefits of mandatory coronavirus vaccines for college students.

(10 June 2021, *Washington Times*, Andy Kostka) “Public health experts: Olympics can be held safely, if changes are made.” quotes Jacobson on how the 2021 Tokyo Olympics can be held with the threat of COVID-19.

(6 July 2021, WLS-890AM Radio, *The Bruce St. James Show*) “Will airports become a hotspot of the COVID-19 Delta variant” featured Jacobson as a guest.

(9 July 2021, *KMBC ABC9*, Kansas City, MO, Alan Shope) “Professor: Bring COVID-19 vaccine to tailgaters during football season” quotes Jacobson on the value of bringing vaccination opportunities to football games.

(10 July 2021, *The Michael Finney Show*, *KGO-AM 810*, San Francisco, CA) “Beware of Travel Scams” features Jacobson discussing how travel scams are the latest cyber security threats.

(12 July 2021, *Off the Wall*, 1490 AM, The Score, Joey Keeran) featured Jacobson (from 20:52 to 33:21) as their guest discussing the unintended consequences of NCAA NIL (names, images, and likeness) policies.

(20 July 2021, *The Pantagraph*, Bloomington, IL, Lyndsay Jones) "Watch Now: Deaths were up in the U.S., and McLean County, in 2020. Researchers hope to draw attention to reasons other than COVID."

(23 July 2021, *The Center Square*, Scot Bertram) "Research shows deaths spiked early in pandemic, but COVID-19 wasn't only cause."

(26 July 2021, *WJPF Morning Newswatch*, Carbondale, IL, Tom Miller) Interview with Jacobson.

(27 July 2021, *HealthDay*) "Deaths up in 2020, even when accounting for COVID-19".

(29 July 2021, *Scripps Washington Bureau*, Maya Rodriguez) "Researchers examining spike in deaths that were not COVID-related" featured research on non-COVID-19 deaths.

(12 August 2021, *US News*, Josh Moody) "Colleges requiring a Coronavirus Vaccine for Fall" quotes Jacobson on how colleges will manage COVID-19 and vaccination requirements on campus this Fall.

(13 August 2021, *CBS News Market Watch*, Megan Cerullo) "Unvaccinated workers could end up paying \$50 more for health insurance – per paycheck" quotes Jacobson on how unvaccinated pay may pay higher health insurance premiums than those vaccinated.

(30 August 2021, *Salt Lake City Tribune*, Robert Gehrke) "Software can prevent gerrymandering, but will Utah use it?" quotes Jacobson on how computational redistricting can be used to expose gerrymandering.

(28 September 2021, *Arkansas Democrat Gazette*, Lara Farrar) "Double Doozie: Doctors brace for impending flu season, dual outbreaks of covid, influenza" quotes Jacobson on the upcoming seasonal influenza and its potential severity.

(12 October 2021, Editorial, *Saltwire Network*) "Thank you, Carey Price, for netminding mental health." quotes from Jacobson's opinion in the *Montreal Gazette*.

(1 December 2021, *Yahoo News 360*, Mike Bebernes) "Will travel bans help against Omicron?" quotes the Jacobson and Jokela Op-Ed that appeared in *The Hill* on 29 November 2021.

(13 December 2021, *WFMJ, NBC TV-21*, Youngstown, OH, Matt Stone) "Is COVID 'herd Immunity' still attainable" quotes Jacobson based on his essay that appeared in the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

(17 December 2021, *Washington Post*, Katherine Shaver and Lori Aratani) "Millions plan to travel for Christmas and New Year's as omicron spreads." Quotes Jacobson on travel risk with omicron.

(21 December 2021, *CNBC*, Monica Pitrelli) "Rethinking your travel plans? If you go, experts offer 4 pieces of advice" quotes Jacobson on air travel risks and precautions.

(23 December 2021, *CNN, Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer*, Brain Todd) "Health experts urge air travelers to take precautions to avoid omicron." quotes Jacobson on air travel risk.

(27 December 2021, *Health Day*, Robert Preidt) "Science shows safest plane seating to cut COVID spread." Also appeared in *US News*, *UPI*, *Wisconsin State Journal*, *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, *Northwest Indiana Times*, *Tulsa World*, *Roanoke Times*, *Kingsport Times News*, *Montana Standard*, *Casper Star Tribune*, *Lincoln Journal Star*, *St. Louis Post Dispatch*, *Arizona Daily Star*, and many others.

(30 December 2021, *Illinois Radio*, Kim Howard) "New study out of U of I looks at the best ways to prevent COVID-19 transmission on airplanes."

(31 December 2021, *Yahoo News*, Michael Martin) “Places ‘swarming’ with COVID, experts say.” quotes Jacobson from his CNBC interview.

(1 January 2022, *Eat This, Not That*, Michael Martin) “Places you’re mostly likes to catch omicron.” quotes Jacobson based on his CNBC interview on air travel risk.

(8 January 2022, *Eye on Travel with Peter Greenberg*) “Air Travel Risk” has Jacobson as a guest discussing air travel and the associated risk with COVID-19 (1:30:00 to 1:45:20).

(10 January 2022, *Illinois Radio Network*, Scot Bertram) “Study offers tips to reduce COVID transmission on airplanes.” Discusses Jacobson’s research on how to reduce COVID-19 risk while flying.

(11 January 2022, *Eat This, Not That*, Michael Martin) “The #1 Place to Not Walk Into Now, Say Virus Experts.” quotes Jacobson on the COVID-19 risks at airports.

(13 January 2022, *The Tributary*, Andrew Pantazi) “Jacksonville’s redistricting plan risks racial gerrymandering claims, experts say” references Jacobson’s gerrymandering research.

(21 January 2022, *Champaign News Gazette*, Matt Daniels) “Bracketology talk about to heat up.” Mentions Bracketodds web site projections for the NCAA basketball tournament.

(31 January 2022, *Ace Mind*, Benjamin Lloyd) “Obesity: public transport reduces the risk” quotes Jacobson’s research on the association between obesity and automobile use.

(1 February 2022, *1945*, Jack Buckby) “\$29 Trillion and Counting: Is the US Economy Headed for a Debt Crisis?” quotes Jacobson’s 25 January 2022 Op-Ed in *The Hill*.

(9 February 2022, *Agriculture in America*, Mike Pearson) Interviews Jacobson on his recent essay that appeared in *The Hill* on the impact of higher interest rates on the federal budget and the national debt (appears on the 9 February recording from 12:30 to 20:30).

(13 February 2022, *The DePaulia*, Jackson Healy) “Meddling in the midterms: How partisan influence in U.S elections chip away at democracy” quotes Jacobson on how gerrymandering weakens democracy.

(15 February 2022, *Champaign News Gazette*, Scott Richey) “Good Morning, Illini Nation: Bracketology update” gives the Bracketodds March Madness forecast for the University of Illinois men’s basketball team.

(15 February 2022, *Sports Illustrated*, Pat Forde) “Forde Minutes: Is this the year of the mid-major?” quotes Jacobson on his bracketodds research and the plethora of mid-majors that are poised to make the Tournament.

(28 February 2022, *Time*, Jamie Ducharme) “Why you should keep wearing a face mask on planes – even if you no longer have to.” quotes Jacobson’s research on COVID-19 virus transmission risk on flights.

(14 March 2022, *News Talk 590 WVLK-AM*, Lexington, KY) Jacobson is a guest discussing the analytics of filling in brackets for March Madness.

(14 March 2022, *WTOP News Radio*, Washington, DC) “How to make smart picks for your March Madness bracket” features Jacobson and his Bracketodds web site.

(15 March 2022, *Associated Press*, Eddie Pells) “Hoop-hype: March Madness brackets get American talking again.” quotes Jacobson on building brackets using analytics.

(15 March 2022, *Sports Illustrated*, Molly Geary) “Five dark horse teams that could crash the Final Four” references data from the Bracketodds web site.

(15 March 2022, *The Bruce St. James Show*, WLS radio, Chicago, IL) Jacobson is a guest discussing March Madness and filling out brackets using analytics (starts at 1:07:30).

(16 March 2022, *CBS Sports*, Matt Norlander) "March Madness 2022 bracket: NCAA tournament numbers, vital stats to use when filling out your bracket" references data from the Bracketodds web site.

(16 March 2022, *WCIA-TV3*, Champaign, IL, Bement Brice) "Illinois professor uses analytics to fill NCAA tournament bracket" features Jacobson's Bracketodds research web site activities.

(16 March 2022, *Wharton Moneyball Podcast*) Jacobson was a guest (fourth segment, begins at 1:11:30) discussing the analytics of March Madness.

(17 March 2022, *Datanami*, Alex Woodie) "March Madness brings out the analytics" references Jacobson's Bracketodds research web site activities.

(18 March 2022, *The Independent*, Nathan Place) "No masks, higher fares: How US air travel will change in a post-pandemic world" interview Jacobson based on his air travel Op-Ed that appeared in *The Hill*.

(22 March 2022, *Sports Rush with Brett Rump*), "Hour 1: Matt Ryan Arrives in Indy Plus Dr. Sheldon Jacobson" has Jacobson as a guest discusses the analytics of picking your bracket (begins at 15:00).

(30 March 2022, *ABC7-TV Chicago*, Mark Rivera) "CPD says charges pending against man on runway at Midway airport" quotes Jacobson on the recent Chicago Midway Airport perimeter security breach.

(31 March 2022, *The Bruce St. James Show*, WLS Radio, Chicago, IL) Jacobson is a guest discussing aviation security and the recent perimeter security breach at Chicago Midway.

(1 June 2022, *Daily Wire*, Mary Margaret Olohan) "Experts sound the alarm that census bureau's serious errors may impact 2024 election" quote Jacobson's *The Hill* Op-Ed on how the Census Bureau population undercounts and overcounts impacted apportionment.

(27 April 2022, *WCIA CBS TV-3*, Champaign, IL) "From pandemic to endemic: How close is the light at the end of the tunnel?" features Jacobson on how the COVID-19 pandemic is transitioning to being endemic.

(6 June 2022, *Texas Tribune*, Jolie McCullough and James Barragan) "Texas politicians search for solutions after another mass shooting. Experts say we've already found them" quotes Jacobson on layered methods to reduce the risk of firearms killings.

(7 June 2022, *Vox Recode*, Rani Molla) "What the TSA could teach Congress about gun control." interviews Jacobson, discussing how risk-based decision-making can help reduce gun violence.

(8 June 2022, *Audacy*, Lauren Barry) "How law enforcement could be affected by gun reform bills." quotes Jacobson on the impact of layers of policies to reduce gun violence.

(16 June 2022, *CBN News*, Matt Galka) "2020 Census 'Undercounts' and 'Overcounts' Could Determine if Democrats or Republicans Have Control of US House" quotes Jacobson on Census Bureau miscounts discussed in his Op-Ed in *The Hill*.

(8 July 2022, *Aerospace America*, Paul Brinkman) "Air taxi vertiport builders plan for minimal, automated security." quotes Jacobson on security issues for air taxi's in the future.

(11 July 2022, *Lucy Ann Lance Show*, WLBY 1290, Ann Arbor, MI) Jacobson is interviewed on reducing gun violence using risk-based strategies.

(12 July 2022, *Canadian Press*, James McCarten) "[Does airport preclearance offer a model to help U.S. prevent future mass shootings?](#)" quotes Jacobson on how lessons learned from airport security may be helpful to reduce gun violence.

(12 July 2022, WLS-AM 890, *The John Howell Show*, Chicago, IL) Jacobson was a guest discussing summer flight delays and cancellations, based on his recent commentary in the *Chicago Tribune*.

(20 July 2020, *WOWO 1190AM Morning News with Kayla Blakeslee*, Fort Wayne, IN) "[Flight delays and cancellations not going away.](#)" interviews Jacobson on flight delays and cancellations.

(26 July 2022, *CBS DFW*, JD Miles) "[Shooting at Dallas Love Field Airport raises more security questions.](#)" provides commentary by Jacobson on airport security.

(1 August 2022, WLS-AM 890, *The Steve Cochran Show*, Chicago, IL) Jacobson was a guest discussing "Shrinkflation" and its impact on consumers, based on his recent commentary in the *Chicago Tribune*.

(1 August 2022, *Money Life with Chuck Jaffe*) Jacobson was a guest discussing "Shrinkflation" and its impact on consumers, based on his recent commentary in the *Chicago Tribune*.

(11 August 2022, *Yahoo Finance*, Brooke DiPalma) "[Food package sizing is shrinking amid inflation](#)" quotes Jacobson on how 'Shrinkflation' is achieved. See also "[How 'shrinkflation' and rising food prices is 'just like a magic show': Expert.](#)"

(23 August 2022, *Grid News*, Anna Dean) "[2022 could break the record for most guns found in airplane carry-ons: The U.S. airports with the highest rates.](#)" quotes Jacobson on why the TSA is finding so many guns at airport security checkpoints.

(13 September 2022, *Huff Post*, Caroline Bologna) "[Experts predict what 2022 holiday travel will be like](#)" quotes Jacobson on how to circumvent air travel during the holiday.

(13 September 2022, *NPR Illinois*, Harrison Malkin) "[Danville and Chicago's South side squeezed into 2nd congressional district by gerrymandering](#)" quoted Jacobson on gerrymandering of Illinois congressional districts.

(13 September 2022, WLS-AM 890, *The John Howell Show*, Chicago, IL) Jacobson was a guest discussing if and when the Electoral College should be eliminated in favor of popular vote, based on his recent commentary in *The Hill*.

(22 September 2022, *Travel Commons*) "[Podcast #189: Why we travel; when the first flight isn't the best.](#)" featured Jacobson discussing is op-ed which appeared in the *Chicago Tribune* on 30 August 2022.

(10 October 2022, *Chicago Sun Times*, Sophie Sherry) "[Hackers shut down O'Hare, Midway airport websites](#)" quotes Jacobson on airport website cyberattacks. See also *Fox32 Chicago*, *WBEZ Public Radio Chicago*.

(24 October 2022, WLS-AM 890, *The John Howell Show*, Chicago, IL) Jacobson was a guest discussing the threat of Ebola in the United States, based on his recent commentary in *The Hill*.

(2 November 2022, *Poynter*, Tom Jones) "The trouble with polls" quotes Jacobson's op-ed on polling that appeared in *The Hill*.

(11 November 2022, *Ringside Politics*, Jeff Crouere) Interviews Jacobson on the risks associated with switching between Daylight Saving Time and Daylight Standard Time.

(15 November, *Cincinnati Enquirer*, Quinlan Bentley) "TSA: screening for box cutter 'contrary to standard operating procedure.' Suspect in court." quotes Jacobson on airport security issues that led to the security breach at CVG.

(15 November 2022, *The Street*, Brian O'Connell) "Five travel myths debunked for Thanksgiving weekend" quotes Jacobson on when to not take the first flight of the day.

(17 November 2022, University of Illinois News Bureau) "Second year of pandemic deadlier for middle aged than the first, analysis finds." features research by I. Ludden, J.A. Jokela, and Jacobson that compares the fatality risk during the first two years of the Covid-19 pandemic. Their research was published in *Health Care Management Science*.

- (17 November 2022, *WCIA TV-3*, Champaign, IL, Noah Nelson) U of I researchers find surge in Covid-19 cases among middle-aged adults.
- (18 November 2022, *WBBM*, Dave Dahl) "U of I Professor: The pandemic hit people aged 35-44 harder in its second year."
- (22 November 2022, *Champaign News Gazette*, Deb Pressey) "Coronavirus response | UI research suggests pandemic hit middle-aged harder in Year 2."

(21 November 2022, *The 21st Show*, Illinois Public Media) "Turbulence for Thanksgiving 2022 air travel" featured Jacobson as a guest discussing the challenges with air travel during the holiday season.

(21 November 2022, *Palm Beach Post*, Hannah Morse) "On the menu this Thanksgiving, Turkey with a side of inflation" quotes Jacobson on the impact that inflation will have on Thanksgiving meals.

(26 November 2022, *Sun Chronicle*, Attleboro, MA, Tom Reilly) "Holiday shopping in the time of inflation" quotes Jacobson on how inflation may impact holiday shopping.

(5 December 2022, *Eureka Alert*, INFORMS) "New research develops a model for political redistricting that optimizes political fairness" discusses research by Rahul Swamy, Douglas King, and Sheldon Jacobson published in *Operations Research*.

(14 December 2022, *WHO AM-1040*, Des Moines, IA, Jeff Angelo) "Do we really need REAL ID?" has Jacobson as a guest discussing his recent op-ed in *The Hill* on the importance of REAL IDs.

(15 December 2022, *Eureka Alert*, University of Illinois) "New political redistricting procedure may prevent gerrymandering by forcing parties to act fairly" discusses research by Ian Ludden, Douglas King, and Sheldon Jacobson published in *INFORMS Journal on Optimization*.

(17 December 2022, *New York Times*, Eduardo Medina) "Record number of guns confiscated at U.S. airports, TSA reports" quotes Jacobson on the possible causes and solution to a record number of guns found at airport checkpoints.

(28 December 2022, *WFTF-ABC*, Tampa, FL, Mary O'Connell) "Experts explain what's behind Southwest travel meltdown while sharing advice for stranded passengers" quotes Jacobson on Southwest Airlines flight cancellation problems. See also "What's behind the Southwest meltdown?" (*KTEN-10 NBC*, Dennison, TX, Tyger Allen).

(7 January 2023, *Travel Weekly*, Andrea Zelinski) "Supply chain woes delay cruise ship debuts" quotes Jacobson on how supply chain challenges are impacting the cruise ship industry.

(11 January 2023, *WFTS-ABC Action News*, Tampa, FL, Mary McConnell) “Experts break down what’s behind FAA system outage, flight delays” quotes Jacobson on computer system that resulted in a ground stop.

(11 January 2023, *FOX 35*, Orlando, FL, Randi Hildreth) “Any system is vulnerable at any given time: Airline security expert on nationwide ground stoppage” quotes Jacobson on computer system that resulted in a ground stop.

(18 January 2023, *NBC 5*, Dallas, TX, Larry Collins) “Southwest Airline CEO Addresses Customers about Holiday Cancellations, Changes” features Jacobson responding to how Southwest Airlines plans to upgrade their computer systems.

(9 February 2023, *USA Today*, Josh Peter) “What are the odds of brothers meeting in the Super Bowl? Not as high as you might think” quotes Jacobson’s statistics on this event occurring.

(8 March 2023, *WGN Radio 720*, Chicago, IL, *The John Williams Show*) “Should TSA PreCheck be free?” interviews Jacobson on his recent commentary in the *Chicago Tribune* on offering TSA PreCheck at no cost to make the air system more secure.

(10 March 2023, *NBC 5*, Chicago IL, Lauren Petty) “We should ‘split the difference when it comes to time changes, professor says,” interviews Jacobson on his recent essay in *The Hill*, on using a permanent 30 minute time change in the Spring.

(13 March 2023, *Cleveland Plains Dealer*, Marc Bona) “Not a basketball expert? Here’s how to approach NCAA Tournament bracket pick” features commentary by Jacobson on how to construct a tournament bracket, based on his research reported on *Bracketodds* website.

(15 March 2023, *WLS 890 AM*, Chicago, IL, *The Steve Cochran Show*) “Want a bust-proof bracket? A University of Illinois professor uses computer science to master March Madness” interviews Jacobson on March Madness and his *bracketodds* analytics in putting together a bracket.

(17 March 2023, Louisville Public Radio, *In Conversation*) has Jacobson as a guest on *March Madness 2023*.

(17 March 2023, *Associated Press*, Mark Anderson) “Analytics expert says portal hurting major programs” quotes Jacobson on the analytics of March Madness.

(30 March 2023, *Fox 31 Morning News KDVR*, Denver, CO, Carly Moore) “Could AI help find trends in mass shootings?” quotes Jacobson on how AI can help reduce mass shootings.

(31 March 2023, *KOA 850AM*, Denver, CO, Marty Lenz & Jeana Gondek) “UIUC Comp Sci Prof Sheldon Jacobson on AI helping stop mass shootings” had Jacobson as a guest on their morning talk show, discussing AI and how it can reduce mass shooting at schools.

(3 April 2023, *KOA 850AM*, Denver, CO, Marty Lenz & Jeana Gondek) “UIUC Comp Sci Prof Sheldon Jacobson on the NCAA Tournament bracket odds” had Jacobson as a guest on their morning talk show, discussing March Madness and the odds associated with this year’s tournament.

(6 April 2023, *WCIA TV3*, Amanda Brennan, Champaign, IL) “AI preventing school shootings? UI professor explains how technology can help with strategy” interviews Jacobson on how artificial intelligence can help keep schools safer.

(11 April 2023, *SportsHandle*, Jeff Edelstein) “American Gaming Association hits wrong note in response to hit piece” critiques Jacobson’s opinion essay on sports gambling that appeared in *The Hill*.

(10 May 2023, *PIX-11*, New York, NY, Henry Rosoff) “AI may be the future of preventing school shootings” interviewed Jacobson on the limitations of using AI to prevent shootings in schools.

(22 May 2023, *The 21st Show*, Illinois Public Media) “REAL ID requirements get further delayed” featured Jacobson as a guest discussing the REAL ID and ongoing delays in having the requirement enacted.

(7 June 2023, *The Points Guy*, Caroline Tanner) “Are new TSA scanners slowing down the screening process for travelers?” quotes Jacobson on CT scanners being installed at airport security checkpoints for carry-on bags.

(7 June 2023, *KHOU-11 CBS Houston*, TX, Gerald Harris) “‘It is concerning’ | Mayor Turner calls for full assessment after multiple security breaches at IAH” quotes Jacobson on the airport perimeter breach at Houston Intercontinental Airport.

(10 June 2023, *Associated Press*, David Lieb) “Analysis: What makes a fair election? Recent redistricting the most balanced in years” quotes Jacobson on the gerrymandered Illinois House map.

(12 June 2023, *USA Today Network*, Douglas Soule) “‘Wild West’ of AI campaign warfare: DeSantis launches attack ad with fake Fauci images” quotes Jacobson on the use of generative AI in election ads.

(14 June 2023, *New York Post*, Thomas Barrabi) “AI ‘deepfakes’ poised to wreak havoc on 2024 presidential election: experts” quotes Jacobson on the use of generative AI in the leadup to the 2024 presidential election.

(14 June 2023, *Republic-Times*, Andrew Unverferth) “Fact or AI Fiction?” quotes Jacobson on the uses of generative AI and its possible impact on the 2024 presidential election.

(29 June 2023, *Axios*, Michael Mooney) “TSA protocols create security risks, experts say” quotes Jacobson on how people are at risk when terminals must be evacuated due to a security breach.

(4 July 2023, *CNN Business*, Jon Sarlin) “When will the US lift the liquid ban in airports?” interviews Jacobson on when the TSA liquid ban will be relaxed.

(17 July 2023, *The Other Side of Midnight with Frank Mirano*, 77 WABC, New York, NY) Frank Morano interviews Jacobson on why buying a lottery ticket when the jackpot is large is not a good idea.

(18 August 2023, *Play USA*, JR Duren) “Mega Millions and Powerball are harder than ever to win, Here’s why” quotes Jacobson on why lotteries are not a good way to make money.

(22 August 2023, *NBC 5 Chicago*) “Here’s when daylight saving time ends in the U.S., and when it will return” quotes Jacobson on alternatives to changing clocks twice per year. See also “Here’s when daylight savings time ends in Florida, and when it will return” (17 September 2023, *NBC 6 South Florida*).

(31 August 2023, *WLS 890 AM, Chicago, IL, The Steve Cochran Show*) “Navigating tomorrow’s workplace: The advantages of returning to the office” interviews Jacobson on the value of in-person work, based on his *Chicago Tribune* op-ed.

(5 September 2023, *The 21st Show*, Illinois Public Media) “How is AI Affecting Jobs in Illinois” featured Jacobson as a guest discussing the impact of AI on society.

(12 September 2023, *Need to Know with Jeff Angelo*, IHeart Podcasts) Jacobson is a guest discussing the concerns over “deep fakes” in the next election.

(15 September 2023, *Free for all Friday with David Ayres and Brian McMillan*, WNZ News Radio) Jacobson is a guest discussing “deep fakes” in elections and the impact of AI on society.

(28 September 2023, *Daily Dot*, Phil West) “What is the Powerball jackpot? And how does Powerball work?” references Jacobson’s article on lotteries that appeared in *The Hill*.

(6 October 2023, *The Epoch Times*, Mark Gilman) “Who wins in a labor strike?” quotes Jacobson and his article on the United Auto Worker strike that appeared in *The Hill*.

(16 October 2023, *Voice of America*, Dora Mekouar) "America keeps getting fatter --- These are the heaviest states of all" quotes Jacobson on how the built environment may contribute to the obesity epidemic. See also *Alaska Native News*.

(29 October 2023, *Voice of America*, Dora Mekouar) "How old is too old to lead?" quotes Jacobson on the risks associated with older elected officials.

(30 October 2023, *WGN Radio 720*, John Williams) "U of I professor explains why we should stop changing clocks twice a year" features Jacobson as a guest discussing a simple solution to changing the clocks twice each year.

(1 November 2023, *Chicago Sun Times*) "TSA finds a record 43 firearms in baggage at Midway airport this year" quotes Jacobson on firearms found at airport security checkpoints. See also (2 November 2023, *NBC 5 Chicago*).

(3 November 2023, *Need to Know with Jeff Angelo*, IHeart Podcasts) Jacobson is a guest discussing a simple solution to changing the clocks twice each year (starts at 30:59).

(3 November 2023, *102.3 KMRG*, Tulsa, OK) "A proposal to end daylight saving time permanently, with a half-hour time change" features Jacobson as a guest discussing a simple solution to changing the clocks twice each year.

(5 November 2023, *The Stuph File*, Peter Anthony Holder) Jacobson is a guest discussing a simple solution to changing the clocks twice each year.

(6 November 2023, *FOX 25*, Katie Arata, Oklahoma City, OK) "Health impacts of daylight saving time sparks debate on its necessity" interviews Jacobson discussing a simple solution to changing the clocks twice each year.

(6 November 2023, *94.9 WNZF*, Flagler, FL) "Is Biannual clock adjustments still necessary?" features Jacobson as a guest discussing a simple solution to changing the clocks twice each year.

(16 November 2023, *CBS (News) Money Watch*, Megan Cerullo) "Flights in 2023 are cheaper than last year. Here's how to get the best deals" quotes Jacobson on how to find the best airfares for holiday travel.

(16 November 2023, *The Agenda -- Dubai Eye 103.8*, United Arab Emirate, Georgia Tolley) "Updating airport security" interviews Jacobson on how new technologies and procedures are transforming airport security (begins at 10:45).

(1 December 2023, *The Register*, Brandon Vigliarolo) "Senate bill aims to stop Uncle Sam using facial recognition at airports" quotes Jacobson's article in *The Hill* on facial recognition.

(13 December 2023, *Detroit Free Press*, Keith Owens) "The greatest threat to our democracy just isn't Trump, but how he could get reelected" quotes Jacobson's article in *The Hill* on risks to democracy.

(13 December 2023, *CBS Philadelphia*, Alexandra Simon and Liz Crawford) "TSA sets record for most guns confiscated at Philadelphia International Airport in year" provides commentary from Jacobson on the risks associated with firearms being brought to airport security checkpoints.

(19 December 2023, *Tallahassee Democrat*, Douglas Soule) "Bills on artificial intelligence filed in lead-up to Florida legislative session" quotes Jacobson on the unexpected consequences when AI and law converge.

(3 January 2024, *Air Traffic Technology International*, Paul Willis) "Navigating AI's role in Air Traffic Control" quotes Jacobson's article that appeared in *The Hill*.

(19 January 2024, *Smart Meetings*, Eming Piansay) "Flight safety under scrutiny" interviews Jacobson on the risk of flying in light of the recent midair flight incident on Alaska Airlines.

(29 January 2024, *NextGov*, Edward Graham) “The Transportation Security Administration is planning to expand its facial recognition scanners to more than 400 airports, an agency official said” quotes Jacobson on the benefits of facial recognition to enhance airport security.

(29 January 2024, *Cryptopolitan*, Derrick Clinton) “TSA expands facial recognition technology at U.S. airports” quotes Jacobson on the benefits of facial recognition to enhance airport security.

(30 January 2024, *Newsgram*) “How old is too old to lead?” quotes Jacobson on the risks of having older public officials, based on his op-ed which appeared in *The Hill* (7 September 2023).

(18 February 2024, *New York Times*, Christine Chung) “Facing recognition: Coming to an airport near you” quotes Jacobson on the future of airport security using facial recognition.

(21 February 2024, *Politifact*, David Scibilia) Quotes Jacobson’s essay in *The Hill* (18 January 2023) on a quote by Chuck Schumer about the number of firearms found by the TSA at airport security checkpoints in 2023. Also appeared at *PBS WUFT* (26 February 2024).

(23 February 2024, *The Week*, Justin Klawans) “How AI can – and cannot – be used to help air traffic controllers?” quotes Jacobson’s essay in *The Hill* on the use of AI in air traffic control.

(12 March 2024, *Consumer Affairs*, Kristen Dalli) “TSA is testing out a self-service screening system at Las Vegas.” quotes Jacobson on the new airport screening system being launched at Las Vegas Harry Reid International airport.