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Research Interests:

Since 1992, scientific investigations and method development research have involved improvement in the analysis of pesticides, veterinary drugs, and other contaminants in food and environmental samples. Research has addressed all aspects of the analytical process, including sample processing, preparation, separations, detection, screening, quantification, identification/confirmation, and data processing using many types of analytical techniques applied in novel and useful ways.

Education:

Ph.D. Analytical Chemistry (minor in Environmental Sciences),
Dept. of Chemistry, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, Aug. 1987 - Jan. 1992
B.S. Chemistry, Dept. of Chemistry; University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, Aug. 1983 - May 1987

Selected Awards:

The Analytical Scientist Power List Top 10 Public Defender, 2017

ACS-AGRO Fellow, 2017

NACRW Excellence Award in Sample Preparation (shared), 2015

USDA Secretary's Honor Award (shared), 2014

North Atlantic Area Senior Research Scientist of the Year, 2014

Clarivate Analytics (Thomson Reuters) Highly Cited Researcher, 2014-present

ACS Division of Agrochemicals Award for Innovation in Chemistry of Agriculture, 2012

Journal of Chromatography A Top Cited Article 2010-2011 (shared), 2012

AOAC International Harvey W. Wiley Award, 2011

ARS Outstanding Efforts in Technology Transfer Award (shared), 2009

UCT Excellence in SPE Award (shared), 2007

AOAC International Study Director of the Year, 2007

AOAC International Collaborative Study of the Year, 2007

Fellow of AOAC International, 2006

Honorary Scientist, South Korean National Veterinary Research & Quarantine Service, 2005-06

Eastern Regional Research Center Distinguished Research Scientist of the Year, 2005

AOAC International Study Director of the Year, 2002

AOAC International Collaborative Study of the Year, 2002

Most Interesting Poster Award (shared) at 4th European Pesticide Residue Workshop, 2002

North Atlantic Area Early Career Scientist of the Year, 2000

Beltsville Area Technology Transfer Award, 1997

Invited to Give >125 Talks at Scientific Meetings in >25 countries on 6 continents

Dr. Lehotay has also authored/co-authored >145 scientific publications and >220 scientific abstracts