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Dr. Mahin Khatami immigrated to USA in 1969 after training in Chemistry (BS) and Science Education (MS) in Iran. She received her MA in Biochemistry from SUNY at Buffalo (1977) and Ph.D. in Molecular Biology from the University of Pennsylvania (UPA, 1980). Her postdoctoral framings were in physiology, protein chemistry and immunology at UVA, Fox Chase Cancer Center & UPenn. She became a Faculty of Medicine at Dept. Ophthalmology-UPA until 1992; and in collaboration with a team of scientists, under direction and support of John H Rockey, MD, Ph.D., she quickly earned her supervisory responsibilities on two major projects; cell/molecular biology of diabetic retinopathy/ maculopathy and experimental models of acute and chronic inflammatory diseases. As a junior faculty, she was perhaps a most productive scientist in the country as she published 39 scientific articles and over 60 abstracts in conference proceedings in the

first decade of her academic career. Since 1998, at NCI/NIH, extension of her earlier discoveries on immunobiology of inflammatory diseases became closely relevant to her duties as Program Director-HSA for developing concepts for molecular diagnosis, prevention and therapy of cancer for large clinical trials (Prostate-Long-Colorectal-Ovarian) and designs of cohort clinical studies. Dr. Khatami has lectured internationally; served as scientific judge; consultant to pharmaceutical companies; research advisor; member of professional societies; editorial membership and reviewer activities; symposia organizer; president of Graduate Women In Science, Washington Chapter. Before retiring in 2009, her position title was Assistant Director for Technology Program Development, Office of Technology and Industrial Relations and Program Director-IMAT, Office of Director, NCI/NIH. She is currently Book Editor on Inflammatory Diseases.