

## CURRICULUM VITAE

**Date of Revision:** January 5, 2025

**Name:** Valentina Ivezaj, Ph.D.

**Position:** Associate Professor, Investigator track, Department of Psychiatry

**School:** Yale School of Medicine

### **Education:**

B.A. University of Michigan (Psychology) 2005  
M.S. Eastern Michigan University (Clinical Psychology) 2008  
Ph.D. Eastern Michigan University (Clinical Psychology) 2012  
Post-Doctoral Yale University School of Medicine August 2014

### **Career/Academic Appointments:**

2011-12 Pre-doctoral Psychology Intern, Butler University Consortium, Indianapolis, IN  
2012-14 Post-doctoral Associate, Department of Psychiatry, Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, CT  
2014-2018 Associate Research Scientist, Department of Psychiatry, Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, CT  
2018-2024 Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Yale School of Medicine

### **Administrative Positions:**

2019-present Director of Obesity and Bariatric Research Initiatives, Program for Obesity, Weight, and Eating Research, Department of Psychiatry, Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, CT  
2019-present Associate Director of Assessment Training and Research, Program for Obesity, Weight, and Eating Research, Department of Psychiatry, Yale School of Medicine, New Haven, CT

### **Professional Honors & Recognition:**

#### **International/National/Regional**

2016: National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Program-Clinical Research  
2017: The Obesity Society (TOS) Bariatric Surgery Section Award  
2017: The Obesity Society (TOS) Rolls-Simons Travel Award  
2018: National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Program Renewal-Clinical Research  
2018: The Obesity Society (TOS) Bariatric Surgery Section Award  
2019: The Obesity Society (TOS) Bariatric Surgery Section Award  
2020: National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Program Renewal-Clinical Research  
2023: The International Federation for the Surgery of Obesity (IFSO) Integrated Health Scholarship

**Grant/Clinical Trials History:**

**Current Grants**

Agency: NIH/NIDDK

I.D.# R01DK125650-01A1

Title: “Behavioral and pharmacologic treatments to enhance weight outcomes after metabolic and bariatric surgery”

P.I.: Valentina Ivezaj, Ph.D.

Percent effort: 40%

Total costs for project period: \$3,366,841 (include \$1,356,786 indirect costs)

Project period: 07/19/2021 – 06/30/2026

Agency: NIH/National Institute of General Medical Sciences

I.D.# 1 P20 GM134969

Title: “Center for Biobehavioral Mechanisms of Eating Behavior”

P.I.: Scott Engel, Ph.D.

Role on Project: Assessment Consultant

Percent Effort: 0 (Independent/Consultant)

Total annual costs: \$11,511,625 (Sanford Health)

Project Period: 4/1/21-2/28/26

Agency: NIH/NIDDK

ID#: R01 DK126637

Title: “Using a SMART design to examine pharmacological and behavioral treatments to treat loss-of-control eating and improve weight outcomes after metabolic and bariatric surgery”

P.I.: Carlos M. Grilo, Ph.D.

Role on Project: Co-Investigator

Percent effort: 37.5%

Total costs for project period: \$3,476,993 (includes \$1,401,176 indirect costs)

Project period: 09/22/2020 – 08/31/2025

Agency: NIH/NIDDK

ID#: R01 DK114075

Title: “Cognitive-behavioral and pharmacologic treatment of binge eating disorder”

P.I.: Carlos M. Grilo, Ph.D.

Role on Project: Project coordinator

Percent effort: 11.5%

Total costs for project period: \$3,572,024 (includes \$1,439,472 indirect costs)

Project period: 08/01/2018 – 06/30/2025 (NCE)

**Past Grants**

Agency: NIH/NIDDK

ID#: R01 DK121551

Title: “Neurocognitive fMRI mechanisms of CBT and lisdexamfetamine outcomes in obesity and BED”

P.I.: Carlos M. Grilo, Ph.D. and Marc Potenza (M.D., Ph.D.)

Role on Project: Doctoral collaborator and project coordinator

Percent effort: 10%

Total costs for project period: \$2,386,335 (includes \$961,657 indirect costs)  
Project period: 09/01/2019– 08/31/2024 (NCE)

Agency: American Psychological Foundation

I.D.# Established Investigator Grant

Title: “A Behavioral Treatment with Sequenced Adjunctive Pharmacotherapy for Weight Regain After Bariatric Surgery: A Pilot Study”

P.I.: Valentina, Ivezaj, Ph.D.

Percent effort: 1%

Total costs for project period: \$20,000

Project period: 2/12/2021 – 2/11/2023

Agency: NIH/NIDDK

ID#: R01 DK049587

Title: “Behavioral and Pharmacologic Treatment of Binge Eating and Obesity”

P.I.: Carlos M. Grilo, Ph.D.

Role on Project: Postdoctoral Associate

Percent effort: 50%

Total costs for project period: \$8,536,092 (includes \$3,348,424 indirect costs)

Project period: 08/01/1996 – 08/31/2021

Agency: Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University

I.D.# Established Investigator Grant

Title: “Weight Loss Surgery and the Development of Addictive Disorders”

Co-P.I.: Valentina Ivezaj, Ph.D. and Stephanie Sogg, Ph.D.

Total costs for project period: \$25,268

Project period: 2018

Agency: Aesthetic Surgery Education and Research Foundation

I.D. #: Established Investigator Grant

Title: “Body Contouring and Bariatric Surgery: Effects on Obesity-Related and Psychosocial Impairment”

P.I.: Valentina Ivezaj, Ph.D.

Percent effort: 1%

Total costs for project period: \$13,046

Project period: 07/01/2016-6/30/2020

Agency: NIH/NIDDK

I.D.# K24 DK070052

Title: “Mid-Career Investigator Award in Eating and Weight Disorders”

P.I.: Carlos Grilo, Ph.D.

Total costs for project period: \$1,433,772 (includes \$106,205 indirect costs)

Role on Project: Postdoctoral Associate

Project Period: 7/1/2005-6/30/2017

Agency: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation

I.D. #: Established Investigator Grant (Student Award Program Proposal)

Title: “Risk Factors for the Development of Substance Use Disorders among Post-Bariatric Surgery Patients”

P.I.: Valentina Ivezaj, Ph.D.  
Percent effort: 100%  
Total costs for project period: \$3,000  
Project period: 2010-2011

**Invited Speaking Engagements, Presentations, Symposia & Workshops Not Affiliated with Yale:**

**International/National**

- 2016: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Invited Speaker: “Assessment and Treatment of Loss-of-Control Eating Following Bariatric Surgery”
- 2017: The Obesity Society, Washington D.C., Invited Co-Chair and Moderator: “Opioids, Obesity and Bariatric Surgery”
- 2020: Sanford Research, University of North Dakota, Invited Virtual Speaker: “Disordered Eating and Bariatric Surgery: Measurement and Assessment”
- 2020: Endocrine Society, Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Invited Speaker (Canceled due to Pandemic): “Unintended Consequences of Bariatric Surgery”
- 2020: The Obesity Society, Invited Chair and Moderator: “Becoming the Patient Whisperer Addressing Challenging Topics in Weight Management With Your Patients.”
- 2021: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Annual Meeting, Invited Virtual Speaker: “It’s Both/And: Classifying Binge and Loss of Control Eating after Bariatric Surgery”
- 2021: Endocrine Society, Annual Meeting, Invited Virtual Speaker: “Unintended Consequences of Bariatric Surgery: Highs and Lows in Management of Post-Bariatric Surgery Patients”
- 2022: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Annual Meeting, Invited Virtual Speaker: “Behavioral and Cognitive Behavioral Treatments for Loss-of-Control Eating after Bariatric Surgery: 24-Month Follow-Up Findings from Randomized Controlled Trial
- 2022: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Dallas, TX, Invited Director and Moderator: “Innovative Approaches: Patient Optimization for Pre and Post Surgery Weight Loss”
- 2023: Optum Bariatric Expert Panel, Invited Virtual Speaker and Panelist, “Preoperative Bariatric Surgery Psychological Evaluations”
- 2023: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, Invited Speaker: “Clinical and Research Assessments Methods in Bariatric Behavioral Health: Eating Behavior”
- 2023: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, Invited Speaker: “Let’s Get Physical: Weight Bias, Body Image, and Physical Activity”
- 2023: American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Las Vegas, NV., Invited Director and Moderator: “Innovative and Complementary Approaches to Optimizing the Bariatric Surgery Experience”
- 2023: Swedish Obesity Conference, Annual Meeting, Stockholm, Sweden, Invited Speaker: “Eating Disorders and Obesity”
- 2023: International Federation for the Surgery of Obesity (IFSO), Napoli, Italy, Invited Speaker: “The Importance of Multidisciplinary Care in Optimizing Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Outcomes”

**Regional**

- 2012: St. Francis Health, Indianapolis, IN, Speaker, “Body Image and Bariatric Surgery”
- 2014: Pain Research, Informatics, Multimorbidities and Education Center, VA CT

Healthcare System, Speaker, “Alcohol and Substance Misuse Following Bariatric Surgery”

- 2014: Integrated Primary Care Center, VA CT Healthcare System, Speaker, “Substance Use Following Bariatric Surgery”
- 2016: 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Virginia Beal Conference, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Keynote Speaker: “What is Food Addiction? Empirical Evidence and Treatment Implications”
- 2020: New England Weight Management Institute, Obesity Medicine, Internal Medicine, Manchester, NH, Speaker: Binge-Eating Disorder: Assessment, Treatment, and Implications for Bariatric Surgery”
- 2023: Association for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Connecticut State Chapter, Ledyard, CT, Speaker: “Loss-of-Control Eating after Bariatric Surgery”

### **Peer-Reviewed Presentations & Symposia Given at Meetings Not Affiliated with Yale:**

#### **International/National** *(all first author except for senior author on last reference)*

- 2005: Annual Meeting, American Psychological Society, Los Angeles, CA: “Distinguishing optimism and pessimism in middle-aged adults.”
- 2007: Annual Meeting, Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Philadelphia PA: “Do predictors of binge eating differ by gender and race?”
- 2008: Annual Meeting, Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Orlando, FL: “Behavioral and environmental predictors of binge eating: The power of the power of food scale.”
- 2009: Annual Meeting, Society of Behavioral Medicine, Montreal, Quebec: “Mediators of the relationship between weight problem perception and binge eating.”
- 2010: Annual Meeting, American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Las Vegas, NV: “Why are post-bariatric patients in substance abuse treatment? Patients’ perceptions of etiology and future recommendations.”
- 2011: Annual Meeting, Obesity Summit, Cleveland, OH: “Family history of substance abuse predicts percent excess weight loss in bariatric patients.”
- 2011: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Orlando, FL: “An examination of psychological risk factors for the development of substance abuse among post-bariatric patients.”
- 2011: Annual Meeting, Society of Behavioral Medicine, Washington, DC: “Medical and psychological predictors of bariatric surgery completion.”
- 2012: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, San Antonio, TX: “Differences between bariatric patients with and without problematic alcohol use seven years post-surgery.”
- 2013: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Atlanta, GA: “An examination of weight bias among treatment-seeking obese patients with and without binge eating disorder.”
- 2014: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Boston, MA: “The utility and validity of the Beck Depression Inventory in weight loss surgery patients.”
- 2014: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Boston, MA: “Racial/ethnic comparisons of weight loss treatment utilization among treatment-seeking patients with obesity and binge eating disorder.”
- 2015: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Los Angeles, CA: “Examining binge eating disorder and food addiction in individuals with overweight and obesity.”
- 2015: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Los Angeles, CA: “Food addiction and treatment outcomes in patients with obesity and binge eating disorder.”
- 2016: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, New Orleans, LA: “Examining food addiction in sleeve gastrectomy patients with loss-of-control eating.”
- 2016: Annual Meeting, Academy of Eating Disorders, San Francisco, CA: “Loss of control

- eating and overvaluation of weight and shape following sleeve gastrectomy.”
- 2016: Annual Meeting, Academy of Eating Disorders, San Francisco, CA: “Comparison of binge eating disorder, food addiction, and overweight/obesity in a community sample.”
- 2017: Annual Meeting, Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Diego, CA: “Racial differences in dieting history among individuals with loss-of-control eating following bariatric surgery.” (Awarded/accepted for behavioral medicine SIG)
- 2017: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Oxon Hill, MD: “Psychiatric disorders in sleeve gastrectomy patients: Diagnostic interview findings and significance.” (Awarded TOS citation for bariatric section posters)
- 2017: Annual Meeting, The Obesity Society, Oxon Hill, MD: “Examining weight bias in bariatric surgery patients with and without binge-eating disorder.”
- 2018: Annual Meeting, International Conference on Eating Disorders, Chicago, IL: “Racial differences in weight loss outcomes and eating-disorder psychopathology among patients with loss-of-control eating following sleeve gastrectomy surgery.”
- 2018: Annual Meeting, International Conference on Eating Disorders, Chicago, IL: “Overvaluation of weight or shape among patients with loss-of-control eating following sleeve gastrectomy.”
- 2018: Annual Meeting, International Conference on Eating Disorders, Chicago, IL: “Food addiction among Spanish-speaking Latinos/as residing in the United States.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, International Conference on Eating Disorders, New York, NY: “Does Bariatric Binge Eating Size Matter: Preliminary Findings from a Post-Operative Treatment-Seeking Group with Loss-of-Control Eating.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, International Conference on Eating Disorders, New York, NY: “Disordered Eating Following Bariatric Surgery: Measurement and Assessment.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, International Conference on Eating Disorders, New York, NY: “The Relationship between Food Addiction, Eating-Disorder Psychopathology, and Weight among Latino/as Seeking Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Nashville, TN: “Discrimination and Correlates among Spanish- and/or English-Speaking Latinx Adults Seeking Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Nashville, TN: “Disordered Eating After Bariatric Surgery: Clinical and Research Considerations-Measurement and Assessment Considerations.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Nashville, TN: “Language Matters: Patients’ Preferred Terms for Discussing Obesity and Binge Eating with Health Care Providers After Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, ObesityWeek The Obesity Society, Nashville, TN: “A Randomized Controlled Trial of Treatments for Loss-of-Control Eating Following Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2019: Annual Meeting, ObesityWeek The Obesity Society, Nashville, TN: “Functional Impairment Due to Weight and Eating Concerns Following Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2020: Annual Meeting, Eating Disorders Research Society, Virtual: “A Randomized Controlled Trial of Treatments for Loss-of-Control Eating Following Bariatric surgery: 12-month Follow-up.”
- 2020: Annual Meeting, Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction, San Diego, CA (Canceled due to Pandemic): “Addiction as an Addiction as a Syndrome: A Consideration of Unique Examples and Assessment.”
- 2020: Annual Meeting, ObesityWeek The Obesity Society, Canceled due to Pandemic. “12-Month Follow-Up of RCT Testing Treatments for Loss-of-Control Eating Following Bariatric Surgery.”

- 2020: Annual Meeting, ObesityWeek The Obesity Society, Canceled due to Pandemic. “Examining the Utility of Three Depression Screening Measures after Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2021: Annual Meeting, American Society of Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Virtual: “Bio-Behavioral Underpinnings of Eating Pathology after Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2021: Annual Meeting, Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction, Virtual: “Objection of Object Substitution: The Case Against Substituting Food for Alcohol Following Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2022: Annual Meeting, ObesityWeek The Obesity Society, San Diego, CA: “Psychiatric comorbidity and long-term weight and psychosocial outcomes after bariatric surgery.”
- 2022: Annual Meeting, ObesityWeek The Obesity Society, San Diego, CA: “24-Month Follow up of Randomized Treatment Trial for Loss-of-Control Eating After Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2023: Annual Meeting, American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Las Vegas, NV: “Body Contouring Following Bariatric Surgery: A Prospective Examination of Psychosocial and Medical Impairment.”
- 2023: Annual Meeting, American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Las Vegas, NV: “Hair Loss/Thinning and Associated Correlates and Distress Following Bariatric Surgery.”
- 2023: Annual Meeting, American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Las Vegas, NV: “Weight Bias Internalization in Patients Seeking Body Contouring after Bariatric Surgery.” **Senior author; awarded top ten abstracts**

### Regional

- 2014: YCCI All Scholars Retreat, New Haven, CT: “Comparing weight gain in the year prior to treatment for overweight and obese patients with and without binge eating disorder.”
- 2021: Yale Post-doctoral Symposium, New Haven, CT: “Body-image concerns and associated impairment among adults seeking body contouring following bariatric surgery.” **Senior author**

### Professional Service

#### Peer Review Groups/Grant Study Sections:

- 2024 NIH: SEP Member R13, Clinical Psychology, Obesity Interventions, and Eating Disorders Review, NIH/NIDDK

#### Journal Service:

##### Editorial Board

- 2015-2018 *Eating Behavior, Specialty of Frontiers in Nutrition, Psychiatry, and Psychology*
- 2017-2020 *Psychology of Addictive Behaviors*
- 2017-present *Obesity Surgery*
- 2018-2022 *Eating Behaviors*
- 2018-2021 Section Co-Editor of Psychological Issues, *Current Obesity Reports*
- 2021-present *Eating and Weight Disorders*
- 2021-present *Surgery for Obesity and Related Diseases*

##### Reviewer

- 2013-present Reviewer for *Appetite, Behavior Research and Therapy, International Journal of Eating Disorders, International Journal of Obesity, Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings, Journal of Men’s Health, Nutrition Research, Obesity, Preventive Medicine*

**Professional Service for Professional Organizations:**

***The Obesity Society***

2012-present Member  
2016 Treasurer/Secretary of the Bariatric Surgery Section  
2017 Vice-Chair of the Bariatric Surgery Section  
2018-present Chair of the Bariatric Surgery Section  
2021-present Invited Member, Education Committee

***Academy of Eating Disorders***

2016-present Member  
2021-22 Chair of the Bariatric Surgery Special Interest Group

***American Psychological Association***

2018-20 Member of the Committee on Human Research  
2021-22 Co-Chair of the Committee on Human Research

***American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery***

2019-present Member  
2023-present Invited Member, Master's in Behavioral Health Committee  
2024-present Co-Director, Master's in Behavioral Health Committee

***Meeting Planning/Participation***

2023 Invited Member, Committee on Master's in Behavioral Health, Conference Planning and Abstract Reviews

***Past Committee Membership***

2004-2006 Southeastern Psychological Association  
2004-2010 American Psychological Society  
2007-2010 Michigan Psychological Association  
2008-2010 Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies  
2009-2010 Michigan Bariatric Society  
2009-2010 Society of Behavioral Medicine

**Public Service:**

2013 Volunteer, Yale New Haven Hospital, Pediatric Oncology  
2014 Dissertation Committee, Dept. Psychology, Eastern Michigan University  
2015 Dissertation Committee, Dept. Psychology, Eastern Michigan University  
2017 Dissertation Committee, Dept. Psychology, Eastern Michigan University  
2018 Featured Expert, Podcast, Loss-of-control Eating after Bariatric Surgery  
2021 Walk From Obesity, Y-Weight Warriors

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8. **Ivezaj, V.**, Kalebjian, R., Grilo, C. M., and Barnes, R. D. Comparing weight gain in the year prior to treatment for overweight and obese patients with and without binge eating disorder. *Journal of Psychosomatic Research* 2014, 77:151-154.
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13. Grilo, C. M., **Ivezaj, V.**, White, M. A. Evaluation of the DSM-5 severity indicator for bulimia nervosa. *Behavior Research and Therapy* 2015, 67:41-44.
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21. **Ivezaj, V.**, White, M. A., & Grilo, C. M. Examining binge-eating disorder and food addiction in adults with overweight and obesity. *Obesity* 2016, 24:2064-2069.
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24. **Ivezaj, V.**, Kessler, E., Lydecker, J. A., Barnes, R. D., White, M. A., Grilo, C. M. Loss-of-control eating following sleeve gastrectomy surgery. *Surgery for Obesity and Related Diseases* 2017, 13:392-398.
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