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Dr. Klein is past-president of the North American Association for the Study of Obesity and the American Society for Clinical Nutrition, and inaugural chair of the Integrative Physiology of Obesity and Diabetes NIH study section. He was elected to the American Society for Clinical Investigation in 1996 and to the American Association of Physicians in 2008. Dr. Klein has had consistent R01 funding from the NIH since 1990, and has published more than 400 papers in nutrition, metabolism, and obesity. He has received numerous awards for his research, including the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) Miles and Shirley Fiterman Foundation Award in Nutrition, the AGA Masters Award for Outstanding Achievement in Basic or Clinical Research in Digestive Sciences, the AGA Obesity, Metabolism & Nutrition Research Mentor Award, the Academy of Science-St. Louis Award for Outstanding Achievement in Science, the American Society for Nutrition Robert H. Herman Award, and The Obesity Society TOPS Research Achievement Award and George A. Bray Founders Award.

Dr. Klein's research activities are focused on understanding the mechanisms responsible for metabolic dysfunction associated with obesity, particularly nonalcoholic fatty liver disease, and the therapeutic effects of weight loss. Dr. Klein is also committed to training young investigators and clinicians in nutrition and obesity and has provided mentorship to 43 trainees in clinical and translational metabolic research.