## **SfRBM Featured Woman in Science**

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**Research Interests:** Mechanisms by which reactive oxygen species (ROS) and reactive nitrogen species (RNS) contribute to normal tissue injury and cancer formation. (Research webpage)

**How I fell in love with redox chemistry/biology in medicine:** The fascinating roles of redox chemistry and biology in health and diseases were introduced to me by my mentor, the late Dr. Larry Oberley.

Best advice you have ever received: Being a scholar is more important than being popular.

**Pet peeves in science:** Insufficient resources to support good science.

## Three things people may not know about me:

- 1) My successes came from modeling role models.
- 2) I have never promoted a woman of inadequate quality for the job.
- 3) Study bird's brain is on my to do list.