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disability process model: A cross-sectional study of the oldest-old. *European

and psychosocial variables from the Disablement Process Model predict patterns of
change in disability for the oldest-old. *Gerontologist, 47*, 613-624.
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**REFERRED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS AT NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC
CONFERENCES (since starting at USU)**


November). Beyond grip strength: Associations between fine motor ADL
performance and cognitive ability in a non-demented sample of older adults. Paper
symposium presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of
America, Washington, DC.

motor learning between distinct functional upper extremity tasks in older adults.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA.

Ernst-Bravell, M., Fauth, E. B., Gerstorf, D., & Ram, N. (2011, November). *The role of
gender in age-related changes of objective and subjective function.* Poster
presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of America, Boston,
MA.

Fauth, E. B., Ernst-Bravell, M., Gerstorf, D. & Ram, N. (2011, November). *Level and
development in objective and subjective functional ability predict institutionalization and
mortality.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Gerontological Society of
America, Boston, MA.

Fauth, E. B., Schwartz, S., Smith, K., Tschanz, J., Østbye, T., Corcoran, C. & Norton,
M. C. (2011, November). *Baseline functional disability predicts dementia risk even
after controlling for cognitive status.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the
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**REFEREED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES (since starting at USU)**

Dahl, A., Fauth, E. B., Gerstorf, D., & Ram, N. (2012, May). *Both high body mass index and increase in BMI are associated with survival in the very old.* Poster presented at the Nordic Congress for Gerontology, Copenhagen, Denmark.

**SCHOLARLY RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS AT REGIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCES**


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*Psychosocial and Functional Lability in Old Age: Understanding Multidimensional Aspects of Aging, Disablement, and Dying*  
This research combined four existing longitudinal Swedish data sets to explore whether five key biopsychosocial functions of late life are best represented by aging, disablement, or mortality processes. The study also predicted different pathways of change within these domains, and introduced a new methodological method for observing pathways of change over time. Gerstorf and Ram served as co-investigators at Penn State University.

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