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Dr. Hruska's research has evolved from basic bone cell biology to a focus on the kidney and skeletal contributions to cardiovascular morbidity associated with kidney disease. He has uncovered how kidney injury/disease impairs skeletal function, and an important relationship between the skeleton and vascular calcification in early chronic kidney disease, the time for life-saving intervention.

A graduate of Creighton University and Creighton University School of Medicine, Dr. Hruska did his internship and residency at New York Hospital-Cornell University. His distinguished career with Washington University began as a post-doctoral trainee in the Renal Division, where he continues to practice and teach today.

He is the recipient of many prestigious awards and honors, including: Fellow, National Kidney Foundation, established investigator of American Heart Association, and held the Ira M. Lang Chair in Nephrology until switching from medicine to pediatrics in 2001. He is director of pediatric nephrology at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

In addition to his many articles in peer-reviewed publications, he has served as editor of *American Journal of Physiology Renal Fluid and Electrolyte Physiology*; editor of *Calcified Tissue International*, and is currently on the editorial board of the *Journal of Biological Chemistry*.

Along with his long-standing involvement in the ASBMR as a founding member, he is a member of the Association of American Physicians, American Society of Clinical Investigation, and American Societies of Nephrology and Pediatric Nephrology.