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Greetings to the Howard University Family and Friends:

With great pleasure, I welcome you to Howard University's Research Week 2017, April 10-14. This week provides a wonderful opportunity to showcase the multiplicity of cross-disciplinary and groundbreaking research that has earned the University its unique reputation among institutions of higher education for many years.

As part of its mission and core values, Howard University continues to engage all of its students, faculty, and staff in an ecology- research environment that will lead to the next generation of innovators, allows for sustainable collaborations, moves toward measurable outcomes, and creates new work spaces and industries.

Over 550 faculty, students, and postdocs from the thirteen schools and colleges comprise this year's Research Symposium participants. I congratulate each of the presenters for their excellent presentations, as well as for their willingness to share their accomplishments. I hope that the Research Symposium will strengthen current partnerships, and spark new and further collaborations among your colleagues in the coming years.

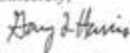
I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the Research Week's keynote speaker, Dr. Valerie Wilson, Director of the Economic Policy Institute's Program on Race, Ethnicity, and the Economy. Her presentation, "Black-white wage gaps expand with rising inequality," was very enlightening.

We are also grateful for the generous support and partnership of our sponsors, the National Science Foundation's HU ADVANCE-IT, Georgetown-Howard Universities Center for Clinical and Translation Science (GHUCCTS), and Liberal Arts Diversity Officers (LADO).

Additionally, I am deeply appreciative of the work of the judges, moderators, and many volunteers who represent a wide range of disciplines and expertise both external to and within the University community. I also thank the Research Symposium Committee for their commitment and dedication to ensuring the success of this event.

Again, I extend warm greetings and gratitude for your contributions to a successful Research Week.

Sincerely,



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

DR. VALERIE RAWLSTON WILSON

Dr. Valerie Rawlston Wilson is the Director of the Economic Policy Institute's Program on Race, Ethnicity, and the Economy (PREE), a nationally recognized source for expert reports and policy analyses on the economic condition of America's people of color. Prior to joining EPI, Wilson was an economist and vice president of research at the National Urban League Policy Institute in Washington, D.C., where she was responsible for planning and directing the Policy Institute's research agenda. She has written extensively on various issues impacting economic inequality in the United States—including employment and training, income and wealth disparities, access to higher education, and social insurance—and has also appeared in print, television, and radio media. In 2010, through the State Department's Bureau of International Information Programs, she was selected to deliver the keynote address at an event on Minority Economic Empowerment at the Nobel Peace Center in Oslo, Norway. In 2011, Wilson served on a National Academies Panel on Measuring and Collecting Pay Information from U.S. Employers by Gender, Race, and National Origin.



Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

HOWARD UNIVERSITY RESEARCH WEEK

April 10-14, 2017

ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

MONDAY, APRIL 10

Research Week Kickoff

- 10:00 AM Research Week Keynote
Valerie Rawlston Wilson, Ph.D.
Black-White Wage Gaps Expand With Rising Inequality
Director, Race, Ethnicity, and the Economy
Economic Policy Institute
Interdisciplinary Research Building, Multipurpose Room
- 12:00 PM National Merit Award Reception & Fulbright Research
Presentations
Gallery Lounge, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

Engaging Faculty in Research

- 10:00 AM Inside-Out with Dr. Bahiyyah Muhammad
Ballroom, Armour J. Blackburn University Center
- 2:00PM A Showcase of Research by HU-ADVANCE-IT
Mini Grant recipients
Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building

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ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Research Discussion

- 8:00 AM Addressing Contemporary Issues for Africans and African Americans in the Curriculum
Digital Auditorium, Armour J. Blackburn University Center
- 9:00 AM Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (SYLFF) Session
Gallery Lounge, Armour J. Blackburn University Center
- 9:00 AM Team Science Symposium
Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building
- 11:00AM Forum on Contributions of Business Research to Entrepreneurship Success
Reading Room, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Showcasing Research & Scholarly Activities

- 7:30 AM Research Symposium Registration & Continental Breakfast
Ballroom, Armour J. Blackburn University Center
- 8:30 AM Greetings and Opening Remarks
- 9:00 AM Oral and Poster Presentations
- 12:00 PM Lunch – Liberal Arts Diversity Officers
- 1:15 PM Oral and Poster Presentations
- 4:30 PM Closing

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

Celebrating Research at Howard University

- 1:00 PM From Research to Careers in Academia – Liberal Arts Diversity Officers
Gallery Lounge, Armour J. Blackburn University Center
- 2:00 PM Research Awards & 2017 Women in STEM Researcher of the Year Award
Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building

ACTIVITIES IN DETAIL

MONDAY, APRIL 10

Research Week Kickoff

10:00 AM Research Week Keynote

*Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building
Dr. Valerie Wilson – Director, Program on Race, Ethnicity, and the Economy*

Economic Policy Institute’s Dr. Valerie Rawlston Wilson will speak about rising economic inequality in the United States. Dr. Wilson is a national policy expert on economic inequality and people of color. She directs EPI’s Program on Race, Ethnicity, and the Economy. The title of her remarks will be “Black-White Wage Gaps Expand with Rising Inequality.”

12:00 PM National Merit Award Reception & Fulbright Research Presentations

Gallery Lounge, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

Howard University seniors and graduate students selected as winners and semi-finalists for the U.S. Fulbright Student Program will present their proposed research and planned academic studies abroad for the 2017-2018 academic year. Following the research presentations, all 2017 Howard University national prestigious scholarship award winners and finalists will receive award recognition for their upcoming research and studies abroad, including recipients and finalists of the Fulbright, Marshall, Rangel, Rhodes and Schwarzman Scholarships. Food and refreshments will be provided for lunch, buffet-style, throughout the research presentations and awards ceremony.

ACTIVITIES IN DETAIL

TUESDAY, APRIL 11

Engaging Faculty in Research

10:00 AM **Inside-Out with Dr. Bahiyyah Muhammad**
Ballroom, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

Dr. Bahiyyah Muhammad, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology & Criminology, will headline a three-part symposium discussing her three Inside-Out Courses taught at Howard University Prisons Inside Out (dealing with incarceration), Juvenile Inside Out (dealing with Juvenile Detention Centers) and Policing Inside-Out (dealing with creating a model to build and maintain community-police trust) and taught in partnership with the International Association of Chiefs of Police – IACP). The Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program, founded in 1997 at Temple University, was based on the simple hypothesis that incarcerated men and women and college students might mutually benefit from studying crime, justice, and related social issues together as peers. The Inside Out Courses create a dynamic partnership between institutions of higher learning and police departments, correctional systems and juvenile detention centers to deepen the conversation about contemporary incarceration and policing in America and transform educational approaches to understanding crime, justice, freedom, inequality, and other issues of social concern. The symposium will address (a) issues of crime and justice from the context of a correctional facility; (b) arrest, incarceration, re-entry and re-incarceration; (c) trust, communication and transformation as experienced by “Inside” and “Outside” students in the three courses; (d) 21st Century Policing and social justice issues; (e) best practices to build trust between law enforcement and their communities. Perspectives, Insight, Best Practices and Lessons Learned from Law Enforcement, Howard University Students and Faculty, Community Members and representatives from the DC Department of Corrections and Local Youth Development Centers will be presented during the symposium.

2:00 PM **A Showcase of Research by HU-ADVANCE-IT**
Mini Grant recipients
Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building

Over the past five years, HU ADVANCE-IT has provided seed funding to women in STEM researchers in the form of \$10,000 mini grants. The purpose of our mini grant program is to have an immediate impact on women faculty in STEM’s access to discretionary funds for research. These funds were meant to be used to catalyze collaborations, to attend meetings, and to provide bridge funding for research in between research grant awards. This symposium will showcase the research by the most recent cohort of mini-grant recipients and discuss how these funds were leveraged for larger sponsored research awards.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12

Research Discussion

8:00 AM Addressing Contemporary Issues for Africans and African Americans in the Curriculum

Digital Auditorium, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

Jessica Onuzo will briefly present the life, education and work of scientist Marie Maynard Daly and mathematician Dudley Weldon Woodard. Why is this important? Even though there are, and have been African American scholars throughout history, the works of African Americans still remain invisible in the STEM curriculum. Students might learn about African Americans in Civics courses but are pleasantly surprised to learn that the famous names that they might have heard of have significant STEM achievements attached to them. Presentation will be followed by a panel discussion.

9:00 AM Ryoichi Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund (SYLFF) Session

Gallery Lounge, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

The SYLFF is a competitive and merit-based prestigious award designed to provide full financial support to our outstanding Ph.D. students admitted to candidacy with a research concentration in international affairs and world peace. The SYLFF program aims to identify and nurture leaders who will overcome differences such as nationality, language, ethnicity, religion, and political systems to tackle global issues, and whose high integrity and drive in addressing the issues unique to their respective countries can make a real difference. In this session, current SYLFF fellows will present their research and talk about their experience as a SYLFF fellow. Presentations will be followed by discussion with the audience. Dr. Mika Kato (Economics) will moderate the session.

9:00 AM Team Science Symposium

Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building

The 2017 Team Science Symposium hosted by Howard University Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMI) Program will be held from 9:00am to 1:00pm in the Interdisciplinary Research Building (IRB). This year's symposium will focus on building and sustaining basic science collaborations with industry partners and on successfully navigating clinical trials at Howard University. In the afternoon, please join the RCMI Program for light refreshments at their Networking Reception at 3:00 pm in the Interdisciplinary Research Building (IRB) as they present new program initiatives and interactive website. Faculty from all schools and colleges are welcome to attend.

11:00 AM **Forum on Contributions of Business Research to
Entrepreneurship Success**
Reading Room, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

This forum will facilitate discussion with Howard University School of Business scholars whose research contributes to entrepreneurship success. With the first look at research from the School of Business, the goal is to build a network of researchers across the schools and colleges at Howard University to enhance interdisciplinary research on entrepreneurship from multiple facets to meet the needs of the entrepreneurial community. A panel of School of Business faculty will highlight key findings from his/her research that can be applied to the strategic and operational decision making of entrepreneurs across industries. The discussion also will include ideas for future research needed by entrepreneurs to enhance the realization of their vision.

THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Showcasing Research & Scholarly Activities

The Annual Research Symposium is the highlight of Howard University Research Week 2017. During the research symposium, students, faculty, and research staff will discuss their research findings with each other, external visitors from various federal agencies, private industry, and surrounding universities. Prizes will be awarded for winning presentations in several categories.

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- 4:30 PM** **Closing**

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

Celebrating Research at Howard University

**1:00 PM From Research to Careers in Academia – Liberal Arts
Diversity Officers**

Gallery Lounge, Armour J. Blackburn University Center

“The event culminates University-wide Research Week from April 10-14, is titled, “From Research to Careers in Academia.” The purpose of the event is to provide an opportunity for Ph.D. students and recent graduates to explore faculty career opportunities at some of the nation’s most prestigious liberal arts colleges. A panel of faculty and administrators with representation from a variety of disciplines will discuss the following:

- What a career at a liberal arts college looks like from the perspective of expectations and resources for teaching, scholarship, and service -- any questions you may have
- More than 100 tenure track faculty opportunities for 2017
- How to help you navigate your graduate and post-doctoral career
- How to put together an application, how to decide if a liberal arts college is right for you, and anything else you can think of

Graduate and undergraduate students will have the opportunity to network with representatives from Liberal Arts colleges. Representatives will present on faculty and research opportunities at their respective institutions. For those who are not currently looking for research or faculty opportunities, this would still be a great opportunity to make some valuable contacts for future employment.

If you have any interest, even if you don’t think you’ll be ready to apply in the very near future, come talk with us and learn more about our institutions.

**2:00 PM Research Awards & 2017 Women in STEM
Researcher of the Year Award**

Multipurpose Room, Interdisciplinary Research Building

Announcement of 2017 Research Award Winners and the 2017 Women in STEM Researcher of the Year Award.

Howard University Research Symposium

Blackburn Center

Thursday, April 13, 2017

PROGRAM

7:30 – 8:30 AM

Registration & Continental Breakfast

2nd Floor of Blackburn Center

8:30 – 8:50AM

Greetings

Anthony K. Wutoh, Ph.D., R.Ph.

Provost & Chief Academic Officer

Opening Remarks

Gary L. Harris, Ph.D., PE

Associate Provost for Research and Graduate Studies

Presentations

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Poster Presentations

Physical Sciences &
Engineering
Translational & Clinical
Sciences
Biological & Biomedical
Sciences

Oral Presentations

Humanities
Social Sciences
Business
Creative Arts & Design
Ethics, Law & Religion
Education & Outreach

1:15 PM – 4:30 PM

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Physical Sciences &
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Biological & Biomedical
Sciences

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

SESSION I

9:00AM-10:00AM | ROOM 150 | BUSINESS

Rajni Goel, Senior Faculty

In Pursuit of Greater Social Capital: Customizing Online Relationships for a Return on Investment

Anupam Kumar, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Top management team composition and environmental performance

Chinwe Obodo, Undergraduate Student

The Scramble for Africa: An Investigation of Neocolonialism and the Rise of Chinese Economic Influence within Africa

Amanda Scott, Undergraduate Student

Measuring the Effectiveness of Product Placement Among Millennial Audiences

9:00AM-10:00AM | GALLERY LOUNGE | EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Beverly Booker ammah, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Exploring the Efficacy of International Service Learning to U.S. College Student Development and Community Needs in Ghana among Students of Color

Bernard Kwabi-addo, Senior Faculty

Why Cancer Prevention and Early Detection Must be Priority

Nea Maloo, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

The shades of Green - Analysis of the different building certifications/labels for green certifications, cost analysis

Charles Verharen, Senior Faculty

Howard University's Next 50 Years: Research and Teaching for the Bicentennial

9:00AM-10:00AM | ROOM 148 | ETHICS, LAW & RELIGION

Ashley Colvin, Undergraduate Student

Black women in law

Donshaya Courts, Undergraduate Student

The Challenges Facing Our Nation: Providing Possible Solutions to Police Brutality Against Citizens in the United States

Anupam Roy, Undergraduate Student

Breaking the Academy: Universal Education in the Age of Disintegrated Ethics.

9:00AM-10:00AM | READING ROOM | HUMANITIES

Nia Blasingame, Undergraduate Student
Reframing African Consciousness and Black Activism in the Soviet World

Ange Dye, Undergraduate Student
Moving On, Moving Up: Realities, Relations, and Advancement for Black Women in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Branson Falker, Undergraduate Student
Lack of Diversity Within the Media

Alexandra Green, Undergraduate Student
New Master, Same House: The Paradox of Black Women's Self Ownership in Beyonce's Lemonade

9:00AM-10:00AM | FORUM | SOCIAL SCIENCES

Elizabeth Akinbusuyi, Undergraduate Student
Russian Nationalism and its Implications for its Relationship with the West

Amanda Bonam, Undergraduate Student
Changing Perceptions of Environmental Responsibility in Southwest Washington, D.C.

Byrone Collins, Undergraduate Student
Mental Health of African Americans

Niara Jackson, Undergraduate Student
The Effects of Alcohol on the GPA of African American College Students: College Habits Affecting Academic Success

9:00AM-10:00AM | AUDITORIUM | SOCIAL SCIENCES

Aisha Gray, Graduate Student
The Effects of African Self-Consciousness on Self-Esteem in African American college women

Ricco Hill, Graduate Student
Mind and Body: Exploring Emotion, Emotional Regulation, and Heart Rate Variability

Tyriesa Howard, Graduate Student
"...[M]akes it seem more real": A Qualitative Exploration of the Sexual Health of African American Adolescents with HIV-Positive Mothers

Sharlene Leong, Graduate Student
Considerations for the Mini-Mental Status Exam in an African American Sample in a Primarily Urban Setting

SESSION II

10:00AM-11:00AM | ROOM 148 | EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Norah Alfawzan, Graduate Student

An Examination of Attitudes Towards Women in Leadership Positions in Public Universities in Saudi Arabia

Rhonda Celey, Graduate Student

Strengthening the Academy: Scholarly Productivity of Black Ph.D. Students

Joycelyn Hughes, Graduate Student

The Critical Need for African Centered Educational Leadership

10:00AM-11:00AM | GALLERY LOUNGE | ETHICS, LAW & RELIGION

Jay-paul Hinds, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

The Seduction of Ole Massa's Sons: An Examination of Race, Religion, and Sexual Perversion in the Peculiar Institution.

Rachel Leslie, Graduate Student

The Key Nodes of Impact of the Transatlantic Slave Trade and its Subsequent White Supremacist Ideologies and Models on the work and structures of the Academy in the New World

Andrew Lofton IV, Graduate Student

The Churches Role in Education Reforming

10:00AM-11:00AM | READING ROOM | HUMANITIES

Dominique James, Undergraduate Student

Looking Inside: Black Women's Literature and Healing from Crimes against the Black Female Body

Khaliah Peterson, Undergraduate Student

Labor of Love: Literary Criticism in the Creative Writing of Fanfiction

Maya Reese, Undergraduate Student

Lack of Diversity in the Film Industry

Sydney Wilson-roberts, Undergraduate Student

The Impact of the Obama Family's Use of Social Media to Portray Familial Images on African-American Millennial Views of Marriage

10:00AM-11:00AM | ROOM 150 | SOCIAL SCIENCES

Karen Kolivoski, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Assessing the Financial Impact of Misdemeanor Court Fines and Fees in a Midwestern State

Indira Somani, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Color, Caste, and the Public Sphere: A study of black journalists who joined television networks from 1994-2014

Wei Sun, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

A Critical Discourse Analysis of “Minority Women for Trump” Campaigns on Social Media

Heidi Thomas, Professional Student

Nana’s Need: How to Protect the Baby Boomer Generation Now Eligible for Medicare

10:00AM-11:00AM | FORUM | SOCIAL SCIENCES

Ashley Lewis, Graduate Student

Representations of Blacks in British Television: From Past to Present

Christian Mallett, Graduate Student

Adverse Childhood Experiences, Racial Identity, and Cardiac Autonomic Dysregulation

Zipporah Mccoy, Graduate Student

The Turning Point of Formerly Incarcerated African American Men

Kimberly Monroe, Graduate Student

A Seat At The Table: Resurfacing Black Women Writing the Black Radical Tradition through Poetry

10:00AM-11:00AM | AUDITORIUM | SOCIAL SCIENCES

Shadya Sanders, Graduate Student

The Future of Probabilistic Severe Weather Forecasting: A Case Study of the 2016 Hazardous Weather Testbed

Alisa Valentin, Graduate Student

Challenging the system: A history of Women’s activism in communication policy

Maryam Vuai, Graduate Student

Regional Financial Integration-Empirical Study for East African Community

SESSION III

11:00AM-12:00PM | ROOM 148 | CREATIVE ARTS & DESIGN

Cassidy Dixon, Undergraduate Student
Social Media and Business Relationships

Olivia Drake, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor
"I never looked at it that way!": Employing film semiotics in the video production classroom

11:00AM-12:00AM | FORUM | EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Obinna Asawabelem, Undergraduate Student
Give. Gain. Grow Ghana: Re-framing International Service Learning through the lens of Howard University ASB students.

Jori Fortson, Undergraduate Student
Breaking the Cycle: How Does Menstruation Impact Girls' Education?

Sadiyah Malcolm, Undergraduate Student
Black on Black Learning: Towards a 21st Century HBCU Aesthetic

Jaryn Trent, Undergraduate Student
The Effects of Study Time on Howard University Students' Academic Achievement

11:00AM-12:00PM | AUDITORIUM | SOCIAL SCIENCES

Alexa Walker, Undergraduate Student
African American Women in connection to Human Trafficking in the United States

Megan Ware, Undergraduate Student
An Exploratory Study on Coping Mechanisms, Academic Performance and Personality Traits for Howard University Undergraduate Black Males

Sydney Williams, Undergraduate Student
Does Racial Bias in the News Coverage of Crimes Affect Racial Attitudes in Society?

Romie Michel, Undergraduate Student
The Effects of Class Attendance on Grade Point Average After Controlling Selected Socio-demographic Variables

Brittany Scott, Undergraduate Student
Oppressed but never Enslaved: Youth Unemployment at the Hands of a Post-Apartheid Nation

Jaidah Sizer, Undergraduate Student
Television, The Media, and the Portrayal of Mental Illness.

SESSION IV

Hassan Brim, Senior Faculty
Gut microbiome analysis reveals major dysbiosis in Sickle Cell Diseases patients with a prevalence of Veillonella strains

Thomas Heinbockel, Senior Faculty
Reversible Firing Pattern Transformation in Central Olfactory Neurons

Fatimah Jackson, Senior Faculty
Exploring the Effects of Ancestral Genetic Composition on African American Identity

Sudha Sharma, Senior Faculty
Emergence of a DNA Repair protein from basic science to translational medical research

Nowah Afangbedji, Undergraduate Student
Upregulation of Renal Iron Metabolism in Sickle Cell Disease Mice

Zhenhong Chen, Undergraduate Student
Osteological Expression of Tuberculosis within The Cobb Collection

Rachel Darko, Undergraduate Student
Small compounds regulating Arabidopsis RACK1A protein modulates growth hormone Gibberellin signaling pathways

Justine Lewis, Undergraduate Student
Targeting STAT3 to Inhibit Cancer Cell Growth by Genetic and Pharmacologic Methods

Olubukola Banmeke, Graduate Student

Effects of Thymus vulgaris and Varroa destructor on survival and health of European honey bees, Apis mellifera

Ruby Boateng, Graduate Student

Novel functions for the RNA-binding protein ETR-1 in Caenorhabditis elegans reproduction and physiological germline apoptosis

Deondre Glover, Graduate Student

Microbial Kinetics of Bacterial Isolates Capable of Iodate Reduction in the Presence of Nitrate and Varying Concentrations of Oxygen

Churchill Ihentuge, Graduate Student

Estimation of Body Status of 19th and 20th Century African Americans Using Skeletal Remains of the Cobb Collection

Tito Huber, Senior Faculty

Photocurrent in Bismuth Junctions with Graphene at Room Temperature

Anup Shukla, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate

Stochastic Modeling and Optimization in Micro-Grid

Solmaz Tabtabaei, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Electrostatic Separation as a Sustainable Approach for Dry Fractionation of Agricultural Flours

Hessam Yazdani, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Optimizing structures: nature leads the way - case study: optimization of offshore foundations using ant colony optimization

Pratibha Dev, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor

Theoretical/Virtual Synthesis of Ultra Thin Diamonds: Chemically Induced Phase-Change in Graphene

Gulriz Kurban, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate

Ligand-based Pharmacophore Modeling of Human CC-Chemokine Receptor 4 Allosteric Antagonists

James Momoh, Senior Faculty

Framework Implementation for CPES on Micro-grid Test Bed

Hassan Salmani, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor
COTD: Reference-Free Hardware Trojan Detection and Recovery Based on Controllability and Observability in Gate-Level Netlist

1:15PM-2:15PM | ROOM 148 | TRANSLATIONAL & CLINICAL SCIENCES

Emmanuel Akala, Senior Faculty
Microenvironmental Responsive Polymeric Nanoparticles Fabricated By Dispersion Polymerization for The Delivery of Bioactive Agents

Earl Ettienne, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor
Clinical Pharmacogenetic Testing in the Management of Opioid Use Disorder: A Case Series

Xinbin Gu, Senior Faculty
MiRNA-124 Mediates Sphingosine Kinase 1 Expression, Sphingosine-1-phosphate and Ceramide Signaling Pathways in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma

SESSION V

2:15PM-3:15PM | GALLERY LOUNGE | BIOLOGICAL & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

Simeon Adesina, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor
Site-specific brusatol delivery to facilitate clinical translation for cancer chemotherapy

George Middendorf, Senior Faculty
*Sloths in the city: unexpectedly high density of pale-throated three-toed sloths (*Bradypus tridactylus*) found in an urban forest patch in Paramaribo, Suriname*

Zaki Sherif, Senior Faculty
TP73's regulation and expression in human cancer cell lines

Priscilla Wessly, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate
Effect of gender on the association of isokinetic quadriceps strength with hypertension among older Americans.

Janet Mansaray, Undergraduate Student
*Molecular phylogeny of *Rumex* based on *psbA-trnH* intergenic spacer*

Rita Okolo, Undergraduate Student
Cancer in an Historic Washington DC African American population

Morgen Owens, Undergraduate Student
Edaphic factors influence stomatal development and physical defense in a Ni-hyperaccumulator

Gean Abotsi, Professional Student
Open & Endovascular Ruptured AAA Repair Have Equivalent Outcome When Performed Weekdays vs Weekends

Julien Jean-francois, Professional Student
Should Active Surveillance Be Offered to African American Men with Low Risk Prostate Cancer?

Sandeep Nadella, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate
Dietary Fat Stimulates Growth of Pancreatic Cancer Growth Through The Cholecystokinin Receptor

Fasil Tiruneh, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate
Analyses of Ventilation perfusion (VQ) scan results as compared with clinical probability of pulmonary embolism in a predominantly Black population

Oluwaseye Adekanye, Graduate Student
Non-standard Finite Difference (NSFD) Schemes : Achieving Dynamical Consistency

Hawazin Alghamdi, Graduate Student
Adsorption and Separation of Water and Nitrogen Mixtures on a Graphene Substrate

Daniel Attah, Graduate Student
Simultaneous Transformation of Co-existing Cr(VI)-TCE Contaminant Media Using Zero Valent Iron, ZVI.

Alejandro Pardo ramos, Graduate Student
Validation and verification of bidirectional seismic analysis of a high damping rubber isolation system

Christopher Cross, Graduate Student

A Historic African American Skeletal Collection Reveals Bacterial Infections

Abraham Kazemi, Professional Student

Efficacy and Safety of Azelaic Acid 15% Gel versus Hydroquinone 4% Cream in the Treatment of Melasma

Kalie Kowalski, Graduate Student

Orthodontists and Speech-Language Pathologists: Investigating the Need for IPP and IPE

Keisha Lindsay, Graduate Student

A Developmental Profile of Phonology in Trinidadian English Creole-Speaking Preschoolers

Adebayo Atanda, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate

Rheumatic Heart Disease in Sickle Cell Disease in Sub-Saharan Africa

Maurice Fluitt, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate

Dysregulation of Energy Regulating Hormones and MicroRNAs: A Model of Metabolic Dysfunction

Xionghao Lin, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate

Inhibition of HIV-1 Infection in Humanized Mice and Metabolic Stability of Protein Phosphatase-1-targeting Small Molecule 1E7-03

Anahita Shahnazi, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate

Utility and Safety of ERCP in the Elderly

SESSION VI

3:15PM-4:30PM | GALLERY LOUNGE | BIOLOGICAL & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
TRANSLATIONAL & CLINICAL SCIENCES

Janelle-cheri Millen, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate
A Rare Case of Segmental Testicular Infarction in a Patient with Polycythemia Vera

Priscilla Okunji, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor
Prevalence of Alzheimer Disease in Hospitalized Patients with Congestive Heart Failure: Patient Characteristics

Christian Parry, Junior Faculty/ Lecturer/ Instructor
Global Phosphoproteomic and Structural Analyses of Ebola Virions

Ebony Russ, Graduate Student
Does FEV1 in addition to Fixed Ratio and/or Lower Limit of Normal of FEV1/FVC improve prediction of Mortality? The NHANES-III-linked-Mortality Cohort

Marie Plaisime, Graduate Student
Airflow Obstruction, Cognitive Function and Mortality in a US National Cohort: NHANES-III

3:15PM-4:30PM | ROOM 148 | BIOLOGICAL & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
TRANSLATIONAL & CLINICAL SCIENCES

Latifa Jackson, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate
Violence impacts allostatic load IgE and Epstein Barr Virus levels in urban youth

Namita Kumari, Post Doc/Resident/Fellow/Research Associate
Altered Iron Metabolism in Sickle Cell Disease Modulate Viral Restriction Factors

Kevin Scriber, II, Graduate Student
*The diet and trophic position of apple snails (*Pomacea spp.*) in native habitats.*

Michael Smith, Graduate Student
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