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ASU faculty members to present research findings at annual symposium on April 2

On Thursday, April 2, the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at Albany State University will conduct its annual Faculty Research Symposium from 9 a.m. to noon in the James Pendergrast Memorial Library, room 114.

Albany State faculty members who are involved in research will present their research findings to other ASU faculty and staff members.

The research symposium is a result of the Research Infrastructure in Minority Institution Grant that was awarded to Albany State over a five-year period.

“The thrust of the event is to spotlight what is going on at Albany State in terms of research opportunities in biomedical research,” said Elizabeth Lovett, program manager and assistant to the associate vice president of Research and Sponsored Programs. “The grant has positioned ASU to get the latest equipment in technology, which has advanced biomedical research interest on the campus. We now have more faculty members engaged in research as well as student researchers since students work hand-in-hand with the faculty.

“Students are mentored by faculty members and are actively involved conducting research as well as attending conferences to make presentations, be it oral or poster.”

Dr. Granville Wrensford, associate vice president for Research and Sponsored Programs, and Dr. Louise Wrensford, professor in the College of Sciences and Health Professions, serve as principal investigators for the Research Infrastructure in Minority Institution Grant.

Research and sponsored programs from other institutions are invited to attend the symposium.

For more information or to register for the conference, call the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs at (229) 430-3690.

The presenters are:

- Dr. K.C. Chan, *Micro Polymeric and Gel Droplets for Protein Crystallization and Impact Control*
- Dr. JoAnn McCrary, *The Biological Activities of the Herbs Used In Essiac*
- Dr. Seong Seo, *Investigation of Aggregation on Thin Films of Gold Nanoparticles and Nanorods*
- Dr. Louise Wrensford, *A Study of the Kinetic Properties of Class II HMG-CoA Reductase and Spatial Requirements for Bi-substrate Analog Binding*
- Dr. Rhonda Bryant, *School Counseling Supervision in the 21st Century: Are We Meeting National Standards?*
- Dr. Yixuan Wang, *Opportunity of First-principles-based Methods on Biomedical Nanoscience*
- Mark Masters, *A GIS Web Application for Agricultural Water Management in Georgia*
- Dr. George Thomas, *Mental Health Issues Among College Students*
- Dr. Cathy Williams, *Evaluation of an HIV Prevention Program at ASU*