

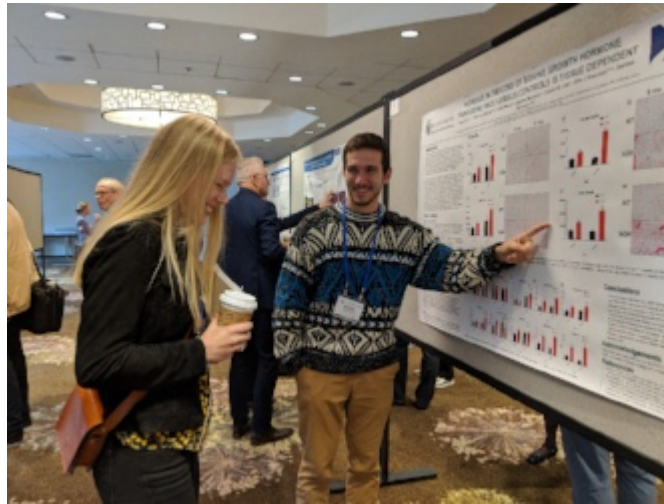


Dr. Kopchick's Lab Attends Conference in Seattle

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Reetobrata Basu, Dr. Yanrong Qian, Dr. Jonathan Young, Silvana Duran-Ortiz, Alison Brittain, Elizabeth Jensen, Colin Kruse, and Stephen Bell. They attended the 9th International Congress of the Growth Hormone Research and IGF Societies conference and have gone every time it has been held! This conference is a major one for their field of study and they see a lot of cutting edge research about growth hormone. This years conference hosted several different speakers, meetings, sessions and exhibits. There was also a Congress dinner they attended at Chihuly Gardens! Attending this conference keeps them updated about current research going on in the field and it provides a great opportunity on an outstanding platform for them to present their work!



**American Society for
Photobiology 2018 Biennial**

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This past May, Dr. Shiyong Wu and his lab traveled to Tampa, Florida to attend the American Society for Photobiology 2018 Biennial Meeting. The group included Dr. Wu, Huizi Zhao, Weichao Sun, Lidia Richardson and Verónica Bahamondes. Dr. Wu was an oral presenter at the meeting and the rest of the group were poster presenters. Verónica shares that this was her first meeting with the rest of the lab students and this was their first time attending this particular meeting! Verónica presented about the effect of cNOS Inhibitor on UVB-Induced DNA lesions formation and Skin Cancer Development in cell culture and animal models. This is a current topic she is working on and is still learning about. She believes this meeting helped her gain more knowledge on her topic and received essential feedback on her poster. Along with the presentations, there were many different speakers at this meeting and there were a lot of sessions and activities offered as well.

To learn more about this conference and all that it entailed, [click here!](#)

Dr. Kopchick receives Outstanding Innovation Award

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This year, the Laureate Awards Committee selected thirteen distinguished men and women to receive the Society's highest honors out of seventy nomination packages. This was a difficult task, but we finally get to meet the Endocrine Society's 2019 Laureate Award winners, Dr. John Kopchick being one of them! These awards recognize endocrinologists around the world for their discoveries, outstanding research, translation of science to clinical applications, innovation, dedication to education and mentoring, and so much more. Each award has a distinct category and Dr. Kopchick received the Outstanding Innovation Award! Way to go Dr. Kopchick!

Ohio's Three Minute Thesis Competition

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In this competition, graduate students and doctoral candidates from various disciplines are given three minutes and one non-animated visual slide to convey the sometimes-complex nature of their research in layman's terms to a panel of judges, faculty, and an audience. This experience is well outside most competing students' comfort zone, but they do it because they know that polishing their verbal communication skills makes scientific discovery accessible to all. The winner of this year's competition was Silvana Duran Ortiz! She won first place and brought home the People's Choice Award with "Can we extend life-and health-span by decreasing growth hormone action?" Congrats Silvana!

AMVETS Diabetes Research Institute

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This project was initiated back in 2003 and has provided generous amounts of support to the institute. Over the past 15 years, more than \$390,000 has been contributed by the AMVETS for support of Ohio University students doing research in the area of diabetes! The support has come from the The National Service Foundation, National, District, Various Posts including our local Post 76, National Sons of AMVETS, Ladies Auxiliaries and private donations. In order for the students to qualify for the training award, they must be a veteran of the armed forces or have had either a parent or grandparent in the armed forces. To this day, they have trained (or are training) 52 students and four are now practicing doctors! Their current students are Julie Slyby, Diego Ibarra, Cole Smith, Joseph Terry, Jackson Krejsa and Ryan Woodyard. This past Veteran's day weekend, there was an AMVETS event allowing the students to thank them for all of their donations and support. Julie Slyby, Cole Smith, and Ryan Woodyard are the students who attended!

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Congratulations on receiving NIH funding!



Dr. John Kopchick
Goll Ohio Eminent Scholar



Dr. Edward List
EBI Associate Investigator



Dr. Darlene Berryman
Associate Dean for Research and
Innovation

EBI is thrilled to announce that Dr. John Kopchick, Goll Ohio Eminent Scholar and Principal Investigator, has received NIH grant funding totaling more than \$2.2 million over the next 5 years! This grant is titled, "Modulating Growth Hormone Action as a Target for Improved Health and Longevity." Co Investigators on this project are Dr. Edward List, EBI Associate Investigator and Dr. Darlene Berryman, Associate Dean for Research and Innovation. Congratulations to all!

2018 John J. Kopchick Awards

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The John J. Kopchick Awards support undergraduate and graduate students and faculty affiliated with Ohio University's Molecular and Cellular Biology program and Translational Biomedical Sciences program. Fifteen Ohio University students and faculty members have received funding for their health and medical research from the John J. Kopchick Awards. The 2018 award recipients from EBI are Alison Brittain (mentor Dr. John Kopchick), David Cottrill (mentor Dr. Xiaozhuo Chen), Silvana Duran Ortiz (mentor Dr. John Kopchick), Pratik Shriwas (mentor Dr. Xiaozhuo Chen), Emily Davis (mentor Dr. John Kopchick), Maria Evers (mentor Dr. Xiaozhuo Chen), Delaney Geitgey (mentor Dr. Darlene Berryman), and Julie Slyby (mentor Dr. Edward List). Congratulations to all recipients!

To learn more about the Kopchick awards section, [click here!](#)

Scoops of Soup Fundraiser

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On Monday, December 3rd, Lydia Richardson hosted a fundraiser at EBI for Angel Tree : A Program of Prison Fellowship. Lydia made homemade cheeseburger soup and Jenna Kasler made chocolate chip cookies! They sold the soup and cookies for a small donation to raise funds to sponsor two Angel Tree kids. The two kids are Carloa who is 15 years old and Christopher who is 16 years old. They both are children of low-income homes in the Athens area who have a parent in prison. Thank you Lydia and Jenna for making this possible and thank you to all who donated to this amazing program!

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