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John Wesley Powell Research Conference

April 2, 2012

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—On Saturday, April 14, Matthew Troyer '86, senior director and neuroscience leader in the Department of Clinical Pharmacology at Merck Research Laboratories, will be the keynote speaker at Illinois Wesleyan University's twenty-third John Wesley Powell Research Conference.

The conference events, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m. will be held at various locations across the IWU campus, where students, dedicated to research, will present academic posters, oral presentations, music compositions and art displays. The schedule is featured below.

Troyer will deliver his address, "Probing Classical Physiology with New Tools: Case Studies in Translational Medicine" at 1:15 p.m. in the Center for Natural Science Learning and Research (CNS, C101, 201 E. Beecher St., Bloomington). Troyer, who joined Merck & Co., Inc., in 2005, works with basic and translational scientist during drug discovery and biomarker development to support new therapeutic programs. He has also contributed to the clinical development of investigational drugs in the areas of diabetes, women's health, obesity and infectious disease.

A biology major while attending IWU, Troyer received his medical education at Stanford University in 1992.

The schedule for the John Wesley Powell Research Conference will be:

8:30-9 a.m. -- Continental breakfast and poster setup in the atrium of CNS and The Ames Library

9-10 a.m. -- Morning poster presentations—session one, atrium of CNS and The Ames Library

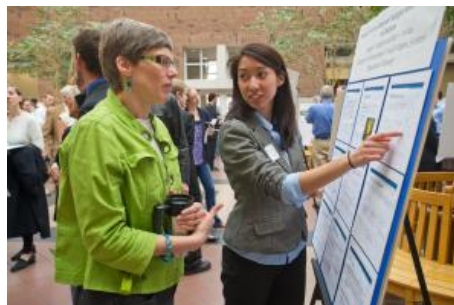
10-11 a.m. -- Oral presentations—session one, CNS and The Ames Library

11-12 p.m. -- Morning poster presentation—session two, The Ames Library

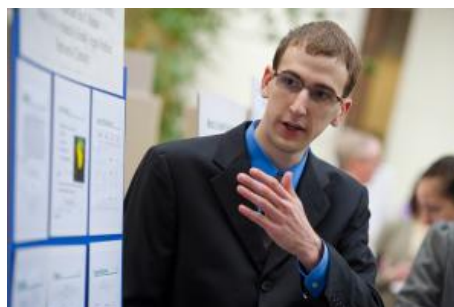
11-12 p.m. -- Oral presentations—session two, CNS

11-12 p.m. -- Performances of music student compositions, Anderson Auditorium, CNS, C101

12:15-1:15 p.m. -- Luncheon, Young Main Lounge, (free for all conference participants, parents and advisors)



Veronica Angeles '11 explains her project to Assistant Professor of Chemistry Melinda Baur.



Matthew Bockman '12 presents his research.



Tian Mao '11 explains her work to Assistant Professor of Religion Tao Jin.

1:15-2:30 p.m. -- Keynote Address: "Probing Classical Physiology with New Tools: Case Studies in Translational Medicine," CNS, C101, presented by Matthew D. Troyer, M.D., senior director and neuroscience leader, Department of Clinical Pharmacology, Merck & Co., Inc.

2:30-3:45 p.m. -- Afternoon poster presentations---session three, CNS atrium

2:30-4 p.m. -- Senior art show and critique, Merwin and Wakeley Galleries, senior art students who have participated in the senior critique program will talk about their work. Refreshments will be served.

The conference is named for explorer and geologist John Wesley Powell, a Civil War veteran and founder of the National Geographic Society. Powell, who joined Illinois Wesleyan's faculty in 1865, was the first United States professor to use fieldwork to teach science. In 1867, Powell took IWU students to the Colorado mountains, the first expedition of its kind in the history of American higher education.

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