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### Seminar Calendar

## Monday, May 3

**Inorganic Seminar** 

Oliver Einsle, University of Freiburg, Germany "The enzymagic reduction of N2 and CO by nitrogenases" 11:20 AM

Zoom link Email Mary Mroz (mroz@msu.edu) for the passcode

#### **Plant Resilience Institute Seminar**

Diane Rowland, University of Florida

"UF's Center for Stress Resilient Agriculture: transdisciplinary approaches help accelerate the understanding of root and whole plant stress tolerance"

1:00

Email Robin Buell (buell@msu.edu) for the Zoom link

#### **Announcements**

The Biochemistry Building will be CLOSED at 3pm, May 7<sup>th</sup> through May 10<sup>th</sup>, 8am due to an electrical project. NO Admittance ALL Weekend. Any questions/concerns contact Nichole Daly (dalyn@msu.edu)

# **Noteworthy News**



Join me in congratulating Dean DellaPenna, who has been elected to the National Academy of Sciences (NAS).

Founded in 1863, the NAS is one of the oldest and most prestigious scientific membership organizations in the United States.

DellaPenna is among 120 new members elected to the NAS in 2021 in recognition of his distinguished and continuing achievements in original research.

SPARTANS WILL.

The MSU Department of Police and Public Safety will be conducting a fire alarm activation drill May 13 starting between 7:30-8:00am for the Biochemistry Building. The test is to "demonstrate the alarm system's capability and the evacuation process in an emergency." Evacuation of personnel and guests is necessary during this test. Please use the stairs, not the elevators, to exit the building during this drill.

Join senior graduate students in the biological sciences for "NIH predoctoral fellowship panel discussion: preparing a successful F31 grant proposal" Wednesday May 12th at 11:30am to learn how to successfully apply for an NIH F31 fellowship. Register here.

Self-care kits are available for women of color faculty, staff and students at MSU. They include: 1 journal with prompts for reflection and self care, 2 cards to mail to loved ones, herbal tea, & 1 pack of Dope Ass Colored Pencils (from Charlottes' Creative Corner; a Black owned open art initiative). Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information and to sign up.

The CMB Graduate Student Organization invites you to attend the first annual CMB Research Symposium "Discovery through Imaging" May 3, 5, and 7, 10:00 – 11:30 am. There will be an opportunity for students to meet with speakers at 11:30 each day. Sign up <a href="here">here</a>. Email Peggy (<a href="petrof10@msu.edu">petrof10@msu.edu</a>) for the Zoom link.

Graduate Teaching Assistants, whether you are new / international / returning, the <u>Graduate Teaching</u> <u>Assistant Program (GTAP)</u> offers sessions that will make you more effective in your teaching, understand policies and familiarize you with resources and professional development opportunities. Register <u>here</u>.

# **Recent Publications**

Chan C, Foster ST, Chan KG, Cacace MJ, Ladd SL, Sandum CT, Wright PT, Volmert B, Yang W, Aguirre A, Li W, Wright NT. "Repositioned Drugs for COVID-19—the Impact on Multiple Organs." *SN Comprehensive Clinical Medicine*. April 2021.