

# Symposium Program

Pryzbyla University Center

- 9:30-9:35 **Welcoming remarks** (Great Room B)
- 9:35-10:35 **Graduate Student Talks** (Great Room B)  
*Session I* (Chairperson: Dr. Ekaterina Nestorovich)
- 9:35-9:55 **Myla Spencer** “*Mutation Profiling of Ovarian Cancer to Identify Key Molecular Signatures*”
- 9:55-10:15 **Jennifer Groebner** “*Alcohol-induced defects in transcytosis may be explained by decreased dynein processivity along hyperacetylated microtubules*”
- 10:15-10:35 **Anneliese C. Striz** “*Rab17 and MAL2 interact to coordinate apical vesicle fusion*”
- 10:35-10:50 *BREAK* (Great Room B)
- 10:50-11:50 **Graduate Student Talks** (Great Room B)  
*Session II* (Chairperson: Dr. Frank Portugal)
- 10:50-11:10 **Wadad Al Salmi** “*Structure and Mechanism of Highly Stable Trimeric HIV-1 Envelope Glycoprotein*”
- 11:10-11:30 **Bridget Ledford** “*Pdr5 Signal Transmission Interface: Communication between Two Intracellular Loops*”
- 11:30-11:50 **Andrew Waters** “*Constructing and Analyzing Synallele Libraries in Mammalian Cells*”
- 11.50-12:00 Dr. Venigalla Rao, Biology Department Chairperson (Great Room B)
- 12:00-1:30 *Career Networking Luncheon* (Great Room A)
- 1:30-2:30 **Keynote Speaker** (Great Room B)  
**Steven L. Monfort, DVM, PhD**  
“*Smithsonian Conservation Science – Saving Species on the Brink*”  
Director, Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute  
National Zoological Park
- 2:30-3:00 *Reception* (Great Room C)
- 3:00-4:30 **Graduate Student Research Posters** (Great Room C)  
3:00-3:45 Odd-numbered poster presentations  
3:45-4:30 Even-numbered poster presentations