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Biology Colloquium

December 1st Colloquium Postponed until December 8th

- **Professional Honor & Service**—Professor Steve Oppenheimer was appointed as a Participating Investigator to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) international *Consortium for Functional Glycomics*, a \$41 million effort by NIH aimed at making discoveries on the roles of sugars and sugar-binding receptors in biomedical research; the program will fund technical assistance for his research
- **Professional Presentations**—Graduate students Nancy Muehllehner, Hollie Putnam, and Stephanie Talmage, members of Professor Bob Carpenter’s and Pete Edmunds’s labs, gave presentations at the Moorea–LTER (Long-term Ecological Research) All Scientists Meeting in Santa Barbara showcasing their research in Moorea • Professor Steve Oppenheimer attended the investigator’s meeting of the *Consortium for Functional Glycomics* (see above) and brought the largest group from any attending institution: 17 Biology students, two research associates, and his former graduate student Ziba Razinia (MS 2006) who is now in a Ph.D. program at Yale
- **Research Highlighted**—A paper recently published in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* by Associate Professor Bobby Espinoza and colleagues was ranked as a “must read” by the *Faculty of 1000 Biology* and appears as a caricature in their 2006 calendar for the month of December • Stephanie Talmage (Advisor, Dr. Carpenter) is this month’s featured student on the Ecology & Evolution webpage [<http://www.csun.edu/~bd46942/>]
- **CSUN Student Research and Creative Works Symposium**—Biology undergraduates and graduates will present their research (10-min oral presentation or a poster) and vie for cash awards this Friday, December 1st