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Biology Colloquium (Friday 2 PM in EH 2132)

Dr. Seyi Vanderpuye, Albany State University, Georgia

“Molecules at the Maternal-Fetal Interface”

- *Professional Presentations*—Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) undergraduate Maribel Alvarez (Advisor, Dr. Oppenheimer) presented her research at a symposium at UC Irvine • Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) undergraduate Jennifer Nnoli (Advisor, Dr. Oppenheimer) presented her research at the UC San Francisco Alliances for Graduate Education, the Professorate at UCSF, and at the Harvard Leadership Alliance
- *Professors Honored*—Professors Steve Oppenheimer and Maria Elena Zavala were honored in front of the Los Angeles City Council for receiving a \$7-million grant from the National Institutes of Health Support of Continuous Research Excellence (SCORE) program
- *Top-notch Undergrad*—Recent Biology graduate Aaron Christopher (B.A. 2006) started at Harvard University School of Dentistry this fall after earning a Presidential Scholar award from CSUN and publishing a first-authored paper in *Organic Letters*
- *Undergrads & Graduates get Research Training*—RISE undergraduate Maribel Alvarez (Advisor, Dr. Oppenheimer) spent the summer on a research fellowship in México • Graduate Jessica Dooley (Advisor, Dr. Hertel) attended a short course and a conference on Stable Isotopes in Ecology in Belfast, Northern Ireland • MARC undergraduate Jennifer Nnoli (Advisor, Dr. Oppenheimer) spent the summer on a research fellowship at Harvard • Cassandra Williams (Advisor, Dr. Medh), also of the MARC program, spent the summer conducting research at Emory University
- *Microbiology Candidate Visits*—The first candidate for the Assistant Professor position, Dr. Hope Johnson (Scripps), will present her research seminar at 11 AM this Friday, October 20th, location TBA