CWRU Society for Biomaterials (SFB) hosts Biomaterials Day Symposium and Roger E. Marchant Memorial Lecture

On October 15th, Case Western Reserve University's Society for Biomaterials (SFB) chapter hosted a symposium called SFB Biomaterials Day, where students from Case Western as well as many neighboring universities including: Carnegie Mellon University, University of Michigan, University of Pittsburgh, University of Toledo, University of Cincinnati, and Cleveland State University participated by presenting their cutting edge research in the field of biomaterials. The event also featured a Memorial Keynote Lecture in honor of longtime biomedical engineering professor, Prof. Roger E. Marchant, Ph.D., where the keynote speaker was Prof. David Kohn from the University of Michigan who is the current President Elect of SFB. At the end of the lecture Prof. Kohn was presented with a memorial plaque by Dr. Kandice Marchant.

The event was a huge success, with over 20 poster presentations and 30 podium presentations. Additionally, an industry panel luncheon was held where students were able to ask questions about careers in the biomaterials industry. Awards were given to top podium presenters Rigwed Tatu (University of Cincinnatti), Monika Goss (Case Western Reserve University) and Sarah Snyder (University of Michigan). Top poster presentation awards were given to Grace Bushnell (University of Michigan), Chenchen Mou (Carnegie Mellon University) and Michael Sun (Case Western Reserve University). Honorable mentions were given to Alexander Roth (Cleveland State University), James Day (University of Michigan), DaShawn Hickman, Griffin Rial, Lenitza Nieves, and Elizabeth Doolittle, (all of CWRU).

The event was financially supported by the Society for Biomaterials, CWRU Biomedical Engineering department, Athersys, the Provost's office, and the Roger E. Marchant Memorial Fund. The main organizers of the event were CWRU students Nadia Ayat and Andrew L. Schilb, with the help of chapter advisors Dr. Anirban Sen Gupta and Dr. Nicholas Ziats.



Attendees from CWRU, CMU, UMich, UPitt, UCincinnati, UToledo and CSU at CWRU SFB Biomaterials Day 2016



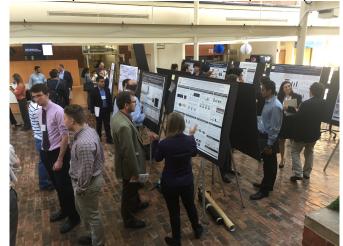
Dr. Kandice Marchant (left) presenting Prof. David Kohn (right) the plaque commemorating the Roger E. Marchant Memorial Lecture

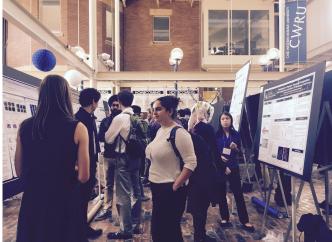


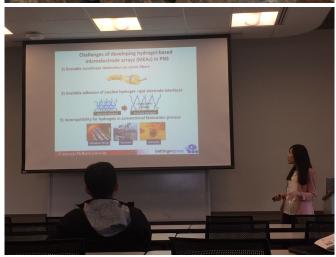
Top podium presenters Rigwed Tatu (UToledo) and Sarah Snyder (UMich) pictured with Dr. Anirban Sen Gupta, and Nadia Ayat, both of CWRU Biomedical Engineering. Not pictured is Monika Goss (CWRU)



Top poster presenters Grace Bushnell (UMich) and Chenchen Mou (CMU) and Michael Sun (CWRU) pictured with Dr. Anirban Sen Gupta, and Nadia Ayat, both of CWRU Biomedical Engineering









Poster Presentations (top) and Podium presentations (bottom) at CWRU Biomaterials Day