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Saturday, November 4, 2017
8:30 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.

Van Andel Research Institute
333 Bostwick Ave. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Join us for a day of exciting scientific interactions!

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Shelly Peyton, Ph.D.
Associate Professor and Graduate Program Director
Department of Chemical Engineering
Barry and Afsaneh Siadat Career Development Fellow
Molecular and Cell Biology Graduate Program
University of Massachusetts

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2017 WMRUGS Undergraduate Student Talks

Amanda Roth, Aquinas College
Major(s): Biology and Environmental Science
Senior, Class of 2018

Sarah David, Calvin College
Major(s): Biochemistry (ACS) with a Neuroscience Concentration
Senior, Class of 2018

Casey Koch-LaRue, Grand Valley State University
Major(s): Mathematics and Philosophy
Senior, Class of 2018

Max Huffman, Hope College
Major(s): Geology and Environmental Science
Junior, Class of 2019

2017 WMRUGS Graduate School Student Talks

Jamie Grit, Ph.D. Candidate
Cell and Molecular Genetics
Van Andel Institute Graduate School
Research Mentor: Matt Steensma, M.D.
Alumna: Hope College - Bachelor of Science, Biology

Nicole Vander Schaaf, Ph.D. Candidate
Cell and Molecular Genetics
Van Andel Institute Graduate School
Research Mentor: Peter Laird, Ph.D.
Alumna: Indiana Wesleyan University - Bachelor of Science, Biology

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:30 AM	ARRIVAL AND POSTER SETUP
9:00 AM	WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS
9:25 AM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS
10:00 AM	POSTER SESSION I Presenters at even-numbered posters Refreshments served
11:25 AM	UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT TALKS (4) Aquinas College Calvin College Grand Valley State University Hope College
12:25 PM	LUNCH
12:35 PM	RECORDED TED TALKS
1:25 PM	POSTER SESSION II Presenters at odd-numbered posters
2:50 PM	GRADUATE STUDENT TALKS (2) Van Andel Institute Graduate School
3:30 PM	CONCLUSION

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