

Submit an Abstract for Poster Session

The Texas A&M Institute for Genome Sciences and Society (TIGSS) is pleased to announce a research poster competition for Texas A&M University trainees (undergraduate, graduate, postdoc) at its first annual symposium. This year's symposium, co-sponsored with the Texas A&M One Health Initiative's Stress and Obesity research project, is on the "Evolution of Stress: From the Genome to Disease" and will be held Thursday and Friday, October 8–9, 2015.

On Thursday evening, October 8th, a public keynote address will be held at 6:30 p.m. in Rudder Theatre by Stanford University's Dr. Robert M. Sapolsky, an international expert in the evolution of the general stress response. Dr. Sapolsky has written numerous books and been featured in a National Geographic documentary titled *Stress: Portrait of a Killer*.

On Friday morning, October 9th, Dr. Sapolsky will hold a discussion session with trainees at 8:30 a.m. in Room 2400 at the Memorial Student Center (MSC), which will be followed by a symposium with a stellar lineup of local and international experts who will discuss various aspects of how stress affects plants, animals, and humans. There will also be a poster session from 12:00–1:30 p.m. for trainees.



Dr. Robert M. Sapolsky

Posters are welcome that touch on either:

- Genetics and Genomics; or
- Stress in any of its forms, from psychological aspects in people to basic research studies.

Several travel awards (\$1,000) will be given to the top posters in both categories. These awards will be available to offset travel to present your work at a national or international meeting. Those that present abstracts and posters will be given preferential consideration to attend the private trainee meeting with Dr. Sapolsky and to have dinner with the symposium speakers.

We encourage you to submit abstracts for your poster by 5 p.m. on Friday, October 2, 2015. Specific instructions will be sent to those who indicate an intention to submit a poster by registering for the poster session with a title and a 250 word abstract via the symposium website at *tx.ag/stress*.

For additional information and registration details for the keynote address, symposium presentations, and the poster session, visit **tx.ag/stress**.





