

CELEBRATING 21 YEARS OF  
RESEARCH AT THE 21ST

# STUDENT RESEARCH DAY

FRIDAY, 04/17 | 10am - 1pm

Duncan Hall

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RESEARCH  
POSTERS

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## A Welcome Message from Dean Michael Kaufman



Welcome to the 21st SJSU College of Science Student Research Day. This event highlights the incredible original research that hundreds of our students engage in with faculty mentors, across a wide range of disciplines. At today's event, you'll find work on the effects of microplastics on plants, virus detection in wastewater, microbe survival in Mars-like conditions, chemistry education and physics education pedagogy, AI-based malware detection, using LIDAR to explore Bay Area faults, performance of basketball players as they age, the history of rainfall in California, unique optical techniques for studying semiconductors, and a wide range of projects - from chemistry, to computer science, to applied math, physics, and geology - that use applied computing techniques like AI and machine learning to approach research challenges. I know you will be as impressed as I am with the quality and scope of work being done by our amazing students.

Michael Kaufman  
Dean, College of Science  
San José State University

# Student Research Day 21 (SRD21) Program

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3	IMPAIRED MUSCLE PROPRIOCEPTOR FUNCTION BUT PRESERVED MUSCLE CONTRACTILE FUNCTION IN AN ANGELMAN SYNDROME MOUSE MODEL Student Authors: Malik Moncrief; Diana Flores; David Martinez Mejia Faculty: Amanda Guevara; Katherine A. Wilkinson
4	COMPARISON OF PERFORMANCE ON MOTOR TASKS BETWEEN MICE MODELING ANGELMAN SYNDROME AND CONTROLS Student Authors: Jeremiah Metry, Adamaris Torres Franco Faculty: Amanda Guevara, Katherine A. Wilkinson
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17	NUCLEAR ENVELOPE PROTEINS REGULATE MYONUCLEAR POSITIONING IN DROSOPHILA Student Authors: Ayushi Bhadra, Ethan Bielawski, Ethan Horio, Abigail Sowers Faculty: Kumar Vishal Collaborators: Maya Capelson
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35	BENCHMARKING CATALYSIS FOR REPRODUCIBILITY AND INNOVATION Student Authors: Jalak Parekh, Mattijs van Maaren, Calvin Hoang, and Shelby Rose Schuberg Faculty: Madalyn R. Radlauer
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