Texas Southern Researcher Sends Experiment Into Space

At 4:41 ET on March 16, when NASA launches Falcon 9 from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla., Texas Southern University will again have a scientific experiment on board. Dr. Alamelu Sundaresan, TSU’s principal investigator and associate professor of biology, is one of five professors from Tier 2/Tier 3 universities selected to participate in an International Space Station (ISS) program collaborative mission to advance ground based university/student cancer research to flight based research aboard the ISS.

Sundaresan’s research titled: “The Investigation of Countermeasures to Modulate and Augment the Immune System,” is focused on the development of ligands designed for immune system augmentation, the restoration of immune cell function, and the inhibition of cancer initiation and development. This work is contributory toward the development of novel solutions to immune system and radiation risks that have plagued the agency and its astronauts for years and includes the study of the effects of radiation and microgravity in these phenomena since they are the most significant impediments to humans on long-term exploration missions. The initial findings on the efficacy of these compounds, which reveal inhibitive properties for cancer cell proliferation and restorative properties for cells exposed to radiation, are most encouraging.

Her research was initially funded through the NASA Minority University Research and Education Program (MUREP) as part of the NASA Science and Technology Institute (NSTI) 2008-2012 grant.

Yo Soy TSU

Board Chairman Glenn Lewis and President John Rudley recently attended the Houston Hispanic Forum Career & Education Day 2014 at the George R. Brown Convention Center to meet with potential students. Following the event Lewis and Rudley posed with students wearing Yo Soy TSU (I Love TSU) shirts.

TSU Has Its First Gilman Scholar

College of Science and Technology student Caneshia Dancer has made Texas Southern University history. Dancer is the first TSU student selected to receive the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship. The Gilman Scholarship Program offers awards for undergraduate study abroad and was established by the International Academic Opportunity Act of 2000. This scholarship provides awards for U.S. undergraduate students who are receiving Federal Pell Grant funding at a two-year or four-year college or university to participate in study and intern abroad programs worldwide.

Ms. Dancer will be departing soon for a semester long program in Japan.

Office of Development Video Selected as a CASE Awards Finalist

The Office of Development was recently notified that their fundraising video entry “Appeal from Students” has been selected as a finalist in the 2014 CASE Accolades competition. Their entry will be displayed in the CASE Awards Gallery at the CASE District IV Conference held in Houston at the Hilton Americas Hotel in April. Additionally, the Office of Development will be awarded a certificate at the luncheon in recognition of all the award winners.

OneTSU Makes Tiger Day a Huge Success

From Brian Armstrong, executive director of recruitment and admissions

On behalf of the Office of Admissions, I would like to extend a heart-felt ‘thank you’ to everyone who assisted with Tiger Day. We hosted 1,200 prospective and admitted students on campus and in my opinion this year’s Tiger Day was one of the best, thanks to your support and assistance. From the football team helping See OneTSU on page 2

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Visit www.retoolyourschool.com to cast your vote. Help increase your school’s chances to receive up to $50,000 in campus improvements.
Beginning now, visitors to the RETOOL YOUR SCHOOL website are able to review the list of participating schools and submit a vote for TSU. Voting will take place now through April 14, 2014, at 11:59 p.m. EST.
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Murray led the SWAC in scoring for the entire regular season averaging 21.7 points per game while hauling in 7.7 rebounds per contest. He was TSU’s leading scorer in 17 of its 29 games on the year. Earlier in the year, Murray became the first NCAA Division I player taller than 6’10 to score 48 points in over a decade while also becoming the first player to connect on 20+ field goals in a game since 2011. Defensively, he blocked a league best 69 shots for an average of 2.4 per outing.

Texas Southern’s **Jazzmin Parker** was also tabbed SWAC Player of the Year, while teammate Sarah Williams collected Newcomer of the Year.

After spending her first year as a TSU Lady Tiger, Parker led the league in scoring all season and carried TSU to its first three victories on the season. Parker scored more than 30 points in five games this year, which was a league best. She earned SWAC Player of the Week honors four times during the season while earning a spot on the first-team All-SWAC.

Williams started in 27 of 28 games for the Lady Tigers and ranks first on the team in assists and second in the league with a total of 140, averaging 5.0 per game. Williams has two double-doubles on the season.

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The Southwestern Athletic Conference released its brackets and seeding for the 2014 Toyota SWAC Basketball Tournament. Both Texas Southern men’s and women’s teams earned the number two seeds. While the tournament starts today, March 11 at the Toyota Center, the Lady Tigers and Tigers won’t take the court until Wednesday.

The Lady Tigers will play at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday against the winner of Tuesday's match-up between #7 Grambling State and #10 Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

The Tigers will play at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday against the winner of Tuesday's game between #7 Jackson State and #10 Grambling State.

For a complete tournament bracket, go to: [www.swac.org/pdf9/2656837.pdf](http://www.swac.org/pdf9/2656837.pdf). All games will be played at the Toyota Center. Good luck Tigers!!

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to distribute food to the cheerleaders and students greeting each student as they arrived on campus, your help made the day special for our guests.

A special thank you to the following departments and individuals:

- Recruitment Council
- Student Government Association
- University Program Council
- TSU Athletics Football Team
- Office of Enrollment Services
- Co-hosts Joshua Greene and Crystal Owens
- Miss TSU Marinda Fruge
- Office of Student Financial Assistance
- Office of Student Accounting
- Office of Student Services
- Office of Special Events (huge thank you)
- Office of Residential Life and Housing/UV
- TSU Herald
- Cheerleading Team
- TSU Dance Company
- Sodexo Food Services
- Panhellenic Council
- Department of Public Safety and Parking
- Ocean of Soul Marching Band
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- All TSU students that helped in any way

We look forward to working with you again for next year’s Tiger Day events.

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*Honorable Teta Banks is a member of the Friends of the Honors College (the College external advisory board)

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