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Dear WSGC Awardee,

This is an exciting time of year for the space grant community as we prepare for our 33rd Annual Wisconsin Space Conference. This year's festivities will take place at Biopharmaceutical Technology Center Institute in Fitchburg, Wisconsin, on Friday, August 11, 2023. Special guests, **Dr. Kenneth Sembach**, a tenured astronomer at the Space Telescope Science Institute (STSci), and **Dr. Melinda Soares-Furtado**, a NASA Hubble Fellow at the University of Wisconsin - Madison, and member of the Wisconsin Centers for Origins Research (WICOR) will discuss, "Exoplanets and the Origins of Life." Throughout the course of the day, we will have the opportunity to learn about the research, outreach, and curriculum development conducted by Wisconsin Space Grant Consortium awardees during the past year. Because your efforts are important to the space community, we have reached out to commercial aerospace representatives, STEM consortia, public officials, and the general public to be a part of our audience.

We invite you to participate in our conference. We will select approximately 25 awardees to share the results of their project or program during the oral presentations. All other student participants will participate in a dynamic Poster Session where peers will highlight some of the best STEM-related research taking place on Wisconsin campuses, and in industry, as well as at NASA centers. Please remember that your attendance and presentation at the conference will fulfill your award acceptance commitment.

Presenters should complete the online [WSC23 Presenter Registration](#) form by July 10, 2023. Please include your presentation title *as you want it listed in the Conference Program*. The title should clearly identify your project in an audience-friendly manner – not too short and not too long. The content of your presentation should be understandable by a general audience of non-specialists. Presentations should include project objectives, context, scope, methods, and results. Finally, describe how your project has or will have a demonstrable effect on your field and why (or to what extent) the general public should be interested in your results.

Make sure that you identify any media equipment you will need. Oral presentations will be 10-15 minutes long, including Q & A time. Posters shall be no larger than 30" x 40" and be able to sit on an easel. Carroll University will have easels and bulldog report clips available for display set-up. WSGC recommends all poster presenters bring a display board to attach their presentation. After the conference, you will be asked to submit your Conference Proceeding manuscript for the "Proceedings of the 33rd Annual Wisconsin Space Conference." Author guidelines are available on our website (spacegrant.carthage.edu/students/tools-and-tips/).

You can find more information about the conference at <https://www.btc.org/events-symposia/wisconsin-space-conference/>. The event hotels are MainStay Suites and WyndhamGarden Hotel Madison Fitchburg in Fitchburg, WI. The [conference brochure](https://spacegrant.carthage.edu/live/files/6143-wsc23brochurepdf) <https://spacegrant.carthage.edu/live/files/6143-wsc23brochurepdf> will have lodging information details. Hotel accommodations may not be available if booked after July 10, 2023. Conference registration costs will increase on July 8th, so please [register](https://www.btc.org/events-symposia/wisconsin-space-conference/registration/) early <https://www.btc.org/events-symposia/wisconsin-space-conference/registration/>.

We look forward to seeing you in August. We're glad you can be a part of this annual gathering of Wisconsin's aeronautic and aerospace partners, celebrating 33 years of Wisconsin Space.

Best,



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