

Greetings from the Dean

College of Science, Engineering & Technology

September 11, 2016



Dear Colleagues:

On behalf of the organizing committee, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the *Thirteenth International Symposium on Recent Advances in Environmental Health Research*, being held at the Marriott Hotel in downtown Jackson, Mississippi, from September 11 through September 14, 2016. This symposium is built upon the overwhelming success of eleven previous symposia that were hosted by Jackson State University.

The *Thirteenth International Symposium* aims to provide excellent opportunities to share and gain novel information on health issues associated with environmental exposures as well as on cost-effective strategies to control, prevent or mitigate the health impact of environmental hazards.

Jackson State University's College of Science, Engineering and Technology is very enthusiastic about all the advances and new developments in the science of environmental health and its relationship to the quality of life and human health, and looks forward to the opportunity to share these novel research products with you during the conference.

In addition, we wish to emphasize exploratory and discovery of Big Data Analytics' role in these important disciplines and their emphasis in JSU's new PhD/MS programs in Big Data — Computational and Data Enabled Science and Engineering.

I invite you to fully participate in this international symposium. The scientific program includes platform presentations and distinguished lectures by internationally-known experts, as well as poster presentations on recent developments in relevant areas of environmental research, metal ions in environmental health and disease, and public health. I encourage you to take advantage of this premier event and all the benefits that it has to offer.

Sincerely,

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