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Leading Cause of Infectious Blindness Pathogen is Focus of Talk at SWOSU

Dr. Erika Lutter, associate professor of microbiology and molecular genetics at Oklahoma State University, will be guest speaker at the Southwestern Oklahoma State University Department of Biological Sciences J.D. Maness Seminar Series on Wednesday, October 2.

Lutter will present “*Chlamydia trachomatis* infection and host cell exit” in a presentation open to the public at 4 p.m. in Room 212 of the Old Science Building on the Weatherford campus.

Lutter studies the pathways employed by the obligate-intracellular pathogen *Chlamydia trachomatis* during infection. This pathogen is the leading cause of infectious blindness globally and is the most reported sexually transmitted bacterial infection in the United States. Lutter uses genetic tools and cellular biology to understand how *Chlamydia* interacts with host-cells during exit and transmission. Additional information about her research can be found at: <http://lutter.okstate.edu/research>.

For more information about the series, contact SWOSU Assistant Professor Dr. Regina McGrane at 580.774.3046.

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