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## **Texas A&M-Corpus Christi McNair Scholar Gives Presentation at Oklahoma State University McNair Research Conference**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Julia Vasquez, a senior health sciences major, gave her presentation titled “Cryptic Diversity of the Bathygobius Soporator Species Complex” at the Oklahoma State University McNair Research Conference Wednesday, Feb. 18, through Friday, Feb. 20, in Stillwater, Okla.

McNair Scholars Martha Ruiz, a senior history major; Laura Villalobos, a junior nursing major; Meagan Bryand, a senior communications major; Taylor Flowers, a junior education major; Norma Martinez, a junior biochemistry major; and Shawntay Fogle, a junior biochemistry major; also attended the conference.

The McNair Scholars program is a federally-funded program that provides first-generation, low-income, minority college students with paid internships and mentoring to prepare for enrollment in graduate programs and to obtain a Ph.D.

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