



MSRDC Today: January 2019 Edition



Happy New Year!

The MSRDC Team would like to wish you all a warm welcome to 2019! We hope your holidays were wonderful and we look forward to working with you in the new year.

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Enhanced Membership Benefits

MSRDC is excited to announce enhanced membership benefits are on their way in 2019. Our newest offerings include:

- **MSRDC Today:** Your newsletter about the consortium's latest events and information.
- **MSRDC Blog:** Our thought-leadership series on a variety of topics.
- **Events Listings:** Stay aware of the latest partner and industry events.
- **Webinars:** Speak and learn from industry and partner experts and thought leaders.

Stay tuned throughout the year as these exciting new member benefits are made available.

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Update: DHS Request for Proposals

MSRDC Members:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is our first civilian agency to partner with MSRDC. We define partnerships as agencies that formally engage with the Edgewood Chemical and Biological Center (ECBC) through an agreement whereby the sponsoring organization commits to and executes research and development projects that align with furthering their science and technology priorities. Like any new partnership there are sometimes delays due to national changes in priorities, program personnel, and STEM objectives, among other factors. As such, we are sharing this update from DHS with you to provide clarity on the status of the recent MSRDC DHS Request For Information:

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science & Technology (S&T) Directorate would like to thank you for participating in the Request for Information process to help assess capabilities available within the consortium. We appreciate all of the effort that was dedicated to developing quality submissions. At this time we are reevaluating project questions to determine the best path forward and will be sure to keep you informed as we move forward in the Request for Research Project Proposal process. Thank you again for your partnership and participation.

We are working closely with DHS and looking forward to sharing updates on their project schedule early 2019, and looking forward to your participation. Thank you for your patience.

Nature Magazine Recognizes LSU Boyd Professor Dr. Isiah Warner for Mentorship

Nature, the leading, international weekly journal of science has selected LSU Boyd Professor Isiah Warner for the Nature Award for Mentoring in Science. The Nature Awards for Mentoring in Science were founded in 2005 to celebrate mentorship, a crucial component of scientific career development that too often goes overlooked and unrewarded.

Through Warner's leadership and mentorship, the LSU Department of Chemistry has become the leading producer of doctoral degrees in chemistry for African Americans in the U.S. Under his direction, the LSU Office of Strategic Initiatives has mentored countless numbers of students across eight programs from the high school to doctoral levels. [READ MORE](#)

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