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BCM-BRITE Biotechnology Research High School Student Symposium is an opportunity for students to organize their research work into a structured abstract and present their research in a poster or PowerPoint format to their peers and mentors.

Through participating in the symposium, students learn how to write a scientific abstract and make a poster or a PowerPoint presentation for conferences. The student symposium provides a platform for presentation, discussion, and scientific inquiry, stimulating student's interest in biotechnology and biomedical fields.

The abstracts presented here are by high school students who conducted biotechnology research projects at Baylor College of Medicine, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Texas Southern University, and New York University.

All abstracts are printed into an abstract book and selected abstracts will be showcased on the BCM-BRITE website.

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Assessment of *Ilex vomitoria* leaf extract cytotoxicity on Squamous Head and Neck Cell Carcinoma cells *in vitro*

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