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This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request concerning AXON. Your request was received in this office on February 8 and assigned FOIA No. 2017-REE-02028-F.

As requested, attached is a copy of the Agricultural Research Service AXON home page as of February 14, 2017.

If you have any questions concerning your request, please contact this office at 202-815-2913. You may also contact our FOIA Public Liaison or FOIA Requester Service Center at 301-504-1743 or [REEFOIA@ars.usda.gov](mailto:REEFOIA@ars.usda.gov).

Sincerely,

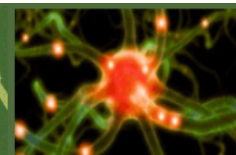
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### Announcements



New Administrator's Blog Posted:

*ARS Celebrates the International Day of Women and Girls in Science!*

2/10/2017 - The United Nations declared February 11 the "International Day of Women and Girls in Science," to recognize science and gender equality as vital components of innovation and development. ARS, along with scientific research and development organizations around the world, are proud to join in celebrating this special day

commemorating women and girls engaged in science. Read more on the [Administrator's Blog](#).

### Photo of the Month

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by Laura Gu

**Caption:** Laura Gu and Friends of Agricultural Research use the Aquatic Mobile Science Lab to teach kids about science. FAR-B financially supports the school to have the 'Mobile Science Labs' event and Beltsville volunteers help out.



### AFM Assessment: Final NAPA Report Available

2/10/2017 - The final report from NAPA is now available on the [AFM Assessment Hub](#) in preparation for the ARS-ALL webinar scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2017. Webinar instructions were emailed on February 3rd and are also available on the [Axon Calendar](#). Here is a direct link to the report: [NAPA AFM Final Report 2-7-17.pdf](#)

### Stay Connected with ARS



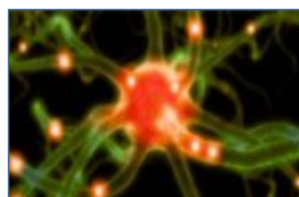
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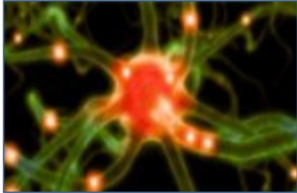
### Peanut Plant Collection Is a National Treasure

2/9/2017 - The latest issue of [Southeastern Peanut Farmer](#) contains an article about ARS's impressive peanut genetic resource collection located at the Plant Genetic Resources Conservation Unit in Griffin, GA.



### Axon Status Update

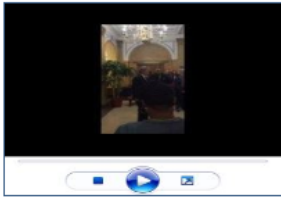
2/9/2017 - Thank you for your patience as we continue to restore some content on Axon. This process was necessary in order to have no disruption in availability and service. If you have any questions about status of content, please email [Axon@ars.usda.gov](mailto:Axon@ars.usda.gov).



### Axon Migration to USDA.net Servers

2/1/2017 - As you might have read in the ARS-ALL message from January 30, 2017, Axon was migrated to new USDA.net servers. You may notice that some content was rolled back to a previous version, but we are working to restore that content. Please check back next week and we'll have an update on Monday, February 6th.

If you have any questions, or urgent content that needs to be updated asap, please send an email to [Axon@ars.usda.gov](mailto:Axon@ars.usda.gov) and write URGENT in the subject line.



### Vilsack Farewell

1/13/2017 - Secretary Vilsack left the Whitten Building in Washington, DC for the last time during his appointment today. Vilsack was our Nation's 30th Secretary of Agriculture and served since 2009. Click the image for his **farewell speech** to the crowd who gathered there to wish him a fond farewell.



### New Administrator's Blog Posted:

*Curiosity and Caring – Motivators for a Research Career*

1/10/2017 - If you ask any ARS researcher, "Why did you become a scientist?" you will likely get a variety of answers. Insatiable curiosity and the urge to discover something unknown or to be the first to know, and the underlying drive to make a unique and meaningful contribution for the good of the world, are just a few occurring themes. ARS is

developing frameworks to manage 'grand challenges,' an all-encompassing approach to research that can include the full scope of an issue from the cellular level to the stratosphere. Read more on the **Administrator's Blog**.

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