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SOCIAL SECURITY CONTINUED

"Some of you are saying, 'Am I on the list or not?' If you taught last fall, yes," Watson said. "So it was a mistake, we know exactly how it happened. We are concerned that a particular staff member posted this, but that's not the problematic thing.'

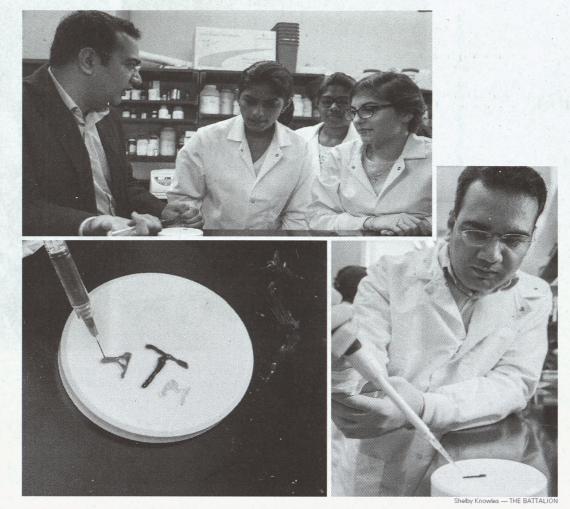
The problematic part, Watson said, was the supervisor over the staff member who should have trained this staff member not to make these mistakes. The protocol typically has checks to prevent the posting of social security numbers, but these checks were not executed.

Watson said the mistake occurred when an A&M employee generated a standard yearly report. Watson said the state legally requires A&M to include social security numbers, among other information, as sources for the report's data for it to be correctly turned in. The error occurred when the employee posted these sources to a nonpassword-protected area online.

So far, Watson said, A&M has been able to track every site visit where the social security numbers were posted, and all 32 accesses to that site have been accounted for.

"Eighteen of them were our employees who had a reason to be on that site," Watson said. "We have also looked at all of their information to see if they have any social security numbers on their site so we can do that for our people. All 14 of the others we have been able to say exactly - and we have even contacted a few - to know exactly why they contacted this site. So we have accounted for all 32 contacts to this site.'

Although security cannot be completely guaranteed, Watson said the probability of fraudulence is relatively low for this particular incident.



Akhilesh Gaharwar, Tina Thakur, Sowmiya Palani and Lauren Cross work with the collagen that potentially could be used to change the way broken bones heal.

BONE RESEARCH CONTINUED

tissue, as opposed to using replacement materials like metal implants, is very beneficial to the body of the patient.'

Gaharwar's team takes a revolutionary approach to the bone problem.

"We load hydrogels with nanoparticles and inject them near the site of the injury," Gaharwar said. "They will basically call stem cells to the defect and induce, or ask, the cells to differentiate into bone tissue. We are essentially asking the body to regenerate the particular area of the bone."

This technology may have a huge impact on the treatment of several medical issues. Some applications it will be used in are segmental bone defects, where there are multiple broken bones in one area and it cannot heal itself, oral surgery, spinal fusions and bone cancer patients.

"Whenever a person gets cancer or a tumor in

a bone, they will need to have the bone area taken out," Gaharwar said. "But once the tumorous bone is removed we can inject the hydrogel, and it will treat segmental defects that are caused by the removal of the tumor."

This new technology is expected to be used not just in a clinical setting, but also in the military.

"We foresee targeting, not only a clinical application, but also in a battlefield setting, or a kind of real world application for the Department of Defense," Carrow said.

The technology is still in testing phases, and a release date is not yet set.

"It's difficult to put a timetable on it because we are using a lot of materials that haven't been used before," Carrow said. "While the novelty is exciting, it is just hard to say.'

CUSHING CONTINUED

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community and also to the transgender community and also to the bi-sexual community," Kelly said.

Kelly said this all began when he discovered a book called "The Lost Gay Novels," by Anthony Slide.

"I said, 'Well, if they're lost, maybe I can find them,"" Kelly said. "There are 50 of them and I'm a checklist guy and I said, 'Let's see how many of them I can get.' So, I started and I started with first editions, they all have dust jackets and if I could get them signed, I got them signed. Let me report that I only have 48 of these, I've got two left and one of them, though, is in the Evans Library."

The collection includes novels, magazines, newspapers and journals from numerous LGBT authors. Kelly said he hopes that by having the collection at A&M, awareness is raised about the LGBT community.

Bobbie Banner, biomedical sciences senior and member of the Pride Community Center of Bryan-College Station attended to represent the Pride organization and also to better understand the Don Kelly exhibit.

"Anything that has to do with the LBGTQ community is important to show to A&M," Banner said. "Visibility, visibility, visibility. It's important to get the word out there in a manner which is welcoming and friendly.'

The opening Wednesday coincided with the 30th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court ruling on Gay Student Services v. Texas A&M, which required universities to recognize gay student groups under the First Amendment. A&M's refusal to recognize Gay Student Services prompted the 1985 decision. The organization, now known as LGBTQ Aggies, remains active.



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