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**MARC TRAVEL AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2011 ANNUAL
BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE FOR MINORITY STUDENTS MEETING**

Bethesda, MD – The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) Program has announced the travel award recipients for the 2011 Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS) Meeting in St. Louis, MO from November 9-12, 2011. These awards are meant to promote the entry of underrepresented minority students, postdoctorates and scientists into the mainstream of the basic science community and to encourage the participation of young scientists at the 2011 ABRCMS Meeting. This year MARC conferred 139 awards totaling \$236,650.

The FASEB MARC Program is funded by a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health. A primary goal of the MARC Program is to increase the number and competitiveness of underrepresented minorities engaged in biomedical and behavioral research.

FASEB is composed of 24 societies with more than 100,000 members, making it the largest coalition of biomedical research associations in the United States. FASEB enhances the ability of scientists and engineers to improve—through their research—the health, well-being and productivity of all people. Our mission is to advance health and welfare by promoting progress and education in biological and biomedical sciences through service to its member societies and collaborative advocacy.

ABRCMS 2011 TRAVEL AWARD RECIPIENTS

November 9 – 12, 2011 – St. Louis, MO

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS STUDENTS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Bruce Boller (Faculty), Bertie High School, North Carolina
Tyia Mills, Bertie High School, North Carolina
Jamesha Thompson, Bertie High School, North Carolina
Ronald Fox, Chatham Middle School, North Carolina
Donald Belle (Faculty), Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Cynthia Critten (Faculty), Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Cassandra Edwards (Faculty), Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Janae Butler, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Joshua Cannon, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Ernest Canty, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Aimee Castillo, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Jerrod Dorsey, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Briana Elias, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Brea Fleming, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Audycee Gamble, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Shanon Garrett, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Trenton Gilstrap, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Teauna Harper, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Alexis Johnson, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Cassius McCormick, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Abena Okyere, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Kimberly Scott, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Michael Sikora, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Donye Taylor, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Kira Windsor, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland

ABRCMS PEER MENTORS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Prince Awuah, University of Minnesota [ASIP member]
Leethaniel Brumfield III, North Carolina State University [BMES member]
Sarah Deemer, Colorado State University [ACSM, APS member]
Brandon Hollis, Louisiana State University [ACSM member]
Stacy Hunter, Ph.D., PURE Action, Inc. [ACSM member]
L' Aurelle Johnson, Ph.D., University of Minnesota [ASPET]
George Jules, Meharry Medical College [APS member]
Marie-Michelle (Michou) Kelley, University of Texas at San Antonio [BMES member]
LeeCole Legette, Ph.D., Oregon State University [ASN member]
Veronica Lopez, Ph.D., Pennsylvania State University [ASN member]
Kimberly Mulligan, Vanderbilt University [APS member]
Mario Navarro, San Diego State University [APS member]
Chloe Poston, Brown University
Janice Reuben, University of Michigan
Jayne S. Reuben, Ph.D., University of South Carolina School of Medicine [ASIP member]
Alberto I. Roca, Ph.D., MinorityPostdoc.org [ASBMB member]
Martin Rosario, University of Puerto Rico, Medical Sciences Campus [ACSM member]
Kennie Shepherd, Ph.D., Morehouse School of Medicine [APS, ASPET member]
Alex Stewart, Albert Einstein College of Medicine
Bolaji Thomas, Ph.D., Rochester Institute of Technology [AAI member]
Jose Torres-Hernandez, Texas Southern University [APS member]

David Vigerust, Ph.D. Vanderbilt University School of Medicine
Tracy Womble, Ph.D., Florida A&M University
Cecelia Yates-Binder, Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh [ASIP member]

POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Roger Arhin, Lehman College
Natalie Austin, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Ashley Baldauf, Chaminade University of Honolulu
Zeekanapi Bandaogo, Medgar Evers College
Chrysantus Bandon-Bibum, II, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Pallavi Bhargava, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Kelin Brace, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Alexandria Broadnax, Dillard University
Jessica Carswell, Benedict College
Lance Castro, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
John Chavis, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Vivian Chioma, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Jeffrey Chukwuneke, Rutgers University
Stephanie Crespo, Rochester Institute of Technology
Fiona Daily, Medgar Evers College
Jean Damisse, Brevard Community College
Gabrielle Donnelly, California State University, Fullerton [ASBMB member]
Rebecca Furby, Marshall University
Beatrice Guerrero-Ramirez, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus
Kristin Harrison, Chaminade University of Honolulu
Jean Hilaire, Medgar Evers College
Christopher Inoue, Chaminade University of Honolulu
Zahira Irizarry-Oliver, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus
Carmen Javier, University of California, Los Angeles
Mailene King, Norfolk State University
Anthony Kronfli, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Jovian Lazare, Savannah State University
Cherelle Lemons, California State University, Fullerton
Enery Lorenzo, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus
Tristan Love, Wiley College
Rosa Martinez-Garcia, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus
Sadchla Mathieu, Medgar Evers College
David Mendez, Norfolk State University
Thomas Mota, California State University, Long Beach
Chatura Nagaradona, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Kevin Nguyen, California State University, Dominguez Hills
Joyce Ohiri, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Frederick Ojukwu, Mercer University
Liberty Onyeali, Colorado State University
Kwadwo Owusu-Boaitey, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
ValaRae Partee, University of Georgia
Travis Pinnock, Medgar Evers College
Izmarie Poventud-Fuentes, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus
Roberto Reyes, Vanderbilt University
Maryan Rizk, University of California, San Diego
Antonieta Rueda, St. Edward's University
Erika Russell, Bethune-Cookman University
Breanna Ryan, Dillard University

Adriana Santiago-Miranda, University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus [BMES member]
Ryan Santos, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
Maritza Soto, Florida A&M University
Sophina Taitano, Chaminade University of Honolulu
David Thoms, Georgia Gwinnett College
Anthony Venida, University of Maryland, Baltimore County
Jennel Vincent, Medgar Evers College
Lauren Ware, Lamar University
Kenisha Younger, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

FACULTY/MENTOR & STUDENTS/MENTEES (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Alexandra Jacquez, University of Texas, El Paso
Mariana Rodriguez, University of Texas, El Paso
Tanya Thakur, Rochester Institute of Technology

Dr. Kwesi Amoa, Medgar Evers College
Beatrix Boissette, Medgar Evers College
Delisha Bella, Medgar Evers College

Dr. Rachel Beecham, Mississippi Valley State University
Jermelody Brown, Mississippi Valley State University
Zekedra McMorris, Mississippi Valley State University

Dr. Constance Bland, Mississippi Valley State University
Derrick Jones, Mississippi Valley State University
Jessica Meeks, Mississippi Valley State University

Dr. George King, University of Texas at El Paso
Valorie Castro, University of Texas at El Paso
Diana Ponce, University of Texas at El Paso

Dr. Thomas Landefeld, California State University, Dominguez Hills [ASBMB member]
Brittany Goudeau, California State University, Dominguez Hills
Tiffany Smith, California State University, Dominguez Hills

Dr. Mohammad Newaz, Chicago State University [APS member]
James Walker, Chicago State University

Dr. Alam Nur-E-Kamal, Medgar Evers College
Evelyn Reid, Medgar Evers College

Dr. Sunny Ohia, Texas Southern University [ASPET member]
Shantell Phillips, Texas Southern University
Destinee Stroud, Texas Southern University

Dr. Mavis Pararai, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Margaret Shaba, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Hattie Spencer, Mississippi Valley State University
Kenya Milsap, Mississippi Valley State University
Torrie Thomas, Mississippi Valley State University

Dr. Zivar Yousefipour, Texas Southern University [APS member]
Julianne Mason, Texas Southern University
Lillian Turcios, Texas Southern University