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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASEContact: Fran Yates
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Bethesda, MD – FASEB MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) Program has announced the travel award recipients for the 2011 American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Meeting to be held in Denver, Colorado from May 31 – June 4, 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 ACSM Annual Meeting.

Awards are given to poster/platform presenters and faculty mentors paired with student/trainees they mentor. This year MARC conferred 28 awards totaling \$46,200.

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.

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POSTER/ORAL PRESENTER (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Carmen E. Capo-Lugo, Northwestern University
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Marquell Johnson, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire [ACSM member]
Francheska Mojica, University of Puerto Rico – Medical Sciences Campus
Jenelle R. Walker, Arizona State University [ACSM member]

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

Barry Braun, Ph.D., University of Massachusetts - Amherst [ACSM member]
Jennifer Rivero, University of Massachusetts – Amherst [ACSM member]

Sandor Dorgo, Ph.D., University of Texas at El Paso [ACSM member]
Christina Marie Samples, University of Texas at El Paso [ACSM member]
Marlina Sara Ponce de Leon, University of Texas at El Paso

George A. King, Ph.D., University of Texas at El Paso [ACSM member]
Cameron Raschke, University of Texas at El Paso

Michael McKenzie, Ph.D., Winston-Salem University [APS member]
Aaron Lide, Winston-Salem State University
Jamaal Long, Winston-Salem State University

Alexis Ortiz, Ph.D., University of Puerto Rico-Medical Sciences Campus [ACSM member]
Martin G. Rosario, University of Puerto Rico-Medical Sciences Campus [ACSM member]
Marivi Gonzalez-Sola, University of Puerto Rico-Medical Sciences Campus [AAA member]

Farah A. Ramirez-Marrero, Ph.D., University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus [APS member]
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Damaris Feliciano, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus

Jody Riskowski, Ph.D., University of Texas at El Paso [ACSM member]
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Angelica Gonzalez, University of Texas at El Paso

Jamie Robbins, Ph.D., Winston-Salem State University
Brianna Hooks, Winston-Salem State University
Ebony Oliver, Winston-Salem State University