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MARC TRAVEL AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR EB 2011

Bethesda, MD – FASEB MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) Program has announced the travel award recipients for the Experimental Biology 2011 (EB 2011) meeting in Washington, DC from April 9-13, 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 EB 2011.

Awards are given to poster/platform presenters and faculty mentors paired with the students/trainees they mentor. This year MARC conferred 132 awards totaling \$216,650.

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 23 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.

EXPERIMENTAL BIOLOGY 2011 TRAVEL AWARD RECEIPIENTS

April 9-13, 2011 – Washington, DC

American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology/FASEB POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS

Abraham Abraha, Tennessee State University [ASBMB member]
Byron Aguilar, Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University [ASBMB member]
Bianca Batista, The University of Texas [ASBMB member]
Lindsay Celada, Tennessee State University [ASBMB member]
Christopher Davies, Purdue University [ASBMB member]
Jessica Gadsden-Gray, Meharry Medical College [ASBMB member]
Jonathan Gonzalez-Flores, University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey [ASBMB member]
Michelle Hernandez, Montclair State University [ASBMB member]
Joshua Jamison, University of Pittsburgh [ASBMB member]
Melanie Malloy, Meharry Medical College [ASBMB member]
Augustine Nkembo, Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University [ASBMB member]
Jaylene Ollivierre, Northeastern University [ASBMB member]
Lola Olufemi, Southern Illinois University [ASBMB member]
Chloe Poston, Brown University [ASBMB member]
Ekemini Udofa, University of Maryland, Baltimore [ASBMB member]

American Society for Investigative Pathology/FASEB MINORITY TRAINEES

Prince Awuah, University of Pittsburgh [ASIP member]
Angel Byrd, Brown University [ASIP member]
Evan Delgado, University of Pittsburgh [ASIP member]
Gina Griffith, University of Oklahoma [ASIP member]
Raymond Isidro, Ponce School of Medicine [ASIP member]
Lantz Mackey, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill [ASIP member]
Edward Medina, University of Texas [ASIP member]
Jessica Rodriguez, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill [ASIP member]
Jacqueline Savage, Medical University of South Carolina [ASIP member]
Kendra Simpson, University of Virginia [ASIP member]
Cindy Thomas-Charles, Stony Brook University [ASIP member]
Jason Wells, University of Texas [ASIP member]

American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics/FASEB POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS

Rayna Bauzo, University of Florida [ASPET member]
Andrea Boyd Tressler, Case Western Reserve University [ASPET member]
Paula Brock, University of Utah [ASPET member]
Isabel Canto, University of California, San Diego [ASPET member]
Alejandra Chavez, University of Illinois, Chicago [ASPET member]
Tyechia Culmer, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill [ASPET member]
Rheaclare Fraser, University of Michigan [ASPET member]
Ashley Guillory, University of Houston [ASPET member]
Eileen Kennedy, University of Georgia [ASPET member]
Stephanie Mathews, University of Louisville [ASPET member]
Marie McGee, East Carolina University [ASPET member]
Carlos Monroy, University of Iowa [ASPET member]
Antonio Soto, University of California, San Diego [ASPET member]

American Society for Nutrition/FASEB POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS

Juan Andrade, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign [ASN member]
Vanessa Arias, University of California, Davis [ASN member]
Maria Dao, Tufts University [ASN member]
Kimberly Cephas, University of Illinois [ASN member]
Marcus Elam, The Florida State University [ASN member]
Ryan Grant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign [ASN member]
Jennifer Jones, University of Connecticut [ASN member]
Krystle Zuniga, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign [ASN member]

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS STUDENTS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Donald Belle (Faculty), Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Tracie Malone (Principal), Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Zenet Abdul, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Janae Butler, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Ernest Canty, 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
Whitney Irvin, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
William Miller, Jr., Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Michael Sikora, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland
Kira Windsor, Gwynn Park High School, Maryland

POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Ngozi Agu, Texas Southern University
Shaquita Banks, University of Central Oklahoma [AAA member]
Timothy Barnes, University of South Carolina
Odelia Bongbma, University of Houston
Leethaniel Brumfield, North Carolina State University [APS member]
Karen Corbin, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill [ASN member]
Tiana Curry-McCoy, Ph.D., Emory University [APS member]
Ashley Fennell, Meharry Medical College
Shavawn Forester, University of California at Davis [ASN member]
Maria Gazzaneo, Baylor College of Medicine [ASN member]
Esther Haugabrooks, Iowa State University [ASN member]
Candice Johnson, Meharry Medical College [AAI member]
Jane Mantey, Meharry Medical College [APS member]
Keisa Mathis, Ph.D., University of Mississippi Medical Center [APS member]
Josiemer Mattei, Harvard School of Public Health [ASN member]
Leah Miller, Vanderbilt University [ASBMB member]
Neh Ndingwan, Texas Southern University
Ezinne Ozurumba, Texas Southern University
Karl Pendergrass, Ph.D., Emory University [APS member]
Teresa Ramirez, Brown University [ASPET member]
Alberto Roca, Ph.D., University of California at Irvine [ASBMB member]
Jazmin Rodriguez-Jordan, University of California at Davis [ASN member]
Martin Rosario, University of Puerto Rico, Medical Sciences Campus [AAA member]

Rosa Sanchez-Alvarez, Ph.D., Thomas Jefferson University
Lakeisha Tillery, Meharry Medical College [APS member]
Vabren Watts, Ph.D., Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine [APS member]

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

D'Angelo Whitehead, Albany State University
Maya Pinjala, University of Texas at Austin
Unekwu Yakubu, University of Texas at Austin

Dr. Oswald D' Auvergne, Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College
Thurman Robertson, Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College
Tyrslai Williams, Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College

Dr. Abir El-Alfy, Chicago State University [ASPET member]
Setor Akati, Chicago State University
James Lott, Chicago State University

Dr. Cynthia Ann Jackson, Tuskegee University [APS member]
Lekeya Richardson, Tuskegee University

Dr. Willis Jacob, Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College [APS member]
Felton Brown, III, Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College
Christopher Ward, Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical College

Dr. Veronica Lopez, The Pennsylvania State University [ASN member]
Claribel Candelario, Long Island University
Zawadi Williams-Murray, Long Island University

Dr. Evangeline Motley-Johnson, Meharry Medical College [APS member]
Deneshia McIntosh, Meharry Medical College
Treniqka Walters, Meharry Medical College

Dr. Mohammad Newaz, Chicago State University [APS member]
Folsade Akinyele, Chicago State University
Cassandra Cruz, Chicago State University

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

Dr. Catherine A. Opere, Creighton University [ASPET member]
Namonique Floyd, Gaston College, Dallas Campus [ASPET member]
Edem Kegey, Bemidji State University

Dr. Adebayo Oyekan, Texas Southern University [APS member]
Ogechi Nwagwu, Texas Southern University

Dr. Don Rufus Ranatunga, Oakwood University [ASBMB member]
Michael-Troy Jackson, Oakwood University

Dr. Jayne S. Reuben, Texas A&M Health Science Center, Baylor College of Dentistry [ASIP member]
Nigel Kasali, Texas A&M Health Science Center, Baylor College of Dentistry
Brandon Lockett, Texas A&M Health Science Center, Baylor College of Dentistry

Dr. Kathy Svoboda, Texas A&M Health Science Center, Baylor College of Dentistry [AAA member]
Lesley Latham, Texas A&M Health Science Center, Baylor College of Dentistry

Dr. Tracy Womble, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University [ASPET member]
Mashunte Glass-Holmes, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University
Marquita Johnson, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

Dr. Momoh Yakubu, Texas Southern University [APS, ASPET member]
Tynecia Haniel, Texas Southern University

Dr. Zivar Yousefipour, Texas Southern University [APS member]
Warda Omar, Texas Southern University
Meril Philip, Texas Southern University

Meeting Registration Only Travel Award

Justin Wilson, Howard University [APS member]