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**MARC TRAVEL AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR THE  
2011 SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF REPRODUCTION ANNUAL MEETING**

*Bethesda, MD* – FASEB MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) Program has announced the travel award recipients for the 2011 Society for the Study of Reproduction (SSR) Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon from July 31 – August 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 SSR Annual Meeting.

Awards are given to poster/platform presenters and faculty mentors paired with the students/trainees they mentor. This year MARC conferred 10 awards totaling \$16,500.

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.

*The following SSR members have been selected to receive FASEB MARC Travel Awards for their poster/platform presentation:*

Vanessa Enriquez, Colorado State University  
Kamilah E. Grant, Mississippi State University  
Daniel A. Henao, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Sheikh Omar Jobe, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Kimberly Katileba, University of California-Davis  
Fernando Migone, Cornell University  
India Napier, Auburn University

*The following faculty/mentors and students/trainees have been selected to receive FASEB MARC Travel Awards:*

Dr. Olga Bolden-Tiller, Tuskegee University [SSR member]  
Harold Higgins, Tuskegee University  
Antionette Knox, Tuskegee University

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