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MARC TRAVEL AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2010 ENDOCRINE SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Bethesda, MD – FASEB MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) Program has announced the travel award recipients for The 92nd Annual Meeting & Expo of The Endocrine Society (ENDO 2010) in San Diego, California from June 19-22, 2010. 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 ENDO 2010 Meeting.

Awards are given to poster/platform presenters and faculty mentors paired with the students/trainees they mentor. This year MARC conferred 32 awards totaling $59,200.

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.

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.
POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Brenda Alcaraz, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]
Andres Betancourt-Torres, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]
Chauntelle Maduli, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
Frenzy Mendoza, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
Marissa Minor, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
Rosan Nieves Borges, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]
Nelitza Rivera Vega, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]
Jenise Takai, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
Michelle Vargas, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]

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

Dr. Steven Anderson, University of Colorado, Denver [ENDO member]
Chelsea Saito-Reis, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]

Dr. Aditi Bhargava, University of California, San Francisco [ENDO member]
Keaira Berry, Claflin University [ENDO member]

Dr. Joel Kawakami, Chaminade University of Honolulu
Ashley Baldauf, Chaminade University of Honolulu
Sophina Taitano, Chaminade University of Honolulu

Dr. Mark Lawson, University of California, San Diego {ENDO member}
Abdel Flores, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]

Patricia Lee-Robinson, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]
Shivana Maharaj, Chaminade University of Honolulu
Michelle Pierce, Chaminade University of Honolulu

Dr. Evangeline Motley, Meharry Medical College [ENDO & APS member]
Uriah Astorga, The University of Texas at El Paso [ENDO member]
Lance Castro, Chaminade University of Honolulu [ENDO member]

Dr. Sandra A. Murray, University of Pittsburgh [ENDO member]
Efe Oghoghome, University of Pittsburgh [ENDO member]
Catherine Byrd, Carnegie Mellon University [ENDO member]

Dr. Simon Rhodes, Indiana University School of Medicine [ENDO member]
Arlene Gonzalez, University of Puerto Rico at Cayey [ENDO member]
Brittany Jackson, Jackson State University [ENDO member]

Dr. LaMonica Stewart, Meharry Medical College [ENDO member]
Patrice Moss, Meharry Medical College