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MARC TRAVEL AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2008 ISMB/ISCB ANNUAL MEETING

Bethesda, MD – FASEB's MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) Program has announced the travel award recipients for the 2008 International Conference Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB), an official conference of the International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB) in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, July 19-23, 2008. 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 2008 ISMB/ISCB Annual Meeting.

Awards are given to poster/platform presenters and faculty mentors paired with the students/trainees they mentor. This year MARC conferred 2 awards totaling \$3,100.

POSTER/ORAL PRESENTERS (FASEB MARC PROGRAM)

Cynthia Jeffries, Jackson State University, Mississippi [ISCB member]
Lucia Peixoto, University of Pennsylvania [ISCB member]

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 21 societies with more than 80,000 members, making it the largest coalition of biomedical research associations in the United States. FASEB's mission is to enhance the ability of biomedical and life scientists to improve—through their research—the health, well-being and productivity of all people. FASEB serves the interests of these scientists in those areas related to public policy, facilitates coalition activities among Member Societies and disseminates information on biological research through scientific conferences and publications.