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MARC TRAVEL AWARDS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2011 ISMB/ECCB CONFERENCE

Bethesda, MD – FASEB MARC (Minority Access to Research Careers) Program has announced the travel award recipients for the 19th Annual International Conference on Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB) Conference and the 10th European Conference on Computational Biology (ECCB), an official conference of the International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB) in Vienna, Austria from July 15-19, 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 ISMB/ECCB Conference.

Awards are given to poster/platform presenters and faculty mentors paired with the students/trainees they mentor. This year MARC conferred 6 awards totaling \$15,000.

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 ISCB members have been selected to receive FASEB MARC Travel Awards for their poster/platform presentations:

Oscar Balbin, University of Michigan
Bernard Fongang, Ph.D., University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston
Harold Pimentel, University of California, Berkeley
Cynthia Prudence, Ph.D., University of Rhode Island
Jovan David Rebolledo-Mendez, Ph.D., University of Louisville
Shaneka Simmons, Jackson State University

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