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**FASEB MARC PROGRAM ANNOUNCES THE TRAVEL AWARD RECIPIENTS
FOR THE 2011 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND GRANT WRITING SEMINAR FOR
GRADUATE STUDENTS, POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS AND NEW ASSISTANT PROFESSORS**

Bethesda, MD – FASEB MARC Program has announced the travel award recipients for the 2011 Leadership Development and Grant Writing Seminar Program in Virginia Beach, VA from August 26-27, 2011. These awards are meant to support the participation, grant writing skill development and leadership training of graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and new assistant professors from underrepresented groups.

This year FASEB MARC conferred 37 travel awards totaling \$ 61,050.

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 of highly-trained underrepresented biomedical and behavioral scientists in leadership positions to significantly impact the health-related research needs of the nation.

FASEB is composed of 24 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.

**TRAVEL AWARD RECEIPIENTS FOR THE
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND GRANT WRITING SEMINAR
FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS, POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS AND NEW ASSISTANT PROFESSORS**

Amma Addai, Meharry Medical College
Davies Agyekum, Georgia Health Sciences University [APS]
Erika Alexander, Brown University
Ruben Almaraz, Johns Hopkins University
Prince Awuah, University of Pittsburgh [ASIP]
Timothy Barnes, University of South Carolina
Michelle Cardel, University of Alabama/Birmingham [ASN]
Emilee Colón, University of Puerto Rico-Medical Sciences Campus [ISCB]
Brittney Davis, UMBS [The Protein Society]
Sarah Deemer, Colorado State University [ACSM]
Lisa Del Valle, University of Puerto Rico [APS]
Lauren Graham, University of Pennsylvania
Frederick Gregory, University of Iowa
Ashley Guillory, University of Houston [ASPET]
Brandon Hollis, Louisiana State University [ACSM]
Amanda M. James, University of Alabama/Birmingham
Felicia Jefferson, Morehouse School of Medicine
Candice Johnson, Meharry Medical College [AAI]
Christina Johnson, Howard University
Yava Jones, Purdue University
Samira Jones, UC Davis Health Systems [ASN]
Michelle Juarez, University of California, San Diego [SDB]
Dominick Lemas, University of Alaska Fairbanks
Alrena Lightbourn, Florida A&M University [ASPET]
Rafael Luna, Harvard Medical School
Lantz Mackey, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill [ASIP]
Lorena Martin, University of Miami
Diana Obanda, Pennington Biomedical Research
Tiffany Oliver, Spelman College [ASHG]
Vivian Padin-Irizarry, University of Puerto Rico-Medical Sciences Campus
Samuel Quaynor, Georgia Health Sciences University [ENDO]
Andrea Ramos, University of Michigan [SDB]
Felix Rivera-Mariani, Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health [AAI]
Jason Rosas, Graduate Center CUNY
Jose Santana, University of Puerto Rico
Kennie Shepherd, Morehouse School of Medicine [ASPET]
Jenelle Walker, Arizona State University [ACSM]