

The American Association of Immunologists

2008 Travel Awards and Grants

AAI Minority Scientist Travel Awards

*To provide travel support to the AAI Annual Meeting to AAI members
who are qualifying underrepresented minority scientists*

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AAI congratulates the 30 recipients of AAI Minority Scientist Travel Awards for 2008:

Category I -- Mentor/Trainee

Mentor: **David Artis, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor
Trainee: **Steven Saenz**, Graduate Student
University of Pennsylvania

Mentor: **Lori R. Covey, Ph.D.**, Professor
Trainee: **Anibal Valentin-Acevedo**, Graduate Student
Rutgers University

Mentor: **Donna L. Farber, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor
Trainee: **John Teijaro**, Graduate Student
University of Maryland

Mentor: **Stephen M. Hedrick, Ph.D.**, Professor
Trainee: **Roberto Tinoco**, Graduate Student
University of California

Mentor: **Elizabeth M. Hiltbold, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor
Trainees: **Curtis Henry**, Graduate Student, and
LaToya Mitchell, Graduate Student
Wake Forest University

Mentor: **James W. Lillard, Jr., Ph.D.**, Associate Professor
Trainee: **LaSharon Mosley**, Graduate Student
University of Louisville

Mentor: **Ram Pyare Singh, Ph.D.**, Assistant Researcher
Trainee: **Alejandro Tamayo**, Undergraduate Student
University of California, Los Angeles

Mentor: **Fernando Villalta**, Professor
Trainee: **Ma'isa Madison**, Graduate Student
Meharry Medical College

Category II -- Trainee and Junior Faculty

Margaret S. Bynoe, Ph.D., Assistant Professor,
Cornell University

Gregory B. Carey, Ph.D., Assistant Professor,
University of Maryland

Claudia Diaz, Ph.D., Research Instructor,
University of South Carolina

Marcella M. Flores, Graduate Student, Columbia University

Jennifer B. Hernandez, Graduate Student,
University of California, Irvine

Tanisha A. Jackson, Graduate Student, University of Alabama

Patricia Kiesler, Graduate Research Assistant,
University of Arizona

Juan S. Leon, Postdoctoral Fellow, Emory University

Dennis J. Montoya, Graduate Student, University of California, Los Angeles

Thandi M. Onami, Ph.D., Assistant Professor,
University of Tennessee

Antonio J. Pagán, Graduate Student, University of Minnesota

Jacqueline Perez, Graduate Student, University of Kentucky

Bolaji Thomas, Ph.D., Postdoctoral Fellow,
University of Pennsylvania