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The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine Announces the First Recipient of the ACMG Foundation/David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award at the 2015 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah

Bethesda, MD– March 31, 2015—The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine is proud to announce that Marcus Miller, PhD of Baylor is the recipient of the inaugural **ACMG Foundation/David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award** during the 2015 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award was created in memory of the late Dr. David L. Rimoin, one of the founders of ACMG who passed away in 2012. Dr. Rimoin touched the lives of generations of patients as well as trainees and colleagues. This award is a cash award given to a selected student, trainee, or junior faculty ACMG member whose abstract submission is chosen as a platform presentation during the ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting and complements the David L. Rimoin Lifetime Achievement Award, which will begin at the 2016 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting in Tampa, Florida. Dr. Miller was selected to receive this award for his platform presentation, *“Metabolomic Analysis Uncovers Significant Trimethylamine N-oxide Production in Patients with Inborn Errors of Metabolism Requiring Supplemental Carnitine Despite Dietary Meat Restrictions.”*

Dr. Miller completed his PhD in Genetics at the University of Wisconsin, Madison and his BS in Biology at Purdue University. He is currently a molecular genetics laboratory fellow at Baylor College of Medicine, he is working on research topics that include Metabolomic analysis using high precision mass spectrometry, approaches to metabolomic data analysis, molecular genetics of VLCAD deficiency especially as it relates to newborn screening, next generation sequencing, mitochondrial disorders, approaches to molecular genetic testing, and general human genetic disorders.

“The ACMG and ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine would not be where it is today without the hard work of Dr. Rimoin, who was our founding president. This award will help keep his legacy alive in students, trainees and junior faculty ACMG members” said Bruce R. Korf, MD, PhD FACMG, president of the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine.

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Ann Garber, Dr. Rimoin's widow said, "The Rimoin family is excited that Dr. Miller's outstanding work will be recognized and supported through the David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award. It would make David happy that the individualized therapeutic approaches advocated by Dr. Miller's findings are being brought to the forefront, as this was a major emphasis of his work and passion."

The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is a community of supporters and contributors who understand the importance of medical genetics in healthcare. Established in 1992, the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine supports the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics; mission to "translate genes into health" by raising funds to attract the next generation of medical geneticists and genetic counselors, to sponsor important research, to promote information about medical genetics, and much more.

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