



## 15th SNIP Conference

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## 2009 Young Investigator Travel Awards

**Mission & Goals:** In order to promote interest in the field of neuroimmune pharmacology and to recognize the excellent work being done by young investigators in this field, the Society provides Young Investigator Travel Awards (YITA) to trainees working with a SNIP Member and seeking funds to attend the annual Conference of the Society on NeuroImmune Pharmacology. Special thanks are due to the National Institutes of Health/National Institute on Drug Abuse Conference Award and to the generous contributions made by our other Sponsors. In conjunction with scientific and financial support by our Chinese International Steering and Organizing Committees, the Society was also able to recognize and support the participation of several Chinese young investigators at the 2009 meeting in Wuhan, China.

### First-Place Award Winners - United States

Offered a full travel award and a registration fee waiver to attend the meeting and present their work

Name	Institution	Mentor
Marisela Agudelo	University of South Florida	T. Klein
Airi Harui, Ph.D.	David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA	M. Roth
Ashley Reynolds	University of Nebraska Medical Center	H. Gendelman
Gurudutt Pendyala, Ph.D.	University of Nebraska Medical Center	H. Fox
Ari Nowacek	University of Nebraska Medical Center	H. Gendelman
Rachel Williams	University of Kansas Medical Center	S. Buch
Ute Feger, Ph.D.	University of Hawaii at Manoa	L. Chang
Jana Ninkovic	University of Minnesota	S. Roy
Rajarshi Sengupta	Drexel University College of Medicine	O. Meucci
Jennifer Szczytkowski-Thomson	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	D. Lysle
Zainulabedin Saiyed, Ph.D.*	Florida International University/Miami	M. Nair
Tory Johnson	Johns Hopkins School of Medicine	A. Nath
Tess M. Eidem	University of Nebraska Medical Center	J. Zheng
Qi Wan	New York University	D. Unutmaz
Yumei Wu, Ph.D.	University of Nebraska Medical Center	J. Zheng

\*Note: This award recipient may not be able to attend the meeting

## **Second-Place Award Winners - United States**

Offered a partial travel award and a registration fee waiver to attend the meeting and present their work

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Mentor</u></b>
Anitha Krishnan, Ph.D.	University of Minnesota	S. Roy
Stephanie Kraft-Terry	University of Nebraska Medical Center	H. Gendelman
Anupam Banerjee	Drexel University College of Medicine	M. Nonnemacher
Crystal Bethel-Brown	University of Kansas Medical Center	S. Buch
Manohar Mutnal, Ph.D.	University of Minnesota	J. Lokensgard
Peter Gaskill, Ph.D.*	Albert Einstein College of Medicine	J. Berman
Michelle M. Kiebala	University of Rochester	S. Maggirwar
Donna C. Davidson	University of Rochester	S. Maggirwar
Min Cui, Ph.D.	University of Nebraska Medical Center	J. Zheng
Jerel Adam Fields	University of N. Texas Health Science Ctr	A. Ghorpade
Kalpeshkumar Patel	University of Missouri - Kansas City	A. Kumar
Nirzari Parikh	Drexel University College of Medicine	M. Nonnemacher

## **Honorable Mentions - United States**

Offered a registration fee waiver to attend the meeting and present their work

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Mentor</u></b>
Jiqing Xu*	University of Nebraska Medical Center	T. Ikezu
Erik F. Langsdorf*	Seton Hall University	S.L. Chang
Agnes Constantino	University of Nebraska Medical Center	J. Zheng
Jessica A. Hutter	University of Nebraska Medical Center	R. Mosley
Xiangqian Liu, Ph.D.*	Seton Hall University	S.L. Chang
Dawn Eggert*	University of Nebraska Medical Center	H. Gendelman
Luna Li	Drexel University College of Medicine	B. Wigdahl
Jing Ma	University of Minnesota	J. Wan
Jeanette D. Walton	Seton Hall University	S.L. Chang
Jieliang Li, Ph.D.	The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	W.Z. Ho
Tianpen Cui, Ph.D.	National Institute of Allergy/NIH	D. Taub
Divya Salhan, Ph.D.*	North Shore LIJ Health System, NY	P. Singhall

## **Chinese Award Winners**

Offered travel funds and a registration fee waiver to attend the meeting and present their work

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Institution</u></b>	<b><u>Mentor</u></b>
Wei-Li Zhu, Ph.D.	Natl Inst on Drug Dependence, Peking Univ	L. Lu
Liyan Zhao	Natl Inst on Drug Dependence, Peking Univ	L. Lu
Jun Liu	Wuhan University School of Medicine	X.L. Zhang
Qilong Wang	Wuhan University School of Medicine	X.L. Zhang

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