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**Neng Chen, PhD, Receives the 2012 Richard King
Trainee Award for Best Publication in Genetics in Medicine**

BETHESDA, MD—March 29, 2012 | Neng Chen, PhD of the Stanford University School of Medicine is the recipient of the 2012 Richard King Trainee Award. This award was instituted three years ago by the American College of Medical Genetics Foundation to encourage ABMG trainees in their careers and to foster the publication of quality research in ACMG's peer-reviewed journal, *Genetics in Medicine*.

Each year the editorial board reviews all articles published in GIM by an ABMG trainee who was either a first or corresponding author during that year. The manuscript felt to have the most merit is selected and a cash prize awarded at the annual American College of Medical Genetics (ACMG) meeting.

Dr. Chen was given the award for her manuscript titled "Allelic Discrimination of cis-trans Relationships by Digital PCR: GJB2 (p.V27I/p.E114g) and CFTR (p.R117H/5T)," which was published in the December 2011 issue of *Genetics in Medicine*. Senior author is Iris Schrijver, MD.

The award is given by the American College of Medical Genetics Foundation and is named for Dr. Richard King in recognition of his instrumental role in creating *Genetics in Medicine* and serving as the first and founding Editor-in-Chief of the journal.

Eligible trainees include those in the following programs: Clinical Biochemical Genetics; Clinical Cytogenetics; Clinical Molecular Genetics Combined Internal Medicine/Genetics; Combined Pediatrics/Genetics; PhD Medical Genetics.

Note to editors: To arrange interviews with genetics experts on this and other related topics email Kathy Beal at kbeal@acmg.net.

About the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics and The ACMG Foundation

Founded in 1991, the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (www.acmg.net) advances the practice of medical genetics by providing education, resources and a voice for more than 1600 biochemical, clinical, cytogenetic, medical and molecular geneticists, genetic counselors and other healthcare professionals committed to the practice of medical genetics and genomics. ACMG's activities include the development

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in public health, and promoting the development of methods to diagnose, treat and prevent genetic disease. *Genetics in Medicine*, published monthly, is the official ACMG peer-reviewed journal. ACMG's website (www.acmg.net) offers a variety of resources including Policy Statements, Practice Guidelines, Educational Resources, and a Find a Geneticist tool. The educational and public health programs of the American College of Medical Genetics are dependent upon charitable gifts from corporations, foundations, and individuals. The ACMG Foundation (www.acmgfoundation.org), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is a community of supporters and contributors who understand the importance of medical genetics and genomics and genetic counseling in healthcare. Established in 1992, the ACMG Foundation supports the American College of Medical Genetics' mission to "translate genes into health" by raising funds to promote the profession of medical genetics and genomics to medical students, to support the development of practice guidelines for practicing physicians, to advance the awareness and understanding of medical genetics and genomics in the general public and much more.

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