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## 2013 ACMG Foundation / Signature Genomic Laboratories, PerkinElmer Inc., Travel Award Winner Announced

BETHESDA, MD–March 27, 2013 | Caleb P. Bupp MD was honored as the 2013 recipient of the ACMG Foundation/ Signature Genomics from PerkinElmer, Inc. Travel Award at the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (ACMG) 2013 Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting in Phoenix, AZ.

Dr. Bupp was selected to receive the award for his platform presentation, "Twenty years of neural tube defect surveillance and prevention in South Carolina."

Dr. Bupp completed his MD degree at the University of Toledo College of Medicine. He completed his residency in Pediatrics at the University of Louisville and is currently completing his Medical Genetics Residency at the Greenwood Genetics Center. Dr. Bupp received his Bachelor of Science in Molecular Biology and graduated *Magna Cum Laude* from Grove City College. He is currently a Medical Consultant for the U.S. Department of Justice.

The ACMG Foundation/Signature Genomics Travel Award is given to a trainee ACMG member whose abstract submission was chosen as a platform presentation during the ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting. The ACMG program committee selects the Travel Award recipient based on scientific merit. In recognition of the selected presentation, Signature Genomics covers the travel costs for the recipient to the ACMG meeting.

"The Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine is grateful to Signature Genomics' for its continued generous support of the development of medical genetic researchers through this Travel Award," said Bruce R. Korf, MD, PhD FACMG, president of the ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine.

"Signature Genomics is pleased to support the recognition of young researchers like Dr. Bupp who are working in the field of medical genetics and genomics. This presentation is just one of the many outstanding presentations at this year's ACMG meeting," said Beth Torchia, PhD, FACMG, Technical Laboratory Director at Signature Genomics.

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## About the ACMG and ACMG Foundation

Founded in 1991, the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics (www.acmg.net) advances the practice of medical genetics and genomics 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. ACMG's activities include the development of laboratory and practice standards and guidelines, advocating for quality genetic services in healthcare and 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 for Genetic and Genomic Medicine** (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 and Genomics' mission to "translate genes into health" by raising funds to promote the profession of medical genetics and genomics to medical students, to fund the training of future medical geneticists, to support best-practices and tools for practicing physicians and laboratory directors, to promote awareness and understanding of our work in the general public, and much more.

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