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The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine Announces the Recipient of the ACMG Foundation/David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award at the 2017 ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting in Phoenix, Arizona

BETHESDA, MD - March 22, 2017 | The ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine is proud to announce that Leroy Hubert, Jr., PhD from Baylor College of Medicine is the recipient of the **ACMG Foundation/David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award**.

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.

Dr. Hubert was selected to receive this award for his platform presentation, “New Diagnostic Biomarkers for Peroxisomal Biogenesis Disorder Revealed by Untargeted Metabolomics Profiling Include Significant Reduction of Sphingomyelin, Bile Acid Alterations, and Unique Long Chain Fatty Acids Elevations.”

“It is with great honor and humility that I receive the David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award. Dr. Rimoin’s career, marked by extreme dedication and momentous contributions, is a model of professional excellence that I will continually strive to emulate throughout my career. My sincerest gratitude goes out to those who selected me for this great distinction, one that I hope my future endeavors thoroughly justify,” said Dr. Hubert.

“The ACMG and ACMG Foundation for Genetic and Genomic Medicine are proud to remember 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.

Ann Garber, Dr. Rimoin’s widow said, “The Rimoin family is pleased to congratulate Dr. Hubert on his important research on biomarkers associated with the Zellweger spectrum. We are proud to recognize and support his valuable contributions to medical genetics with the David L. Rimoin Inspiring Excellence Award.”

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