



The 2020 Perry J. Gehring Diversity Student Travel Award



Juliana Agudelo, 2020 Perry J. Gehring Recipient

The Perry J. Gehring Diversity Student Travel Award recognizes a student who participated in the SOT Undergraduate Program, is from an ethnic group under-represented in toxicology (for example, African American, Hispanic, Native American or Pacific Islander), and is presenting an abstract at the SOT Meeting. The award recipient is selected by the Committee on Diversity Initiatives and may be either a graduate student or undergraduate student.

The Gehring Student Travel Award is provided through the Society of Toxicology Endowment Fund. This award recognizes Dr. Perry J. Gehring, who served as SOT President in 1980-1981 and made important scientific contributions, especially in biological modeling and evidence-based assessment. Dr. Gehring had a strong interest in encouraging individuals from ethnic groups under-represented in the sciences to enter biomedical sciences and toxicology.

Juliana Agudelo, a graduate student at the University of Rhode Island, is the 2020 recipient of this award. A 2018 Undergraduate Diversity Program participant, her abstract is titled “**Low Dose PFOS Exposure Alters the Placental Transcriptome in C57BL/6 Mice.**”

Talia N. Seymore, an undergraduate student at the Pennsylvania State University, is the 2020 Honorary Mention of this award. A 2018 Undergraduate Diversity Program participant, her abstract is titled “**Anti-TNF α Antibody Mitigates Sulfur Mustard–Induced Lung Injury in Rats.**”

Participants in the SOT Undergraduate Diversity Program can apply for the Perry J. Gehring Diversity Student Travel Award if they meet eligibility requirements, including submission of an abstract for the SOT Annual Meeting and having participated in the program during the previous four years. The abstract submission deadline is the third Friday in October and the award application deadline is also the third Friday of October.

We also recognize the previous Perry J. Gehring Diversity Student Travel Award recipients.

- 2019 Jessica A. Jiménez
- 2018 Kimberly Ann River-Carabello
- 2017 Kaylin Marie White
- 2016 Lizbeth Perez-Castro
- 2015 Latisha T. Pryor
- 2014 Pamella B. Tijerina
- 2013 Alexandra Colón-Rodríguez
- 2012 Alba K. Gonzalez Rivera
- 2011 Eva A. Amouzougan
- 2010 Nygerma L. Dangleben
- 2009 Vanessa De La Rosa