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ASM UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

WASHINGTON, D.C. –10/22/2013--The American Society for Microbiology (ASM) has selected **Anthony Findley** from **Michigan State University** as a 2013 award recipient of the ASM Undergraduate Research Fellowship.

This fellowship is aimed at highly competitive students who wish to pursue graduate careers (Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D.) in microbiology. Fellows have the opportunity to conduct full time summer research at their institution with an ASM mentor and present their research results at the 114th ASM General Meeting in Boston, MA if their abstract is accepted.

Each fellow receives up to a \$4,000 stipend, a two-year ASM student membership, and funding for travel expenses to the ASM Capstone Institute and 114th ASM General Meeting.

This year, one hundred thirty-eight applications were received and thirty-seven were awarded. Of the thirty-seven awardees, sixteen students are from research and doctoral granting universities and twenty-one students are from undergraduate and masters' granting institutions.

Dr. Robert Britton from **Michigan State University** is Anthony Findley's mentor. The title of the research project is: Identification of Chromosomal Loci for Efficient Heterologous Gene Expression in *Lactobacillus reuteri*.

The American Society for Microbiology (ASM), headquartered in Washington, DC, is the oldest and largest single biological membership organization, with over 37,000 members worldwide. Please visit <http://www.asm.org/students> for more information on this fellowship.