

2009 AACC Annual Report
Van Slyke Foundation

AACC's philanthropic program, the Van Slyke Foundation (VSF), offers you a way to give back to *your* profession and *your* colleagues.

Here are some of the Foundation's good works for 2009:

- [International Travel Grants](#) to 22 which helped scientists from around the world experience the best and latest science and technology at the AACC Annual Meeting
- [SYCL Travel Grants](#) for six young laboratorians to attend the 2009 AACC Annual Meeting
- A [Past-Presidents Scholarship](#) to Dr. Joely Straseski to study at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, MD
- Four [Student Poster Contest winners](#) and a like number of [Oral Presentation Contest winners](#), thanks to a gift from Genzyme
- 15 [student travel grant recipients](#), thanks to support from Beckman Coulter
- Five honorees at the [International Science and Engineering Fair](#), also supported by Genzyme
- A VSF Research Grant to Kalen N. Olson, PhD from the Hennepin County Medical Center, Minneapolis, MN, for her project entitled "Cardiac Troponin T Expression in Diseased and Damaged Skeletal Muscle."
- The 2009 VSF Critical and Point-of-Care testing Research Grant went to Victor Jeger of Bern, Switzerland for his project "How well are Coagulopathies controlled in the injured patient? A prospective point-of-care observation using TEG® 5000".

The Foundation also funded five-year AACC memberships for laboratory scientists from emerging areas worldwide, thanks to generous gifts from Sandy and Jerry Gallwas and the Wilding Family Foundation.

Contributions also came through a FUNdraising Silent Auction & Reception, where bids brought donors great prizes for a great cause. Thanks to generous underwriting from AutoGenomics and PerkinElmer, all ticket and auction sales dollars went directly to grants and awards.

Another Silent Auction fundraiser will be held at the 2010 Annual Meeting, so save the date—Wednesday, July 28th, [click here](#) to buy tickets to the 2010 event!

Your VSF gift is an investment in the future of our field. Make a [donation](#) today!

Thank you for your support!