

Villisha Gregoire Receives Certificate of Achievement at ABRCMS



MSU SROP alum,
Villisha Gregoire, USVI

Tampa, Florida, November 13, 2016 – The Annual Biomedical Research Conference for Minority Students (ABRCMS) announced that Villisha Gregoire of the University of the Virgin Islands was awarded the 2016 Certificate of Achievement. Among the 3,900 presenters, and out of the many who participated in research last summer, only the most outstanding students were nominated for this prestigious accolade. After careful consideration of Villisha's contribution to research, and aspirations for graduate study, ABRCMS selected Ms. Gregoire for this award.

Villisha left a strong impression during her time as a SROP intern this past summer. She worked diligently in the research lab and capitalized upon multiple opportunities to network with faculty, staff, and of course her fellow SROPers.

After winning this eminent award and finishing her time as an undergraduate researcher, Ms. Gregoire stated, "It felt exciting to explain the work I had been doing for several weeks to a scientific community. Also, the judges were all very impressed with how I delivered my presentation." She also mentioned that her practice with SROP Talks (the program's required weekly presentation of research) "not only enabled me to speak confidently on a scientific platform, but also assisted my critical thinking skills." As a recipient of the 2016 Certificate of Achievement, Villisha's name will be included in ABRCMS's National Network. Her name, undergraduate institution, host campus, and the abstract of her SROP research project will also appear on ABRCMS's website.

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