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FISK STUDENT SELECTED FOR SUMMER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AT NATIONAL INSTITUTE

Nashville, Tenn., July 20, 2015 – The National Institute for Mathematical and Biological Synthesis (NIMBioS) is pleased to announce that Ashish Gauli, a biology student at Fisk University, has been selected for its highly competitive Summer Research Experience for Undergraduates and Teachers (SRE) currently underway at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK).

The 2015 NIMBioS SRE program runs for eight weeks and includes 16 undergraduates from universities across the United States and one high school teacher. Undergraduate participants receive free university apartment-style housing, a stipend of $3,700 and up to $650 of support for travel to and from Knoxville. Participants work in teams with NIMBioS postdoctoral researchers and UTK faculty on research at the interface of mathematics and biology. Projects range from modeling canine distemper to exploring stressors in host-pathogen interactions. More information about the SRE program, a list of participants and further details about the projects can be found at http://www.nimbios.org/sre/sre2015.

NIMBioS is a National Science Foundation-sponsored initiative to foster interdisciplinary research at the interface between mathematical and biological sciences. Additional NIMBioS sponsors include the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

About Fisk University:
Founded in 1866, Fisk University is Nashville’s first institution of higher education and currently ranks in the top 20% of all liberal arts institutions in the nation according to The Washington Monthly. According to the American Physical Society, Fisk is the #1 producer of underrepresented minority Master's in Physics degrees. Fisk is ranked in the top 15 institutions for awarding the Master's in Physics degree for all students, and tied for fourth place for Master's degrees awarded to women. Fisk is the fourth highest ranked institution in Tennessee and the highest ranked Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in Forbes magazine’s 2014 edition of “America’s Top Colleges.” Fisk has ranked in Princeton Review’s “Best Southeastern Colleges” publication for 22 consecutive years. U.S. News & World Report ranks Fisk in the elite Tier One liberal arts institutions. Fisk has earned 4 R&D 100 Awards, the only HBCU to do so, for work in the creation of radiation detectors developed in collaboration with several national laboratories and corporations. According to the National Science Foundation, Fisk produces more African-Americans who earn doctoral degrees in the natural sciences than any school in the nation. For more information on Fisk University, please visit www.fisk.edu.

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