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Biophysical Society Names 2008 Award Recipients

Bethesda, MD — The Biophysical Society is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2008 Society awards. The fourteen recipients will receive their awards at the Joint Biophysical Society Annual Meeting and IUPAB International Biophysics Congress Awards Ceremony on Monday February 4, 2008 at the Convention Center in Long Beach, California. The awardees are:

Ben de Kruijff of **Utrecht University** will receive the **Avanti Award in Lipids** for his excellent and high-impact contributions to the field of lipids and membrane biology;

Robert Callender of **Albert Einstein College of Medicine** will receive the **Distinguished Service Award** for his service and remarkable commitment to the Biophysical Society Journal during his tenure as Editor-in-Chief;

David S. Eisenberg of the **University of California, Los Angeles** and **Donald M. Crothers** of **Yale University** will share the **Emily M. Gray Award** for their significant contributions to education through creating rigorous, ground-breaking text enriching generations of biophysicists;

Peter G. Wolynes of the **University of California, San Diego** will receive the **Founders Award** for his exceptional intellectual contributions in advancing biophysical theory and physical sciences.

Sergei Sukharev of the **University of Maryland** will receive the **Michael and Kate Barany Award for Young Investigators** for his outstanding and creative contributions to membrane biophysics;

Steven M. Block of **Stanford University** will receive the **U.S. Genomics Award for Outstanding Investigator in the Field of Single Molecule Biology** for his contributions, leadership, and creativity in advancing the field of single molecule biology;

Judith Klein-Seetharaman of the **University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine** will receive the **Margaret Oakley Dayhoff Award** for her remarkable work in computational biology embracing the full spectrum of experimental biophysics. This award is given to a junior woman scientist of promise in the field of biophysics, who has not yet reached a position of high recognition within the structures of academic society; and

H. Ronald Kaback of the **University of California, Los Angeles** will receive the **Anatrace Membrane Protein Award** for his outstanding contributions to unraveling the structure and mechanism of action of *E. coli* lactose permease.

In addition, five Biophysical Society members have been named to the 2007 class of **Society Fellows**. They are:

Timothy A. Cross of **Florida State University** for his scientific accomplishments and leadership in the field of solid state NMR methods to the biophysical characterization of membrane proteins, and for service to the scientific community;

Eve E. Marder of **Brandeis University** for her seminal discoveries in the field of neuroscience and elegantly combining both experiment and theoretical work in an innovative manner to advance the field of neurobiology;

Ivan Rayment of the **University of Wisconsin** for his work in protein crystallography demonstrating the essential function it plays in the modern biophysics;

Stephen G. Sligar of the **University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign** for advancing our knowledge of biological functions through the concerted application of numerous biophysical methods; and

Attila Szabo of **NIDDK, NIH** for developing novel theoretical analyses for a wide variety of experiments and bringing leadership to the service of biological physics.

The Biophysical Society, founded in 1956, is a professional, scientific society established to encourage development and dissemination of knowledge in biophysics. The Society promotes growth in this expanding field through its annual meeting, monthly journal, and committee and outreach activities. Its nearly 8000 members are located throughout the U.S. and the world, where they teach and conduct research in colleges, universities, laboratories, government agencies, and industry. For more information on the society or the 2007 annual meeting, visit www.biophysics.org.