



**The Bio Serv Award in Experimental Animal Nutrition** is given for meritorious research in nutrition accomplished by an investigator within ten years of postgraduate training. In 2009, the award is made to **Jimmy Crott, PhD**, from Tufts University. The award, consisting of \$1,000 and an engraved plaque, is made available by Bio Serv, Inc.

Dr. Crott is recognized for his work which focuses on the role B-vitamins have in maintaining genetic and epigenetic stability and how depletion of these vitamins or mutations in folate-metabolizing genes can perturb specific intracellular pathways and thereby modulate cancer risk. His work, which involves animal, human and cell culture models is published in several well-respected international peer reviewed journals.

Besides his impressive publication record in nutrition, Dr. Crott has a proven ability to secure funding to support his innovative projects. He was awarded a HNRCA pilot grant and is the youngest and most junior person to have received this award. He was also granted a post-doctoral fellowship from the Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation and most recently was the Principal Investigator of a substantial investigator-initiated grant from the USDA National Research Initiative on Bioactive Food Components for Optimal Health.

Jimmy stands out among our young investigators as being highly worthy of this award. He is regarded as one of the most talented and promising junior scientists; one who we expect to become a future leader in nutrition research.