

David B. Allison, PhD elected to Fellowship in the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

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Dr. Allison, Professor & Head of the Section on Statistical Genetics in the Department of Biostatistics & Director of UAB's Nutrition and Obesity Research Center, has been elected to Fellowship in the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The American Association for the Advancement of Science, "Triple A-S" (AAAS), is an international non-profit organization dedicated to advancing science around the world by serving as an educator, leader, spokesperson and professional association. In addition to organizing membership activities, AAAS publishes the journal *Science*, as well as many scientific newsletters, books and reports, and spearheads programs that raise the bar of understanding for science worldwide. Each year the AAAS Council "elects members whose 'efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its applications are scientifically or socially distinguished'. The honor of being elected a fellow of AAAS began in 1874 and is acknowledged with a certificate and a rosette."

Dr. Allison is being honored for "distinguished contributions to the scientific study of obesity, methodological developments in statistical genetics, establishing research and training programs, and outstanding mentorship of young scientists."

Dr. Allison will be recognized at the Association's Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA, during the AAAS Fellows Forum on February 20, 2010.

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