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CELL BIOLOGIST FROM THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF SCRIPPS CLINIC WINS NATIONAL AWARD

LA JOLLA, CA Feb. 20, 1991 - The American Society of Cell Biology has honored Sandra Schmid, Ph.D., of the Research Institute of Scripps Clinic, with the 1991 Junior Career Recognition Award. Schmid was recognized for her significant potential for scientific contributions.

The annual award is presented by the society's Women in Cell Biology ad hoc committee to the most promising first- or second-year female faculty research member.

A 32-year-old Del Mar resident, Schmid has worked in the Department of Molecular Biology for two years, where her primary work involves studying the mechanism by which substances, such as nutrients, hormones and immunoglobulins, are taken up into cells. She recreates this event, called endocytosis, in a test tube to analyze the process biochemically and study its molecular mechanism.

Schmid earned her bachelor's degree in cell biology from the University of British Columbia, Canada, and earned a doctorate in biochemistry from Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif., in 1985.

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She was a postdoctoral fellow at Yale University, Conn., in the Department of Cell Biology from 1985 to 1988.

She is currently a Lucille P. Markey Scholar, which entitles her to a seven-year grant that is awarded to an outstanding young investigator, and she has published extensively.

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