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**ALFRED P. SLOAN FOUNDATION AWARDS SLOAN *INDUSTRY STUDIES* FELLOWSHIPS
TO FIVE EARLY CAREER RESEARCHERS**

(New York, NY) - The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation is pleased to announce the selection of five outstanding young researchers to receive the 2008 Sloan Industry Studies Fellowships. These Fellows are each engaged in ground-breaking investigational work that is increasing the knowledge of complex influences shaping today's industries.

“The Industry Studies Fellowships support the work of researchers early in their academic careers who are recognized for their exceptional promise to contribute to the advancement of knowledge as well as to U.S. industrial development,” says Paul L. Joskow, President of the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. “Each Fellow receives a grant of \$45,000 for a two-year period and is free to pursue whatever line of inquiry or research that is most interesting to them and their industry partners.”

To carry out their research, all Industry Studies Fellows have developed strong partnerships within their chosen industries. Similar to the prestigious Sloan Research Fellowships, the Industry Studies Fellowships recognize junior faculty from a variety of academic disciplines – economics, management, engineering, political science, and related or interdisciplinary areas.

The 2008 Sloan Industry Studies Fellows are:

Ravi Aron, Assistant Professor, University of Southern California, The Marshall School of Business, Information Systems (Financial Services Industry)

Dan Breznitz, Assistant Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology, The Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, The School of Public Policy (Information Technology Industry)

David Hsu, Assistant Professor, University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School, The Management Department (Venture Capital)

Sonali K. Shah, Assistant Professor, University of Washington, Michael G. Foster School of Business, Management and Organization (Software Industry)

Francisco Veloso, Assistant Professor, Carnegie Mellon University, Department of Engineering and Public Policy, (Automotive Industry)

Candidates for Industry Studies Fellowships are nominated and recommended by their department chairs and other senior scholars and executives from throughout the U.S. and Canada who are familiar with their talents and promise.

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation makes grants in science, technology, and the quality of American life. The Sloan Industry Studies program seeks to develop a deep understanding of industries by supporting academic research grounded in direct observation. For more information visit www.sloan.org.

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