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1. How has CAHSI impacted you?

The CAHSI award came in a moment of doubt in my life. Doubt, because at that moment, all the weight of a Ph.D. was becoming very heavy over my shoulders, both financially and from a motivational perspective. The CAHSI award, besides the obvious relevant financial support, brought with it a big encouragement for me to keep moving forward. It allowed me to keep the momentum needed for the final push toward my defense and graduation.

2. How have you supported other students or your community through CAHSI?

I kept going and did not give up. I kept my research moving forward and kept participating in associated research, thus collaborating with the students involved in these other research. Even after I graduated and moved back to the industry, I am still participating in research with students from the academic environment. I also believe all the interest the award generated in other students at the time I received for sure generated in them the desire to perform better so that they would have a chance to be awarded by CAHSI.

3. What does CAHSI means to you?

CAHSI is believing in yourself and in what you can achieve.