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**FASEB RELEASES NEW DATA RESOURCE ON BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE  
EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE**

*Bethesda, MD* – The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) has released an updated compilation of data on the education and employment of biological and medical scientists. The presentation, which was created by Howard Garrison, Ph.D. and Kimberly McGuire of FASEB's Office of Public Affairs, reflects new data from a variety of sources, including the National Science Foundation (NSF) and National Institutes of Health (NIH).

The presentation represents an overview of national survey data on many facets of scientific training and workforce development in the life sciences, encompassing graduate enrollment, doctoral awards, postdoctoral appointments, and employment status. The data presented provide key insights into national trends, such as indications that the number of graduate students and postdocs in the biological and medical sciences continues to grow, but at a slower rate than during the period of rapid growth in the NIH budget (1998-2003). For both graduate students and postdocs, the growth rate has slowed appreciably for temporary residents, while among biological and medical sciences graduate students and postdocs the growth rate for U.S. citizens and permanent residents during 2003-2007 now exceeds that of temporary residents for the first time since the mid-1990s.

The updated presentation is provided as a service to FASEB member societies and the biomedical research community, and FASEB encourages its member society scientists, advocacy and policy partners, and other interested parties to use the graphs and figures in their own presentations or publications. The presentation is available on the FASEB web site at:  
[http://opa.faseb.org/pages/PolicyIssues/training\\_datappt.htm](http://opa.faseb.org/pages/PolicyIssues/training_datappt.htm).

*FASEB is composed of 22 societies with more than 90,000 members, making it the largest coalition of biomedical research associations in the United States. FASEB enhances the ability of biomedical and life scientists to improve—through their research—the health, well-being and productivity of all people. Our mission is to advance health and welfare by promoting progress and education in biological and biomedical sciences through service to our member societies and collaborative advocacy.*