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**FASEB WELCOMES THE GENETICS SOCIETY OF AMERICA AND THE AMERICAN  
FEDERATION FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH**

*Bethesda, MD* – The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) is pleased to welcome the Genetics Society of America (GSA) and the American Federation for Medical Research (AFMR) as the newest members of the Federation. “GSA’s and AFMR’s expertise in advancing the study of genetics and supporting innovative research will be a huge asset for FASEB,” stated Mark Lively, Ph.D., FASEB President. “We are strengthened by their membership and look forward to working with them in collaborative advocacy.” The FASEB Board voted on December 7, 2009 to accept GSA and AFMR as member societies in the coalition.

“FASEB has an active and respected advocacy and lobbying program,” said Fred Winston, Ph.D., President of GSA. “We believe that these activities will effectively complement those of GSA.” The GSA was founded in 1931 and consists of over 4,000 professional members representing 47 countries. The society’s mission is to promote research that will produce new discoveries in genetics and to foster the training of the next generation of geneticists.

AFMR was founded in 1940 and consists of members at university medical centers, government facilities, medical centers, research institutions, and private industries nationwide. AFMR fosters research in the medical sciences, provides leadership in articulating and publicizing the aims and goals of scientific research, and disseminates knowledge at regional meetings and through publications in the *Journal of Investigative Medicine*. “AFMR is very excited about future collaborations with FASEB,” stated Abdulla K Salahudeen, M.D., AFMR President. “We believe our mission is aligned with that of FASEB and will strengthen the representation for clinical research.”

*FASEB is composed of 23 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.*