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**FASEB TAKES AIM AT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES, LAUNCHES YOU TUBE VIDEOS
IN SUPPORT OF MEDICAL RESEARCH**

Bethesda, MD – “Are you willing to make health a priority by increasing federal funding at the National Institutes of Health and other agencies that do life-saving research?” This is the question posed by Sally Moody, Ph.D., in one of three [YouTube videos](#) created by the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), aimed at ensuring that medical research is included in upcoming Presidential debates. FASEB is encouraging its 21 member societies, and the more than 80,000 biomedical researchers, they represent to view the videos and post comments of support in an effort to catch the attention of CNN, who will be [selecting questions](#) for the next debate, on November 28th.

The videos feature biologist and FASEB society member, Dr. Moody, of the George Washington University Medical Center, asking the Presidential candidates to go on the record about their support for biomedical research. “Medical research and improved health are top priorities for the American people,” said Robert Palazzo, Ph.D., FASEB President. “Our elected leaders should recognize that NIH and the hope it provides to millions of patients is both a national treasure and a national priority.”

Palazzo stated that the YouTube videos are only the first step in a voter education initiative soon to be launched by FASEB. “The Presidential election represents an opportunity to bring the critical importance of medical research to the national stage,” he said. “We want to give scientists the tools they need to raise awareness about the role of NIH in developing the treatments and cures that positively affect our quality of life. From the aging population to emerging diseases to drug-resistant ‘superbugs,’ there has never been a more important time to prioritize biomedical research. FASEB hopes that anyone running for President of the United States would make NIH a key part of their healthcare platform.”

The FASEB YouTube videos can be viewed at: <http://youtube.com/sciencecures>

FASEB is composed of 21 societies with more than 80,000 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. FASEB’s mission is to advance biological science through collaborative advocacy for research policies that promote scientific progress and education and lead to improvements in human health.