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FASEB UNVEILS NIH ADVOCACY CLEARINGHOUSE WEBSITE

Bethesda, MD – The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) has launched a new website (www.nihadvocacy.org) as a resource for the biomedical research advocacy community. “There are many organizations and individuals interested in promoting the extraordinary medical breakthroughs funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH),” said Howard Garrison, Ph.D., FASEB’s Deputy Executive Director for Public Policy and Director of the Office of Public Affairs. “We wanted to make it easier for the research community, policymakers, and members of the public to find the data and materials they need to advocate for this lifesaving agency.”

The [NIH Advocacy Clearinghouse](#) comprises links to data resources, reports, educational materials, NIH resources, and tools for scientist-advocates. “After years of flat-funding, it is more important than ever for the biomedical research community, from scientists to patients to research institutions, to be united and engaged in making the case for NIH,” Garrison stated. “There is a wealth of compelling information out there, and it is our hope this resource will provide a common ground for NIH advocates to pool our collective talent and resources.”

FASEB is grateful that thus far the response from the community has been positive. “This comprehensive site is useful and convenient. I appreciate having all of these valuable resources in one place,” said Claudia Louis, Government Relations Manager for the American Heart Association, “It will be a real timesaver.”

According to Carrie Wolinetz, Ph.D., FASEB’s Director of Scientific Affairs and Public Relations, the organization plans to regularly update the site. “We welcome contributions and feedback from our colleagues in the advocacy community,” she added.

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. Our mission is to advance health and welfare by promoting progress and education in biological and biomedical sciences through service to its member societies and collaborative advocacy.