

The FASEB SRC *The Biology of Cilia and Flagella* will hold a two hour professional development session focused on “**Career paths, choices, and strategies for early career investigators**”. Attendees will hear multiple perspectives from Academic and Industry researchers as well as from representatives from the NIH (Rebekah Rasooly, Program Officer, NIDDK), Publishing, and Private Foundations. The Academic perspective will be led by Dr. Tamara Caspary (Emory University School of Medicine) and Dr. Rebecca Burdine (Princeton University) and will cover topics about career transitions to an academic position and grant writing. An Industry perspective will outline opportunities and professional advancement in Pharma. A representative from the publishing business will present career paths in scientific journal publishing. A representative from a private research foundation (Alexis Deny, PKD foundation) will give a perspective on careers in disease centered fund raising, foundation administration, and patient advocacy. A question and answer period will follow presentations. The goal of this session is to introduce as many career options as possible to young scientists in the format of a broad and open discussion.