

The FASEB SRC ***Origins and Benefits of Biologically Active Components in Human Milk Conference*** has organized several sessions for trainees. First, trainees will have the opportunity to engage with leading researchers from academia, industry and government throughout the conference at meet the speaker lunches and dinners. Secondly, on Wednesday, a 1 1/2 hour panel discussion will be held on the topic of "Career Opportunities in Academia, Government, Industry and Non-Profit Organizations". Lastly, on Friday morning a workshop for young investigators engaged in pre-clinical and clinical studies on human milk bioactives is planned. This workshop will provide an opportunity for graduate students and postdocs to gain new perspectives and develop skills for translational human milk research at an early career stage. Drs. Meghan Azad (University of Manitoba) and David Sela (University of Massachusetts) will discuss their individual career trajectories and share tips for success based on their training experiences in clinical (Azad) and pre-clinical (Sela) research. Facilitators will discuss the advantages of multidisciplinary and translational research and provide practical advice for embarking on a career in this field. The workshop will emphasize facilitated discussions and active interactions. In addition, it is an opportunity for trainees to discuss their networking experiences over the course of the FASEB SRC and develop a plan to maintain established connections.