

What's happening at



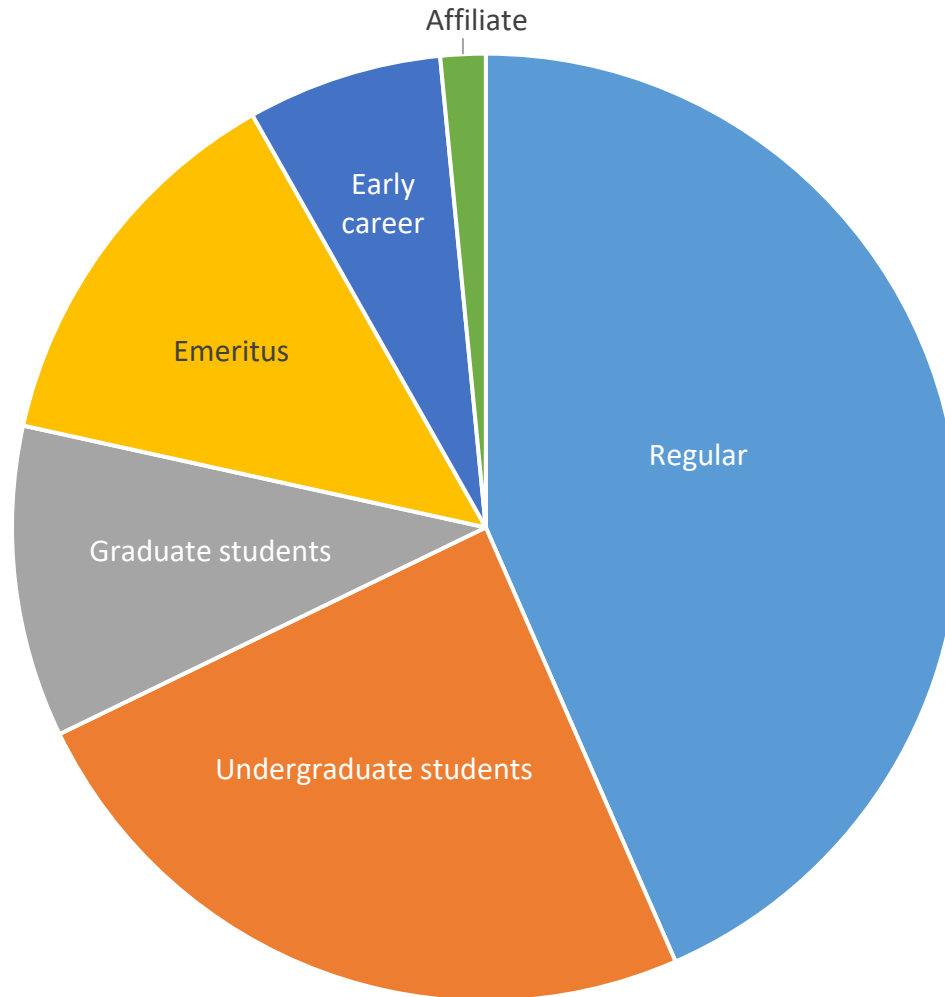
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ASBMB's History

- ❖ The *Journal of Biological Chemistry* – 1905
- ❖ Origins in APS
- ❖ The American Society of Biological Chemists – 1906
- ❖ Membership – 80 charter members
- ❖ Founding member of FASEB – 1912

- ❖ Current membership >10,700, ~22% international

Who are ASBMB's members?



■ Regular ■ Undergraduate students ■ Graduate students ■ Emeritus ■ Early career ■ Affiliate

ASBMB journals are gold open access.

JBC

**JOURNAL OF
BIOLOGICAL
CHEMISTRY**

JLR

**JOURNAL
OF LIPID
RESEARCH**

MCP

**MOLECULAR
& CELLULAR
PROTEOMICS**

- ASBMB members pay \$2,000.
- Everyone else pays \$2,500.

JBC has a new editor-in-chief.



Alex Toker

- ❖ Associate director for the Cancer Research Institute at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
 - ❖ Professor of Pathology at Harvard Medical School
 - ❖ Associate editor for JBC since 2013
- His five-year term began in October.

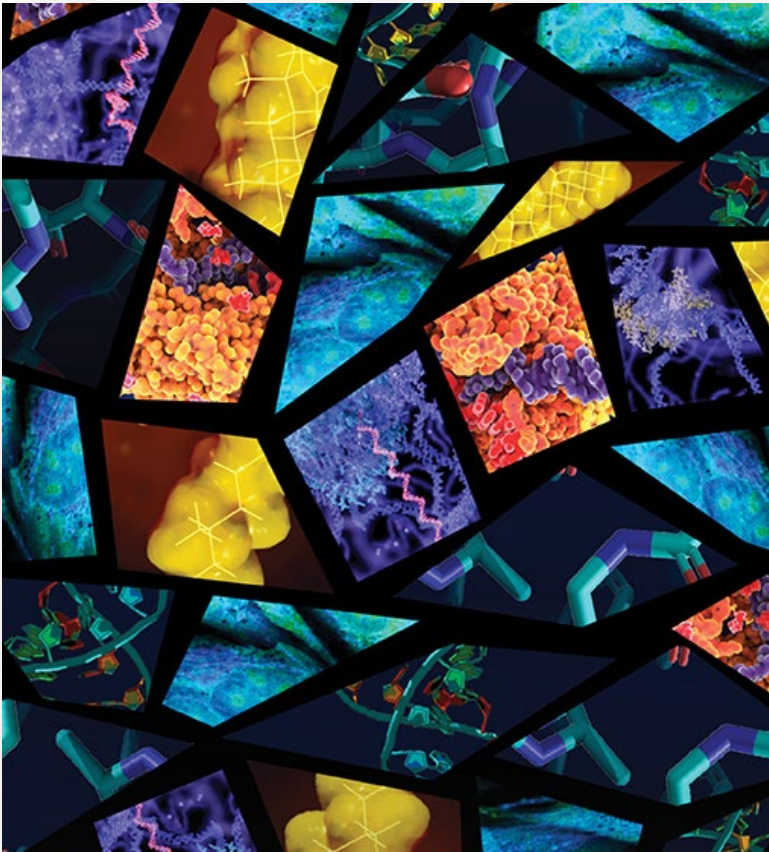
Inaugural class of ASBMB fellows.

“For their meritorious efforts to advance the molecular life sciences through sustained outstanding accomplishments in areas such as scientific research, education, mentorship, commitment to diversity and service to the society and scientific community.”

Learn more at www.asbmb.org/about/asbmb-fellows.



Points of pride.



- ❖ ASBMB won a **\$1.3 million grant** from NIGMS to promote faculty diversity (MOSAIC program).
- ❖ More than 100 degree-granting programs have earned **ASBMB certification**.
- ❖ The **undergraduate certification exam** was conducted entirely online in 2021. More than 1,000 students took it.
- ❖ The **Student Chapters program** now has 128 chapters nationwide.

Advocacy Efforts



- ❖ ASBMB partnered with U.S. Senate Appropriations staff to draft language in FY2021 appropriations bill requiring the NIH to take more clear transparent steps to overcome sexual harassment in science.
- ❖ ASBMB provided testimony to Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee supporting science and evidence based policy making.
- ❖ Partnering with the Asian American Justice Center (AAJC), the ASBMB has been a leading scientific voice in support of international collaboration, and a critical voice in ensuring transparency among federal agencies engaged in foreign influence investigations.

Challenges ahead.



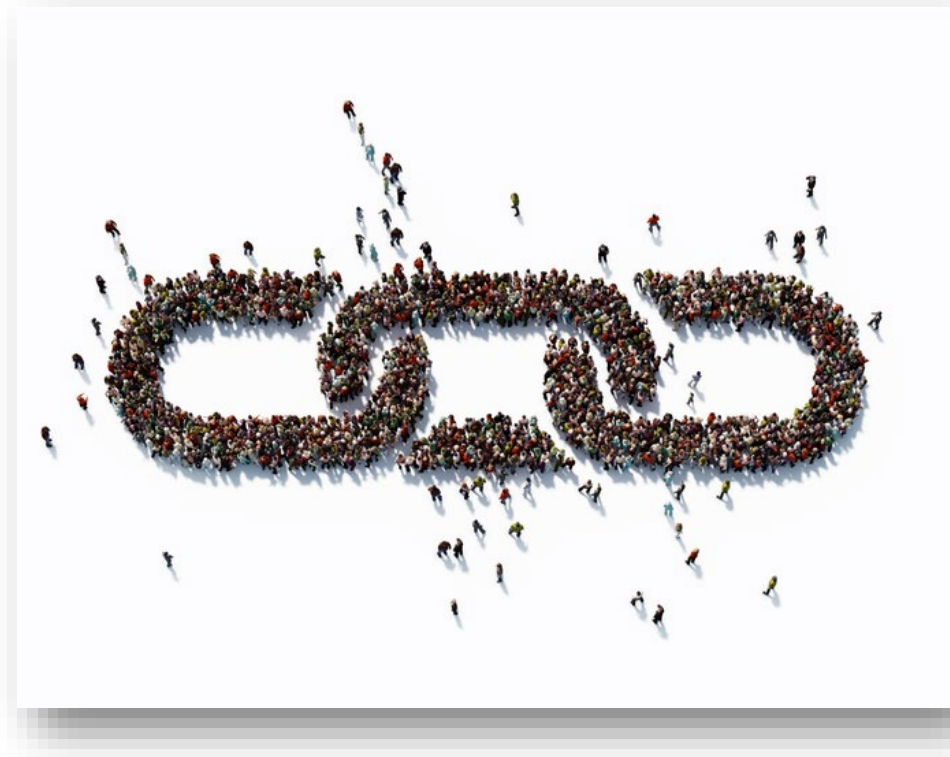
- ❖ In-person annual meeting in April 2022.
- ❖ 2023 annual meeting on our own.
- ❖ Journal submissions.
- ❖ Aging membership.
- ❖ Competitive marketplace.
- ❖ Changes in the work force.

How FASEB could support us.



- ❖ Amplify our messaging.
- ❖ Promote our key programs.
- ❖ Celebrate our wins.
- ❖ Provide important services we currently outsource (for example, videography, design and media relations).

How being a member of FASEB benefits us.



- ❖ Meetings that bring together department heads across societies yield discussions of **best practices** and what doesn't work.
- ❖ Member organizations can make a **big impact** if they agree to work together (for example, community service and outreach projects).



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