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2014 and 2015 Annual Meetings: Request for Proposals

The National Postdoctoral Association is soliciting proposals from member institutions and organizations with meeting facilities to accommodate the 12th or 13th Annual Meetings of the NPA, to be held in March or April each year in 2014 and 2015. Hosting an NPA Annual Meeting will provide an excellent opportunity for institutions to showcase their support of postdoctoral scholars and to introduce their campus community to the NPA.

Submission deadline for proposals: September 30, 2012

To read full eligibility criteria and proposal submission details, continue here.

Savvy Science Interviewing - Great Online Course for Scientists

Your Science is Excellent....What about the Rest?

Mary Mitchell, of The Mitchell Organization, guides you through "Presenting Yourself to Your Best Advantage," explaining key elements of the interview process -- helping you customize your "professional presentation style."

More information and registration for the program available here.

Responses Requested for the Science NextGen VOICES Survey
Science is asking for responses to their NextGen VOICES survey. They are asking participants to describe a specific experience and how it changed your science, training, or career goals. Did a particular person, conversation, reading, or event inspire you to pursue science or change your course of study?

The submission deadline is **Friday, May 18, 2012**. The best responses will be published in the July 6th issue of *Science*. Responses (250 words or less) can be submitted here: [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NextGen3pd](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NextGen3pd).

**ADVOCACY COMMITTEE ALERT**

The U.S. Congress is currently debating Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 funding levels for research and development, including funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the Department of Energy Office of Science (DOE-SC), and other federal agencies. Any reduction in funding for research and development is likely to have detrimental long-term effects on our nation's economic health and development and on the nation's research and development workforce. [Click here for more information.](http://www.eom.org)

Please send a message to your Senators and Representative and let them know that you are against any cuts in FY 2013 funding for research and development.

**FASEB Report: Engaging Basic Scientists in Translational Research**

The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) has released the report, *Engaging Basic Scientists in Translational Research: Identifying Opportunities, Overcoming Obstacles*.

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