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**VOLUNTEER**

## Call for Volunteers!

The spARO Steering Committee consists of student, postdoctoral and medical resident volunteers who help organize the spARO hosted events at the ARO MidWinter Meeting, and/or who formally represent spARO by sitting on ARO committees. Volunteering with spARO is a fantastic opportunity to join a motivated team of individuals from diverse backgrounds, network with other scientists, and gain exposure early on in your career. Due to many of our current steering committee members moving on to faculty positions in the near future, we have a number of positions vacant that we are looking to fill as soon as possible. The steering committee typically meets every 2-3 months, and individuals volunteer for 1-3 year terms.

### Current Positions Available:

- **spARO Chair Elect 2022** - The spARO Chair guides the steering committee and liaises with the spARO Faculty Mentor and ARO Executive Office to ensure all spARO activities run smoothly. This includes administering the spARO gmail account, chairing meetings, fielding proposals, etc. A successful applicant will be organized, self-motivated, and passionate about issues affecting trainees. By representing all student/postdoctoral/medical resident members of ARO, you will gain valuable exposure, and a glimpse inside the workings of a large professional organization.
- **Mentorship Program** (Ongoing Initiative) - multiple positions vacant - use (and build on) our extensive database of existing mentors to match mentee applicants appropriately
- **JARO Research News** (Ongoing Initiative) - manage the submission and editorial process in which spARO members volunteer to write an editorial style highlight of an article recently published in JARO
- **Mentoring Sessions** (ARO MWM Event) - multiple positions vacant - develop the topics and invite speakers to participate in informal group mentoring sessions
- **Science Communication Workshop** (ARO MWM Event) - invite appropriate speakers and assist in the organization/implementation of the Workshop event at next years midwinter meeting
- **Diversity & Minority Affairs Roundtable** (ARO MWM Event) **AND Diversity & Minority Affairs Committee spARO Representative** (ARO Committee) - represent spARO at Diversity and Minority Affairs committee meetings and assist in the organization/implementation of the Roundtable event at next years midwinter meeting
- **International Committee spARO Representative** (ARO Committee) - represent spARO at International Committee meetings
- **Program Committee spARO Representative** (ARO Committee) - represent spARO at Program Committee meetings
- **Accommodations Committee spARO Representative** (ARO Committee) - represent spARO at Accommodations Committee meetings
- **Travel Award Committee spARO Representative** (ARO Committee) - represent spARO

at Travel Award Committee meetings

If you are interested, please email your CV, and a brief letter of interest (introduction and motivation for joining) to [sparo.ex.officio@gmail.com](mailto:sparo.ex.officio@gmail.com).

***The deadline to apply is Monday, May 3, 2021***

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Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the ARO Executive Office, at [headquarters@aro.org](mailto:headquarters@aro.org) or 615.432.0100. Thank you!

