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The American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS) (<https://www.aibs.org/home/index.html>), was founded in 1947. AIBS, "... is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) scientific association dedicated to advancing biological research and education for the welfare of society. AIBS works to ensure that the public, legislators, funders, and the community of biologists have access to and use information that will guide them in making informed decisions about matters that require biological knowledge. The organization does this through informing decisions by providing peer-reviewed or vetted information about the biology field and profession and by catalyzing action through building the capacity and the leadership of the community to address matters of common concern. Learn more about the organization's recent work by reading [their] [annual reports](#)."

As liaison to AIBS there are no set annual or other in-person meetings so there is sometimes less to report on for this organization than there might be for others.

However, AIBS does provide extensive online resources for a variety of constituent groups, including: for children and older students interested in [Biological Sciences careers and topics, for the general public](#), and for scientists and other professionals in the areas of Biological Sciences. In particular, in they [provide online resources and sponsor in-person workshops on effective methods for communicating scientific research results and priorities](#), and for addressing the use of scientific knowledge and research in policy creation and legislation.

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