

# Applications for the “Schroth Faces of the Future in Bacteriology—A Look to the Future” Early Career Professionals Symposium Now Being Accepted

The Early Career Professionals Committee is pleased to again be sponsoring the Schroth Faces of the Future Symposium at the 2009 APS Annual Meeting in Portland, OR. For the first time, the Faces of the Future Symposium, thanks to an endowment established by **Milt** and **Nancy Schroth**, will provide funds of \$400 each to the selected presenters to help support their travel to the meeting. The 2009 symposium will be entitled, “Schroth Faces of the Future in Bacteriology—A Look to the Future.” This symposium is designed to acknowledge the “up and comers” in bacteriology. The chosen speakers will be asked to present their research in a special session in which they will have the opportunity to highlight their current work and speculate on the future directions of their discipline. In addition, the speakers will have the opportunity to submit a mini-review where they can highlight their philosophy and futuristic thinking about the direction of their discipline. We encourage nominations of scientists in the early stages of their careers (assistant professor or equivalent) that are forward thinkers and are perceived to be the future leaders in the field of bacteriology. Speakers will be chosen by a selection committee composed of bacteriologists and members of the Early Career Professionals Committee. The deadline for applications is 5 p.m. (PST), March 2, 2009. Applications should be submitted as a single-merged PDF document to **David G. Schmale III** via e-mail at [dschmale@vt.edu](mailto:dschmale@vt.edu).

Applications must contain:

- A letter of nomination by an established scientist. This letter must include an evaluation of the nominee’s research, including a comment on the innovation and the impact that research completed by the nominee has on the discipline and the future of bacteriology.
- A one-page essay submitted by the nominee addressing their views on the future of bacteriology research.
- Current curriculum vitae of the nominee.
- Abstract of the proposed presentation (instructions for abstracts can be found at <http://meeting.apsnet.org/callpapers/instructions.cfm> starting on February 1, 2009).

Speakers must be APS members. Funding for this award was generously provided by Milt and Nancy Schroth through the APS Foundation. Milt Schroth is an internationally known expert on bacterial diseases, systematics, and biocontrol who retired from the University of California-Berkeley in 1994. ■

