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**RE: Hearing to Gather  
Information for the Purpose of Improving Enforcement of Title IX**

The American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology is an international nonprofit scientific



## Standard of evidence

Prior to this final rule being published, the predominant standard for establishing culpability in Title IX hearings was preponderance of evidence, **which means** *more likely than not*, or anything above a fifty-