Career Conversations: What Can I Do With a PhD at the Mayo Clinic?
Tuesday, April 23rd - 11:30am-12:45pm
N610 Life Science Laboratories (LSL)
Many PhD level professionals enjoy rewarding research careers at the Mayo Clinic, including Dr. Marina Ramirez-Alvarado, who has been leading a team of scientists conducting state-of-the-art research for 17 years. In this session, she will talk about the research environment at the Mayo Clinic and how it is both similar and different from those typical of research-intensive (R1) universities like UMass. A pizza lunch will be served.

Biosketch: Dr. Marina Ramirez-Alvarado

Marina Ramirez-Alvarado is a Mexican-born Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the Mayo Clinic. She received her undergrad and master degrees from the National and Autonomous University of Mexico. She conducted her PhD research at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory in Heidelberg, Germany. She was a Human Frontiers Science Program Foundation postdoctoral fellow at Yale University. She has been leading a team of scientists conducting state-of-the-art research at the Mayo Clinic for 17 years. She is considered a world leader in the study of Molecular Determinants of light chain amyloidosis, a rare protein misfolding disease. Her research is currently funded by NIH and NSF. She serves as the faculty advisor for the Mayo Clinic SACNAS chapter, she is the wellness program director at Mayo Graduate School, serves as a member of Council for Biophysical Society and as a member of the ASBMB Public Affairs advisory committee, and is the Mayo senior representative on the Council of Faculties and Academic Societies of the AAMC.