NCI Director's Update

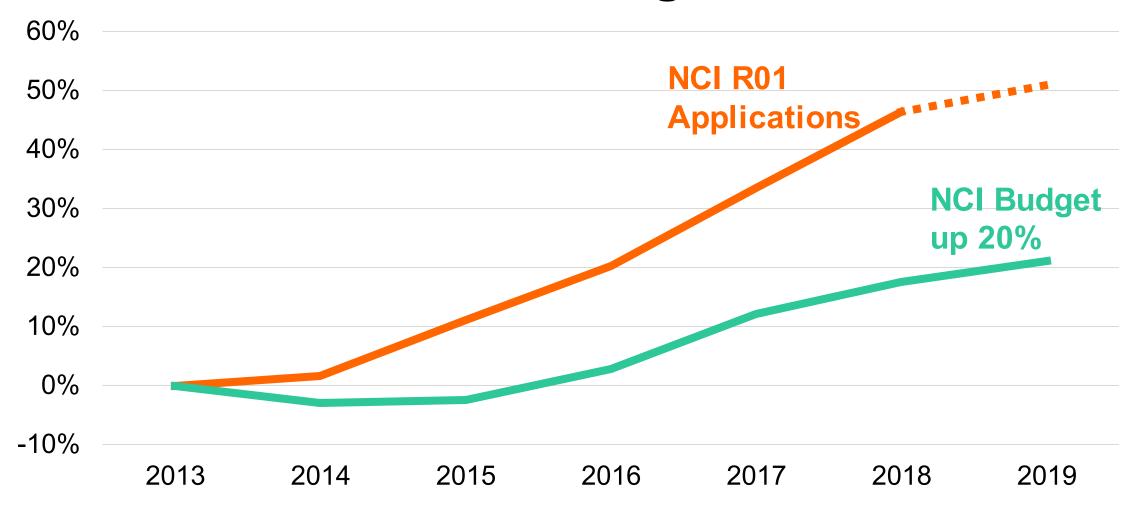
National Cancer Advisory Board September 4, 2019

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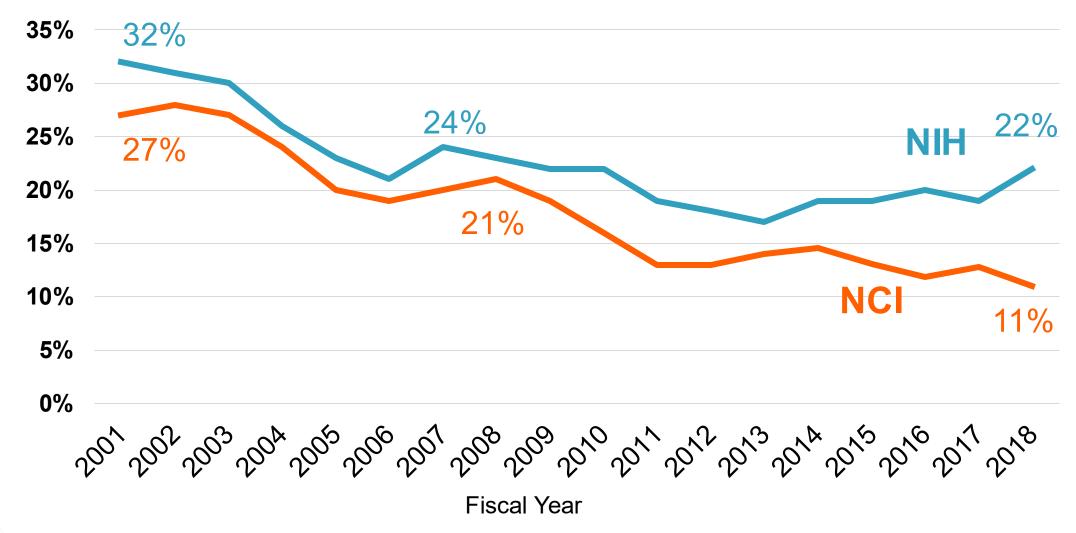


Competing R01 applications vs. budgets for NCI & RPGs: Percent change since FY 2013





Success Rates for NIH & NCI Grant Applications Data include all RPGs, including SBIR/STTR



What factors have contributed to the dramatic increase in applications to NCI?

Number of unique Pl applicants



- Some migrating from other NIH ICs
- Multi-PIs

Applicant Behavior



- Applications per Pl
- More PIs with >2 applications per year

Applications to PARs

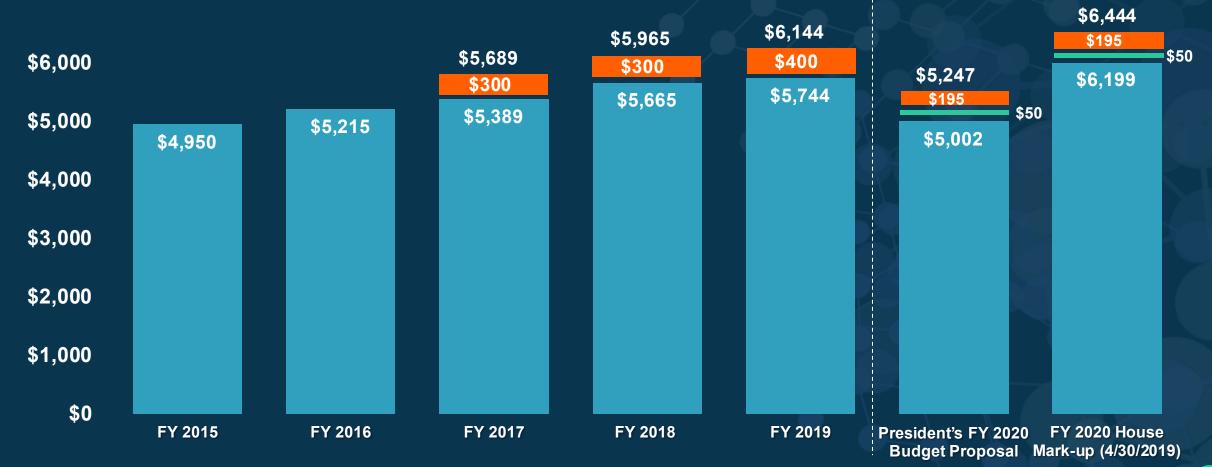


Low Paylines



NCI Appropriations FY 2015 – 2020 (in millions)

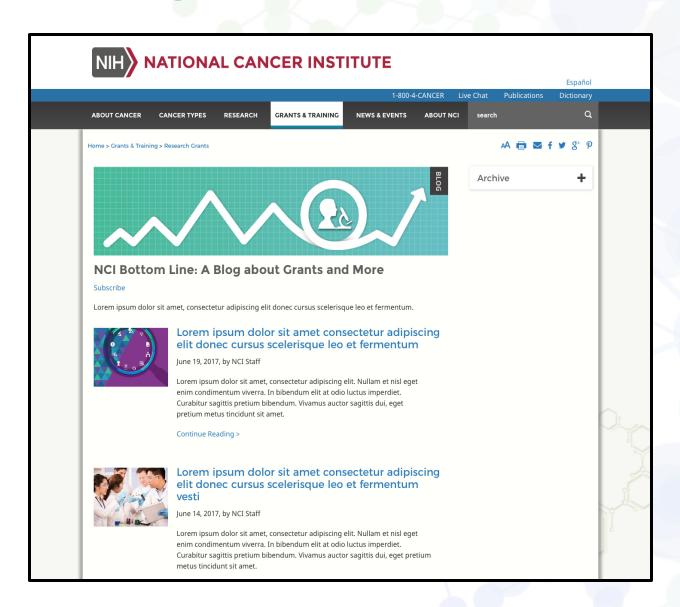
21st Century Cures Act - orange Childhood Cancer Initiative - green





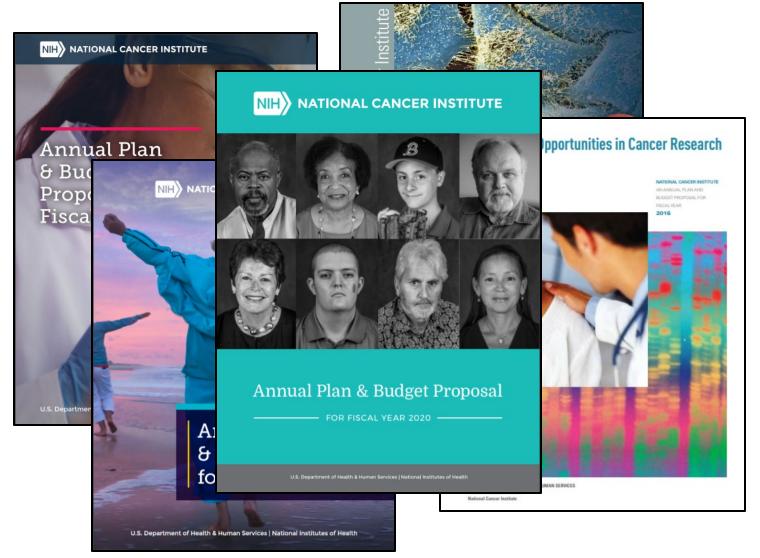
New blog: NCI Bottom Line: A Blog About Grants & More!

- Launch date: September 10, 2019
- Primary target audience: NCI grantees, administrators, research grant applicants
- Primary Focus: NCI grants and funding policy updates, fiscal reports and milestones, research activities or priorities that may affect grantees and research applicants





NCI Annual Plan & Budget Proposal ("Bypass")



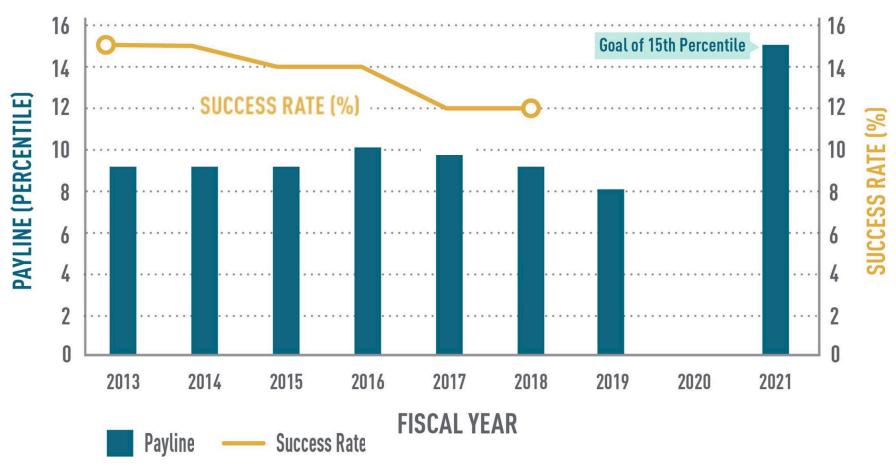






Professional Judgment Budget Proposal Fiscal Year 2021

Paylines & Success Rates for NCI R01 Applications Remain Low



Highlighted Areas



The Immune System and Microbiome

Tapping the potential of the innate immune system and investigating how microbiomes shape the immune system and cancer development, progression, and response to treatment



Implementation Science

Finding the best ways to integrate proven, effective cancer interventions into routine health settings so that all patients receive high-quality care



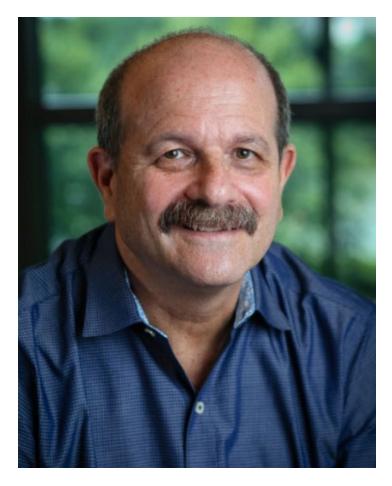
Artificial Intelligence

Accelerating cancer research and improving cancer care by leveraging the power of big data and advancements in computing technologies

Featured Researchers







Tomi Akinyemiju, Ph.D.Associate Professor
Duke University

Ross Brownson, Ph.D.
Steven H. and Susan U. Lipstein
Distinguished Professor
Washington University in St. Louis

Mark Schiffman, M.D., M.P.H. Senior Investigator National Cancer Institute



Childhood Cancer Data Initiative



Tony Kerlavage, Ph.D.

Director

Center for Bioinformatics and
Information Technology



Jaime Guidry-Auvil, Ph.D.

Director

Office of Data Sharing

Data Registry for Medicare CAR-T patients

"CAR-T cell patient data housed in the Center for International Blood and Marrow

Transplant Research (CIBMTR), supported by NCI and NHLBI, includes treated patients of Medicare age whose results can provide evidence for efficacy in that population."

> - Jim Doroshow, M.D., Deputy Director, Clinical and Translational Research



Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Trump Administration Makes CAR T-Cell Cancer Therapy Available to Medicare
Beneficiaries Nationwide

Decision ensures consistency in access to the innovative new cancer therapy, and CMS is working closely with sister agencies to monitor outcomes for patients receiving the therapy

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CMS finalizes long-sought rules for Medicare CAR-T coverage

By NICHOLAS FLORKO / AUGUST 7, 2019



NCI Community Oncology Research Program (NCORP) Community and Minority/Underserved Sites



Open Access to Cancer Moonshot Publications



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Open access takes root at National Cancer Institute

Cancer Moonshot program requires grantees to provide immediate free access to papers they publish

"People aren't

website" for

Dinah Singer.

going to look at

everybody else's

moonshot papers.

National Cancer Institute

By Jocelyn Kaiser

he long-standing debate over open access to research results has been marked by a geographic divide. In Europe, some public funders have launched a high-profile open-access initiative, dubbed Plan S, that would ultimately require grantees to publish only in journals that immediately make papers free to all. But in the United States, federal agencies have stuck to a decade-old policy that allows grantees to publish in journals that keep papers behind a paywall for up to 1 year. Now, the divide is starting to blur, with one prominent U.S. research program

starting to require immediate open access to the peer-reviewed publications it funds.

The policy is part of the Cancer Moonshot program at the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in Bethesda, Maryland, the 7-year, \$1.8 billion research initiative spearheaded in 2016 by then-Vice President Joe Biden after his son Beau died of brain cancer.

(The agency later realized this paper hadn't been funded by the moonshot.) At first, NCI considered accepting two free sharing strategies allowed by many paywalled journals: Researchers can either publish a draft manuscript in an online preprint repository or post the final accepted paper on their own website. But officials decided that "people aren't going to look at everybody else's website" for papers, Singer says. Instead, NCI opted for a "strictly" openaccess policy, with rare exceptions.

The policy says moonshot authors can publish in either a fully open-access journal or a hybrid journal that publishes both free and paywalled papers. The authors

> can also include in their grant budgets the fees that open-access journals charge for peer review and other costs, usually about \$2000 to \$3000 per paper.

> NCI says it wants to enable grantees to publish in highly selective journals, including Nature, Science, and Cell, that don't offer open access, and it has been

discussing options with such journals. Cell says it expects to negotiate ways to make

Biden felt that broader data sharing would speed cancer research, and after hearing





Cancer Centers News





A Cancer Center Designated by the National Cancer Institute



IU Simon Cancer Center



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America's colleges and universities are aggressively addressing foreign threats

August 22, 2019
By Michael A. McRobbie, President of Indiana University and Morton Schapiro, President of Northwestern University

https://thehill.com/opinion/education/458292-americas-colleges-and-universities-areaggressively-addressing-foreign



Recent Leadership Appointments

Deputy Director, NCI – Dinah Singer

Director, Committee Management Office – Joy
Wiszneauckas

Deputy Executive Officer – Eric Cole
Chief of Staff – Anne Lubenow



Leadership Vacancies

Director, Center for Global Health (CGH)
Bob Croyle, Acting

Associate Director, Cancer Therapy Evaluation Program (CTEP)

Meg Mooney, Acting

Director, Division of Cancer Prevention (DCP)
Debbie Winn, Acting

Director, Division of Cancer Biology Daniel Gallahan, Acting





Division of Cancer Biology, Director

- Executive Level Recruitment
- The announcement will be open from September 3, 2019 to November 1, 2019.
- https://hr.nih.gov/jobs/search/job-1560101



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