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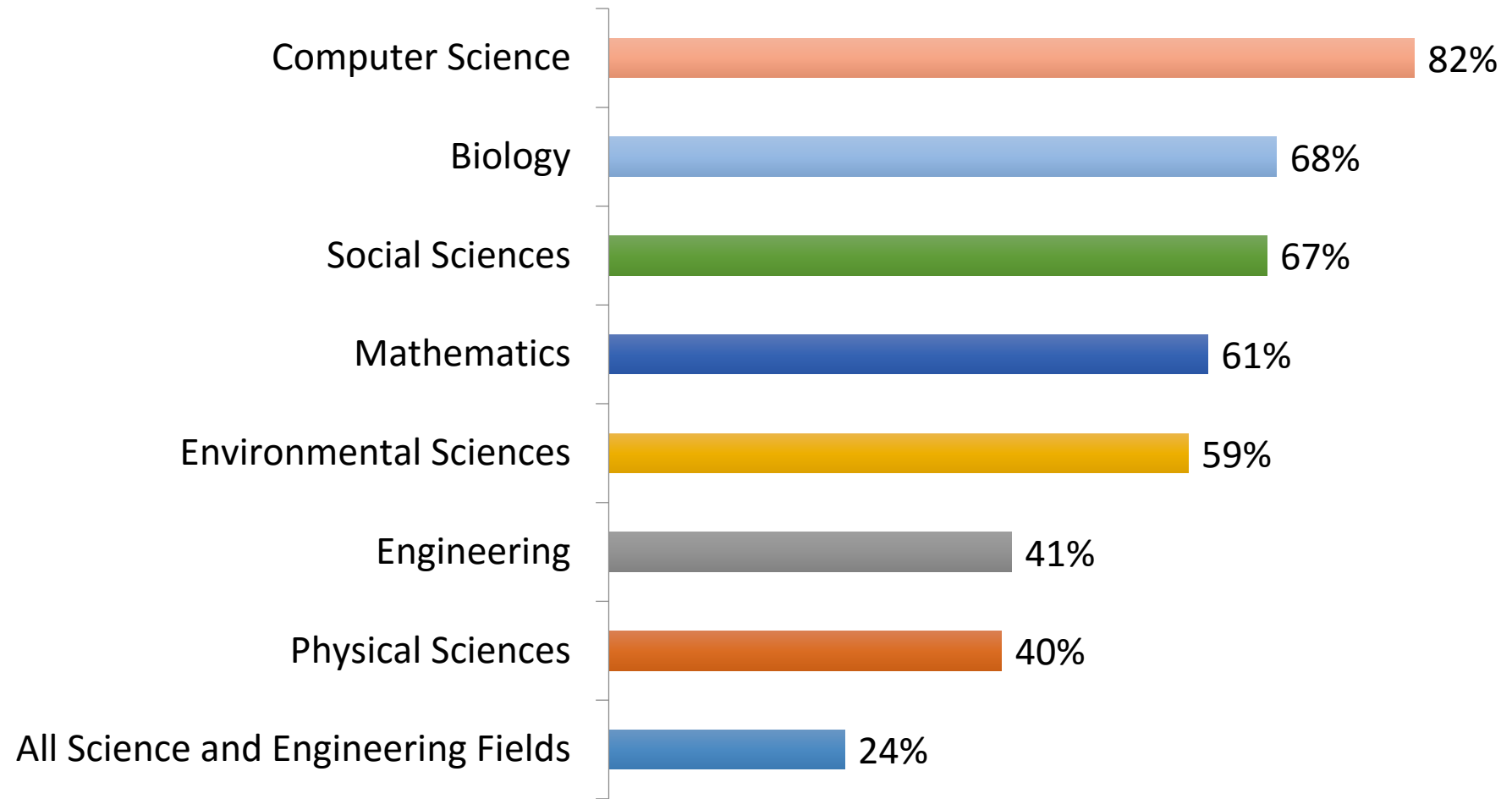
NSF Mission

“To promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense...”



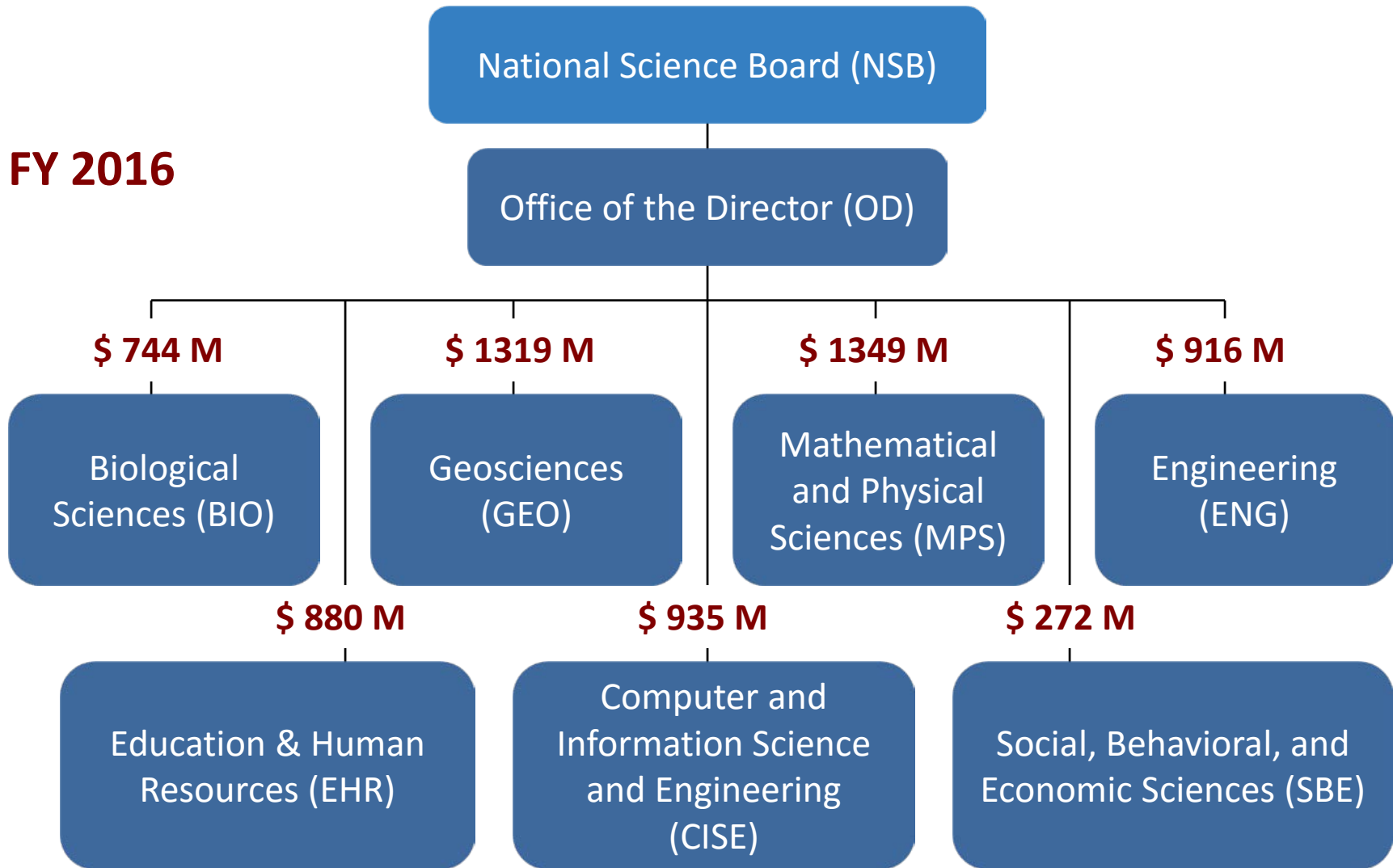


NSF is a major funder for Academic Basic Research (percentage of total federal support)



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FY 2016





NSF by the Numbers FY 2016

NSF Budget
\$ 7.46 B

MPS Budget
\$ 1.35 B

CHE Budget
\$ 246 M

42 000
Research Proposals

8100
Research Proposals

1600
Research Proposals

12 000
Research Awards (22%)

2100
Research Awards (26%)

450
Research Awards (28%)

140 000
Researchers

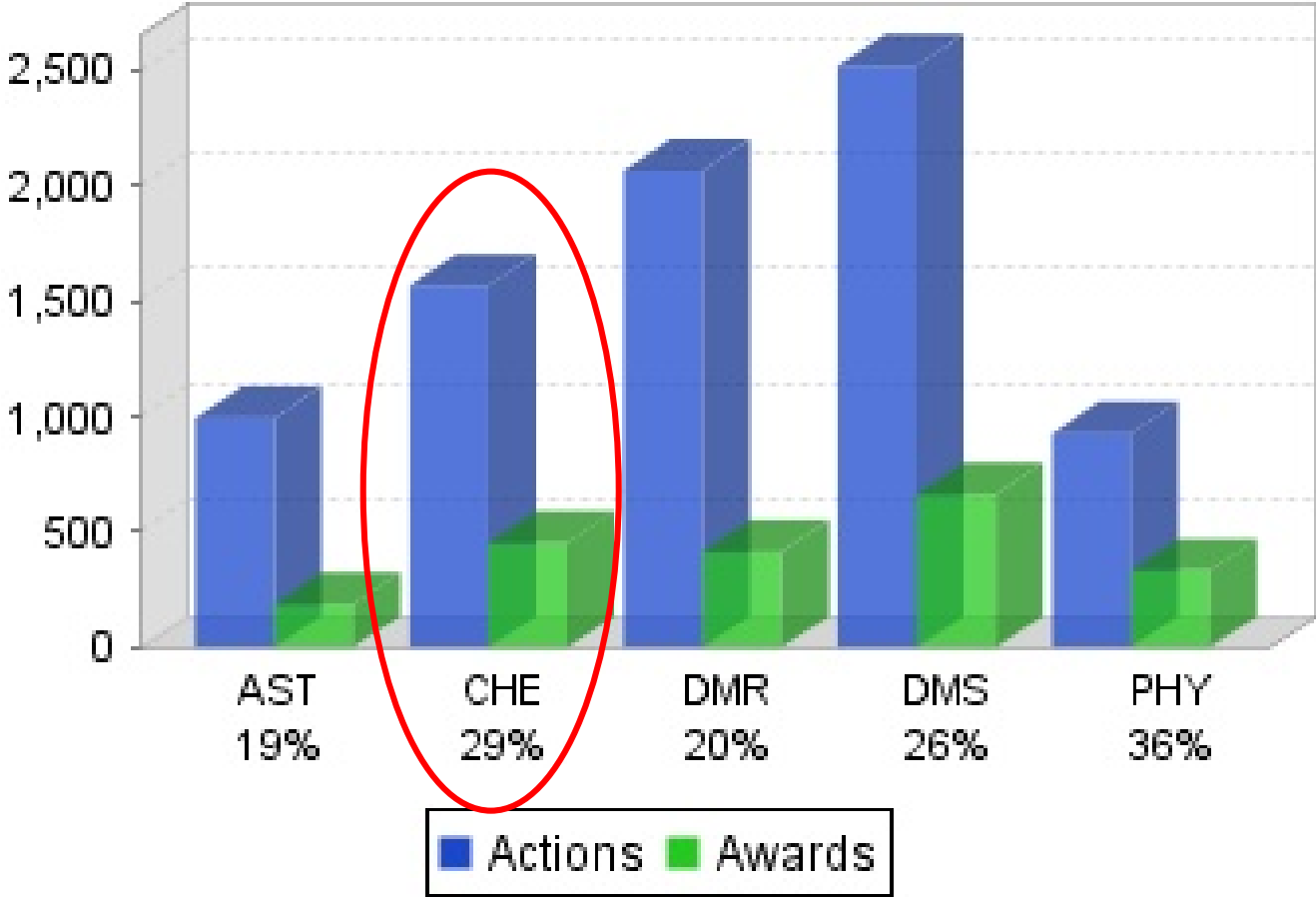
29 000
Researchers

About 5000
Researchers

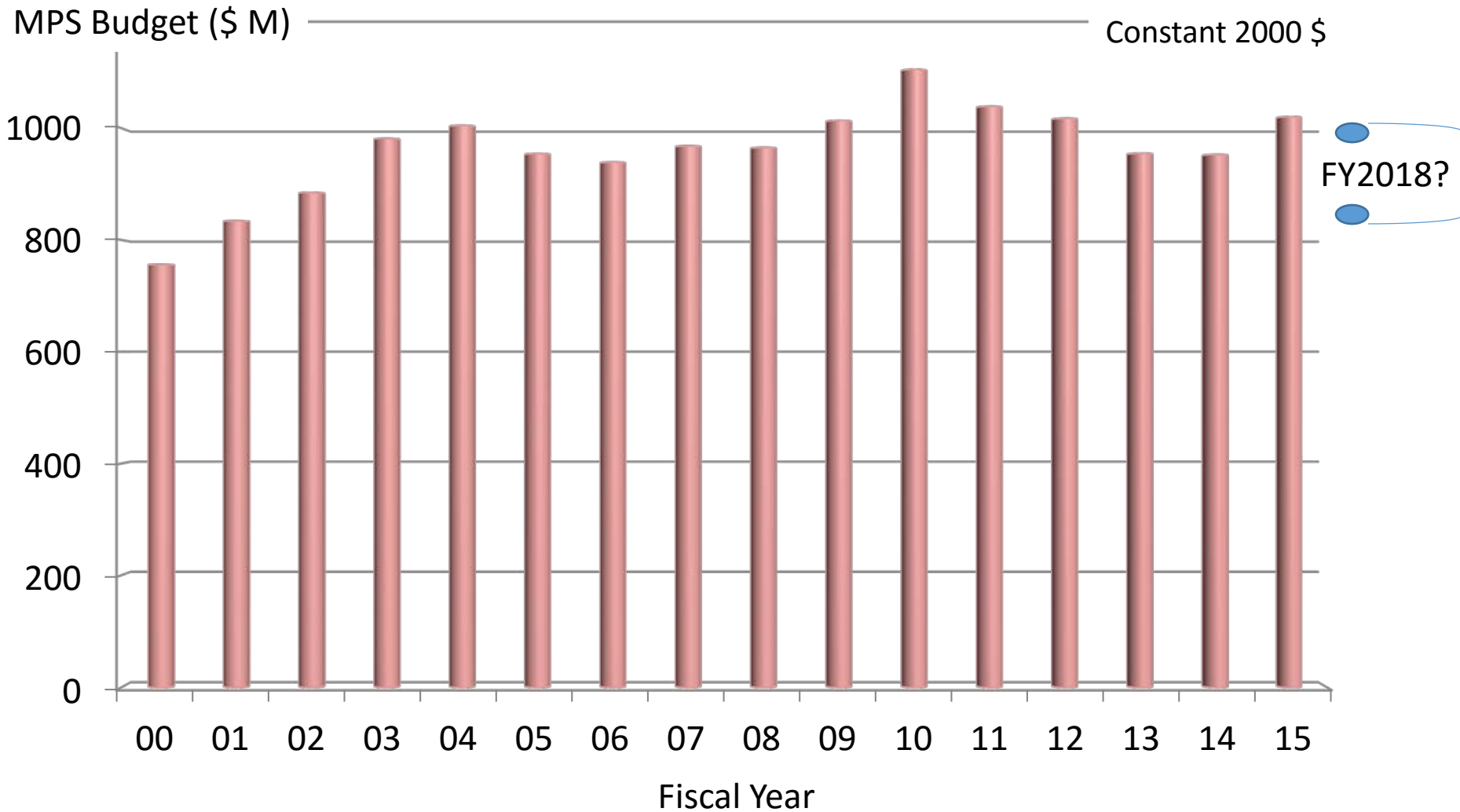
Source: National Science Foundation, National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, 2016

NSF Funding for Math and Physical Sciences

Overall FY 2015 MPS Funding Rate: 25%



Funding has remained essentially “flat” for MPS... 2018?



NSF's Big Ideas and major programs



Research Ideas

Harnessing Data



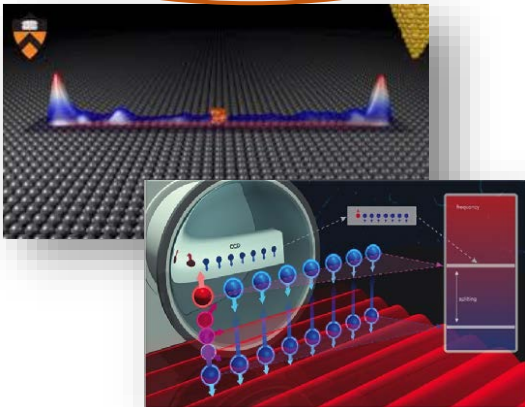
Human-Tech Frontier



Rules of Life



Quantum Leap



New Arctic

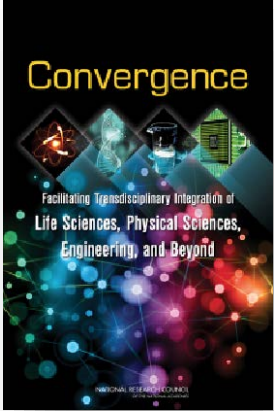


Windows on the Universe



Process Ideas

Convergence



Mid-scale



NSF 2050 Fund



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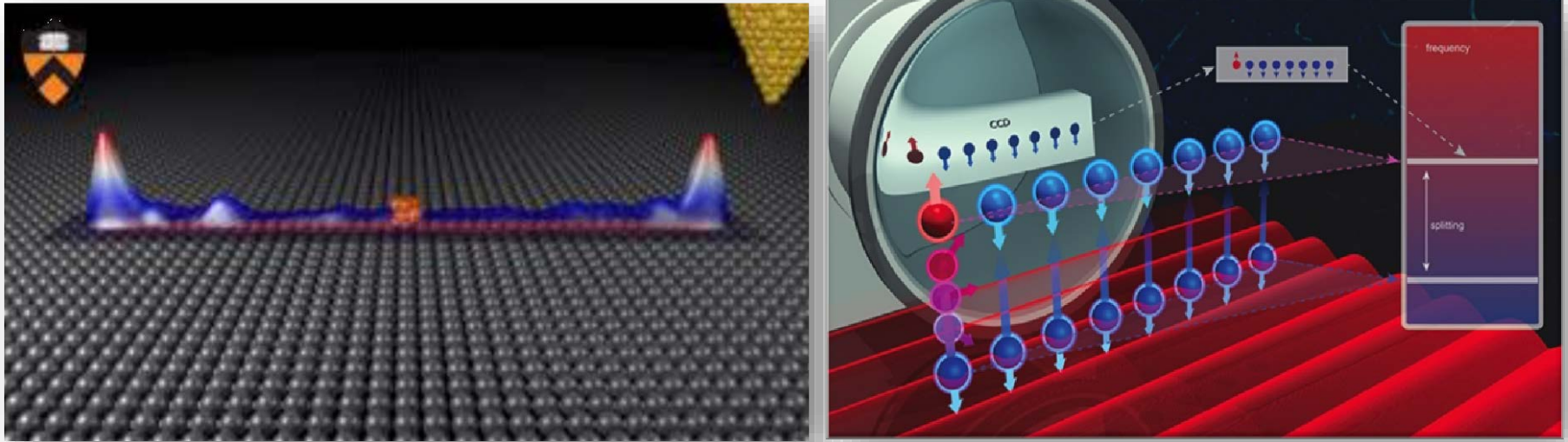
Harnessing Data for 21st Century Science



Pursuit of **fundamental research in data science and engineering**, the development of a **research data infrastructure**, and the development of a **21st-century data-capable workforce**.

- What **new information can be obtained** from better utilization of data (including data from multiple laboratories, techniques, and/or chemical systems)?
- How can this lead to **new research directions**?

The “Quantum Leap”



Technology achievements of the 20th century such as digital computing and optical fiber communications, **are dependent upon semi-classical properties of light and matter**, but as devices shrink and quantum effects dominate, existing strategies will fail.

What is needed? New approaches that move us toward a “quantum economy” – capitalizing on the quantum behavior of many-body systems.

INCLUDES (NSF 17-111, NSF 17-522)

(Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoveries in Engineering and Science)

NSF INCLUDES is a comprehensive initiative to **enhance U.S. leadership in science and engineering discovery and innovation** by seeking and effectively developing STEM talent from all sectors and groups in our society. Over several years, NSF will invest in alliances and build a national network to achieve significant impact in transforming STEM education and workforce pathways.

Understanding the Brain

[nsf.gov/brain](https://www.nsf.gov/brain)

To enable scientific understanding of the full complexity of the brain in action and in context through targeted, cross-disciplinary investments in research, technology, and workforce development

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WHERE DISCOVERIES BEGIN

SEARCH

HOME RESEARCH AREAS FUNDING AWARDS DOCUMENT LIBRARY NEWS ABOUT NSF

Understanding the Brain

New techniques reveal the brain's complexity.

Credit: Deisseroth Lab

HOME FUNDING BRAIN INITIATIVE EVENTS VIDEO RESOURCES

Understanding the Brain — NSF's goal is to enable scientific understanding of the full complexity of the brain, in action and in context, through targeted, cross-disciplinary investments in research, technology, and workforce development. *Understanding the Brain* activities promise innovative and integrated solutions to challenges in our ability to predict how collective interactions between brain function and our physical and social environment enable complex behavior. NSF's strategic investments will support research and infrastructure designed to transform our view of who we are and how we relate to and interact with each other and our ever-changing environment.



INFEWS: Innovation at the Nexus of Food, Energy, and Water Systems



Food, energy and water systems are interrelated

- Requires attention to food, energy and water systems
- Requires involvement from disciplines support by 3 directorates (could include DOA/NIFA)
- Requires a systems framework
- Proposals go to one of three tracks (subject to change):
 - Modelling
 - Decision support
 - Solutions toward sustainability
- Maximum funding: \$2.5 M for 3 years, total
- New solicitation coming

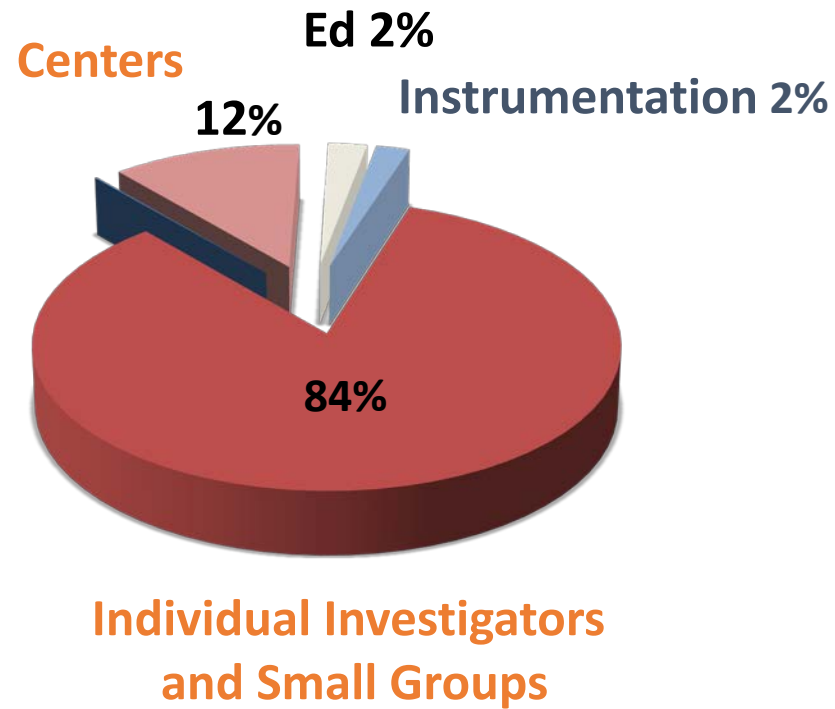


Chemistry at NSF

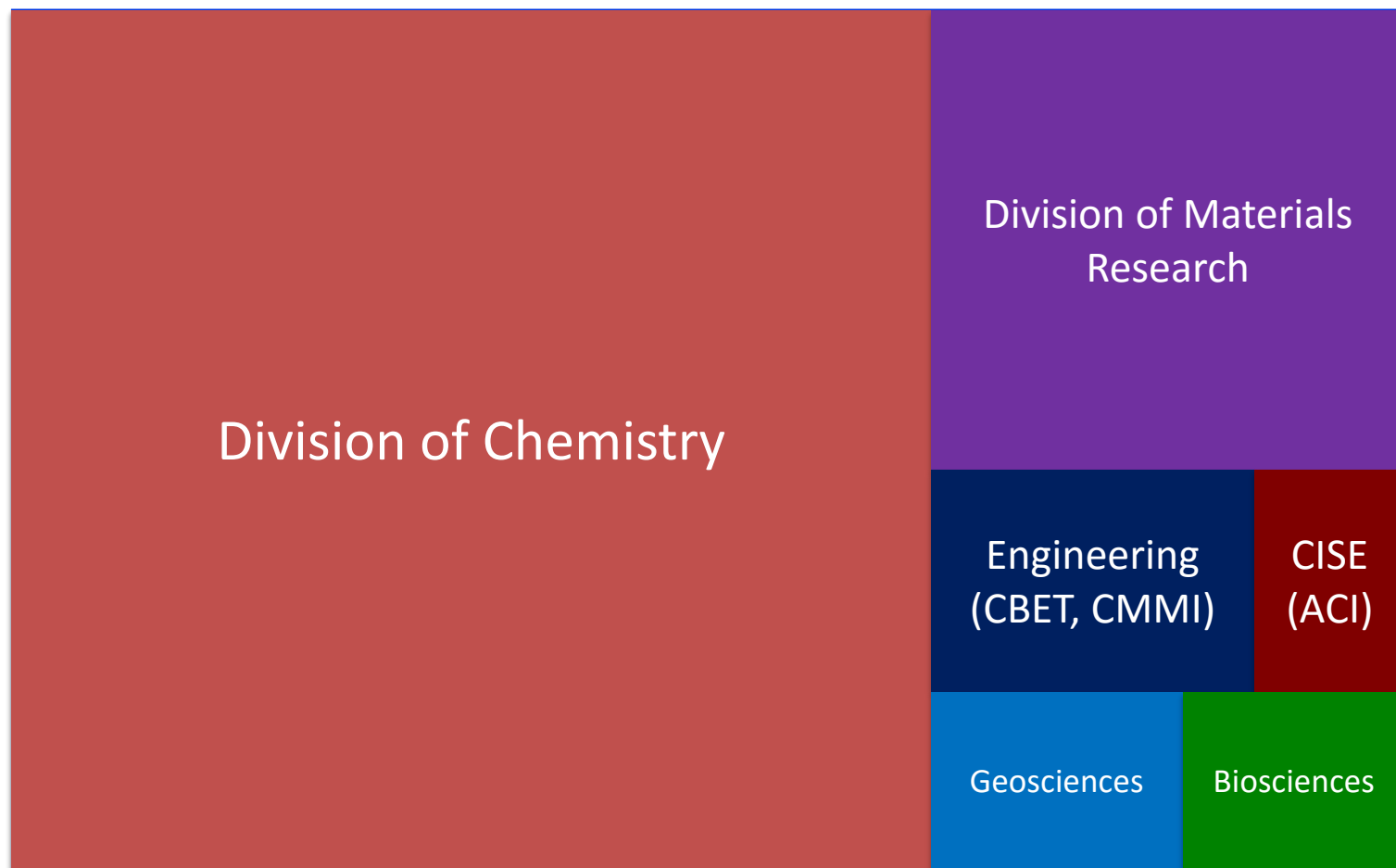


Modes of Funding in NSF CHE

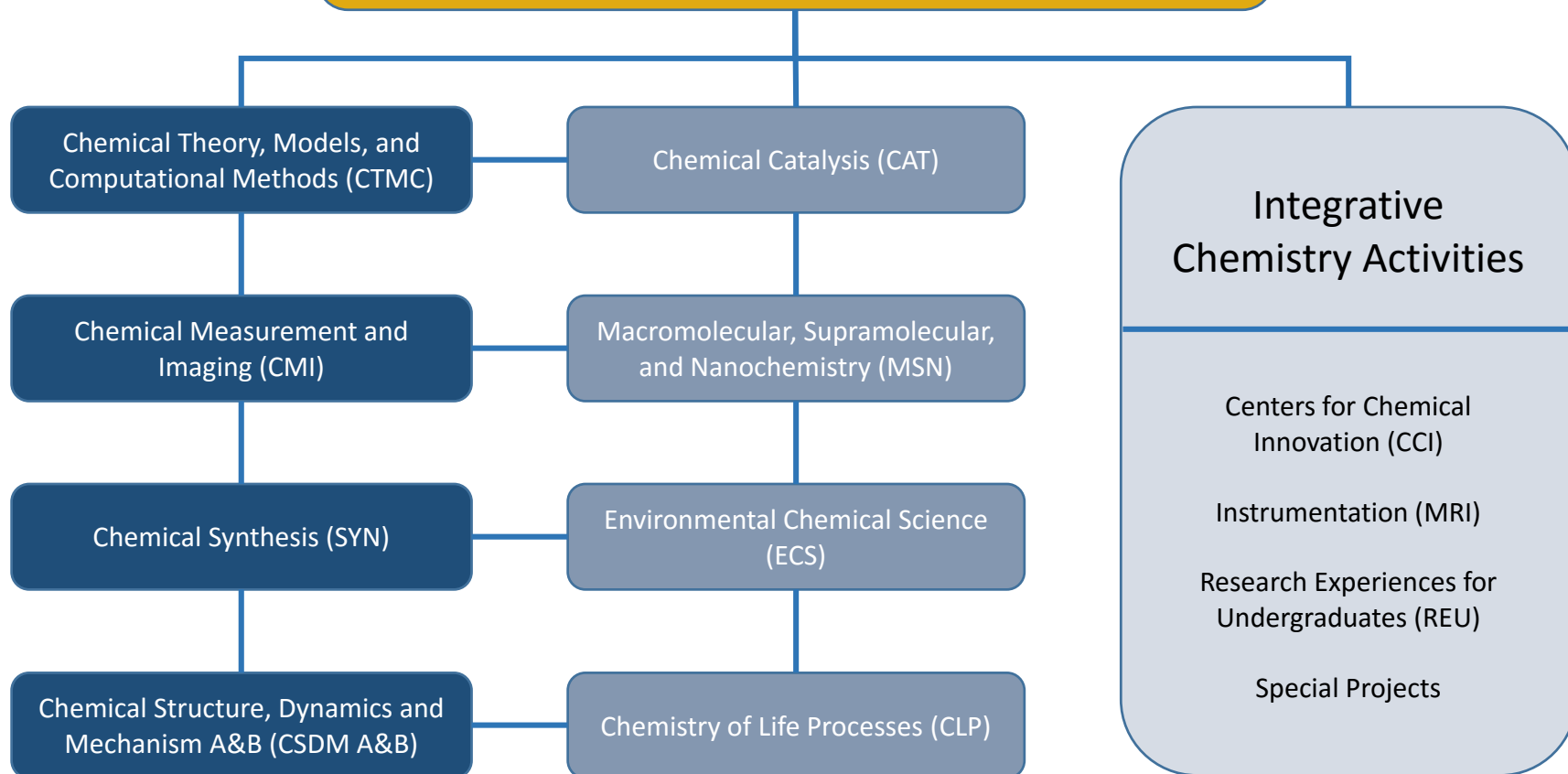
\$ 246 M



Chemistry at NSF



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Advice on Finding a Home for Your Proposal at NSF

- Read program descriptions and solicitations CAREFULLY.
- **Talk to** a Program Director (good advice in general).
- Read the award abstracts of what has already been funded at NSF (but things can change..)
- Early Career workshop for chemists (March 26-27, CHE-2018Career@nsf.gov)
- Find mentors

Advice on Submitting a Proposal to CHE

- Submission windows: September, October
- Submitting more than one proposal to CHE per submission window is strongly discouraged.
- Submitting the same (or overlapping) research idea to more than one program at NSF is not allowed.
- Submitting a research idea to another agency is allowed (by MPS) but must be disclosed.

DCLs for Chemists



Emphasis areas and Dear Colleague Letters (DCLs) in CHE

- **Data-Driven Discovery Science** in Chemistry (D3SC) – DCL (coming)
- **Computational and Data-Enabled Science and Engineering** (CDS&E) – [web site](#)
- **Optics and Photonics** – NSF-wide cross-cutting activity - [web site](#)
- **Sustainable Chemistry** – integrated in all programs
- **Improving Graduate Student Preparedness** for the Chemistry Workforce – for supplements – DCL (coming)
- MPS **AGEP-GRS** – DCL – add a student from an underrepresented group to an award – NSF 13-071
- Supplemental Funding Proposals for **International Collaboration** – supplements – DCL (coming)
- **NSF-NIST Interaction** in Basic and Applied Scientific Research in BIO, ENG & MPS – supplements – NSF 11-066



Supplements

Improving Graduate Student Preparedness for Entering the Workforce (Chemistry deadline ~May 2017)

DCL 16-067

- Open to PhD students currently supported on an NSF chemistry individual investigator or small group research grant. PI applies for funding.
- The maximum supplement request is \$12,000.
- Chemistry expects to fund 10–15 supplements in FY17.
- Opportunities can include:
 - 1 to 3 month internships in industry, government laboratory, policy organization.
 - Professional development course including entrepreneurship training or science communication.





Supplements

MPS Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP)-Graduate Research Supplement (GRS) DCL 13-071

- **Goal:** increase the number of underrepresented minorities in STEM and enhance their preparation for faculty positions.
- **Available to PIs with current MPS research awards** whose institutions are in the AGEP program (for AGEP site list visit www.nsfagep.org/).
- Funding will support one (additional) Ph.D. student for 1 year, renewable up to 3 years.
- Students must not have any other government-funded support.





Supplements

Career-Life Balance (CLB) Supplement

- **Goal:** To provide additional funding support when individuals have been granted an NSF-approved medical deferral for dependent-care (family leave) situations.
- **Funding will cover up to \$12,000 in salary for 3 months:**
 - **DCL 13-099:** GRFP institutions can apply for GRFP students on family leave.
 - **DCL 13-109:** PIs of research awards can apply for postdoctoral researchers on family leave.
 - **DCL 13-075:** CAREER award PIs on family leave can apply for themselves.



2017 Dear Colleague Letter: Data-Driven Discovery Science in Chemistry (D3SC)

- Accelerate the discovery of more efficient or selective **catalysts**
- Advance the predictive design of new chemical species and/or synthetic reactions
- Forecast synthetic conditions and **elucidate structure/property relations** based on existing chemical datasets
- Enable real-time chemical data collection and processing for **rapid identification** and correlation of key events **during** chemical measurements
- Identify novel ways of sharing and utilizing chemical data derived from multiple instruments, datatypes, and locations
- Develop innovative approaches for integrating, correlating, visualizing, analyzing, or mining chemical simulation or measurement data to provide new chemical insights.

Computational and Data-Enabled Science and Engineering (CDS&E)

Mathematics, Astronomy, Chemistry, Material Science

- Promotes the creation, development, and application of the **next generation of mathematical, computational and statistical theories and tools.**
- Encourages adventurous ideas that generate **new paradigms** and that create and apply **novel techniques**, generating and utilizing digital data in innovative ways
- Encourages ideas at the **interface between scientific frameworks, computing capability, measurements and physical systems** that enable advances well beyond the expected natural progression of individual activities

In CHE, submit directly to a program.

The “Quantum Leap”

Address fundamental questions about quantum behavior and develop the means of accessing and manipulating quantum systems

- How to prepare and manipulate complex or dynamic quantum states?
- How to control material-light interactions to create new quantum phenomena?
- What are the mathematics that describe emergent quantum behavior?
- How do we design systems that use quantum states effectively?

Towards developments: quantum sensors, quantum computing, quantum communication

Dear Colleague Letter (NSF 17-053) A "Quantum Leap" Demonstration of Topological Quantum Computing – **Division of Material Research**

Quantum Information and Computation for **Chemistry** – Workshop in 2016

NSF-Wide Programs, managed in CHE



Funding Mechanisms

- “Unsolicited” Individual Investigator award (typically 3 years; could be collaborative)
- RUI: A proposal mechanism that allows PIs at PUIs to engage in research with undergraduates.
- GOALI: Promotes university-industry partnerships by making project funds or fellowships/traineeships available to support an eclectic mix of industry-university linkages.
- EAGER: Early Concepts for Exploratory Research (out of the box, highly innovative, risky ideas, explore with program director, internally reviewed. (Max of 300K, 2 years)
- Discontinued: INSPIRE, RAISE





Research in Undergraduate Institutions (RUI)

- **Designed to support research in predominantly undergraduate institutions (PUI)**
 - *Eligibility Certificate*
- **RUI is a mechanism, not a separate funding stream**
- **Housed within the specific research division and have *programmatic deadlines or submission windows***
- **The title should include “RUI”**

Research in Undergraduate Institutions (RUI) – NSF 14-579

- Reviewers instructed the publication rate, the pace of research, the scope of the may differ. The quality should not differ
 - Budget request can be the same as for Ph.D. granting institutions
 - “RUI impact statement” (5-page maximum) must accompany the research proposal (15-page)
Department record, student recruitment, student inclusion success metrics, teaching loads
 - RUI impact statement does not eliminate the need to discuss broader impacts in the 15 page project description
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Should I submit a RUI or a 'regular' proposal?

- **Is your institution RUI eligible?**
- **Benefits are the RUI Impact statement and the recognition of the teaching/research environment at the institution and its impact on pace and scope of work.**
- **The budgets can be the same.**
- **RUI proposals are reviewed with other unsolicited proposals and the main Merit Review Criteria are the same**
- **THERE IS NO DOWNSIDE!!**



CAREER Awards

- **NSF wide. Support of junior faculty who exemplify the teacher-scholar model.**
- **Housed within the specific research program, with a separate deadline, July 22, 2016 for MPS**
- **Only for junior faculty member, untenured, assistant Professor, NSF supported area**
- **CAREER awards are 5-year awards. \$400K minimum. ~\$100-\$130K/annual. Equipment possible**
- **Three submissions only**



Am I eligible for the CAREER Program?

- Proposers must meet all of the following eligibility requirements:
- By the Directorate's deadline for submission of CAREER proposals:
 - Hold a **doctoral degree**;
 - Be **untenured**; and
 - Have **not previously received an NSF PECASE or CAREER award** (prior or concurrent Federal support for other types of awards or for non-duplicative research does not preclude eligibility);

AND

- By October 1st following the deadline for submission of CAREER proposals: Be employed in a **tenure-track position** (or tenure-track-equivalent position) as an **assistant professor (or equivalent title)** at an institution located in the U.S., its territories, or possessions, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, that awards degrees in a **field supported by NSF**;

OR

- Be employed in a tenure-track position (or tenure-track-equivalent position) as an assistant professor (or equivalent title) at an organization located in the U.S., its territories or possessions, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, that is a **non-profit, non-degree-granting organization such as a museum, observatory, or research lab**.
- **Associate Professors, with or without tenure, are not eligible for the program.**

CAREER Proposals

- **CAREER proposals must integrate education and research. Research plan, educational plan, their integration, broader impacts. Be creative!**
- **CAREER highlights the independent research award - no co-PIs (unfunded collaborators are allowed)**
- **Consider appropriate scope and duration – want to achieve balance between strong focus and attainable research goals**

CAREER Proposals

The Project Description should include:

- A description of the proposed research project, including preliminary supporting data where appropriate, specific objectives, methods and procedures to be used, and expected significance of the results
- **A description of the proposed educational activities, including plans to evaluate their impact on students and other participants**
- A description of how the research and educational activities are integrated with one another
- **Preliminary data? – modeling, literature basis**
- Long term and short term goals

Should I submit a CAREER or 'regular' proposal?

- **Are you eligible?**
- **Are you a teacher-scholar model?**
- **Benefits are longer timeframe, prestige.**
- **No coPIs although collaborations are possible. Integration of educational and research plans.**
- **PUI faculty do get CAREER awards. Not restricted by institution type.**



Instrumentation and Facilities

MRI-Major Research Instrumentation

- **Foundation-wide activity (NSF cross-cutting) administered by both the Office of Integrative Activities (OIA) and individual directorates**
- **Emphasis on research; should also improve quality of student education, research and research training**
- **Should have research active faculty with a record of publishing in peer-reviewed journals**
- **Multi-user proposals**



MRI cont'd

- **Research instrumentation at Undergraduate Institutions may (should) be used in undergraduate teaching laboratories as well as in undergraduate research experiences.**
- **The request funds from NSF may range from \$100,000 - \$4 million.**
- **Non-Ph.D.-granting institutions of higher education are exempt from the cost-sharing requirement.**
- **See details in solicitation NSF 15-504**



Various supplement Programs

ROA Supplement - Research Opportunity Awards

RET Supplement - Research Experiences for Teachers
(secondary school teachers)

REU Supplements (for students to join your research)





ROA - Research Opportunity Award: Supplement Opportunity

- ROAs enable faculty at PUIs, (and community colleges) to pursue research as visiting scientists with NSF-supported investigators at other institutions.
- Goal is to “enhance the research productivity and professional development of science faculty at undergraduate institutions through research activities that explore the emerging frontiers of science”. It also enhances teaching.
- Most frequently, ROA activities are summer experiences, but partial support of sabbaticals may also be provided.
- Support for salary or stipend for undergraduate faculty, travel to host lab and/or to attend meetings, research supplies

Research Experiences for Undergraduates



Goals:

- Initiate and conduct projects that engage a number of undergraduate students in research.
- Involve in research students who might not otherwise have the opportunity, particularly those from academic institutions where research programs are limited.

A screenshot of the National Science Foundation (NSF) website. The top navigation bar includes 'HOME', 'FUNDING', 'AWARDS', 'DISCOVERIES', 'NEWS', 'PUBLICATIONS', 'STATISTICS', 'ABOUT NSF', and 'FASTLANE'. A search bar is located on the right. The main content area is titled 'Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)' and includes a 'NOTE ON THE PROPOSAL DEADLINE FOR REU SITES'. The note states: 'Two due dates are listed for REU Site proposals each year. The May deadline applies only to REU Site proposals that require access to Antarctica, which must be submitted to one of the Antarctic Sciences Division (ANT) research programs in the Office of Polar Programs (OPP). The fall deadline (which is September 12 in 2012, and the fourth Wednesday in August in 2013 and beyond) applies to all other REU Site proposals.' Below this, there are sections for 'CONTACTS' and 'PROGRAM GUIDELINES'. The 'CONTACTS' section provides the URL: http://www.nsf.gov/crsspram/reu/reu_contacts.jsp. The 'PROGRAM GUIDELINES' section lists 'Solicitation 13-542' and 'DUE DATES'. Under 'DUE DATES', there are two entries: 'Full Proposal Deadline Date: August 27, 2014' with a sub-note 'Deadline for REU Site proposals except those requiring access to Antarctica Fourth Wednesday in August, Annually Thereafter', and 'Full Proposal Deadline Date: May 22, 2015' with a sub-note 'Deadline for REU Site proposals requiring access to Antarctica. All other REU Site proposals must be submitted to the August REU Site deadline. Fourth Friday in May, Annually Thereafter'. A left sidebar contains various links such as 'Find Funding', 'A-Z Index of Funding Opportunities', 'Recent Funding Opportunities', 'Upcoming Due Dates', 'Advanced Funding Search', 'Interdisciplinary Research', 'How to Prepare Your Proposal', 'About Funding', 'Proposals and Awards', and 'Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide'. A 'QUICK LINKS' button is visible in the top right corner of the page.

Programs to Broaden Participation of Underrepresented Groups in STEM

*Build an increasingly diverse, engaged, and high-performing workforce by fostering excellence in recruitment, training, leadership, and management of human capital...
(NSF Strategic plan)*



INCLUDES

(Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoverers in Engineering and Science)

- *Networked-relationships *Talent from all sectors**
 - *STEM workforce *Spur a national conversation for “bold visions”**
 - *Scale social innovations through collective impact, networked communities, and/or strategic partnership**
- 1. Launch Pilots: planning for partners to share goals and purposes.**
 - 2. Alliances: leverage pilots adding new partners.**
 - 3. Backbone organizations: provide increased communications, interoperability, coordination, support and accountability for the Network of Alliances.**



NSF 17-522 (closed) : Design and Development of Launch Pilots
networks and consortia from different sectors
comprehensively solve a specific STEM-inclusion problem
innovative models, networks, partnerships, technical capabilities and
research

NSF 15-591 (Nov. 27): Coordination Hub
Communication and Networking, Network Assistance and
Reinforcement, Visibility and Expansion.
1 award, \$10.5M total, 5 years

NSF 17-111 (Dear Colleague Letter): Expand the NSF INCLUDES National
Network (Nov 13, 2017; April 16, 2018)
EAGER proposals, Conference Proposals: to EHR (nsfincludes@nsf.gov)
Supplements to any current award



Does NSF have any HSI-specific programs?

Dear Colleague Letter: Improving Undergraduate STEM Education in Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) (NSF 17-092)

soliciting conference proposals to inform the design of NSF's new Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) program, to be established in fiscal year 2018. Proposed conferences are expected to result in the identification of the most critical challenges and opportunities regarding undergraduate STEM education at two-year and four-year Hispanic-Serving institutions of higher education, and potential actionable solutions that fall within NSF's mission, policies, and practices.

Through Sept. 30, 2017



from www.hacu.net...

May 4, 2017

Congress enacts funding for a NSF program focused on HSIs

On May 4, funding for a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant program supporting undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education at Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) was [approved by the 115th Congress as part of the final Fiscal Year 2017 Omnibus spending bill](#). This new funding has been a key goal of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) for many years.

The Commerce-Justice-Science portion of the appropriations bill “...*also directs NSF to establish an Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) program at no less than \$15,000,000 as authorized in 42 U.S.C. 1862o-12. The agreement encourages NSF to use this program to build capacity at institutions of higher education that typically do not receive high levels of NSF grant funding.*”



Division of Human Resource Development (HRD/EHR) programs

- Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program (HBCU-UP)
 - Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology (CREST) and HBCU Research Infrastructure for Science and Engineering (RISE)
 - Louis Stokes Alliances for Minority Participation (LSAMP)
 - Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP)
 - Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP)
 - Increasing the Participation and Advancement of Women in Academic Science and Engineering Careers (ADVANCE)
 - ..
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Proposal Review



NSF Review Criteria: Two criteria, three principles, and five elements

- What is the potential for the proposed activity to:
 - A) Advance knowledge and understanding within its own field or across different fields (**Intellectual Merit**);
 - B) Benefit society or advance desired societal outcomes (**Broader Impacts**)
- To what extent do the proposed activities suggest and explore **creative, original, or potentially transformative concepts**?
- Is the **plan** for carrying out the proposed activities well-reasoned, well-organized, and based on a sound rationale? Does the plan incorporate a mechanism to assess success?
- How well **qualified** is the individual, team, or organization to conduct the proposed activities?
- Are there **adequate resources available** to the PI (either at the home organization or through collaborations) to carry out the proposed activities?

Merit Review Criterion: Intellectual Merit

All NSF projects should be of the highest quality and have the potential to advance, if not transform, the frontiers of knowledge.

- **The Intellectual Merit** is the contribution that your research makes to the knowledge base and how that advances knowledge in the field
- **Questions one might address:**
 - What is already known and what will your research add?
 - What might the results of this project do to enhance or enable research in your or other fields?
 - Why is your contribution important to your field of science?
 - How will your results be “transformative”?



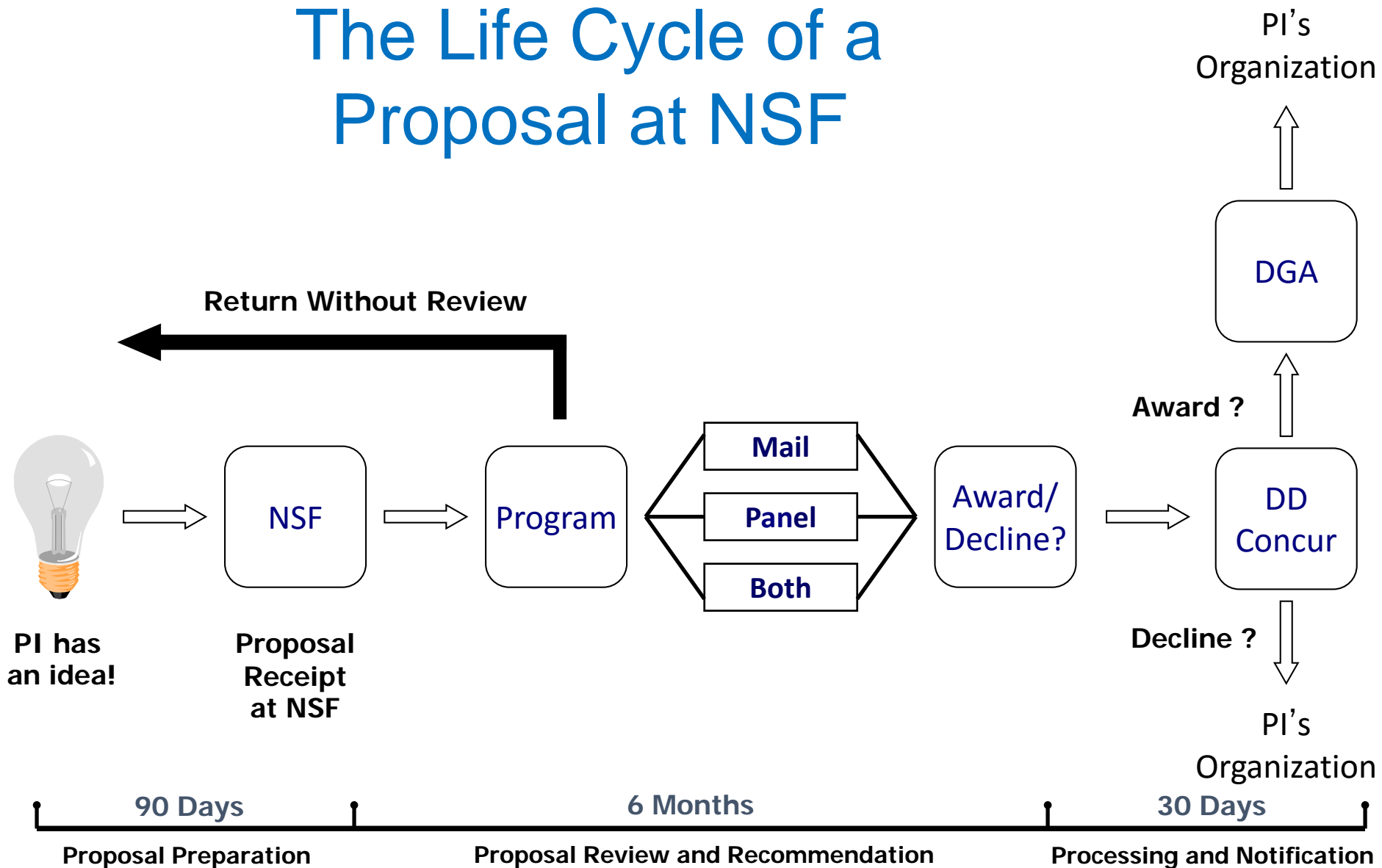
Merit Review Criterion: Broader Impact

NSF projects, in the aggregate, should contribute more broadly to achieving societal goals. These broader impacts may be accomplished through the research itself, through activities that are directly related to specific research projects, or through activities that are supported by, but are complementary to, the project

- **The Broader Impact** focuses on the potential to benefit society and contribute to the achievement of specific, desired societal outcomes as a result of your research project
- **Means to benefit society include:**
 - Economic/environment/energy/health/safety
 - Education and training
 - Providing opportunities for underrepresented groups
 - Improving research and education infrastructure
 - Disseminating products of the research

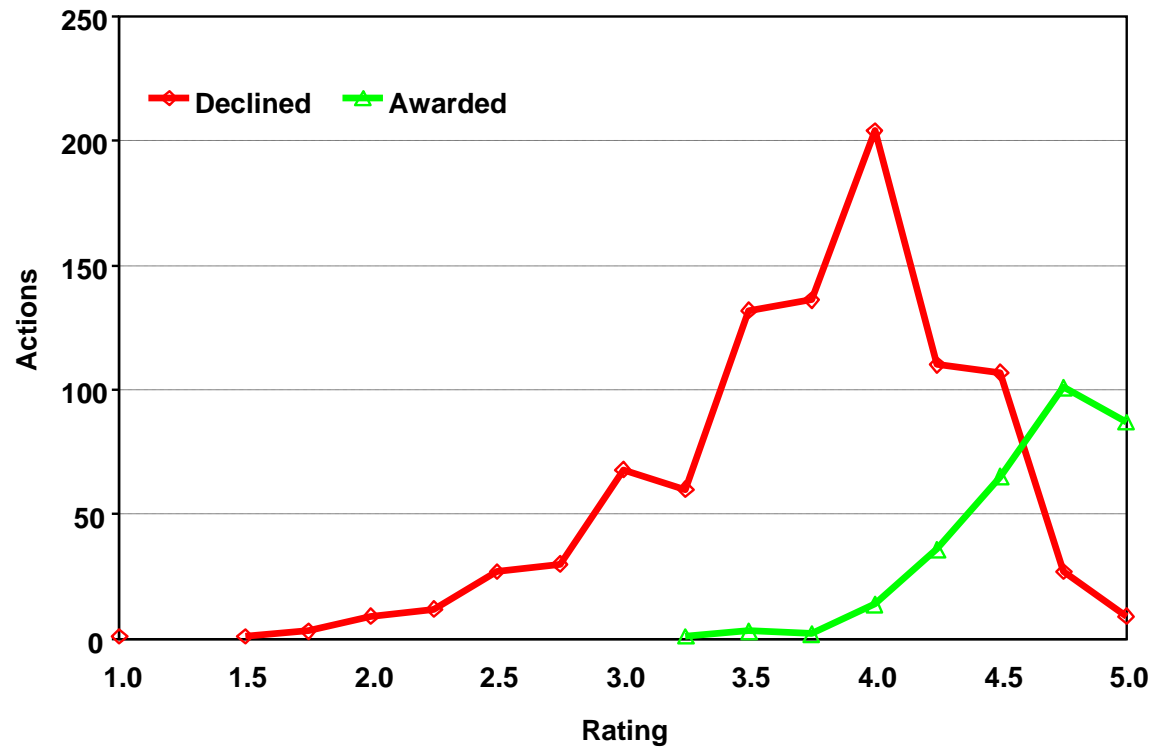


The Life Cycle of a Proposal at NSF



Results of Merit Review (CHE)

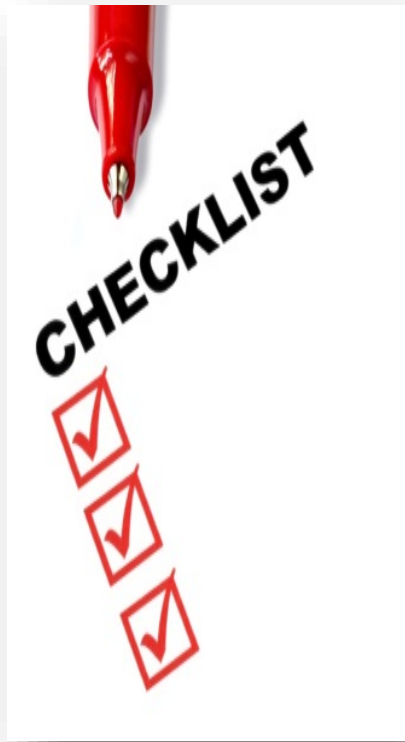
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V = 4
G = 3
F = 2
P = 1



Hints for writing successful proposals



Five Key Elements



1. Do you have a good idea?
2. Are you the right person to do the research?
3. Do you have a solid proposal for conducting the research?
4. Do you have all the resources to do what you propose to do?
5. Do you know how to evaluate your results?



Proposal Development Strategies:

Read the PAPPG!

What details should you glean from the solicitation?

- Overall scope and mission
- Instructions (deviations from the PAPPG)
- How your proposed project fits with the solicitation
- Review procedures and criteria
- Deadlines



Developing your Proposal

Key Questions for Prospective Investigators

- What has already been done?
- Develop objectives or hypotheses for forward progress
- Obtain preliminary data
- Why is the work important or unique?



Proposal Development Strategies:

What Do You Need Besides \$???

- Prepare to do the project
 - How are you going to do the work?
 - Realistically assess needs
 - Do you have the right team?
 - Determine available resources
 - Present to colleagues/mentors/students
- Determine possible funding sources
(NSF may not be the right or the only one)



Proposal Development Strategies:

Read the Program Announcement carefully

Any special requirements?

Who is the target audience?

Talk to:

NSF Program Officer

Your proposed project

Clarifications on specific program requirements/limitations

Current program patterns

Your Organization's Sponsored Projects Office

- University guidelines for applications
- Institutional Review Board "IRB" Approvals
e.g. institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) approvals



Common reasons for declinations:

- Technical concerns
- Lack of innovation
- Lack of a focused plan (including plan B..)
- Scope too ambitious
- Not relevant to program or not responsive to program announcement

If your proposal was declined:

- Read reviews & Panel summary carefully
- Read PO comments – not all criticisms are equally relevant
- Don't be defensive – take comments as guidance for future improvements
- Contact the PO to discuss best path forward



Fellowships and Opportunities

GRFP – Graduate Research Fellowship Program

GRIP – Graduate Research Internship Program

GROW – Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide

PRFs -



Graduate Research Fellowship Program



Goals

- Select, recognize, and financially support early in their careers individuals with demonstrated potential to be high achieving scientists and engineers
- Broaden participation in S&E of underrepresented groups, including women, minorities, persons with disabilities, and veterans





Key Elements

Five Year Award – \$138,000/Fellow

Three years of support



\$34,000 Stipend per year

\$12,000 Educational allowance to institution

Career Life Balance (family leave)

Supercomputer access: XSEDE

Professional Development Opportunities

 : International Research
 : Federal Internships

Recent Change: Graduate students are limited to only 1 application to the GRFP, submitted either in the 1st year or in the 2nd year of graduate school.

Graduate Research Opportunities Worldwide



Graduate Research Internship Program



 U.S. Department of Agriculture	 U.S. Department of the Interior
 U.S. Department of Commerce	 U.S. Department of Transportation
 U.S. Department of Defense	 Environmental Protection Agency
 U.S. Department of Education	 Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President
 U.S. Department of Energy	 National Aeronautics and Space Administration
 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	 National Science Foundation
 U.S. Department of Homeland Security	 Smithsonian Institution

And finally... general advice from Anne-Marie for faculty members

- Be a mentor and seek mentors
- Volunteer to be a reviewer, panelist
- Volunteer to be a GRFP Panelist, encourage your students to apply
- Subscribe to NSF newsletters, CHE Newsletter
- Attend Fall ACS meeting – CHE townhall, “speed coaching”
- Attend CHE Early Career Workshop (March 26-27)
- Attend [NSF Days](#) (AL/Feb, NM/March) or NSF [Grant Conferences](#).. (Nov. 13-14 Phoenix)



More advice from Anne-Marie regarding proposal submissions

- Subscribe to NSF newsletters, CHE Newsletter
- Read the PAPPG (there are frequent changes)
- Read the Proposal & Award Policy Newsletter
- Communicate with your Sponsored Research Office
- Ask early, ask often
- Contact Program Officers before submitting a proposal to make sure you are targeting the right program
- Read the most recent program announcements carefully, there are frequent changes (MRI, CAREER, RUI, GRFP...)
- For technical questions regarding proposal/report/etc. submission, call the Fastlane Help Desk (800-673-6188)





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Advice from Anne-Marie for students

- **Seek mentors**
- For UG students: get involved in research
- Seek out REU opportunities at other institutions
- Apply for GRFP
- Develop your own “Broader Impacts” portfolio
- Be a mentor
- For GS: apply for GRFP (only one chance as GS)
- Seek professional development opportunities



And Finally:
Don't take my word for it.
Check early, check often.



Questions??

