

NIH FUNDING IN ACTION

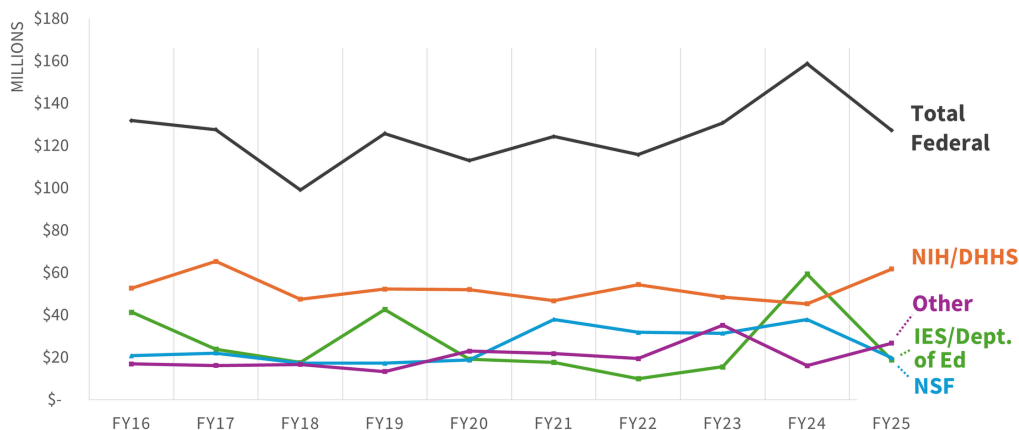
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The National Institutes of Health (NIH) works to turn scientific discoveries into better health for all. Historically, NIH has been the world's largest public funder of biomedical and behavioral research, and the University of Oregon's largest federal research partner.

At the UO, NIH grants drive research that improves health, serves Oregon communities, prepares students to tackle real-world challenges, and trains the next generation of scientists and clinicians.

Total Value of New Research Awards (by Fiscal Year)



\$61.6M

NIH Awards to UO Researchers, FY 2025

219

Active NIH Grants at the UO (February 2026)

UO Jobs Funded Through Federal Research Awards:

614

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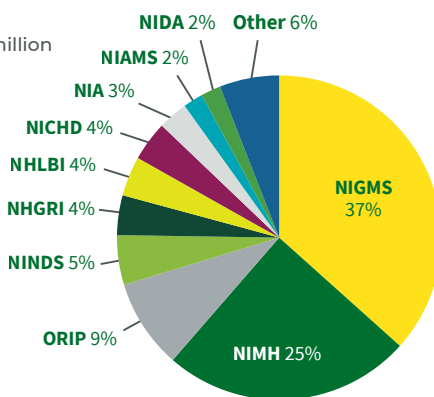
2,192

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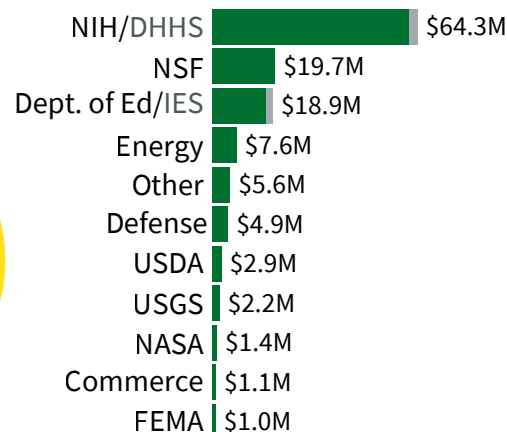
Includes 406 graduate employees

Grants by Institute (Fiscal Year 2025)

- NIGMS** National Institute of General Medical Sciences | \$22.9 million
- NIMH** National Institute of Mental Health | \$15.2 million
- ORIP** Office of Research Infrastructure Programs | \$5.7 million
- NIND** National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke | \$3.3 million
- NHGR** National Human Genome Research Institute | \$2.4 million
- NHLBI** National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute | \$2.3 million
- NICHD** National Institute of Child Health and Human Development | \$2.1 million
- NIA** National Institute on Aging | \$1.6 million
- NIAMS** National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases | \$1.3 million
- NIDA** National Institute on Drug Abuse | \$1.1 million
- Other** Other institutes or not assigned | \$3.7 million



New Federal Research Awards (Fiscal Year 2025)



NIH's Statewide Impact



\$421 Million

Total NIH awards to institutions across Oregon



4,483

Jobs supported by NIH-funded research



\$1.02 Billion

Economic activity supported by NIH-funded research

Bioscience Industry Impact in the State
Jobs: 18,455
Businesses: 2,153

Source: By the Numbers - FY 2025, United For Medical Research www.unitedformedicalresearch.org/nih-in-your-state/oregon

WHAT DOES **NIH FUNDING** MAKE POSSIBLE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON?



Supporting Youth Mental Health

With an \$11M grant announced in summer 2025 from the National Institute of Mental Health, part of NIH, the UO is establishing a national center for children's mental health, keeping the university at the forefront of national prevention efforts to improve the mental health and well-being of adolescents.

Partnering with Oregon middle schools, the center will lead early intervention research and training, drawing on faculty and students from the UO's Prevention Science Institute, Ballmer Institute for Children's Behavioral Health, College of Education, and College of Arts and Sciences.



Turning Research Into Impact

Penderia Technologies, a UO Knight Campus spinout and tenant, is developing implantable orthopedic sensors that track injury recovery in real time to help patients heal faster and return to work sooner.

Co-founded by UO researchers, Penderia received a Phase I grant in 2021 through the NIH's Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program, and was awarded \$1.7 million for Phase II, funding work from August 2024 through July 2026 to further develop these impactful innovations.

Training the Next Generation

A productive research environment relies on robust programs to train the next generation of scientists. In addition to individual fellowships, the UO has three NIH T32-supported predoctoral training programs.



- Genetics: National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS); 47th year
- Molecular Biology and Biophysics: (NIGMS); 45th year
- Developmental Biology: Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute Child Health and Human Development (NICHD); 36th year

Over the last four decades, hundreds of UO graduate students have been trained in these programs, which include coursework, student research reports, student-organized research symposia and professional development activities to prepare trainees for careers in an evolving biomedical workforce.

In FY23, 11 graduate students conducted research and received mentorship through individual F31 National Research Service Awards (NRSA).

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