



The Coalition for the Life Sciences Supports the Bipartisan Budget Agreement of 2019

This bipartisan agreement to raise the caps allows Congress to return to a more stable annual appropriations process. We are pleased that this agreement increases discretionary spending—a critical component necessary to support key national priorities such as medical research conducted through the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Predictable increases are necessary for maintaining a vigorous portfolio of basic, translational, and clinical studies. Medical research is facing a moment of exceptional opportunities. Federally funded scientific research is enabling the understanding of the remarkable complexity of human biology and disease. There is no other way to have reached our current level of understanding, and no other way to extend that understanding further other than through public investment.

The CLS urges Congress to expeditiously pass this budget agreement so that Congress can advance our national investment in scientific research.

The CLS is a coalition of six science-based organizations representing the interests of over 60,000 scientists.

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