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NIDDK and IFFGD

Support for neurogastroenterology research is spread across the NIH.

NIIDDK is the lead Institute for neurogastroenterology research.

Other Institutes that fund neurogastroenterology research include NINDS, NIGMS, NHLBI, and OD.
Stimulating Peripheral Activity to Relieve Conditions (SPARC)

Nerve mapping → Medical device design and testing → Treatments

Intestinal Stem Cell Consortium

Intestinal organoid

Organoid with embedded nervous system

Workman et al., Nat. Med. 23: 49-59, 2017
Research on Irritable Bowel Syndrome

Specialized Center of Research Excellence (SCORE) on Sex Differences

- Sex as an important biological variable in IBS symptoms
- Exploring brain-gut-microbiome connections in response to cognitive behavioral therapy

Strategic Plan for NIH Nutrition Research

- Focus on the field of precision nutrition
- Strategic goals and cross-cutting areas to answer key questions in nutrition science
- Available at: https://www.niddk.nih.gov/about-niddk/strategic-plans-reports/strategic-plan-nih-nutrition-research
Gastroparesis Clinical Research Consortium

- The Gastroparesis Registry: Observational study to understand risk factors and how gastroparesis develops
- Clinical trials to test new therapeutic approaches to treat gastroparesis symptoms.

Fecal Incontinence Treatment (FIT) Study

- Sacral nerve stimulation
- Bulking agent
- Biofeedback
COVID-19

Issues affecting research activities during the COVID-19 pandemic:

- Increased costs for conducting research safely
- The loss of revenue to support research
- The disproportionate effects of the pandemic on some investigators

COVID-19

Strategies to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on NIH-supported research

- Policy flexibility
- Policy accommodations
- Targeted investments
Developing the NIDDK Strategic Plan

**21st Century Cures Act:** “Strategic plans developed and updated by the national research institutes and national centers of the National Institutes of Health shall be prepared regularly”

- Will complement our disease-specific planning efforts
- 5-year plan to present broad vision of the future of our Institute and demonstrate value of NIDDK research now and going forward
- Opportunity to gain ideas from leading researchers and patient advocates across NIDDK mission
- Anticipated completion – late 2021

NIDDK Strategic Plan

Request for Information: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) Strategic Plan

Share your ideas for the strategic plan on the RFI feedback form by July 31, 2020.

https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rfi/rfi.cfm?ID=106

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