



State of Research 2019



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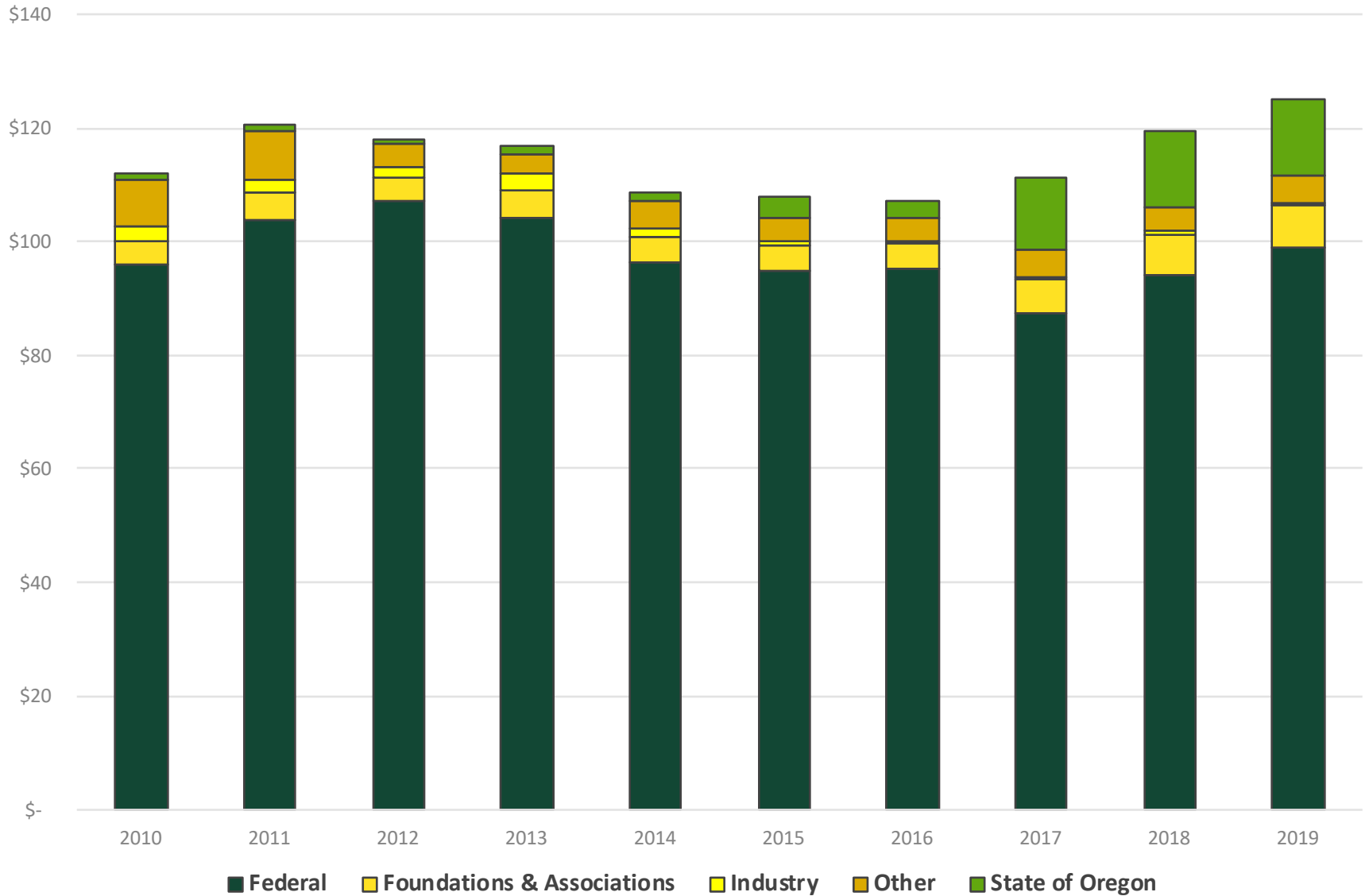


FY19 Sponsored Project Metrics

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY19</u>	<u>% Change from previous year</u>
Number of Proposals Submitted	1,059	+ 3%
Dollar Amounts of Proposals Submitted	\$171 M	+ 18%
Number of Awards	572	< 1%
Value of Awards Received	\$126 M	+ 2%
Total Expenditures	\$125 M	+ 5%
Total Research Expenditures	\$88 M	+ 11%

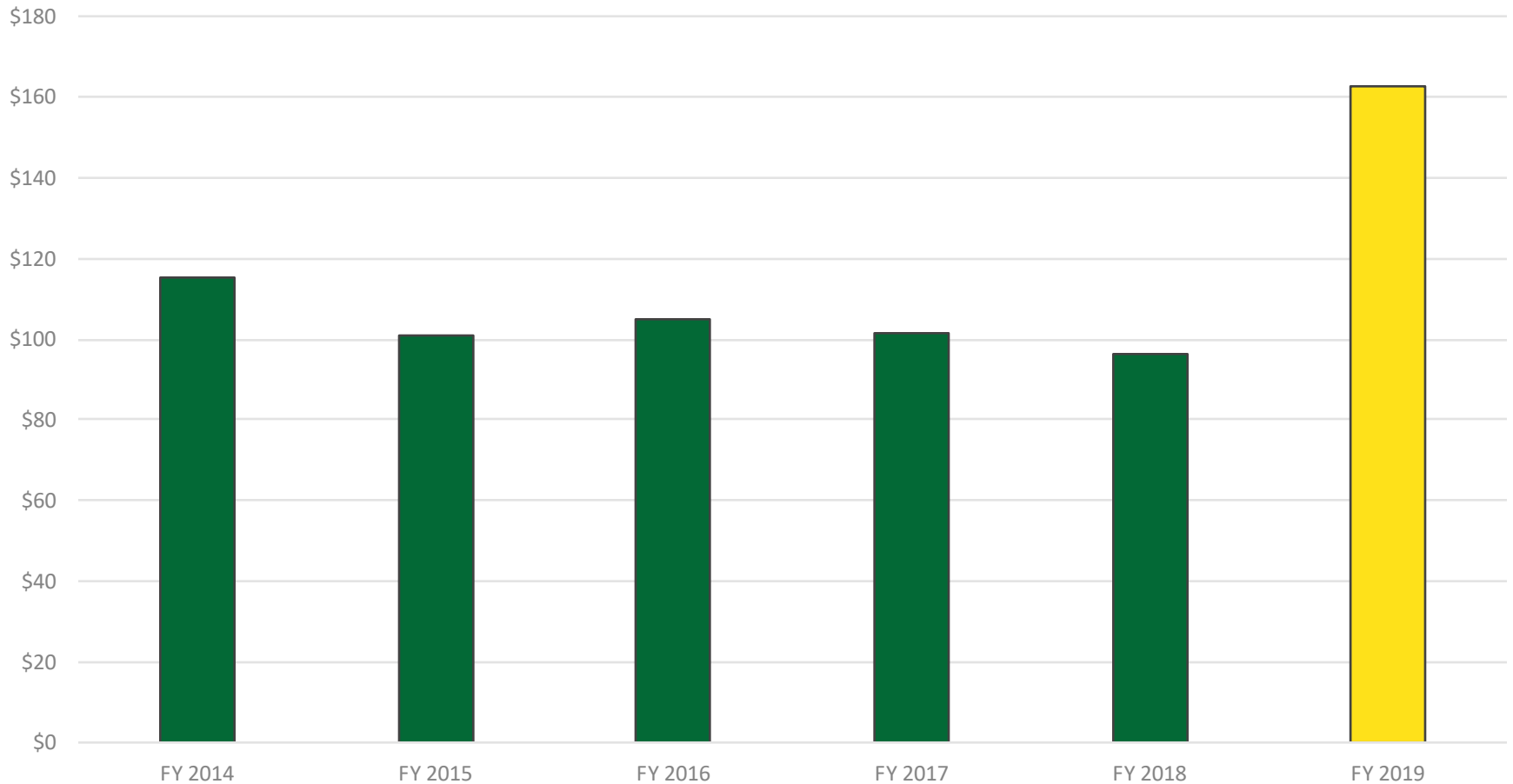


FY10-19 Total Expenditures





FY14-19 Multi-Year Award Commitments



All values in millions of dollars. Amounts reflect total award value across all years of a project at the time it was funded.



ResearchStats

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Sponsored Projects Overview -> College of Education

Sponsored Projects Overview

College of Education

FY2019 ⓘ

\$199,170,083

152 Proposals

Proposals this Period

\$51,647,947

105 Awards

Awards this Period

\$46,140,089

148 Active Projects

Expenditures this Period

\$

-1% Compared to Last Year

Number of Projects

Dollars Spent

Total Amount Spent Each Fiscal Year





FY19 Notable Awards



The College of Ed's **Kent McIntosh** is co-director of a \$32.6 million award — believed to be the **largest grant ever received by the UO** — from the U.S. Department of Education to support students with disabilities.



FY19 Notable Awards



A team of faculty led by the Prevention Science Institute's **Leslie Leve** was awarded \$12.5 million from the National Institutes of Health to study child growth and development.



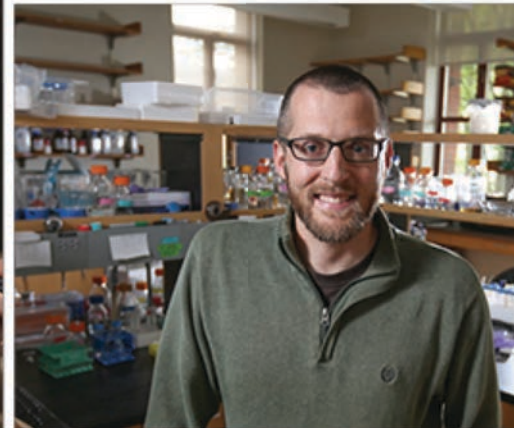
FY19 Notable Awards



Biologists **Karen Guillemin**, **Judith Eisen**, and **Brendan Bohannon** and biophysicist **Raghuv eer Parthasarathy** received a \$7.6 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to study the potential health benefits of bacteria.



FY19 Notable Awards



Earth scientists **James Watkins**, **Leif Karlstrom** and **Amanda Thomas**, biophysicist **Mike Harms**, and historian **Melissa Graboyes** received National Science Foundation CAREER Awards, which are among the most sought-after grants awarded by the agency.

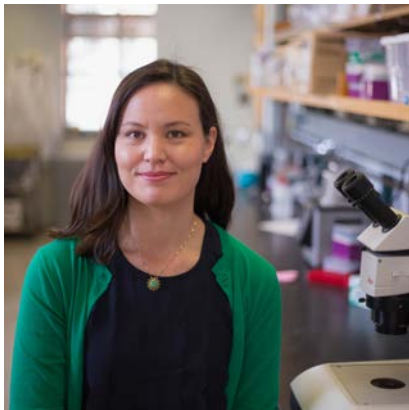


FY19 Notable Awards

Other Junior Faculty Awards



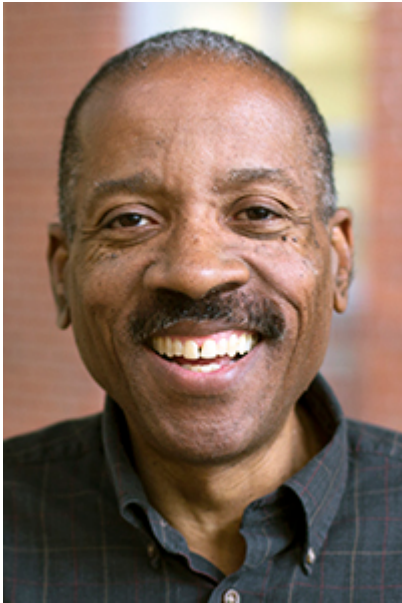
Laura Jeanty (above) received a Department of Energy Early Career Award and Diana Libuda (below) received an NIH MIRA grant in FY19.



- **Michelle Byrne:** NIMH — “The role of brain activity and connectivity in the association between immune function and depressive symptoms...”
- **Ashley Walker:** NIA — Large artery stiffness and cerebrovascular dysfunction: Implications for cognitive impairment and neuropathology
- **Laura Jeanty:** DOE — Early Career Award to fund research in high energy physics
- **Matt Barber:** NIGMS — “Adaptive Evolution of Bacteria in the Battle for Iron”
- **Daniel Grimes:** NIAMS — “The Role of Cilia and Cerebrospinal Fluid Flow in Spine Development and Human and Human Disease”
- **Julia Widom:** NIGMS — “Novel Tools to Investigate Local and Global RNA Conformations in the Spliceosome”
- **Diana Libuda:** NIH — Recombination pathway and partner choices during meiosis.



FY19 Notable Awards



UO journalism professor **Ed Madison** and UO education professor **Jenefer Husman** received a \$1.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation to address the student achievement gap for underrepresented groups in STEM courses. It allows researchers to pursue a creative, interdisciplinary solution to the problem.



FY19 Notable Awards



English professor **Courtney Thorsson**, received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, for an interpretive cultural history of a group of African American women writers that met in the 1970s.

Stephanie Wood, a research associate in the College of Education, received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, to research native histories along the Lewis and Clark Trail.

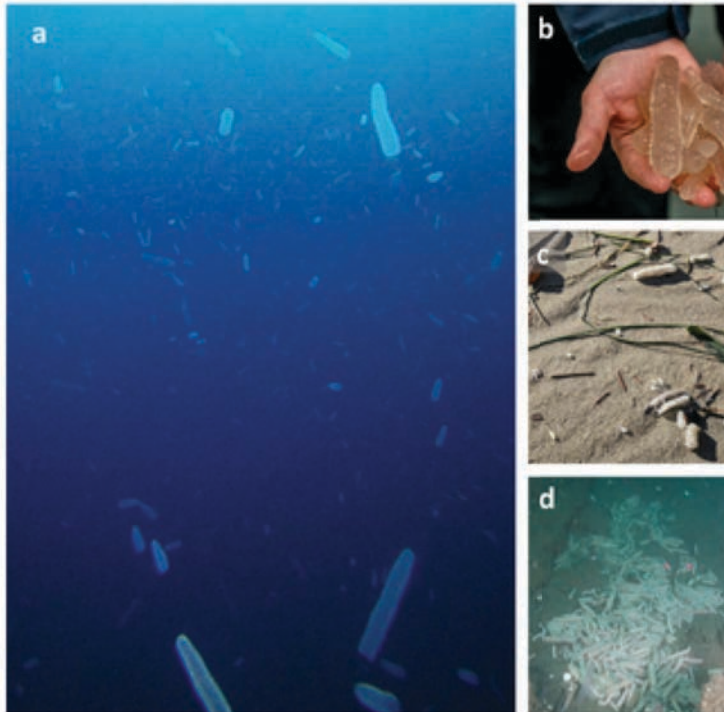




Published Research

“ I have just watched the moon set in all her glory, and looked at those lesser moons beautiful *Pyrosoma*, shining like white-hot cylinders in the water. —T. H. Huxley, 1849, *Diary of the Voyage of H.M.S. Rattlesnake*

Pyrosomes are colonial pelagic tunicates that have fascinated man for centuries. Their name comes from the “fiery” bioluminescence that they exhibit at night time. Blooms of pyrosomes, identified as *Pyrosoma atlanticum*, recently appeared in the North Pacific Ocean (Fig. 1), prompting scientists to study environmental factors that triggered their appearance and persistence over seasons as well as potential ecosystem impacts.



Top Read UO News Releases on EurekAlert!:

- Sea pickles are settling into the Pacific NW
Kelly Sutherland, OIMB
- UO postdoc solves mystery of isolated Atlantic island birds
Martin Stervander, IE2
- UO team makes artificial atoms that work at room temp
Benjamín Alemán, Physics





Media Impact



Other Top Performing Stories Based on UO Research & Scholarship:

- "A Signal in Giant Earthquakes That Could Save Lives" — NY Times
Diego Melgar, Earth Sciences
- "Imaginary Worlds of Childhood" — Wall Street Journal
Marjorie Taylor, Psychology
- "Blind dates for zebrafish reveal 'social' cells in brain" — Spectrum
Philip Washbourne, Biology



Rescue workers searched Balaroa village after a 7.5-magnitude earthquake Oct. 6. Ulet Ifansasti/Getty Images

The New York Times

TRILOBITES

A Signal in Giant Earthquakes That Could Save Lives

The full power of the biggest temblors could be determined in as little as 10 to 15 seconds after they begin, a new study finds, and long before it ends.



Media Impact



Top Read UO Stories on The Conversation:

- The lies we tell on dating apps to find love
Dave Markowitz, SOJC
- Kavanaugh's impact on the Supreme Court and the country may not be as profound as predicted
Ofer Raban, Law
- Think you're bad at math? You may suffer from 'math trauma'
Jennifer Ruef, COE

Nearly one-fourth of young adults are looking for love through dating websites.

This relatively new form of courtship can give you access to a large pool of potential partners. It also presents a unique set of challenges.

For example, you've probably heard about – or have personally experienced – a date that was planned online but didn't go well for one of the following reasons: He was taller than his profile said he was, she looked different in person than she did in her photos, he was more talkative over text but it was like pulling teeth at dinner.

In other words, a person's profile – and the messages sent before a date – may not reveal who a person really is.

In a 2018 paper, my colleague Jeff Hancock and I wondered: How often do people who use dating apps lie? What sort of things are they prone to lie about?



Investing in Research

- Research equipment
- Research Development Services
- Seed funding for research
- Electronic Research Administration





Research Equipment



- Plasma Focused Ion Beam Instrument (PFIB) — through unique lease and research collaboration agreements with Thermo Fisher Scientific.
- Spinning Disc Confocal Microscope - Murdock Charitable Trust award – 50% UO match
- X-Ray Microscope – Murdock Charitable Trust – 50% UO match



Research Development



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APPLY

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Research Development Services



Kate Petcosky-Kulkarni

Aims to support and increase externally-funded research activity at the UO through:

- Proposal Development
- Pivot: External Funding Search Tool
- Internal Award Funding Programs
- Resources, Trainings, and Customized Assistance



Mara Fields

RDS services are designed to meet the unique needs of faculty across disciplines and career stages.



Catherine Jarmin Miller

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Research Development

Early Career Faculty – Group Travel to Washington, DC



A group of junior faculty members meets with Barbara Ransom, a program director at the headquarters of the National Science Foundation in September 2019.



Research Development

Early Career Faculty – Group Travel to Washington, DC



“...The trip has helped me be able to submit proposals sooner and more strategically than I would have without this program.”

“It was great to see the “behind the scenes” at the funding agencies I visited and understanding that the agencies want to build relationships with you.”



“...This was by far the most valuable experience I’ve had for enhancing my grant writing in my entire career. I wish I had done a trip like this 8 years ago! “



Seed Funding Program

- Incubating Interdisciplinary Initiatives (I3)
- OHSU/UO joint research projects
- Data Science
- Social-Environmental Resilience
- VPRI Innovation Fund



Total investments in seed funding projects will exceed \$1 million in FY20.



Research Administration Portal (RAP)



Modules Include:

- IRB
- IACUC
- COI
- Grants (pre & post award)
- Animal Operations



Innovation







FY19 Innovation Metrics

<u>Description</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>Change</u>
Licensing Revenue	\$ 10 M	+ 10%
Disclosures/Faculty New Ideas	49	+ 14%
Science-Based Disclosures	20	+ 11%
Patent Filings	19	+ 12%
AAU Licensing Ranking (per \$)	#5	N/A
Total # of Active Startups	26	+ 4%



Innovation Seed Fund Awardees



Ksana Health grew out of research by UO's Nick Allen.

- **Ksana Health Inc:** Nick Allen: mobile assessment of suicide risk
- **Perceptivo, LLC:** Terry Takahashi and Avinash Singh: infant hearing assessment
- **New Sensor company (TBD):** Mike Pluth, Darren Johnson, Michael Haley: sulfide sensing device

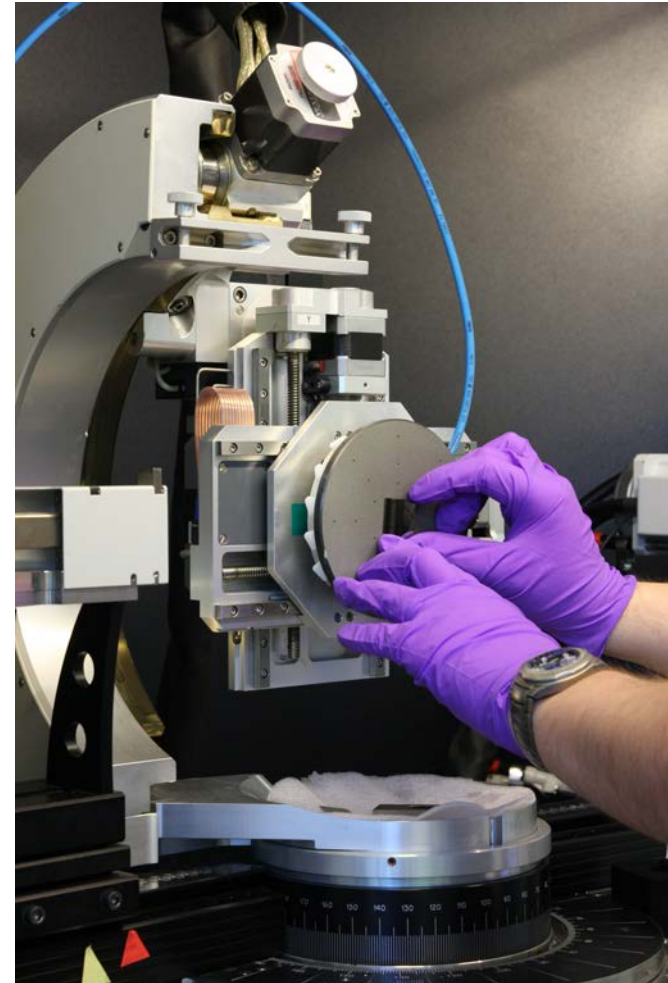
Under Consideration:

- **KeyBiome:** Karen Guillemain: screening for intestinal microbes and inflammatory response



Oregon Innovation Council Programs

- University Innovation Research Fund
 - \$10 million matching fund for federal research awards
- SBIR/STTR Matching Grant (\$2.1M)
- SBIR/STTR application support grant (\$150k)
- Commercialization Gap Fund (\$5 million)
- High Impact Opportunity Projects RFP (\$3M)





Looking Ahead

Knight Campus

- Predicted \$30M boost in research

Presidential Science Initiatives

- Materials Science
- Microbiome
- Data Science
- Neuroscience
- Environmental Resilience

Clusters of Excellence and other faculty hiring

New partnerships

- OHSU
- Industry: Thermo Fisher





Looking Ahead

- Nov. 21 – Congress must act to pass the FY20 budget
- Budget Control Caps are no longer a concern
- The clock is ticking – 2020 approaches

Outlook for Federal Funding

Agency	% Change from FY18 to FY19	% Change from FY19 to FY20 House	% Change from FY19 to FY20 Senate
NSF	4%	7%	3%
NIH	5%	5%	7.6%
IES	0.3%	6%	0%



Looking Ahead



Leslie Leve and Phil Fisher: \$10.1 million NIH grant to address the opioid abuse epidemic



Monte Westerfield/ ZIRC: \$8 million from NIH for expansion and modernization of zebrafish facilities



Douglas Toomey: \$3.1 million grant from the USGS for support and improvement of Shake Alert

A close-up photograph of a laser system, likely a microscope or similar scientific instrument. The scene is dominated by a bright green glow from the laser. A warning label that reads "LASER DANGER" is visible on the right side of the equipment. The background is dark, with various mechanical parts and lenses visible, some of which are illuminated by the green light.

Thank You



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