



ASBMB responds to Trump budget proposal that threatens funding for 2,000 research projects

Benjamin Corb, director of public affairs for the American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, provided the following statement in response to the president's proposal:

Once again, President Donald Trump has disappointed the scientific community by proposing billions of dollars in cuts — this time to the fiscal year 2017 budget.

In the president's reduction request for FY17, he calls for a \$1.23 billion cut to the National Institutes of Health budget. To achieve that, he proposes eliminating new IDeA grants, worth \$50 million, and taking \$1.18 billion from the pool for new research grants.

After a year in which the NIH enjoyed bipartisan support that resulted in a \$2 billion increase and passage of a massive legislative package supporting new research programs that will yield life

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