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20th Anniversary

Honoring Leaders in Research Advocacy

2009 National Forum:
Science in the Service of the Nation
“There is no better investment than science research to conquer the maladies of the world. The potential for science research is absolutely limitless.”

—SEN. ARLEN SPECTER (PA) AWARD RECIPIENT

“There are four words that describe the domestic agenda in this country, and those words are science, science, science and science.”

—SPEAKER NANCY PELOSI (CA) AWARD RECIPIENT
Raymond and Beverly Sackler Award for Sustained National Leadership

“We will never attain the potential [for better health for all] in this country until we recognize that without research it just doesn’t work.”

—C. Everett Koop, MD, ScD

Award Recipient

Paul G. Rogers Distinguished Organization Advocacy Award

“[With the passage of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act] we can all be proud that America has decided we should not be discriminated against on the basis of our genetic makeup.”

—Sharon Terry, Genetic Alliance

Award Recipient

Gordon and Llura Gund Leadership Award

“We wanted to give back something more valuable than money to the millions of people who made our success possible. We want to give them hope for better life without sickness and disease.”

—Virginia G. Stowers, James E. “Jim” Stowers

Award Recipient
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—David Baltimore, PhD

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Isadore Rosenfeld, MD

Isadore Rosenfeld Award for Impact on Public Opinion

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Cheerful Science Award

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Innovation has an extremely important role to play in getting us out of this economic crisis. Innovation in research creates a strong competitive advantage. Research is an investment not an expense.”

—CHRISTOPHER A. VIEHBACHER

You can make the case for [U.S.] investment in health [and research] around the globe. It’s the right thing to do as global citizens, and it’s a critical part of global diplomacy. An unhealthy world is an unstable world.”

—RICHARD BESSER, MD

There is a mood in the country that things have changed with regard to science and science policy—a change for the better.”

—CLIVE CROOK

There are two cultures here. Scientists are borderless, while governments are focused on their nation’s competitiveness.”

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“Congress was wise to include biomedical research in the recovery act. We will be able to blunt the effects of disease because of the generosity of ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act). We must make sure research reaches diverse communities.”
—Raynard Kington, MD, PhD

“Comparative effectiveness research is a tribute to the advances we’ve made, that we have choices for treatments. It can give us more targeted information, so we get to the right answers sooner.”
—Carolyn M. Clancy, MD

“Global Image

“This is an exciting time for scientists and an exciting time for my research, on ending violence against women globally. It’s a very important field, for economic and health reasons.”
—Nancy Glass, PhD, MPH, RN

“The relationship between health and foreign policy has been dominated by infectious disease and we [at State] want to shift that focus to [include] chronic illness. We must make the most efficient use of programmatic funds. We’re really excited about having science as the basis for what we do.”
—Patricia Murphy

“As patients we make a social covenant with science. We need a balance between privacy and allowing our personal de-identified records to support science.”
—Debra Lappin, JD

“There is no single answer for most diseases. We must continue to invest in fundamental science and applying [the results] from bedside to curbside.”
—William Peck, MD

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