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Research Programs (Extramural)

Division of Aging Biology (DAB)
Supports research and training to enhance and extend the human health span through a better understanding of the biological mechanisms underlying the aging process.

Division of Behavioral and Social Research (DBSR)
Supports basic social and behavioral research and research training on the processes of aging at both the individual and societal level.

Division of Neuroscience (DN)
Supports research and training to further the understanding of neural and behavioral processes of the aging nervous system in health and disease.

Division of Geriatrics and Clinical Gerontology (DGCG)
Supports research on health and disease in the aged and research on aging over the human lifespan, including its relationships to health outcomes.

Example:

Division of Behavioral and Social Research (DBSR)

The Division of Behavioral and Social Research supports basic social and behavioral research and research training on the processes of aging at both the individual and societal level. It focuses on how people change over the adult life course and on the societal impact of the changing age-composition of the population. BSR fosters research that reaches across disciplinary boundaries, at multiple levels from the genetic to comparisons across national boundaries, and at stages from basic through translational.

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Research Areas and Staff

What's New?
BSR has commissioned a number of National Academies reports on topics such as global aging trends; data confidentiality and accessibility; health care cost growth and output measurement; and the psychology of aging. BSR has produced a CD which contains PDFs of these reports. For a copy, or for more information, please contact BSRQuery@nia.nih.gov.

Availabilty of GWAS Data for HRS: Investigators interested in using the Health and Retirement Study genotype data can find further information on the HRS website. Genotype and limited phenotype data will be available via the dbGaP application process. If investigators are interested in linking the genotype data with other HRS measures not in dbGaP they will be able to apply for access from HRS directly. A National Academy of Sciences Expert meeting was held to discuss the use of HRS GWA data; the meeting summary (PDF, 754K) is available to download.

POPULATION CLOCK: The Population Reference Bureau (PRB) developed the Population Clock which shows the gaining trends of populations over 65 and under 5 years of age.

HEALTH ECONOMICS: The NIH Common Fund supports a Health Economics program to stimulate research of value for Health Care Reform.

SCIENCE OF BEHAVIOR CHANGE: The NIH Common Fund supports the Science of Behavior Change program to improve our understanding of human behavior change across a broad range of health-related behaviors.

BASIC BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCE OPPORTUNITY NETWORK (OppNet): OppNet is a trans-NIH initiative to expand the agency's funding of basic behavioral and social sciences research (b-BSSR). For more information and a link to funding

Funding Opportunities

The most recent funding announcements of interest to BSR are listed below.

OppNet: Mechanistic Pathways Linking Psychosocial Stress and Behavior (R01)

Social Neuroscience and Neuroeconomics of Aging (R01), (R21)

Behavioral and Social Genomics of Aging: Opportunities in the Health and Retirement Study (R01)

Secondary Analyses and Archiving of Social and Behavioral Datasets in Aging (R03)

Family and Interpersonal Relationships in an Aging Context (R01), PA

Sleep and Social Environment: Basic Biopsychosocial Processes (R21), RFA

Basic Research on Decision Making: Cognitive, Affective, and Developmental Perspectives (R01)

Social and Behavioral Research on the Elderly in Disasters (R01), PA, (R03), PA, (R21), PA

ELSI Regular Research Grants (R01), PA, (R21), PA, (R03), PA

Economics of Retirement (R01), PA, (R03), PA, (R21), PA

Translational Research to Help Older Adults Maintain their Health and Independence in the Community (R21), PA, (R01), PA

Subjective Well-Being: Advances in Measurement and Applications to Aging (R01), RFA

Regional and International Differences in Health and Longevity at Older Ages (R01), RFA
Additional reading on this topic can be found in the volume "International Differences in Mortality at Older Ages: Dimensions and Sources".

Social Network Analysis and Health (R01), PAR (R21) PAR Funding Announcements FAQs

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Disclaimer: Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of funding opportunities through the National Institute on Aging, or the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Researchers are advised to familiarize themselves with programs and contacts at NIH whenever possible.