



Support the Effort for Strong NIH Funding

JOIN UNITED FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH

At a time when NIH funding and biomedical research face growing challenges, strong and coordinated advocacy is more important than ever.

United for Medical Research (UMR) brings together academic and medical research institutions, patient and health advocacy organizations, and private industry to build strong, bipartisan support for sustained investment in the **National Institutes of Health** (NIH).

What Makes UMR Different?

A Trusted & Effective Voice.

UMR is known on Capitol Hill and across the medical research community as a trusted voice for strong and sustained NIH funding.

- **UMR conducts** congressional outreach, strategic communications, and engagement with the larger community to build congressional champions and strong support for continued investment in medical research.
- **UMR develops** widely used data, reports, fact sheets, state-specific resources, and advocacy materials that highlight the impact of NIH funding and strengthen advocacy efforts across the research community.
- **UMR convenes** members to engage with congressional offices, NIH leaders and members of the Administration, appropriations staff, and other key stakeholders shaping the future of medical research.



For More Than a Decade, UMR Has Delivered the Data the Community Depends On

UMR's **Annual Economic Report** has become a signature coalition resource, providing widely cited data that demonstrates the impact of NIH funding on jobs and economic activity nationwide. Along with UMR's state-specific resources and special reports, it helps policymakers, advocates, and stakeholders make the case for sustained investment in medical research and regularly earns media coverage nationwide.

Forbes **The New York Times**
The Washington Post



Roundtable discussion with NIH Director Dr. Jay Bhattacharya, March 2026

A Nimble, Member-Driven Coalition.

UMR is led by its volunteer Board of Directors and strengthened by the expertise, engagement, and investment of its member organizations. The reports, Capitol Hill engagement, communications, and advocacy initiatives that have become hallmarks of UMR are supported through member dues.

UMR members play an active role in shaping strategy, participating in outreach, and helping guide the coalition's work. They also benefit from regular collaboration and the exchange of insights across sectors, helping organizations stay informed about emerging developments and perspectives beyond their own networks.

Why Organizations Join UMR

In addition to helping to protect and maintain strong NIH funding, as a UMR member, you will:

- ✓ Gain visibility in Washington, DC, as a part of the coalition
- ✓ Help shape UMR's advocacy strategy
- ✓ Build cross-sector relationships beyond your own industry
- ✓ Stay ahead of emerging NIH funding and policy issues via UMR meetings and member intelligence sharing
- ✓ Engage in meetings with senior staff at NIH and congressional offices and committees
- ✓ Access state-specific resources and advocacy materials to bolster your own outreach and advocacy
- ✓ Amplify your organization's impact through Capitol Hill events and visibility in reports and resources shared with policymakers and the media
- ✓ Extend the reach of your organization's work through UMR's communications and social media channels

UMR's work is made possible through the expertise, engagement, and financial support of its member organizations. Annual membership dues range from \$10,000 to \$40,000 based on organization type.

Join UMR and help keep NIH funding a national priority. Together, we can **#keepNIHstrong**.



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