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Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics Radical (RADx-rad)

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RADx Projects



RADx Tech – \$500M

Highly competitive, rapid three-phase challenge to identify the best candidates for at-home or point-of-care tests for COVID-19



RADx Underserved Populations (RADx-UP) – \$500M

Interlinked community-based demonstration projects focused on implementation strategies to enable and enhance testing of COVID-19 in vulnerable populations



RADx Radical (RADx-Rad) – \$200M

Develop and advance novel, non-traditional approaches or new applications of existing approaches for testing



RADx Advanced Testing Program (RADx-ATP) – \$230M

Rapid scale-up of advanced technologies to increase rapidity and enhance and validate throughput – create ultra-high throughput machines and facilities



Data Management Support – \$70M

Build an infrastructure for and support coordination of the various data management needs of many of the COVID-19 efforts

RADx-rad Project Overview

- **Overarching Goal:** Develop non-traditional approaches or technologies with longer development timelines to address gaps in SARS-CoV-2 testing
- Technology platforms that can be used in future outbreaks of COVID-19 and that could be applicable to other, as yet unknown, viruses
- **Process:** Solicit and fund trans-NIH program proposals
 - Portion (~\$40-50M) reserved to address future needs

\$200M

Range of grant mechanisms (cooperative agreements, SBIR, R01s, etc.) to support 2- to 3-year awards

RADx-rad Project Overview

Development of a novel technology, strategy, or device

- Example: Development of early disease biomarkers and oral biosensors

Unique application of existing strategies

- Example: Nationwide early detection system through wastewater surveillance

Unconventional detection strategies

- Example: Scalable multiplexed screening method by next generation sequencing

Approach to enhance access or usability

- Example: Technologies to diagnose COVID-19 and predict multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children

Data Coordinating Center

- **Next Steps:**
 - Publish FOAs in summer
 - Award of applications in fall

