# NIH Scientific Workforce Diversity Actions and Progress: 2014-2019

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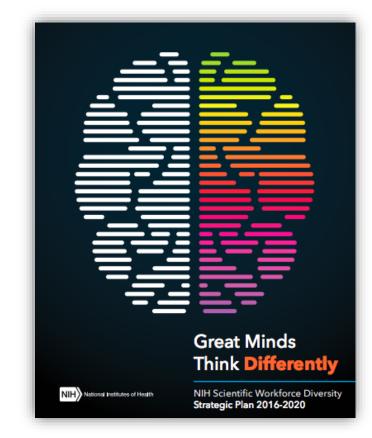
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## Key Data Points Identified by the ACD WGD BRW **Context for Assessing Progress**

#### **National Data**

- Small # URGs in STEM
- 504/year\*

#### Research Project Grants\*\* (R01eq)

- Applications
  - AA/B 1.3%
  - Hisp 3.4%
- Awards
  - AA/B <1%
  - Hisp 2.5%

#### K Awards (K01, K08, K23)

- AA/B 4%
- Hisp 5%

#### **NIH Training** Awards

- Pre-doc F30/F31
  - AA/B 1.3%
  - Hisp 3.4%
- Post-doc F32/T32

URG - 8.1% NIH-

sponsored post-docs

awards

- AA/B 1.3%
- Hisp 3.4%

URG - 10% all pre-doc

AA/B applicants 13 % points less likely to be awarded R01

physics - 2000-2008 \*\*Note: Although generally NIH awards are made to institutions, as the applicants and awardees of NIH funding, for purposes of this presentation, the terms "applications," "applicants," and "awardees" reference those individuals designated as senior/key personnel on NIH applications and/or awards, respectively.

(NSF women, minorities and people with disabilities report 2011)

\* Biological science, chemistry, and

## Original 2012 ACD WGD BRW Recommendations

PIPELINE	<ul> <li>#3 additional <u>financial support</u> for undergraduates</li> <li>#1 systematic review and evaluation of all diversity programs</li> <li>#4 assess reason for <u>disparity in grant awards</u></li> <li>#6 establish ACD Diversity Working Group</li> <li>#2 develop interest in STEM in K-12 and beyond</li> </ul>
MENTORING	#5 establish a system of mentorship "networks"
PEER REVIEW	<ul> <li>#9 establish ACD Diversity Working Group Subcommittee on Peer Review</li> <li>#10 implicit bias/diversity awareness training for scientific review and program officers</li> <li>#11 design experiment to determine effects of application anonymization</li> <li>#7 more detailed explanation for unscored grant applications</li> </ul>
INFRASTRUCTURE	<ul> <li>#8 establish bold, multi-year awards to enhance diversity at under-resourced institutions</li> <li>#12 appoint chief diversity officer and establish office of diversity</li> </ul>

**#13** more comprehensive search for tenure-track investigators (e.g., Stadtman search)

# Interpreting R01 Success Rates in Context of Decline in Pay Lines: Gap Persists but is Slightly Narrowed

30% OF FUNDING GAP
ATTRIBUTABLE TO
APPLICANT &
REVIEWER TOPIC
PREFERENCE
(Hoppe, et al. in press)

#### Success rate for Type 1 R01 (Ginther et al. 2011):

FY 2000 – 2006

African American applicants: 17.1%

White applicants: 29.3%

Differential success (AA:W) 0.58

#### **Success rate for Type 1 R01-Equivalent:**

FY 2013 - 2018

African American applicants: 11.3%

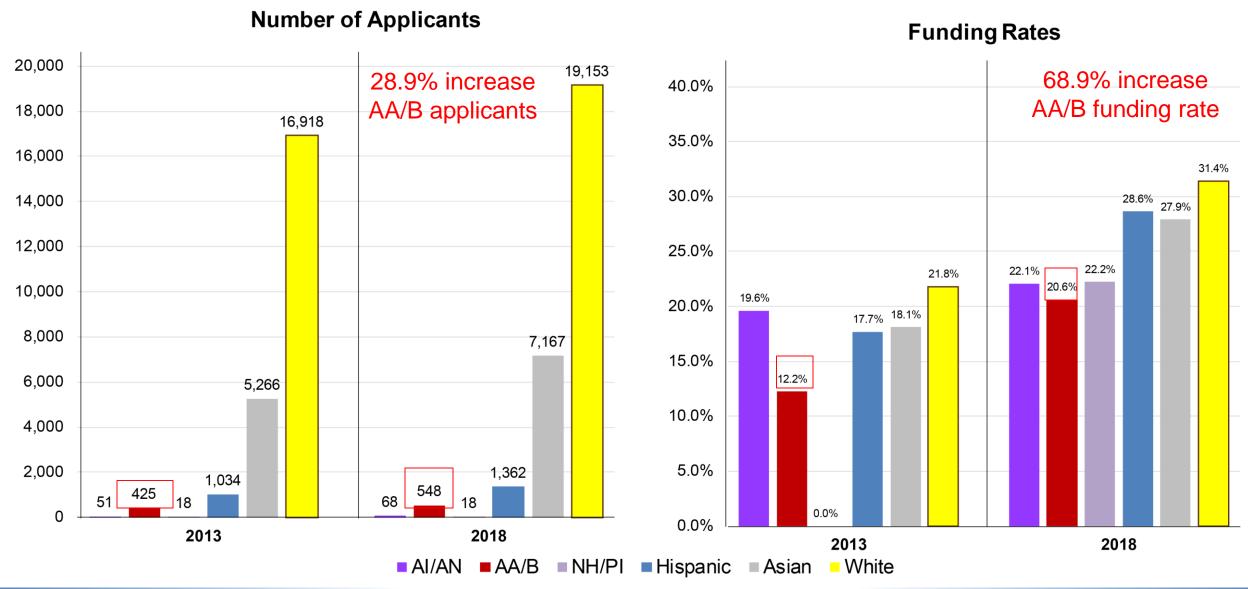
White applicants: 18.1%

Differential success (AA:W) 0.63

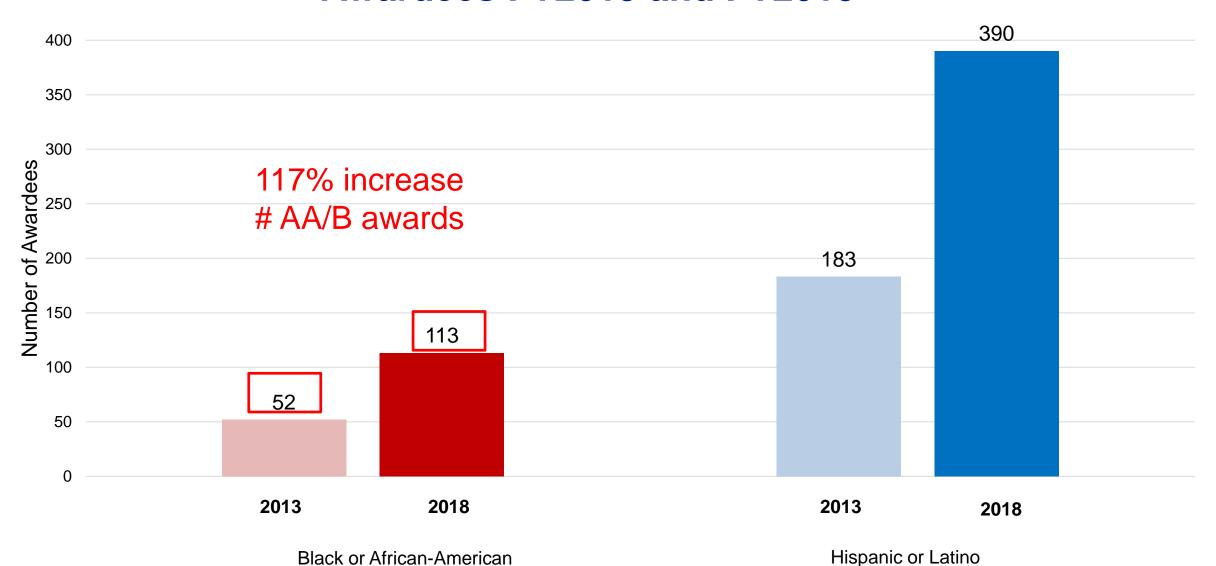
Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel statistics

Effect of race adjusted for time period: 184.45, p<0.0001

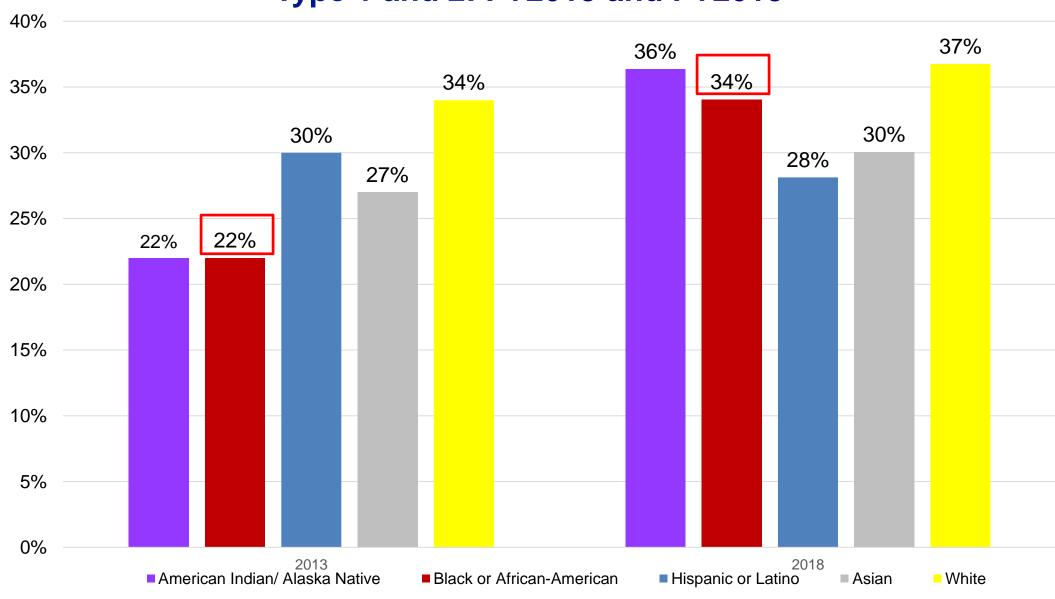
# R01eq Applicants\* and Funding Rates (Type 1 and 2) Race/Ethnicity FY2013 and FY2018



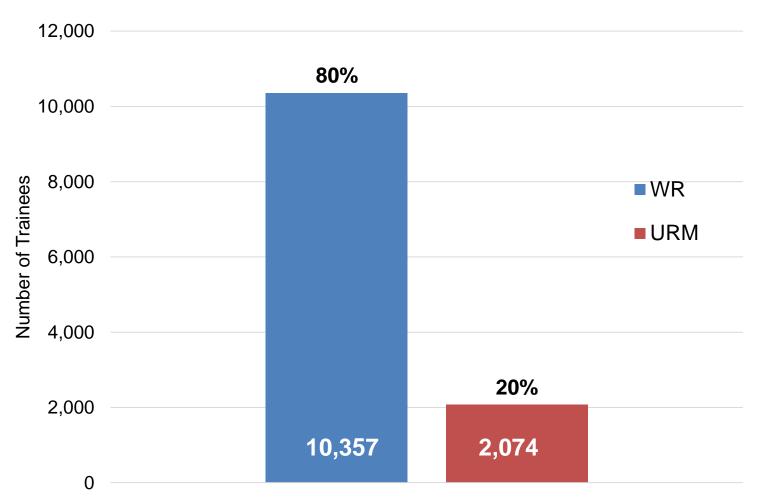
# African-American and Hispanic/Latino R01eq (Type 1 and 2) Awardees FY2013 and FY2018



# Funding Rates Mentored Career-Development (K-Series) Awardees Type 1 and 2: FY2013 and FY2018



# URMs Supported on Predoctoral and Postdoctoral Training\* Grants (2018) Increased to 20% from 12% in 2012

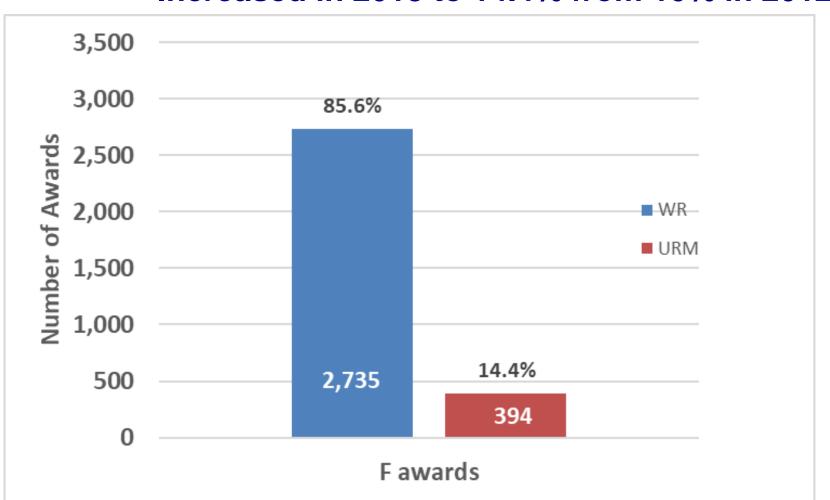


WR = Well-represented White and Asian American

URM = Underrepresented
American Indian/Alaska Native,
African American/Black and
Native Hawaiian/Pacific
Islander

<sup>\*</sup> T15, T32, T34, T35, T90, TL1, TL4

# URM Trainees Supported on Predoctoral Fellowships (F31) and Postdoctoral Fellowships (F32) Increased in 2018 to 14.4% from 10% in 2012



WR =Well-represented White and Asian American

URM = Underrepresented
American Indian/Alaska
Native, African
American/Black and Native
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

# PhD Recipients in NIH-Relevant Fields Increase in URM Representation (2012-2017)

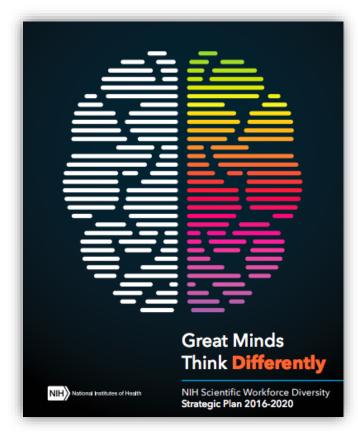
Life Sciences							
Race/Ethnicity	Totals			Percentage			
	2012	2017	% Change	2012	2017		
Hispanic or Latino	493	606	22.92%	6.17%	7.07%		
American Indian or Alaska Native	24	25	4.16%	0.30%	0.29%		
Asian	934	1,014	8.56%	11.68%	11.84%		
Black or African American	448	577	28.79%	5.60%	6.74%		
White	5,880	6,059	3.04%	73.56%	70.72%		
More than one race	215	286	31.56%	2.69%	3.34%		
Totals	7,994	8,567		100.00%	100.00%		

Source: NSF Survey of Earned Doctorates 1997-2017

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## **NIH Diversity Program Consortium**

Building Evidence- Awards made October 2014

Total: \$250 million (5 years)

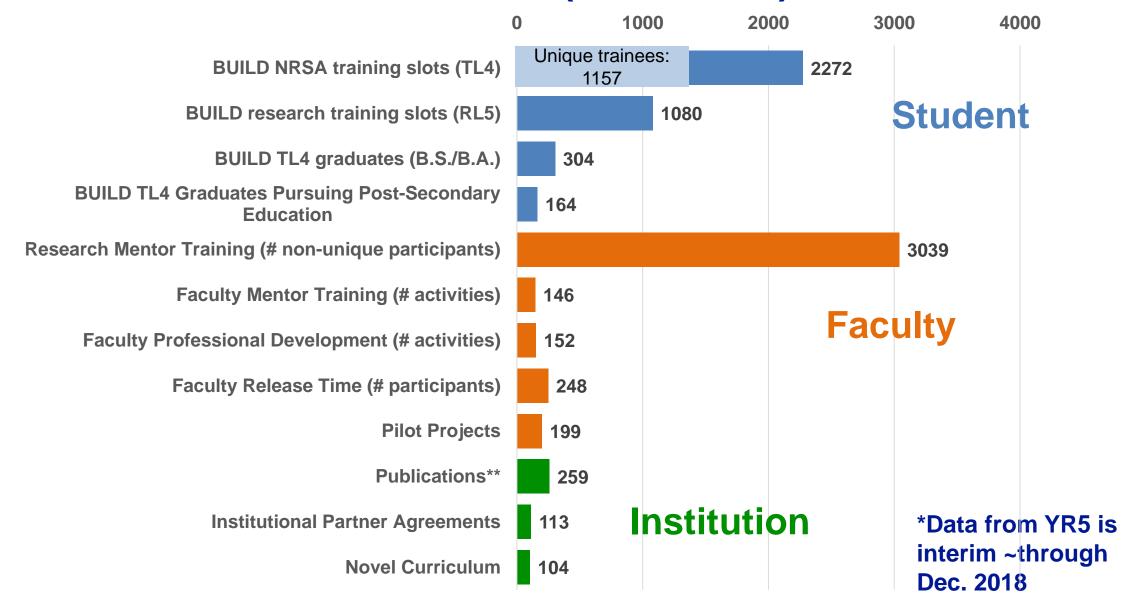
**BUILD: 10 sites/experiments** 

NRMN CEC

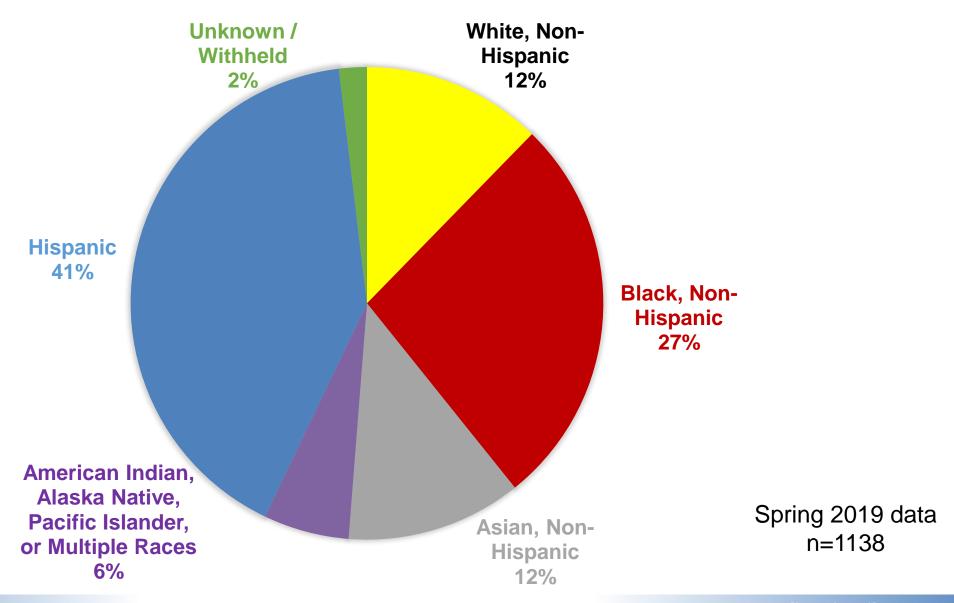


Phase II begins July 2019 Historically Hispanic-Black Serving Colleges Institutions\* and Universities Total of 10 Sites/Experiments **Public** State Universities Colleges

### **BUILD Dashboard (Years 1-5\*)**



## **BUILD NRSA Demographics**



## NRMN Grantwriting/Coaching Program

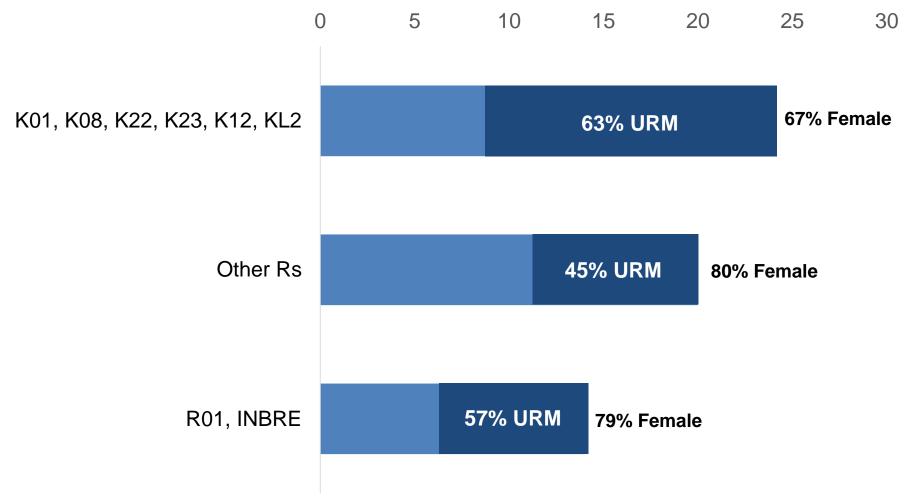
By the Numbers



- Investigator participants in all GCPs
- 89 NIH awards (71%URG, 73% Women)
- 152 Awards (NIH + non-NIH)
- \$65M Total NIH funds across GCPs

### NRMN Demographics of Grantwriting/Coaching Participants

Grant Recipients\* (top categories)

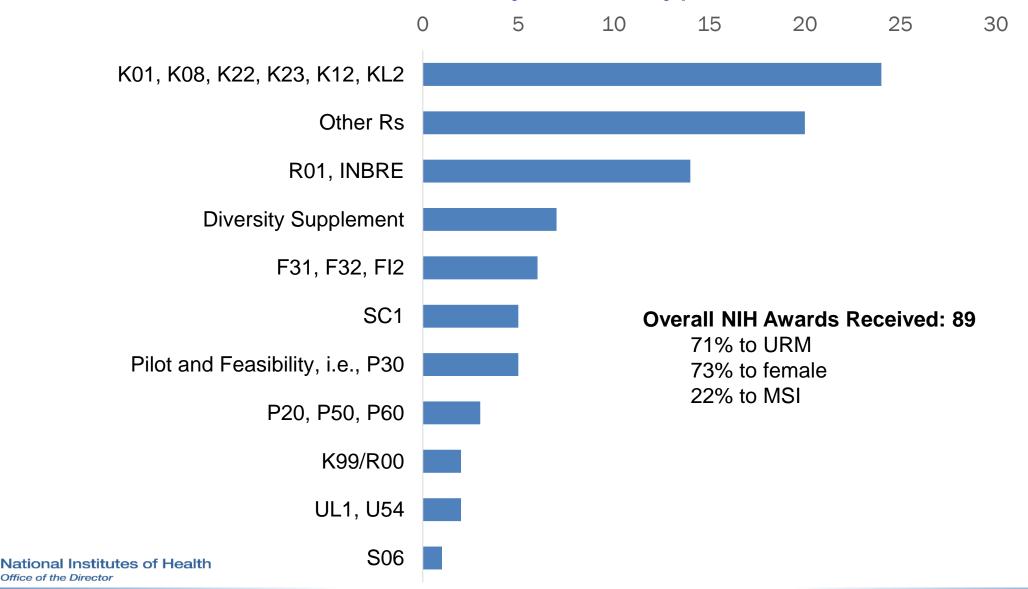




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## NIH Awards to NRMN Grantwriting/Coaching Participants

Details by Award Types



#### **DPC Timeline**



Phase I: Develop and implement interventions & evaluations; publish early findings

\$250 million committed over 5 years

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5

Developing, planning

Implementing interventions, collecting data

Phase II: Focus on continuing interventions, tracking and evaluations, as well as sustainability and dissemination

Year 6 Year 7 Year 8 Year 9 Year 10

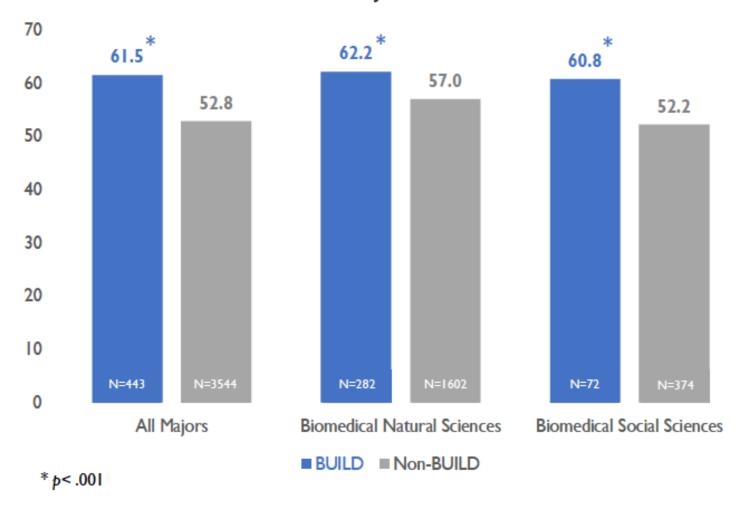
**Issued funding** announcements

Review applications, make awards

diversity.nih.gov

# Tracking and Evaluation of Diversity Metrics Coordination and Evaluation Center (CEC)

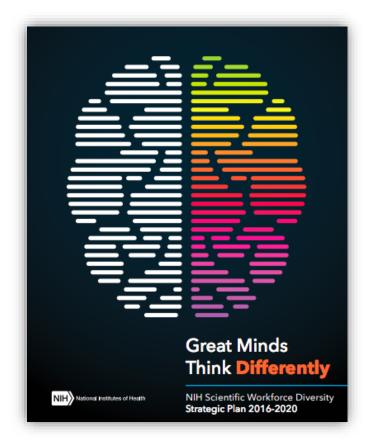
FIGURE 1. MEAN SCIENCE IDENTITY SCORES - BUILD AND NON-BUILD STUDENTS IN DIFFERENT TYPES OF BIOMEDICAL MAJORS



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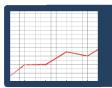


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## 2017 ACD WGD Recommendations (endorsed by ACD): Implementation Update

#### **RESULTS-BASED ACCOUNTABILITY**





**Diversity/inclusion metrics reporting template** 

FACULTY INSTITUTIONAL RECRUITMENT FOR SUSTAINABLE TRANSFORMATION (FIRST)

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Career-independence transition: Faculty-development institutional FOA for cohort model

NIH ADVANCING DIVERSITY PROGRAMS CONFERENCE (JUNE 24, 2019)

3



**National diversity/inclusion conference** 

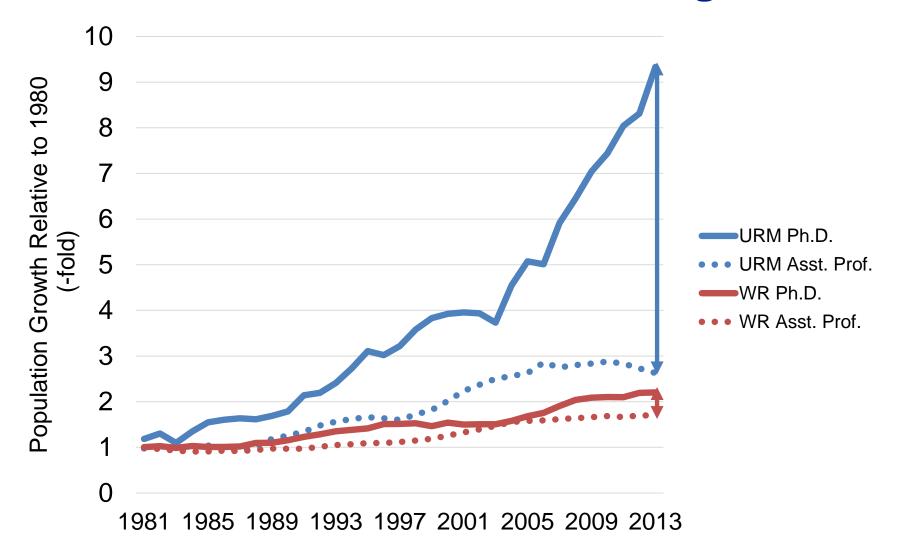
#### ENHANCE MENTORING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT





**Diversity supplements: Trans-agency standards** 

# Decoupling the Minority PhD Talent Pool and Assistant Professor Hiring



Gibbs, K. D., et al. (2016). Decoupling the minority PhD talent pool and assistant professor hiring in the medical school basic science departments in the US.

### NIH Distinguished Scholars Program Goals:

Cohort Model in NIH's Intramural Research program

- Institutional transformation by recruiting a substantial number of PIs with demonstrated commitment to inclusive excellence (15 per year)
- Build self-reinforcing community of PIs committed to diversity and inclusion
- Provide professional development and culture that values mentoring and inclusion
- Send the message that NIH values a commitment to inclusive excellence



**Extramural:** Request for Information (RFI): Institutional Accountability to Promote Inclusive Excellence Release Date: February 25, 2019; Response Date: June 14, 2019

## <u>Faculty Institutional Recruitment for Sustainable Transformation</u>

### **FIRST Program Goals**

- Promote inclusive excellence
  - Address racial/ethnic, gender gaps in postdoc > faculty transitions
- FIRST would be the first nationwide attempt to enhance inclusive excellence through NIH-funded institutional transformation
- Institutional transformation
  - Recruit critical mass of PIs with demonstrated commitment to diversity and inclusion
  - Build self-reinforcing community of PIs committed to diversity and inclusion
- Professional development and culture that values mentoring and inclusion
  - Institution sends message that it values diversity and inclusion



QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION