CONGRESSIONAL UPDATE

ACD DECEMBER MEETING

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OTHER TRANSACTIONS AUTHORITY

Enacted Oct 24, 2018
Public Law No: 115-271

• “high impact cutting-edge research
  • that fosters scientific creativity and increases fundamental biological understanding
  • leading to the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of diseases or disorders, or

• research urgently required to respond to a public health threat.”
ACD working groups are key to our Oversight Investigations. Your counsel enhances our ability to manage these topics.
LAME DUCK SESSION
FOUR THINGS TO WATCH

H.R. 2851 SITSA (Stop Importation & Tracking of Synthetic Analogues)
Research exemption for DEA Scheduled substances

H.R. 2357 Federal Advisory Comm Amdts Act
Concerns with peer review and working groups

NIEHS Superfund Appropriation is currently under Continuing Resolution.
Disaster Funding?
LOOKING FORWARD
CONGRESS AFTER THE ELECTION

**US HOUSE**

- **GOP**: 199
- **DEM**: 232
- Seats: 218

**SENATE**

- **GOP**: 52
- **DEM**: 47
- Seats: 50
116th Congress

- 84 Women serve in the House
- 23 Women serve in the Senate
- 79 Veterans serve in the House
- 17 Veterans serve in the Senate

29 Physicians & Scientists Will Serve

Profile of the 35
- 18 physicians – 2 Senate, 16 House
- 5 dentists - House
- 3 veterinarians - House
- 2 physical scientists – House
- 2 psychologists - House
- 3 nurses - House
- 1 optometrist - Senate
- 1 pharmacist - House
NEW MEMBERS – HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

Debbie Mucarsel-Powell
- Florida 26th
- Democrat
- Associate VP, FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine

Laura Underwood
- Illinois 14th
- Democrat
- Licensed RN
- Public Health Nurse

John Joyce
- Pennsylvania 13th
- Republican
- Dermatologist
- In private practice
NEW MEMBERS—HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

Jeff Van Drew
- New Jersey 2nd
- Democrat
- Dentist
- In private practice

Kim Schrier
- Washington 8th
- Democrat
- Pediatrician
- In private practice

Mark E. Green
- Tennessee 7th
- Republican
- Flight Surgeon, US Army
- CEO, Align MD, an emergency medical staffing company
NEW MEMBERS – SELECT OTHER SCIENTISTS

Sean Casten
- Illinois 6th
- Democrat
- MSc, Biochemistry
- CEO, Recycled Energy Development

Joe Cunningham
- South Carolina 1st
- Democrat
- Ocean Engineer

Chrissy Houlahan
- Pennsylvania 6th
- Democrat
- MSc, Technology and Policy
- Girls and Women in STEM advocate
PREPARING FOR THE NEW SESSION

21% of Congress is New

Education Campaign
- 10 new Senators
- 100 new Representatives

Champion Development
- Need to replace lost champions
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WHAT’S ON TAP 2019
LAST BUDGET DEAL?

Non-Defense Budget Caps
$ in billions

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DYNAMICS IN CONGRESS PART I:  
MEMBERS RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT
DYNAMICS
PART II
SENATE MAP VS
PRESIDENTIAL MAP
DYNAMICS
PART III
WHAT DO “WE THE PEOPLE” WANT?

Long-standing partisan gap over views of compromise disappears

% who say they like elected officials who make compromises with people they disagree with


Dem/Lean Dem

Total

Rep/Lean Rep

31 46 69 46 44

Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 7-14, 2018.
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