



# Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology

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The Honorable Tammy Baldwin  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515  
**Fax: (202) 225-6942**

Dear Representative Baldwin,

On behalf of the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), representing 21 scientific societies with more than 80,000 members, I am writing to request that you uphold the America COMPETES Act fiscal year 2009 funding level of \$7.326 billion for the National Science Foundation (NSF) by signing Representatives Vern Ehlers (R-MI) and Rush Holt's (D-NJ) NSF "Dear Colleague" letter. By signing the "Dear Colleague," you would be agreeing to include funding for NSF in your programmatic request to the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies (CJS) Appropriations Subcommittee.

Supporting the "Dear Colleague" letter's proposal for NSF of \$7.326 billion in FY2009 will further the goal of doubling NSF funding over the next ten years. Scientific research is vital to our nation's future economic prosperity, and NSF has been a significant force in helping the U.S. remain at the forefront of global science and engineering. The research that NSF supports fuels discoveries and innovation, trains scientists and develops new knowledge.

The NSF distributes much of the funding it receives to educational institutions across the country in the form of grants. For example, the University of Wisconsin-Madison in your district is one of the top institutional NSF grant recipients in the country and received \$101,971 from NSF during FY2007.

We appreciate your support for NSF and encourage you to sign the House NSF "Dear Colleague" letter and thereby commit to including NSF in your programmatic request to the CJS Appropriations Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

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FASEB President