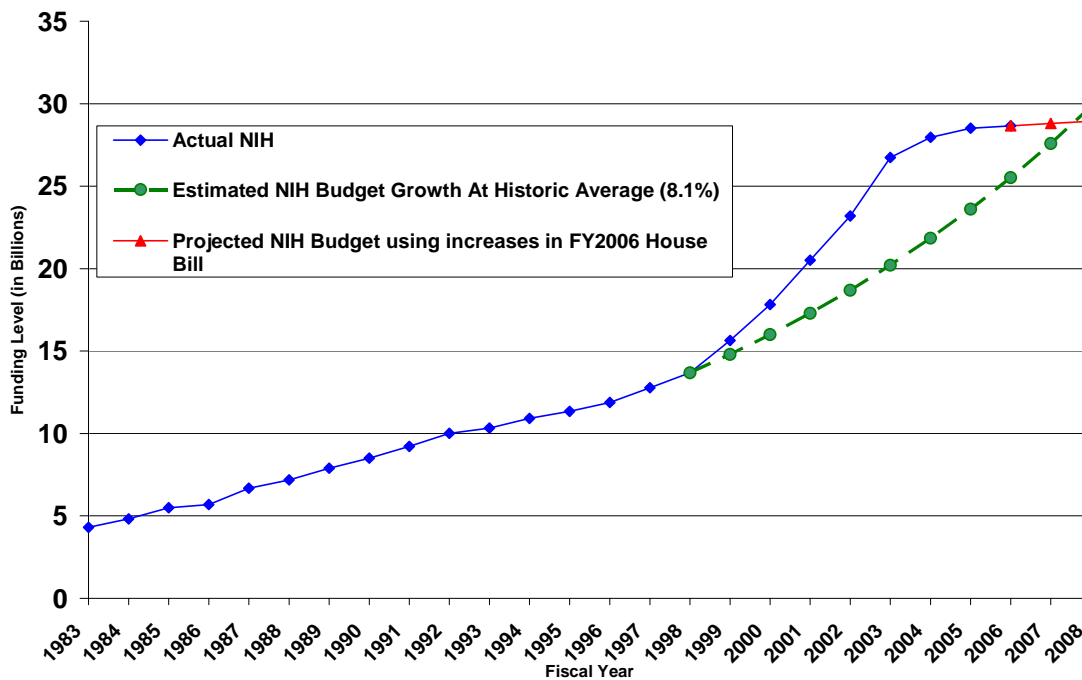


NIH DOUBLING WILL BE ELIMINATED BY 2007: Post 2003 Budgets Are Extinguishing Effects

The average growth of the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) budget from 1983-1998 was 8.1%. If the House passed increase of 0.5% is maintained through years 2006-2009, we will effectively have eliminated the effects of the 1998-2003 NIH doubling by the year 2007.

This is not the most pessimistic scenario. Right now, the Continuing Resolution funds NIH at the FY 2006 level. Moreover, if we get offsets for 2006 and/or budget cuts in 2007, then the situation is much worse. If we adjust for inflation, the lines will cross sooner, since 2004 was the last year the NIH budget exceeded BRDPI.

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