

The Science Coalition (TSC) promotes the benefits of robust and sustained federal funding for basic scientific research at American colleges and universities across the country.

We engage, convene, and mobilize key policymakers, media, industry leaders, and other stakeholders in support of strong public investments in fundamental scientific exploration.

This research delivers America's worldclass innovation, economic growth and prosperity, national security architecture and military dominance, and decades-long global competitiveness.

Through strategic communications initiatives, effective media relations efforts, targeted Congressional engagement, and comprehensive coalition activities, we amplify the incredible value and impact that campus researchers deliver for our economy and for the country every single day.

Science Advocacy Communications Center

Amid a highly complex and challenging political climate, we launched the Science Advocacy Communications Center (SACC).

SACC expands TSC's communications capabilities and establishes a robust media monitoring and rapid response apparatus to quickly react to changing events and maintain voice in cacophonic and quickly changing policy environment.



EARNED MEDIA FOR MEANINGFUL IMPACT

SACC has generated significant media coverage including in **The New York Times**, **Defense One**, **Breaking Defense**, and **TechTarget**, among other outlets.



DAILY MONITORING

SACC closely tracks breaking developments to stay ahead of the conversation and share frequent updates with TSC members to help guide and inform our strategic communications efforts. TSC's daily "Notable News" alerts keep members up to date with important news and updates in the scientific research and higher education community.

Signature Events

TSC brings together thought leaders, policymakers, academic researchers, and industry leaders at its "Science of" Series.



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This event brought together 170+ leaders from academia, industry, and government. Featuring House Science, Space, and Technology Committee Chair Brain Babin (R-TX) and Space and Aeronautics Subcommittee Chair Mike Haridopolos (R-FL), speakers highlighted the economic impact, startups companies, technological breakthroughs, and beneficial outcomes that come from federally funded basic scientific research.

THE SCIENCE OF ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH

This event — moderated by ESPN's Lauren Sisler and featuring U.S. Sen. Tim Kaine (D-VA), and Reps. Madeleine Dean (D-PA), and Maxine Dexter (D-OR) — attracted over 160 participants. Eleven TSC member institutions demonstrated the critical role that scientific research plays in addressing and finding innovative solutions for America's addiction and mental health crisis.

THE SCIENCE OF SPORTS

Over 100 attendees gathered to explore how federally-supported university research is advancing athletic performance and safety.

The event included remarks from Reps.
Lori Trahan (D-MA), Pat Fallon (R-TX),
Bill Huizenga (R-MI), and Colin Allred (D-TX). Universities shared hands-on learnings showcasing breakthroughs in athlete recovery, injury prevention, and performance optimization—
underscoring the value of public investment in sports science.



Sparking American Economic Growth Report

TSC released the fifth edition of our "Sparking American Economic Growth" report in April 2025.

The novel study showcases the transformative economic impacts of federally funded scientific research conducted at U.S. colleges and universities and demonstrates the enviable return on investment that comes from government outlays for fundamental research and development on campus.

Research Innovators

TSC's monthly profile series spotlights some of the nation's leading researchers at TSC member institutions who conduct transformative scientific research – backed by federal investments – across a wide array of fields. Each installment highlights the groundbreaking work and impact of TSC's innovative research community.



Science Advocacy Resources

TSC regularly crafts and issues one-pagers and other advocacy materials to make the case for sustained and strong federal investments in basic scientific research. Some highlights include:

ONE-PAGER

Powering America's

Research Enterprise

ONE-PAGER
Securing America's
Edge in Biotechnology
and Biomedical
Innovation

ONE-PAGER
Fueling America's
Workforce Pipeline

ONE-PAGER
The Cost of Cutting
Federal Investments
in Basic Science



Why Join or Support TSC?

Membership in TSC empowers your institution to shape the national dialogue, access powerful advocacy tools, and join a trusted network of higher education research institutions dedicated to advancing scientific discovery and economic opportunity.

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