

NEW DATABASE CAPTURES THE ROLE OF NONPROFITS IN FUNDING BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Health Research Alliance launches HRA Reporter with partner ÜberResearch

WASHINGTON D.C. – The [Health Research Alliance](#) (HRA), a collaborative member organization of leading nonprofit funders of biomedical research, has launched the HRA Reporter, a real time, searchable database of awards made by its 75 members. As of the launch, the HRA Reporter represents \$8.9 billion in funding and over 31,000 separate grants from 2006 to the present.

The HRA Reporter follows the model of the National Institutes of Health's NIH RePORTER, which provides comprehensive information on research projects funded by the NIH and other federal agencies. No comparable database previously existed to capture investment in biomedical research by the nonprofit community, which was estimated to represent almost \$5 billion in 2015, according to Research!America.

The goal of the HRA Reporter is to represent the full scope of awards by nonprofit organizations to provide a clearer picture of the biomedical research funding landscape. It will enable data-driven and strategic grantmaking by nonprofits, governments and the biopharmaceutical industry, and foster collaboration between organizations with aligned programs and missions.

“Nonprofit funders of biomedical research play a critical role in developing innovative approaches to funding research and seeding new ideas and approaches. To maximize the impact of all research funding, this important sector must be taken into account,” said HRA Executive Director, Maryrose Franko, PhD. “The HRA Reporter will enable HRA members and the broader research community, to be more efficient and effective.”

HRA partnered with ÜberResearch, a leading data and analytics company serving scientific funders and research organizations, to create the HRA Reporter. It is a customized version of ÜberResearch's flagship offering, Dimensions, a global award database covering hundreds of funders and with over \$1 trillion in historical and future funded research.

Currently, the HRA Reporter is accessible to HRA members. “In the future, we hope to make this information more broadly available to maximize opportunities for partnerships and collaborations,” said Betsy Myers, PhD, HRA Board Chair and Program Director for Medical Research at the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation.

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The Health Research Alliance (HRA) is a membership organization composed of nonprofit funders of biomedical research and training. Organizations participating in HRA represent a variety of types of nonprofit funders of biomedical research, including voluntary health agencies, private foundations, and operating foundations. HRA members share a common interest in speeding the translation of biomedical science into applications that improve health and in identifying and adopting effective practices in funding health research. For more information visit healthra.org.

ÜberResearch, a member of the Digital Science family with Altmetric, Figshare, Readcube, and Symplectic, focuses on building Portfolio Analysis, Reviewer Identification, Categorization, and Search & Discovery systems for Research Funders. The ÜberResearch team has worked for over 15 years producing solutions that apply analytical technology like Natural Language Processing (“NLP”) to science content including publications, grants, patents, clinical trials, and more. These solutions include well-known efforts in the field like the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Portfolio Analysis and Reporting System - Research, Condition, and Disease Categorization (RCDC) categories. Clients range from the largest funding agencies and most prestigious scientific publishers to the smallest foundations and non-profits.

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