Presentation to the USDA Food Allergy Meeting



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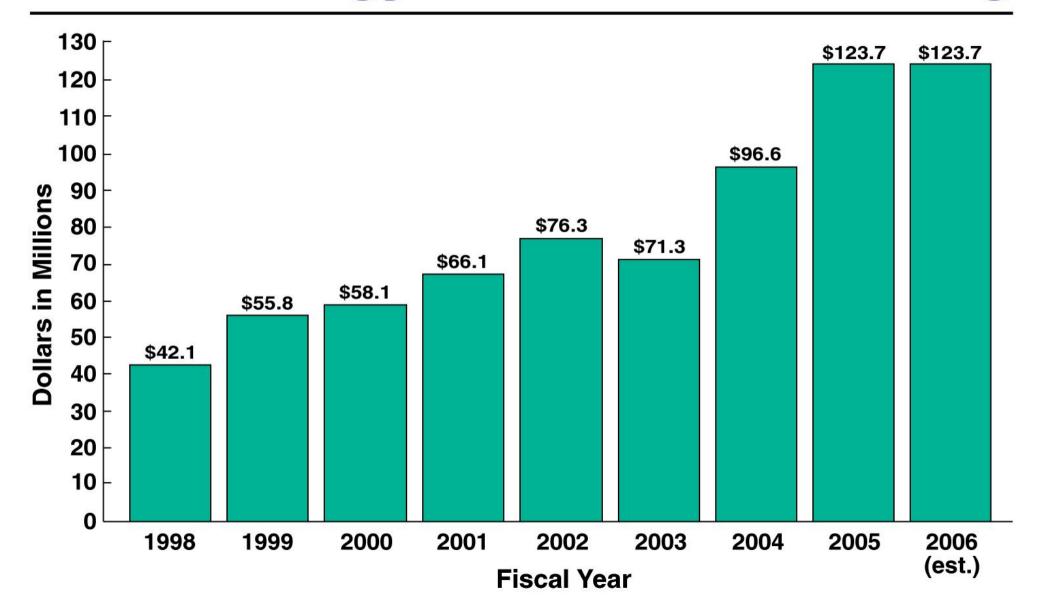
2003 Expert Panel on Food Allergy Research Recommendations

- Molecular characterization of food allergens
- Pathophysiology of food allergy and foodinduced anaphylaxis, including animal models
- Long-term follow up of food-allergic children to identify immune mechanisms underlying
 - Emergence of oral tolerance
 - Development of new food allergies
- Immune intervention strategies to prevent and treat food allergy

NIAID Food Allergy Research Following the 2003 Expert Panel

- Clinical Trials in the Immune Tolerance Network (Ongoing)
- Consortium of Food Allergy Research (2005)
- Allergen and T Cell Reagent Resources for the Study of Allergic Diseases (2007)
- Conferences on Definition and Management of Anaphylaxis (NIAID/FAAN) (2004 and 2005)

NIAID Allergy and Asthma Funding



NIAID Food Allergy Research Number of Awards, By Fiscal Year

| Mechanism | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|------------------------|------|------|------|
| "R" Series Grant | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| Program Project | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Coop. Agreement | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Training (K) | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Intramural | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 5 | 8 | 8 |

NIAID Food Allergy Research Funding (Millions), By Fiscal Year

| Mechanism | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 |
|------------------------|------|------|------|
| "R" Series Grant | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| Program Project | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Coop. Agreement | 0 | 0 | 4.7 |
| Training (K) | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Intramural | 0 | 0.5 | 0.8 |
| Total | 1.2 | 2.9 | 7.7 |

NIAID Food Allergy Research Funded Grants (FY 2005)

- Consortium of Food Allergy Research
- Immunological Response to Cow's Milk Proteins
- Immunotherapy for Peanut Allergy
- Redefining the Major Peanut Allergens
- Immunological Basis of Egg Allergy
- Regulation of Gastrointestinal Eosinophils
- Developmental Immunotherapeutics for Allergy
- Unconventional T Cell Activities in Animals

NIAID Food Allergy Research <u>Consortium of Food Allergy Research</u>

- Hugh Sampson, MD, Mount Sinai School of Medicine
- \$16 million over five years CoFAR
- \$5 million over five years SAC (EMMES)
- Interventional Project
- Clinical trial of a new food allergy immunotherapy
- Observational Project
- Natural history study correlating new food allergy and tolerance to food with immunologic events
- Basic Immunology Project
- Mouse model of mechanisms of potential immune-based peanut allergy intervention

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- Mount Sinai School of Medicine
- Duke University School of Medicine
- Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
- National Jewish Medical and Research Center
- University of Arkansas Children's Hospital Research Institute
- **■** Yale University School of Medicine

Non-NIAID, NIH Food Allergy Research for FY 2005 Number of Awards

- National Institute of Diabetes and 3 Digestive and Kidney Diseases
- National Center for Complementary 2 and Alternative Medicine
- National Center for Research Resources

Non-NIAID, NIH Food Allergy Funded Grants (FY 2005)

- Mechanisms of Eosinophilic Esophagitis
- Food Proteins and Enteric Infections
- Gut Dendritic Cells and Sensitization
- Chinese Herbal Medicine Food Allergy
- Sublingual Immunotherapy for Peanut Allergy

Prevention of Allergy/Asthma by Oral Mucosal Immunoprophylaxis (OMIP)

- Patrick Holt, P.I.
- 200 high risk children age 18-30 months (FH of atopy, personal history of food allergy or atopic dermatitis)
- Children not sensitized to allergens in mix receive daily, for 1 year, OMIP with high dose house dust mite, cat and timothy grass; or placebo.
- Expected outcomes after 3 years
 - Decreased sensitization to allergen(s) in mix
 - Decreased incidence of asthma
 - Decreased sensitization to bystander allergens

Tolerance to Peanut in High-Risk Children

- Gideon Lack, P.I.
- >400 children age 4-10 months at high risk for peanut allergy (egg allergy and/or atopic dermatitis)
- Children with negative SPT to peanut randomized to either 6 grams/ week peanut snack (bamba) or peanut avoidance, until age 5.
- Expected outcomes:
 - Lesser incidence of peanut allergy at age 5
 - Decreased sensitization to ingested and inhaled allergens
 - Decreased incidence of rhinitis and asthma