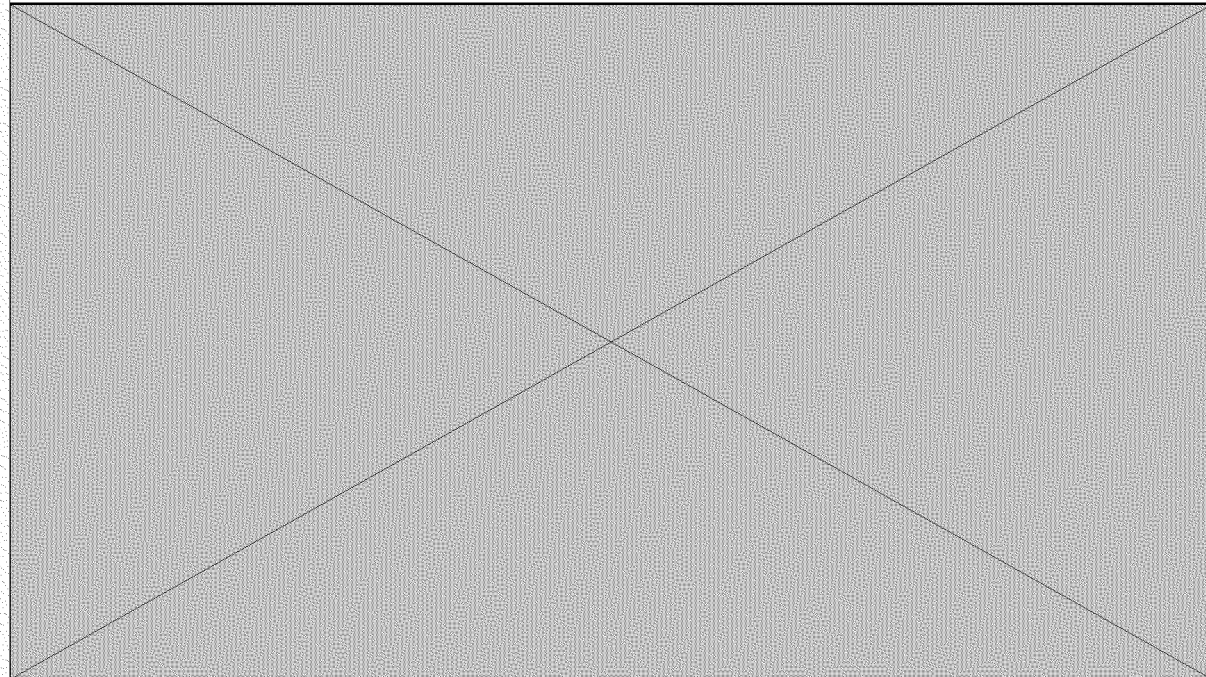


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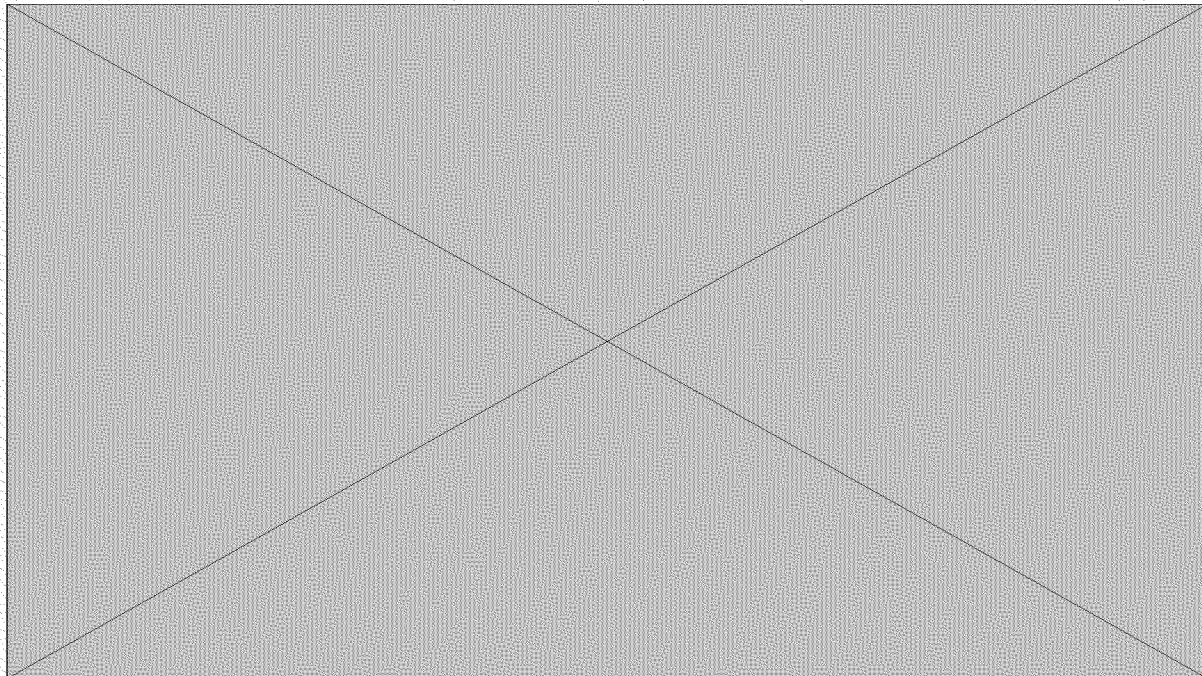
Dear Friends,

The recent conversation with the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) Director, [Dr. Walter Koroshetz](#), on an episode of the *White House Chronicle*, was a timely assessment of current ME/CFS affairs. This wide-ranging science and policy conversation is particularly meaningful at this juncture... [READ MORE](#)

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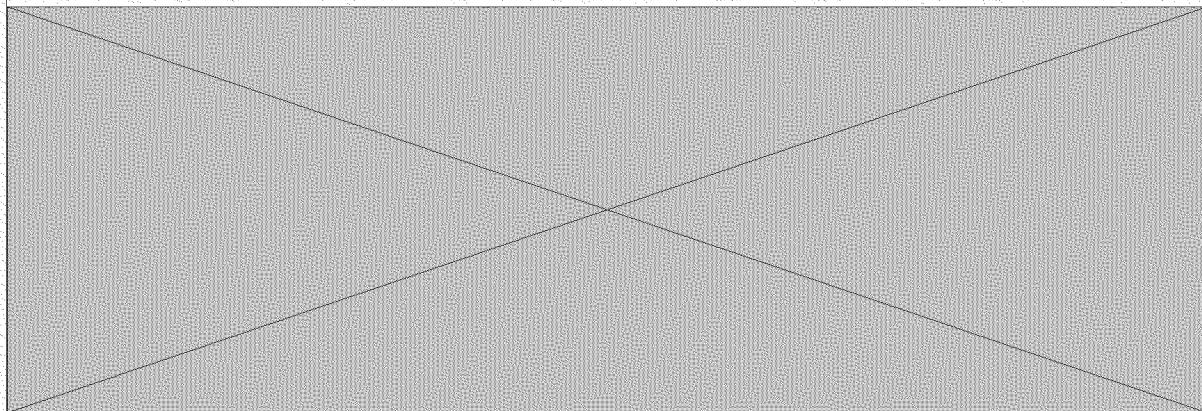
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**An inside look at ME/CFS research funding with
NINDS Director, Dr. Walter Koroshetz**



Our Chief Scientific Officer/Vice President of Research Dr. Zaher Nahle sat down recently with the Director of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders (NINDS) Dr. Walter Koroshetz on the nationally televised program the White House Chronicle with host Llewellyn King. Drs. Nahle and Koroshetz discussed current research and funding for ME/CFS, including the recent NIH-funded ME/CFS consortia projects.

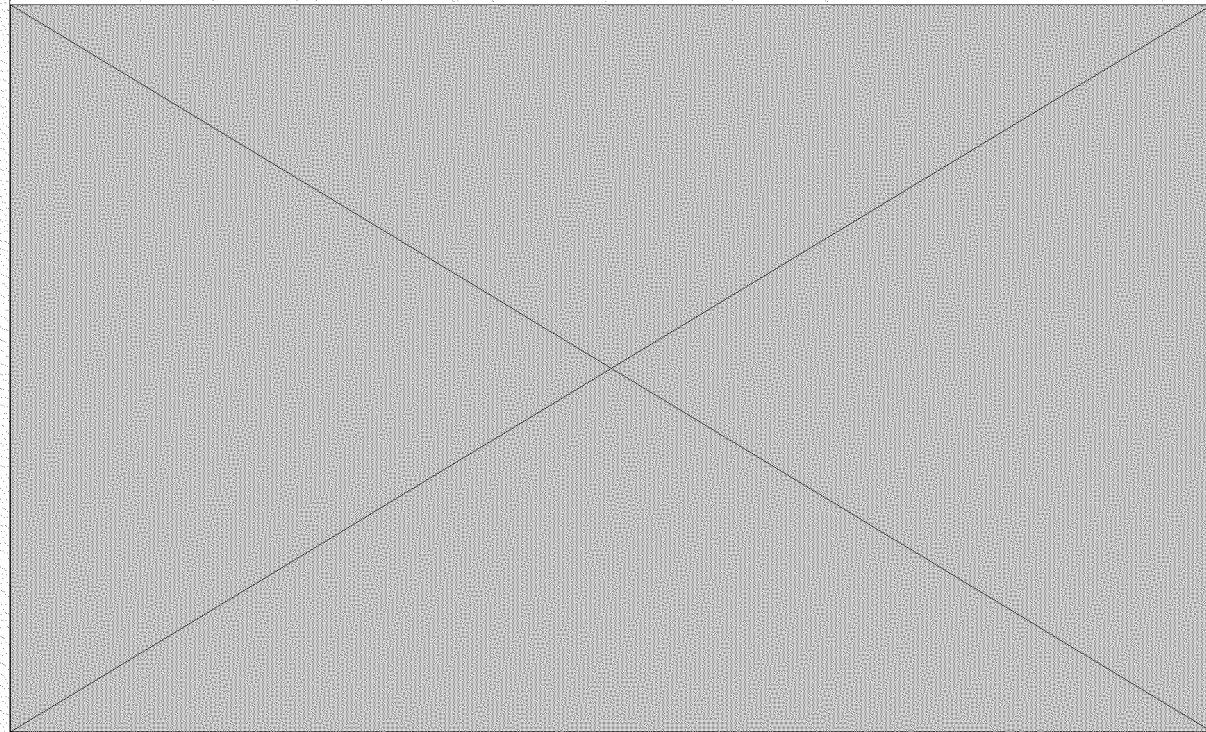
This episode is the second episode of White House Chronicle featuring SMCI. If you missed the episode featuring SMCI President Carol Head, watch it here:
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Dr. Nahle featured in two ME/CFS Articles

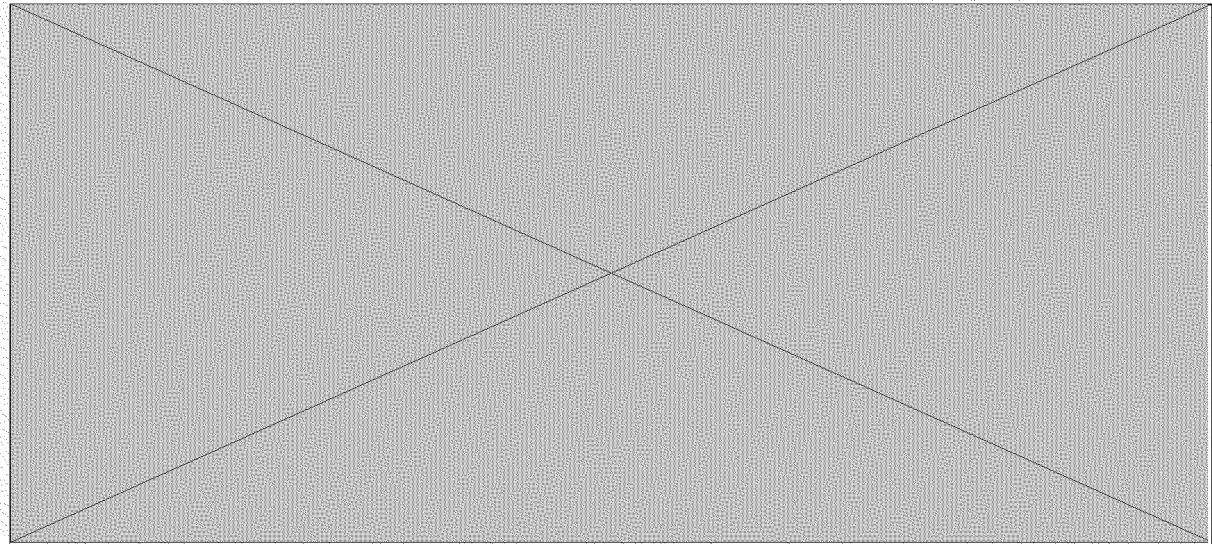
Dr. Zaher Nahle was recently featured in two articles highlighting recent ME/CFS advancements. The articles investigate the potential impact of the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) recent investment to fund three Collaborative Research Centers (CRCs) and a Data

Management Coordinating Center (DMCC). Although still insufficient, we see positive trends in research support that promise to advance our understanding of ME/CFS and bring broader recognition and treatments from the scientific community. [READ MORE](#)



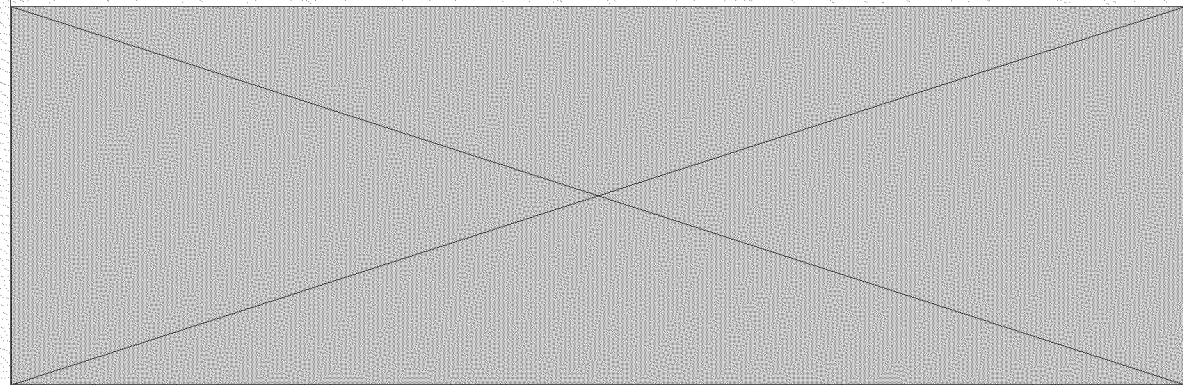
Dr. Nahle Attends International ME/CFS Conference in Sweden

In October, [RME](#) (The Swedish National Association for ME-patients) organized two open conferences aimed at engaging health care professionals in Stockholm (Oct. 18) and Malmö (Oct. 19). SMC's Chief Scientific Officer and VP for Research Dr. Zaher Nahle was invited to attend a roundtable meeting to discuss ongoing research and clinical developments. The roundtable meeting, held October 17 -18, was international in attendance and scope. It covered findings and planned research in Sweden, Denmark, the United Kingdom, and the United States. [READ MORE](#)



2016 Ramsay Team 2 Research Update

Dr. Fane Mensah (University College London (UCL)) provided SMCI with a progress update on the Ramsay Award Program 2016 Team 2 project. Dr. Mensah discussed the driving force behind the study design, potential implications of the research, and the intercontinental partnership making it possible. [READ MORE](#)

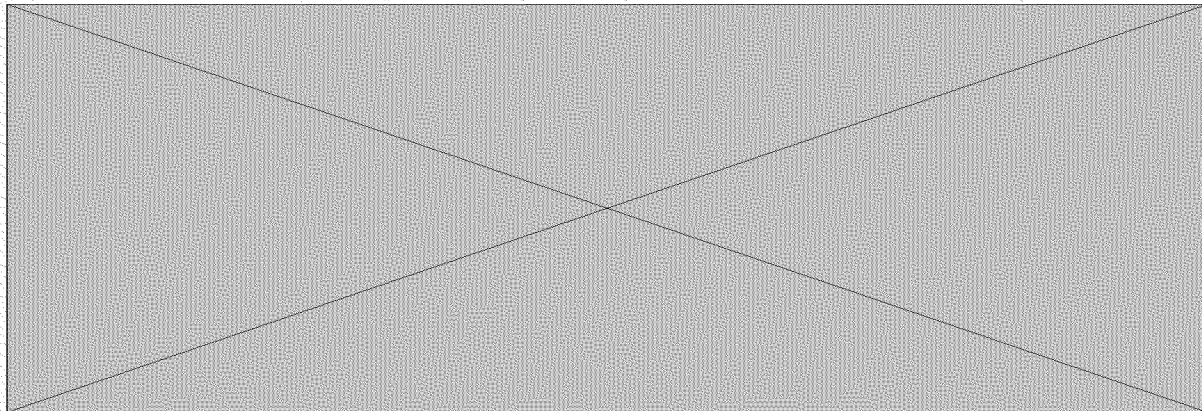


In case you missed it: 2017 Ramsay Research Grant Awardees

Our second cohort of Ramsay Award Program grants were announced in October. The Ramsay Award Program 2017 research teams are exploring diverse promising areas including immunity, metabolomics, epigenetics, and the gut microbiome – to name a few.

We will continue to update the community on these projects as work kicks off in 2018.

Read more about the Ramsay Award Program 2017 cohort, including project abstracts, [here](#)



CDC Holds Informational Stakeholder Call

On November 2, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) held a Stakeholder Engagement and Communication (SEC) Call. The purpose of the call was to share information and conduct outreach with the broader ME/CFS community. This call, "Take Home Messages from the 2015 Institute of Medicine Report on ME/CFS" included updates on CDC activity from Elizabeth Unger, PhD, MD; and perspectives from three Institute of Medicine Committee members, Lucinda Bateman, MD (Bateman Horne Center); Ellen Clayton, MD, JD (Vanderbilt University); and Peter Rowe, MD (Johns Hopkins). [READ MORE](#)

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