



THE AD HOC GROUP FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH

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Ad Hoc Group Statement on Sen. Roy Blunt's Retirement

March 9, 2021 – *The Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research issued the following statement in response to Senator Roy Blunt's (R-Mo.) announcement that he will not seek reelection to the U.S. Senate in 2022:*

“Senator Roy Blunt has been a tireless voice in expanding funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), championing consecutive increases that have enabled it to push the boundaries of discovery toward life-saving results for patients and their families. His leadership and commitment to working in a bipartisan manner have been instrumental in driving a trajectory of sustained, robust budget growth for the NIH, allowing for new opportunities to advance promising research, support the next generation of scientists, and outpace our global competitors. Every one of us has benefited from those investments, as the promise of science transforms hope of improved health into a reality.

The Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research looks forward to continuing to work with Senator Blunt throughout the remainder of his term to uphold the legacy of strong bipartisan commitment to the NIH and the boundless opportunities that medical research offers.”

The Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research is a coalition of nearly 400 patient and voluntary health groups, medical and scientific societies, academic and research organizations, and industry. The Ad Hoc Group has one mission: to enhance the federal investment in biomedical, behavioral, social, and population-based research by increasing the funding for the National Institutes of Health.