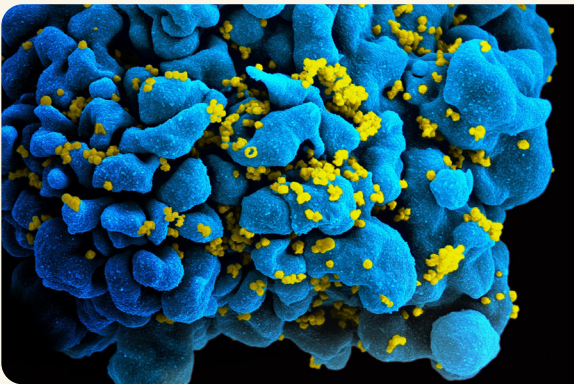


2020



**November 2020:** NIDA, in collaboration with NIMHD, issues two funding opportunities to [stimulate multi-level prevention](#) and [cost-effective care innovations](#) with a focus on highest risk and health disparities populations.



▲ Scanning electromicrograph of an HIV-infected T cell.  
Credit: NIAID

**July 2020:** NIDA Director Dr. Nora Volkow posts a [blog entry](#) on research at the intersection of HIV/AIDS, COVID-19, and the opioid crisis.

**February 2020:** NIDA releases funding opportunity [“Implementing the HIV Service Cascade for Justice-Involved Populations”](#) to address research gaps related to integrated HIV and opioid use disorder services among justice-involved patients.

2019



**September 2019:** ARP Director Dr. Redonna Chandler presents updated NIDA HIV/AIDS High Priority Research Areas to NIDA Council. (See 2:00:00 in [this videocast](#).)

**July 2019:** NIDA contributes to a [funding opportunity to stimulate research on interventions to reduce HIV/AIDS-associated stigma](#) and its impact on prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS and on quality of life.



**July 2019:** NIDA Director Dr. Nora Volkow presents [“Opioid Use Disorders: Impact on HIV”](#) at the 2019 International AIDS Conference.

▲ Credit: International AIDS Society/Steve Forrest/Workers' Photos

2018



**November 2018:** NIDA holds two [strategic planning workshops](#) to identify research gaps and opportunities for advancement of science at the intersection of HIV/AIDS and substance use disorders.

**June 2018:** NIDA appoints [Dr. Varthakavi Vasundhara](#) as its first Associate Director for the NIDA AIDS Research Program.

**January 2018:** NIDA appoints [Dr. Redonna Chandler](#) as Director of the NIDA AIDS Research Program.

2015



**September 2015:** NIDA-funded scientists publish a [JAIDS special supplement](#) documenting how the burdens of HIV, drug use, and their co-occurring epidemics affect women in a global context.

**June 2015:** NIDA issues its first [Avenir Awards](#) to early-stage researchers proposing innovative research at the intersection of substance use and HIV/AIDS.

2013



**April 2013:** NIDA Director Dr. Nora Volkow and ARP Director Dr. Jacques Normand [visit Vietnam](#) to foster research collaborations between NIDA and Vietnamese scientists on issues of HIV and drug use.

**November 2013:** NIDA-funded scientists publish a [special supplement outlining needs of people who inject drugs in Central Asia](#), calling for quality surveillance and monitoring systems as well as in-country implementation research.

▲ Credit: PEPFAR Vietnam

2012

**November 2012:** [Blog post](#) by NIDA Director Dr. Nora Volkow highlights HIV treatment disparities for people who inject drugs as an obstacle to achieving an AIDS-free generation.

2011

**February 2011:** NIDA issues a [funding opportunity announcement soliciting implementation science research to support PEPFAR](#) development of more efficient and cost-effective methods to deliver HIV prevention, treatment, and care for populations who use drugs.

2010

**November 2010:** NIDA releases [video interviews](#) with top scientists studying HIV/AIDS in populations who use drugs from the 2010 International AIDS Conference.

**June 2010:** NIDA announces a funding opportunity encouraging the development and evaluation of [strategies to address HIV among vulnerable populations using seek, test, treat, and retain paradigms](#)





2009

**November 2009:** NIDA releases a funding opportunity for [interventions based on the seek, test, treat, and retain model to address HIV in the criminal justice system](#).

2008

**September 2008:** NIDA issues its first [Avant-Garde Awards](#) to support creative scientists who propose high-impact research that will open new areas of HIV/AIDS research related to drug use.

2007

**April 2007:** NIDA [launches A-START initiative](#) to expand drug use and HIV/AIDS research funding opportunities for new and early career investigators.

**February 2007:** NIDA issues [new policy on HIV Education, Counseling, Testing, and Treatment for Research Subjects](#).

2004

**Spring 2004:** NIDA establishes the AIDS Research Program (ARP) with Dr. Jacques Normand as its director.

