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NSF Updates



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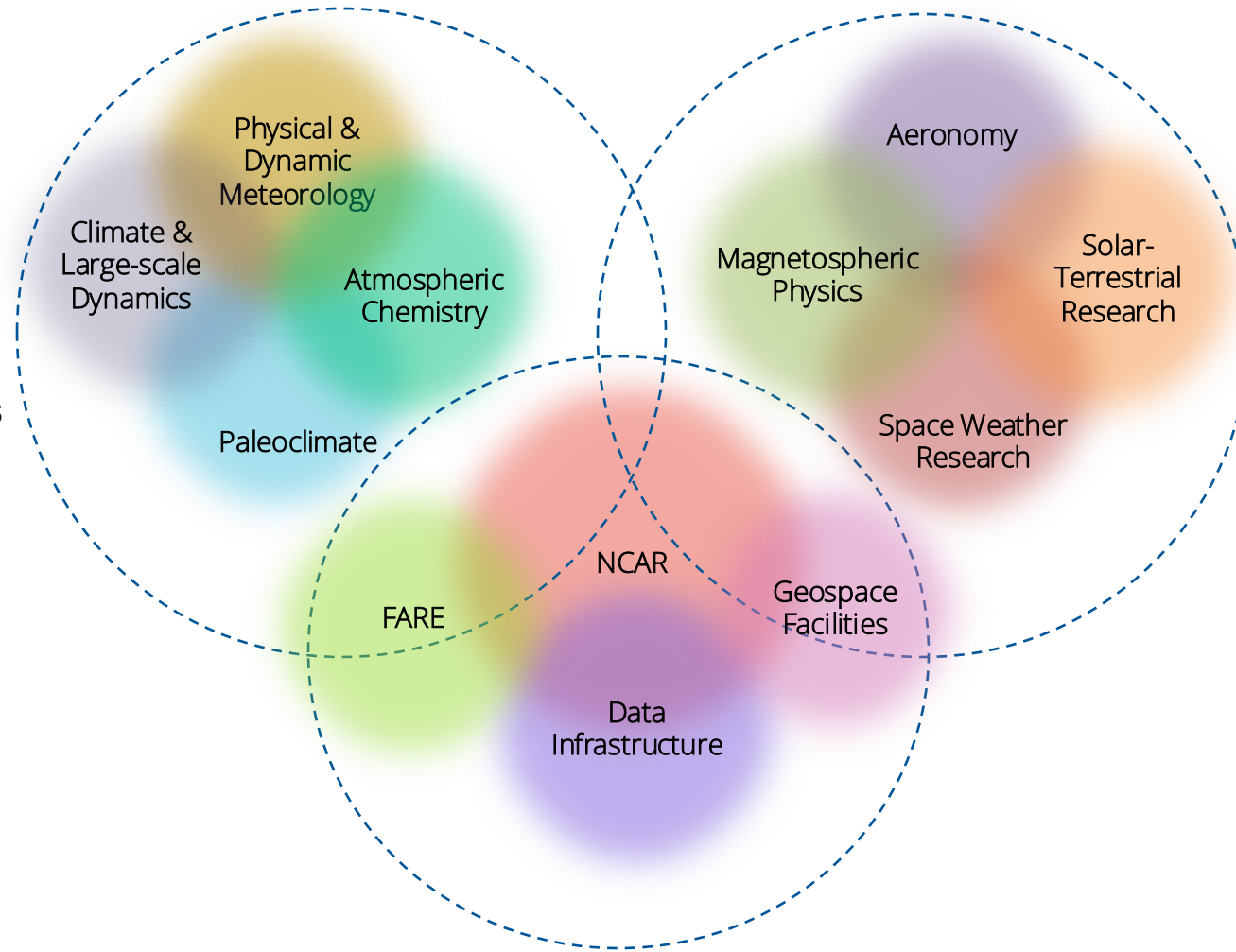
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Atmospheric and Geospace Sciences (AGS) – Reorganization

Atmosphere Cluster

Unsolicited proposals
accepted any time to
PD 24-7790



Geospace Cluster

Unsolicited proposals
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PD 24-7789

Infrastructure Cluster



NSF Geospace Cluster Funding Opportunities



Solicitations

NSF 22-575:

Coupling, Energetics, and Dynamics of Atmospheric Regions (CEDAR)

[March 4, 2026](#)

NSF 22-537:

Geospace Environment Modeling (GEM)

[September 30, 2025](#)

NSF 22-570:

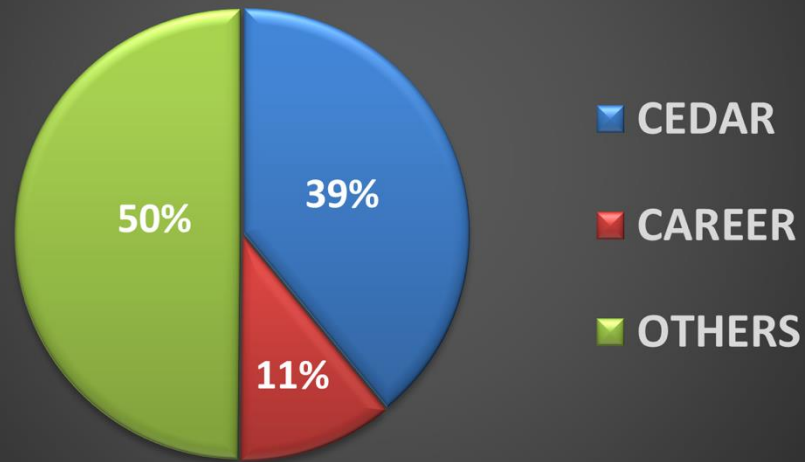
Solar, Heliospheric, and INTERplanetary Environment (SHINE)

[October 7, 2025](#)



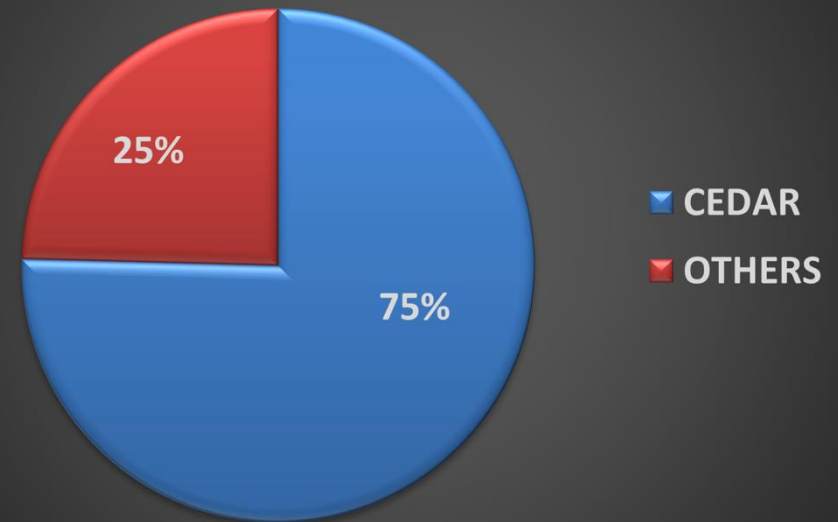
Overview of Aeronomy related Awards: 2015 - 2025

Distribution of Science Awards in the last 10 years from Aeronomy



Other	\$47 Million
CAREER	\$10.5 Million
CEDAR	\$37 Million

Funding to Conferences/Workshops



CEDAR Workshop: ~ \$2.7 Million

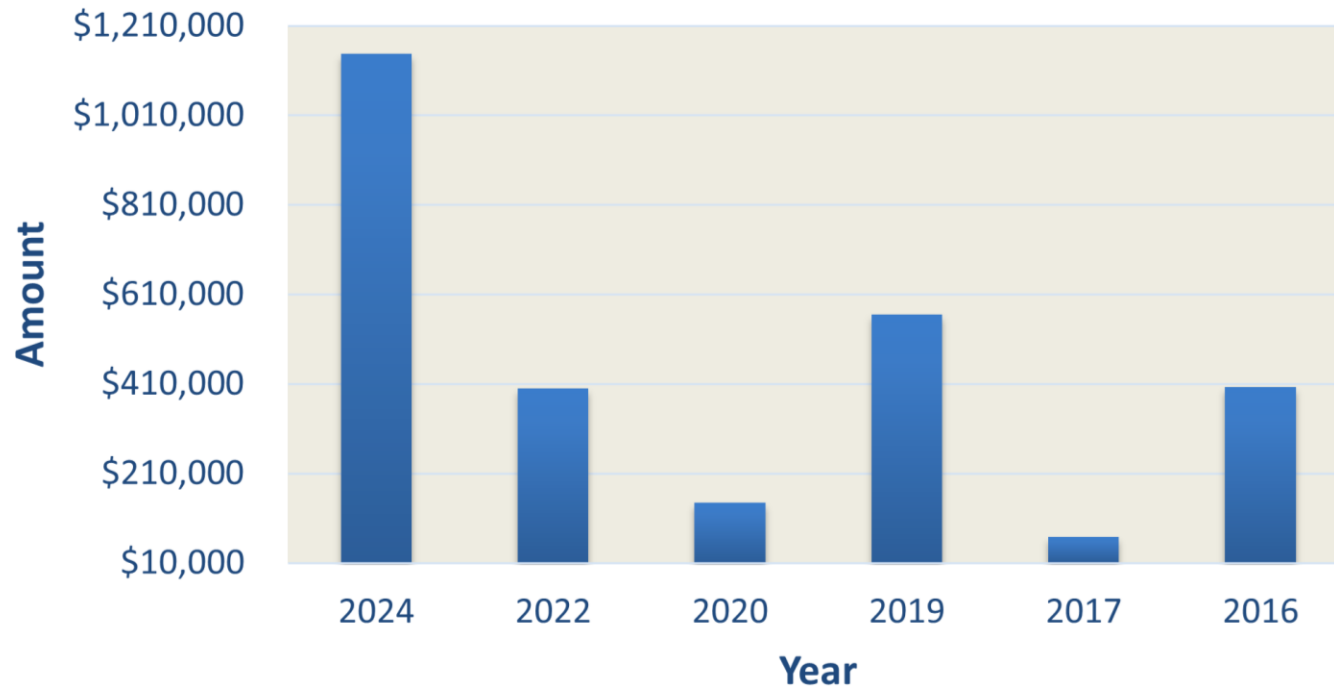
OTHERS: ~ 900 K





Contributions to Solar-Eclipse: Aeronomy

Solar-Eclipse



Total Awarded Amount :
~ \$2.7 Million

- 8 April 2024, Total solar eclipse
- 14 October 2023, Annular solar eclipse
- 21 August 2017, Total solar eclipse

AGU Meeting:

SH53F: Solar Eclipse Science: What We Learned from the Great American Eclipses and What is Next



Major Research Instrumentation Program (MRI)

NSF 23-519 (Oct 15 – Nov 14, 2025)



2024 PI: Dr. R. Kumar
\$800 K



**The Univ of
Texas at Dallas**

2022 PI: Dr. F. Rodriguez
\$2.8 M



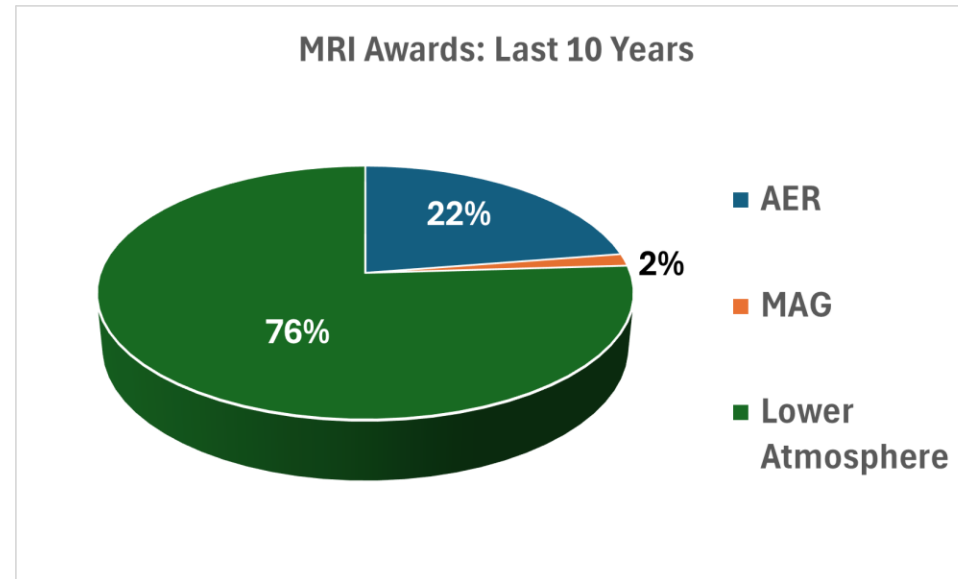
**New Jersey
Institute Of
Technology**

2022 PI: Dr. Meriwether
\$587K



2020 PI: Dr. M. Conde
\$2.5 M

Program	Total Amount (\$) Millions
AGS	~ 30
AER	~ 9
MAG	~ 0.7



Statistics of MRI
awards: Last 10
years



Faculty Early Career Development Program (CAREER)

GS FY 2024 total funding: **\$1.5 Million**

GS Funds Obligated in last 5 yrs: **\$8.8 Million**



NSF-wide, most prestigious awards to support early career faculty



Builds lifetime leadership in integrating education and research



NSF Geospace awarded >**\$25 M** in CAREER awards to 38 Assistant Professors in the past 10 years

MAG Awardees



Dr. Victoria Wilder



Dr. Lauren Blum



AER Awardees



Dr. Stefan Kaeppler



Dr. Roger Varney





Faculty Development in GeoSpace Science (FDSS)

- Creation of new tenure-track faculty positions
- Integrate topics in Geospace science into natural sciences or engineering or related departments at U.S. institutions
- Salary, benefits, and training for newly recruited tenure-track FDSS faculty; up to five years and \$1,500,000 total
- TOTAL Funds: >\$8 million over 5 years



- 2024 FDSS awardees, hires are in progress
- 2025 FDSS proposals, reviews are in progress



AGS Geospace Data Infrastructure Activities

Interagency Heliophysics Data Working Group

- Held agency townhalls at TESS and AGU, 2024

Travel funds to:

- NSF NCAR Community Expectations for a Geoscience Data Commons, 2024.
- Python in Heliophysics Summer School, 2024.
- CCMC Workshop, 2024.

Partnering with other programs

across NSF directorates and divisions on solicitations

- CSSI (NSF 22-632) and FAIROS (NSF 25-533), led by CISE Directorate.
- CAIG (NSF 25-530) and GEO OSE (NSF 25-506), led by GEO Directorate.

Contributing to NSF DMSP webform design, development, and implementation.



AGS Geospace Data Infrastructure Activities

Projects Funded by Aeronomy

Swarm over Poker 2023: An auroral system-science campaign exemplar of archiving and sharing heterogeneously-derived data products (AGS-2329979, PI Kristina Lynch; AGS-2329980, PI Donald Hampton; AGS-2329981 PI Leslie Lamarche). \$1,179K

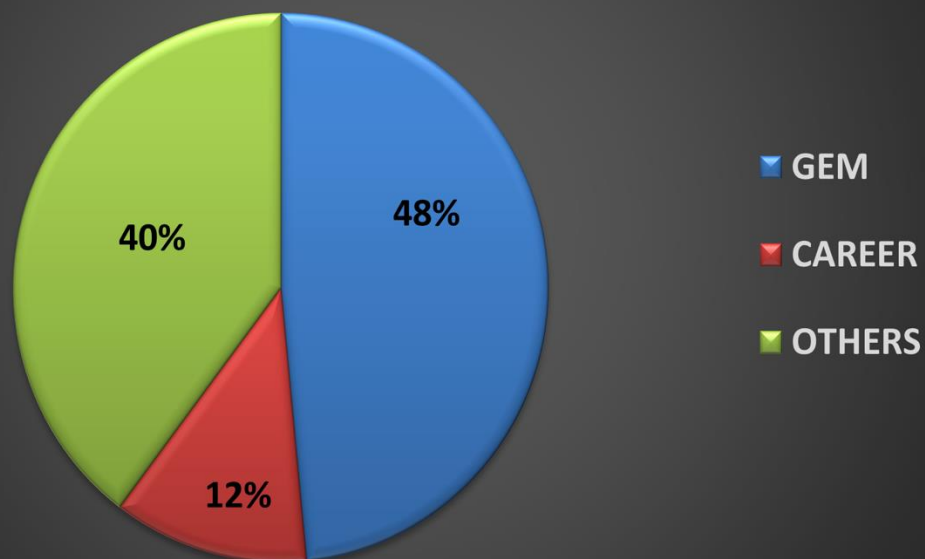
RAPID: Reprocessing DMSP SSIES-3 ionospheric data to level-2 Quality (AGS-2437055, PI Marc Hairston). \$99K

Collaborative Research: An observational network to enable investigations of gravity-wave and storm-time impacts on the mid-latitude thermosphere-ionosphere (AGS-2426523. PI Asti Bhatt; AGS-2426524, PI Jonathan Makela; AGS-2426525 PI Brian Harding). \$1,448K



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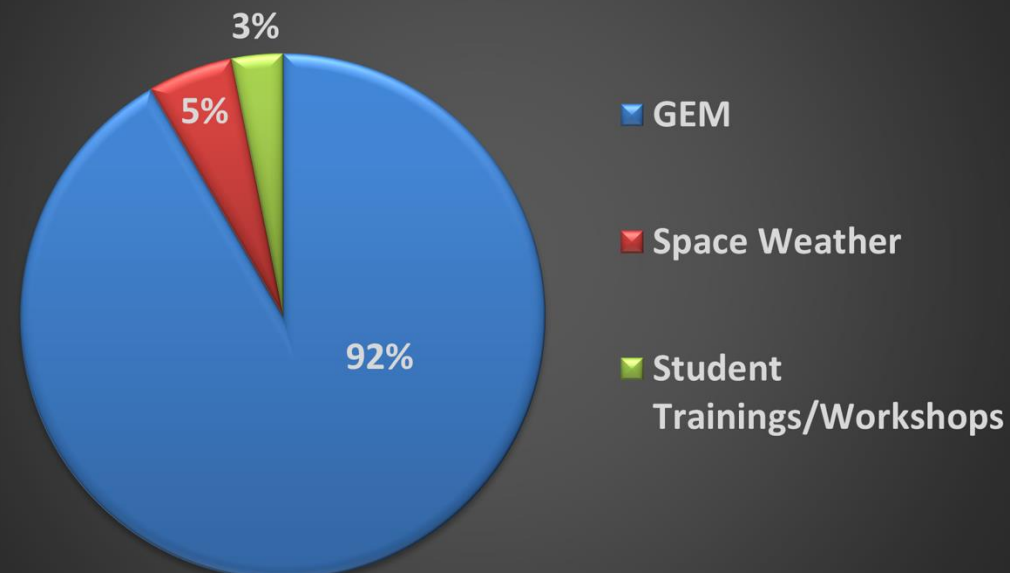


GEM Awards: ~ \$37 Million

CAREER Awards: ~ \$9.2 Million

OTHERS: MAG Base Program, RAPID, EAGER

Some Meetings/workshops in the last 10 years from MAG



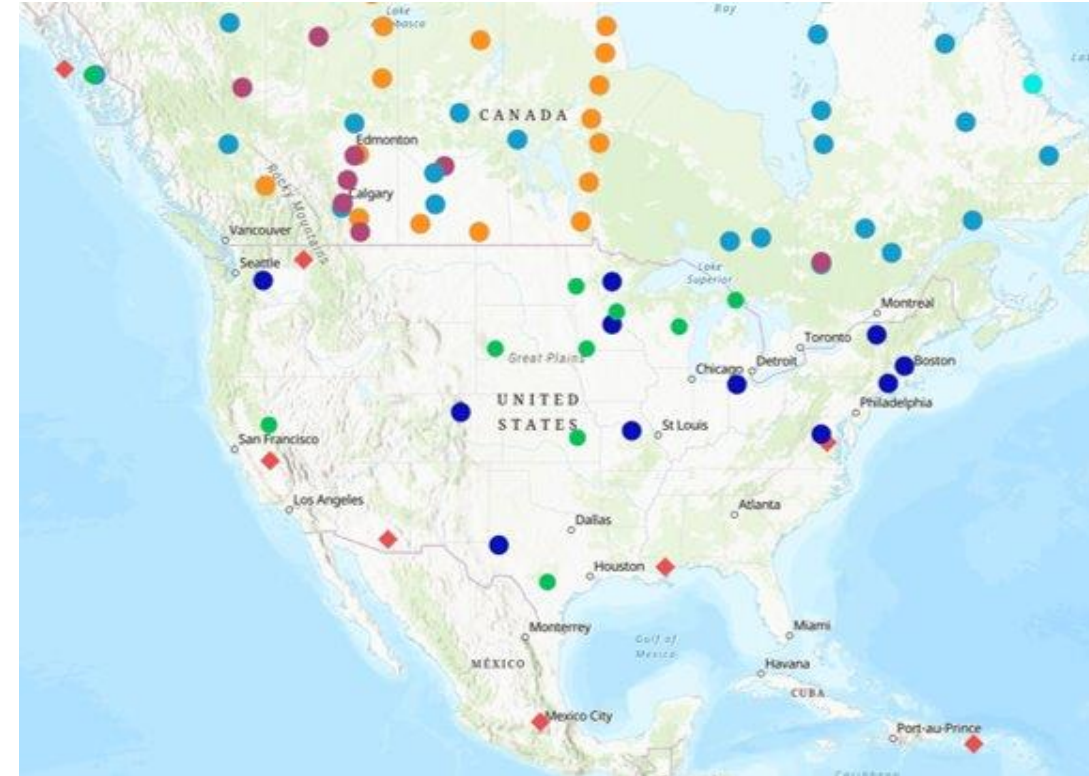
GEM Workshop: ~ \$2.2 Million



NSF-funded Ground Magnetometers

- **MACCS** Mark Moldwin (Michigan), Mark Engebretson (Augsburg College)
- **SMART** Peter Chi (UCLA)
- **MagStar** Jenn Gannon* (CPI)
- **Conjugate magnetometers in Antarctica** Mike Hartinger (SSI), Joseph Baker (VT), James Weygand (UCLA)
- **MICA** Marc Lessard (UNH) and Hyomin Kim (NJIT)

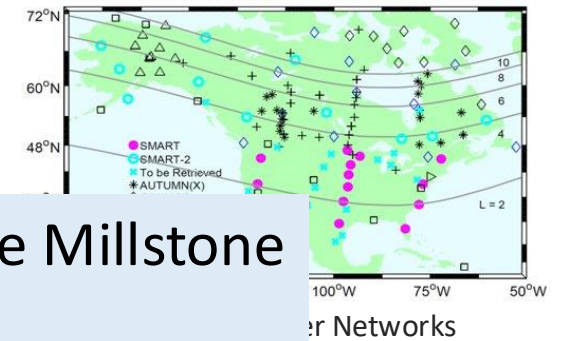
TOTAL Funds: >\$7 million over 10 years



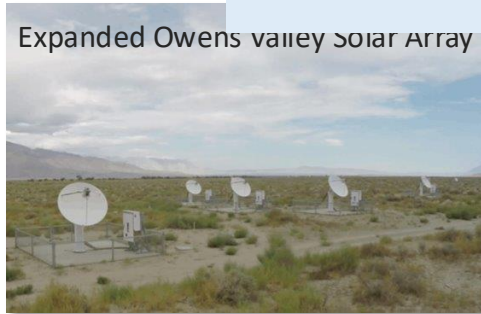
By Jenn Gannon



Geospace Facilities



- 5-year renewal grant awarded to MIT to operate the Millstone Hill Geospace Facility: PI Larisa Goncharenko
- 5-year renewal grant awarded to NJIT to operate 2 solar radio arrays at the Owens Valley Radio Observatory: PI Bin Chen
- The budget situation is currently and will continue to be challenging in the near future



FY24 Distributed Array of Small Instruments (DASI)

Deployment and Operations of the Ham Radio Science Citizen Investigation (HamSCI) Personal Space Weather Station Network

Nathaniel Frissell (University of Scranton), Travis Atkison (University of Alabama Tuscaloosa), Hyomin Kim (New Jersey Institute of Technology), Christian Zorman (Case Western Reserve University) - \$644k

A Distributed Meteor Radar and Optical Network in South America

Alan Liu (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University), Jonathan Makela (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), Asti Bhatt (SRI International) - \$661k

Student-Led Development of an Advanced yet Low-cost Multi-Constellation, Triple Frequency Ionospheric Scintillation and Electron Content Monitor

Fabiano Rodrigues (University of Texas at Dallas) - \$416k

Autonomous Remote geospace Observation and Research Array (AURORA)

Zhonghua Xu (Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University), Michelle Salzano (Space Science Institute) - \$1.4 Million



GEO Funding Opportunities & NSF-Wide Solicitations

- [Cyberinfrastructure for Sustained Scientific Innovation \(CSSI\)](#) NSF 22-632
- [Collaborations in Artificial Intelligence and Geosciences \(CAIG\)](#) NSF 25-530
- [Findable Accessible Interoperable Reusable Open Science \(FAIROS\)](#) NSF 25-533
- [Geosciences Open Science Ecosystem \(GEO OSE\)](#) NSF 25-506
- [Graduate Research Fellowship Program \(GRFP\)](#) NSF 24-591
- [Research Experiences for Undergraduates \(REU\)](#) NSF 23-601
- [ECosystem for Leading Innovation in Plasma Science and Engineering \(ECLIPSE\)](#) PD 24-110Z
- [NSF Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Program \(S-STEM\)](#) NSF 25-514
- [Directorate for Technology, Innovation and Partnerships \(TIP\)](#): To foster regional innovation and economic growth, accelerate technology translation and development, and prepare the US workforce
- [Updates on NSF Priorities](#): NSF's broadening participation activities must aim to create opportunities for all Americans everywhere



President's NSF FY26 Budget Request to Congress

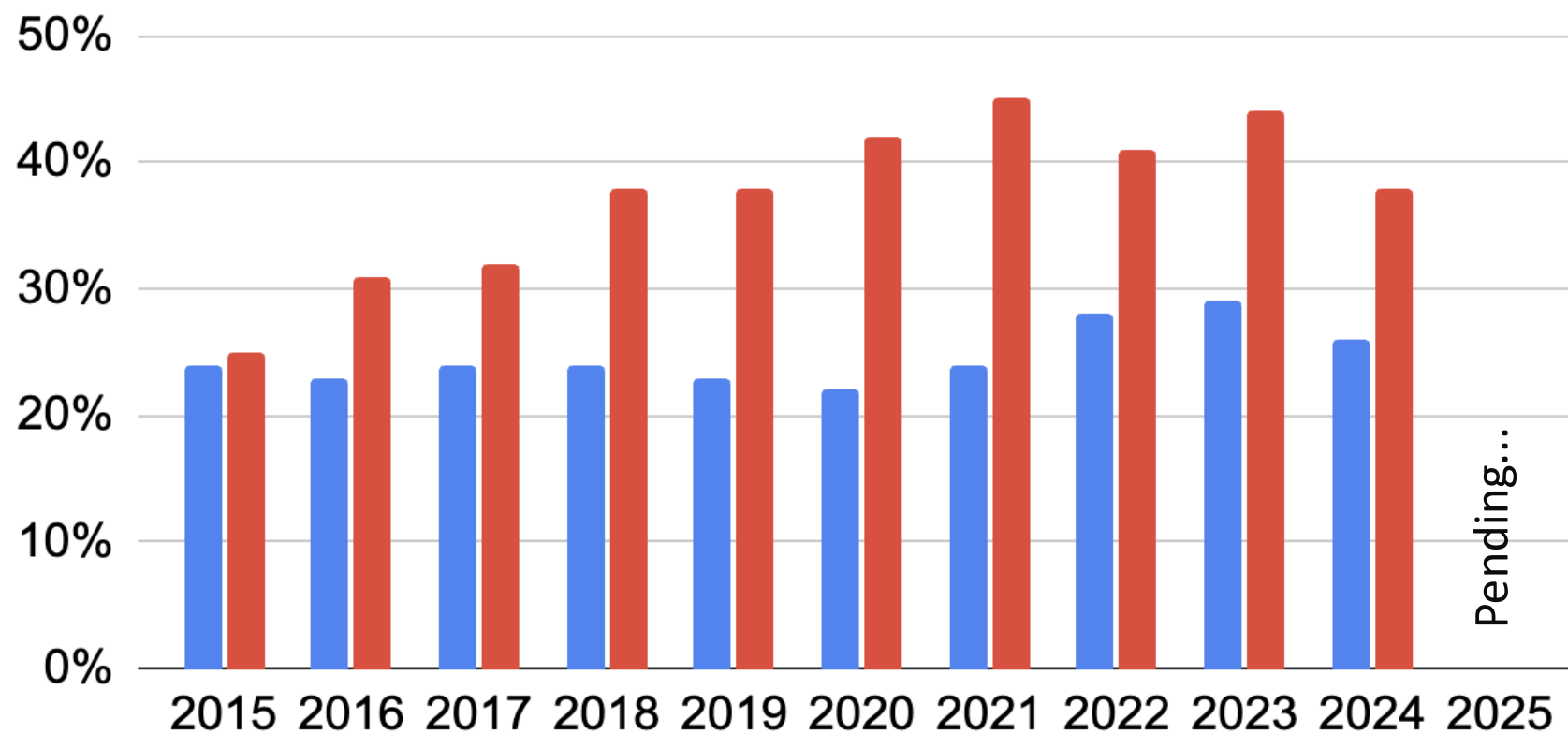
- The President's NSF FY26 Budget Request of \$3.903 billion reflects a strategic alignment of resources in a constrained fiscal environment (www.nsf.gov/cj)
- NSF investments fuel groundbreaking discoveries, accelerate translational solutions, and expand participation in STEM fields by prioritizing:
 - 1) artificial intelligence
 - 2) quantum computing
 - 3) advanced biotechnology
 - 4) national security

NSF by Account	FY 2024 Current Plan	FY 2025 Estimate (TBD)	FY 2026 Request	Change over FY 2024 (%)
GEO	\$1,577.08 M		\$873.57 M	-44.6%
GEO OPP	\$559.76 M		\$497.22 M	-11.2%
US Antarctic	\$109.31 M		\$109.31 M	---
GEO Research	\$503.32 M		\$125.10 M	-75.1%
GEO Education	\$40.42 M		\$3.68 M	-90.9%
GEO Infrastructure	\$473.58 M		\$247.57 M	-47.7%

Summary of Awards Activities

NSF and GEO Funding Rate

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THANK YOU!

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