At the University of California San Diego, challenging convention is our most cherished tradition. The Campaign for UC San Diego is a university-wide comprehensive fundraising effort to transform the student experience, our campus, and ultimately the way humanity approaches problems and develops solutions.

Center for Anti-Parasitic Drug Discovery and Development

Treatment for all

Global urgency
The World Health Organization estimates that more than 1 billion people worldwide are infected by illnesses known as neglected tropical diseases (NTDs). Most afflicted live in extreme poverty; many are children, facing life-threatening or disabling conditions in their most vulnerable years.

Distinct resource
UC San Diego serves a unique and critical role in eliminating these devastating infections. Faculty labs of the Center for Anti-Parasitic Drug Discovery and Development focus on targets unprofitable to the pharmaceutical industry and too basic for clinically focused nonprofits.

Across campus, participants from Skaggs School of Pharmacy, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, the School of Medicine, and the Division of Biological Sciences make up a consortium of more than 15 distinct faculty labs – charging ahead in treatment options for malaria, amebiasis, schistomiasis, and Chagas Disease, among others.

The promise of health
Health in underserved regions means generations of thriving children, turning their talents to enterprise and innovation. Health in underserved regions means greater resilience.

With your generous philanthropic support, you assure the Center will deepen and sustain its research, speeding solutions through the clinical testing pipeline and to those millions who need our help most.

Continue the nontradition.
Center Priorities

Singular standing

» **UC San Diego is better positioned** than any other institution in the world to advance parasite research and drug discovery. While many universities include high-ranking medical schools and schools of pharmacy, no other campus also features one of the world’s foremost marine science authorities.

» Launched by Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, the **UC San Diego Drug Development Pipeline** allows translational researchers to plan and enter clinical trials, a resource enabling the advance of new therapies from their earliest stages of molecular testing to regulatory approval.

» The 15 participating research groups collectively maintain a **critical mass** of 10 of the 17 recognized NTD organisms, exceeding any other institution.

» As a major research university, UC San Diego **fosters global understanding** by training new generations of scientists and pharmacologists in our labs. Each participating lab also hosts visiting fellows from all over the world, offering regions the opportunity to nurture their own voices of scientific authority.

Philanthropic opportunity

The Center for Anti-Parasitic Drug Discovery seeks transformational support to restore the health and vitality of more than a billion members of our global community.

A **$50 million endowment** will sustain this unique cross-campus network, simultaneously accelerating research and strengthening efforts in advance of new challenges. As the pace of global migration intensifies, parasitic diseases will be on the move too. Wherever they arrive, we want to be ready.

Your gift can be calculated in terms of the number of lives eligible for healing – an impact beyond measure when considering what those individuals will give their families, their communities, and their rightful place in our world.

Help us continue the nontradition.

With your help, our faculty, researchers, and students will unlock solutions through unique multidisciplinary and educational partnerships, synthesizing practice and theory. Together with your philanthropic support of the **Campaign for UC San Diego**, we will work to educate and empower the world’s current and future innovators in a campus community unlike anywhere else in the world.

**Learn more at campaign.ucsd.edu**

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