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Foreword

This *Congressional Action* report describes the results of congressional action on President Bush's proposed budget for research and development (R&D) for fiscal year (FY) 2003. It reviews the course of events taken by the congressional budget process during the past year and compares the congressionally approved FY 2003 funding levels for major R&D agencies and programs with the President's request and with estimated FY 2002 levels.

The *Congressional Action* report completes the series of AAAS reports on R&D in the FY 2003 budget. It is a companion piece and follow-up to *AAAS Report XXVII: Research and Development FY 2003*, published in April 2002. Supplemental information, including historical data and the complete text of both reports, is available on the AAAS R&D Web site (<http://www.aaas.org/spp/rd>; see Appendix 3). Because of the unusually late conclusion of the FY 2003 budget process in February 2003, after the release of the FY 2004 budget proposal, this publication will be available online only, and not in print.

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