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AAI'S STATEMENT ON THE 2024 U.S. ELECTION

In 2023, AAI members handed the organization a clear mandate in developing AAI's strategic framework: AAI must do all it can to advance the immunological research enterprise, using its platform to become a trusted source for the public on immunology and its impact on health, combat scientific misinformation, and advocate for necessary resources for the immunology community.

As the US prepares for a transition in government, AAI acknowledges that there is a sense of unease in the scientific community. Science misinformation continues to rise and trust in science is in constant decline. Harmful policy changes are being suggested and there are legitimate concerns about potential cuts to research funding. It is too early to know what will come to fruition, and the uncertainty adds to the unease. As the coming months unfold, AAI will remain vigilant by having ears to the ground, preparing to act, and listening to members.

AAI is committed to working with the new Administration and Congress to achieve the best possible outcomes for the immunology community, fighting for research funding and championing science. Additionally, AAI will do its part to restore the public's trust in science by disseminating factual, timely, and engaging information through public outreach and strategic partnerships. For more than a century, AAI has been the professional home, voice, and advocate for immunologists and the field of immunology. No matter what the future holds, AAI will be here – with you and for you.

If you have any specific concerns or worries, AAI is here to listen. Please use the <u>contact form</u> to let AAI know your thoughts.

