

SLAC Receives \$68.3 Million in Funding from Economic Recovery Package

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Washington, D.C.—Rep. Anna G. Eshoo (D-Palo Alto) and SLAC Director Persis Drell released the following statements today after the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science (DOE-SC) announced that the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) National Accelerator Laboratory will be receiving \$68.3 million in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

"These significant DOE-SC funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to SLAC will advance America's scientific innovation and help shape a stronger economic future for our nation," said Rep. Eshoo.

"The funding will be invested in construction, scientific instrumentation, and research. It will allow scientists to continue their groundbreaking research that will lead to breakthroughs in green energy, medicine, and much more. I will continue to fight in Washington for investments in science because it creates jobs, improves our science facilities, and ensures that the United States remains competitive in the global economy."

"We are very excited that these funds will allow us to make new investments in SLAC and in the scientific future of our country," said SLAC Director Persis Drell. "Because of the stimulus and the steadfast support of Congresswoman Eshoo and House Speaker Pelosi, we will be able to accelerate delivery of science from our premier new facility, the Linac Coherent Light Source. We will also be able to modernize our aging facilities and build progressive new ones. Rebuilding our scientific infrastructure will benefit society far into the future, while providing new hope and jobs to the local economy now."

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