Duke University Gets $37.2M Gates Foundation AIDS Grant

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The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has awarded three grants totaling $37.2 million to Duke University, according to a Duke University statement. The largest grant, for $24.6 million, goes to fund the efforts of the Comprehensive Antibody Vaccine Immune Monitoring Consortium (CAVIMC) to find a viable HIV vaccine. Another grant, for $11.7 million, goes toward studying the proteins in HIV's outer envelope, so as to learn to copy those proteins to stimulate antibodies to attack the virus during transmission. The third grant dedicates $892,000 to study complement proteins—used by the immune system to target viruses for white blood cells to attack, and which attach poorly to HIV—to strengthen immune response against the virus.

To read the Duke University statement, click here.

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