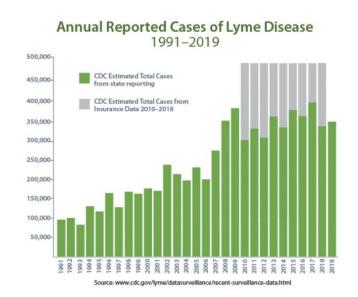




### The Problem with Lyme Disease



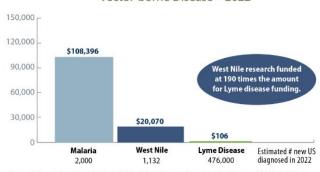
### Lyme Cases Increasing

476,000 estimated cases of Lyme disease reported in 2019 by the CDC. Reported total cases in 2019 are nearly 5 times the number reported in 1991.

476,000 cases in 2019



### Research Budget Per US Patient by NIH Vector-borne Disease – 2022



Sources: 1) www.cdc.gov/parasites/malaria/index.html 2) www.cdc.gov/westnile/statsmaps/historic-data.html 3) www.cdc.gov/lyme/stats/humancases.html 4) report.nih.gov/funding/categorical-spending#/

### Low Per Patient Funding

Per patient federal funding for Lyme disease is incredibly low at \$106 per patient. Less common diseases such as West Nile has 190 times and Malaria has 1000 times the amount of per patient funding.

### More Funding required

### No Working Diagnostic or Therapy

Current diagnostics don't work – at best 38% accurate. Current treatments are insufficient for chronic patients and work for approximately 85% of acute patients.

### Need diagnostic and therapy

## FY25 Appropriations Requests

1. \$30M - CDC - Fully Fund Kay Hagan Tick Act (Vector-borne disease)

FY23 \$18.5M

FY24 up to \$27.5M

2. \$5M – HHS LymeX Funding

FY23 \$0

FY24 up to \$5M

3. \$30M - CDC - Fund Lyme disease prevention programs

FY23 \$26M

FY24 \$26M

4. \$135M - NIH NIAID Lyme disease research

FY23 \$119M

FY24 Up to \$125M+

5. **\$9M – DOD CDMRP** 

FY23 \$7M

FY24 Up to \$7M



# 1. Fully Fund the Kay Hagan Tick Act REQUEST \$30M

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Authorization bill signed into law in 2019
- Recommends \$30M each year
- \$10M funds Centers of Excellence for research grants
- \$20M funds states and tribes for prevention and response

### **Funding History**

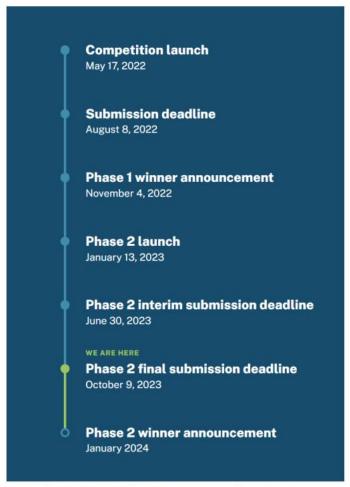
Fiscal Year	\$ in millions
FY19	\$0
FY20	\$0
FY21	\$4M
FY22	\$16M
FY23	\$18.5M
FY24 House	\$18.5M
FY 24 Senate	\$27.5M
FY25 CLA Request	\$30M



# 2. Fund HHS LymeX Innovation Accelerator REQUEST: \$5M

- Office of the Secretary, HHS
- \$25M public-private partnership with Steven and Alexandra Cohen Foundation
- Foundation funds prize challenges for Lyme diagnostics
- Phase 2 winners just announced
- \$5M needed for federal implementation





https://www.lymexdiagnosticsprize.com/?utm\_source=HHS&utm\_medium=press-release&utm\_campaign=P1-winners

# 3. Fund Lyme & Tick-borne disease prevention programs REQUEST: \$30M



- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (HHS CDC)
- Bolster critical prevention programs and public awareness efforts
- Develop better tick repellents
- Improve TickNET surveillance networks and accurately determine disease burden



### **Funding History**

Fiscal Year	\$ in millions
FY19	\$12M
FY20	\$14M
FY21	\$16M
FY22	\$20.5M
FY23	\$26M
FY24 House	\$26M
FY24 Senate	\$26M
FY25 CLA Request	\$30M

### 4. Fund NIH Lyme disease and other tickborne disease research

REQUEST: \$135M

- National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (HHS NIH NIAID)
- CDC estimates at least 476,000 (cases)
  Americans get Lyme disease in the US each year
- Only \$106 per patient is allocated toward Lyme funding for NIH NIAID research
- Underfunded compared to more rare infectious diseases:
  - West Nile (1,132 cases) \$20,070 per patient
  - Malaria (2000 cases) \$108,396 per patient



Fiscal Year	\$ in millions	
FY19	\$32M	
FY20	\$34M	
FY21	\$96M	
FY22	\$119M	
FY23	\$119M	
FY24 House	\$125M	
	Minimum	
FY24 Senate	Not specified	
FY25 CLA Request	\$135M	



# 5. Fund Defense Peer-reviewed Tickborne Disease Research REQUEST: \$9M

- Department of Defense
- Peer-Reviewed Tickborne Disease Research under the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program within Department of Defense (DOD CDMRP TITLE V)
- Unique peer review includes government experts and Lyme community experts
- Funded just 20% of proposals in 2022, could fund more with additional resources



Fiscal Year	\$ in millions	
FY19	\$5M	
FY20	\$7M	
FY21	\$7M	
FY22	\$7M	
FY23	\$7M	
FY24 House	\$7M	
FY24 Senate	Not specified	
FY25 CLA Request	\$9M	

TBDRP	Funding	Applications	Funded
FY 2019	\$5M	62	8
FY 2020	\$7M	39	8
FY 2021	\$7M	44	8
FY 2022	\$7M	30	6



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