

**From:** Fauci, Anthony (NIH/NIAID) [E]  
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**Subject:** RE: item

Thanks, Michael. I appreciate your note.

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**From:** Michael Oldstone <mbaobo@scripps.edu>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 6, 2020 2:12 PM  
**To:** Fauci, Anthony (NIH/NIAID) [E] (b) (6)  
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Dear Tony

A note to let you know how much over the years I have appreciated your active support of biologic research, public health and your directorship of NIAID. Impressive, intelligent, high integrity and management skills has placed you at the head of the curve. I reached this conclusion from personal observations of your work and style as well as having served as a consultant for NIAID and several other NIH Institutions, WHO, Pasteur and Karolinska.

After nearly 50 years of continuous research from my original AI09484 grant studying viral pathogenesis[ acute and persistent infections] using the LCMV model, I decided to close my laboratory. I have had other generous NIH support as well especially for investigations of other negative strand viruses[ primarily measles and influenza, Lassa ,arenavirus receptor], Ebola, cytokine storm and autoimmunity. The AI09484 grant was credited by 300 peer reviewed papers, training of 61 postdoctoral fellows[ including Rafi Ahmed, Christine Biron, Persephone Borrow, Ray Welsh, Ian Lipkin, Dorian McGavern and other successes including the late Patrick Sissons who was the Reagent Professor of Medicine at Cambridge. Over 85% of these folk are in academic medicine/biology at research institutes or universities.

Good luck and smooth sailing with the current coronavirus pandemic. With your involvement this work is in good hands.

Best wishes  
Michael