

# **NIST Update**

## **Information Security and Privacy Advisory Board**

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Donna F. Dodson  
Chief Cybersecurity Advisor  
Director of the NCCoE  
NIST Fellow

- ▶ Retired May 2020 after 33 years of federal service
- ▶ Leadership in many cyber areas, including AI, IoT, quantum-resistant cryptography, and privacy engineering
- ▶ Presidential Rank Award in 2019
- ▶ Finalist for a 2020 Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medal in the Safety, Security and International Affairs category

# NIST Leadership Changes: Welcomes



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Kevin Stine  
Acting Chief Cybersecurity Advisor



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Jeff Greene  
NCCoE Director





[www.nist.gov/privacy-framework/privacy-framework](http://www.nist.gov/privacy-framework/privacy-framework)

## Using the Privacy Framework:



- Manage privacy risk among different organizational roles in the data processing ecosystem



- Establish or improve a privacy program using a Ready, Set, Go model



- Strengthen organizational accountability through collaboration and communication

# Early Adopters of the Privacy Framework

NIST

EQUIFAX®

TRUIST 

 athenahealth

FAIRWARNING®  


Medtronic

okta

  
ARLINGTON  
VIRGINIA



## A Conversation on the NIST Privacy Framework

Wednesday, February 19, 2020 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
CSIS Headquarters, 2nd Floor

Join us at CSIS to hear **Dr. Walter Copan, Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology** and **NIST Director**, discuss the [NIST Privacy Framework](#).

# Noteworthy Releases



SP 800-171 Rev 2  
Protecting Controlled Unclassified  
Information in Nonfederal Systems



SP 800-207,  
Zero Trust Architectures  
Draft for public comment



Secure Software  
Development Framework



SP 800-53 Rev 5  
Draft for public comment



CSF Manufacturing profile  
(NISTIR 8183 Rev 1 draft)



5G cybersecurity  
FRN seeking formal industry  
collaborators.

# U.S. Voting Standards and Guidelines



EAC Commissioner Ben Hovland with NIST Director Walt Copan



NIST led Technical Guidelines Development Committee (TGDC) for the new Voluntary Voting Standards and Guidelines, Version 2.0 (VVSG 2.0)



VVSG 2.0 and enhancements for voting standards governance and transparency issued by EAC for public comment, ratification



EAC, NIST, DHS/CISA and FBI jointly issued report: “Risk Management for Electronic Ballot Delivery, Marking and Return”

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

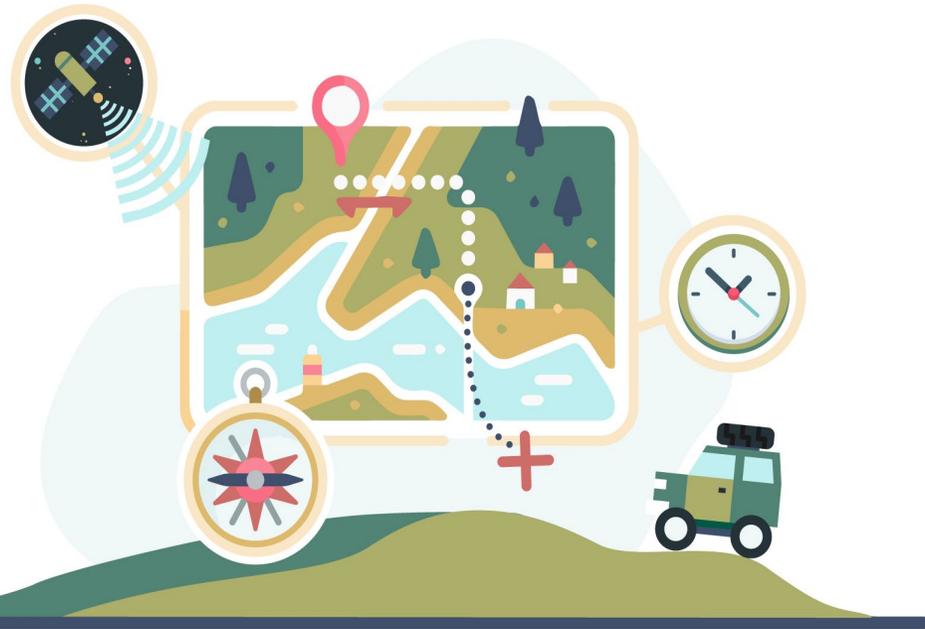
## Executive Order on Strengthening National Resilience through Responsible Use of Positioning, Navigation, and Timing Services

— INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY | Issued on: February 12, 2020



The Executive Order directs the Department of Commerce and other agencies to work with the private sector to identify and promote responsible methods of using PNT services that appropriately manage risks.

# Our Approach



Request for Information anticipated was issued on 27 May 2020.

[www.nist.gov/itl/pnt/request-information](https://www.nist.gov/itl/pnt/request-information)



NIST hosted a webinar on 4 June 2020 to share our task, objective, and approach.

# Industries of the Future



QUANTUM  
INFORMATION SCIENCES



5G AND ADVANCED  
COMMUNICATIONS



ARTIFICIAL  
INTELLIGENCE



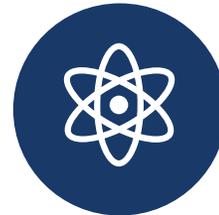
ADVANCED  
MANUFACTURING



BIOTECHNOLOGY



Credit: E. Edwards/JQI



## Post Quantum Cryptography

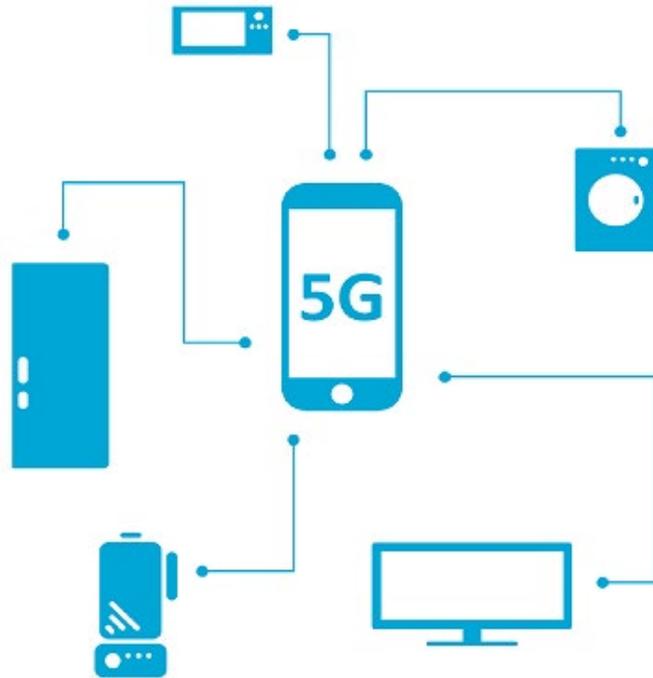
Moving to Round Three Selections soon.



## Lightweight Encryption

Down-selected from 57 to 32 potential candidate algorithms, analysis ongoing

# Emerging Tech Standards: 5G



*Credit: Pixabay*

Significant focus for the Administration with engagement at highest levels of government – Congress, Executive Branch

March 2020: “Secure 5G and Beyond Act” signed. Administration released “National Strategy to Secure 5G”

NIST engaged in whole-of-government effort in support of the National Strategy. NIST plays a leading role in standards-related efforts in strategy development

Commerce Department established 5G Working Group to help coordinate DOC bureau activities relating to 5G

# Update on NIST AI Program



## Foundational Research

establish needed scientific foundation for design, development, and assessment of trustworthy AI



## Use-inspired Research

advance AI as a tool to accelerate scientific discoveries and technological innovations standards



## Test and Evaluation

benchmarks to understand the theoretical capabilities and limitations of AI



## Standards and Guides

tools and guidelines for vocabulary, data, metrics and testbeds for AI



## Policy and Engagement

forums and research to engage scientists, engineers, psychologists, and lawyers on issues of trustworthiness

# AI Happenings in Summer 2020

Develop a shared understanding of what constitutes trustworthy AI (e.g., accuracy, security, explainability, reliability, free from bias) and establish the associated measurements, standards, and tools for design, development, and assessment of trustworthy AI



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Kick off webinar on August 6, 2020



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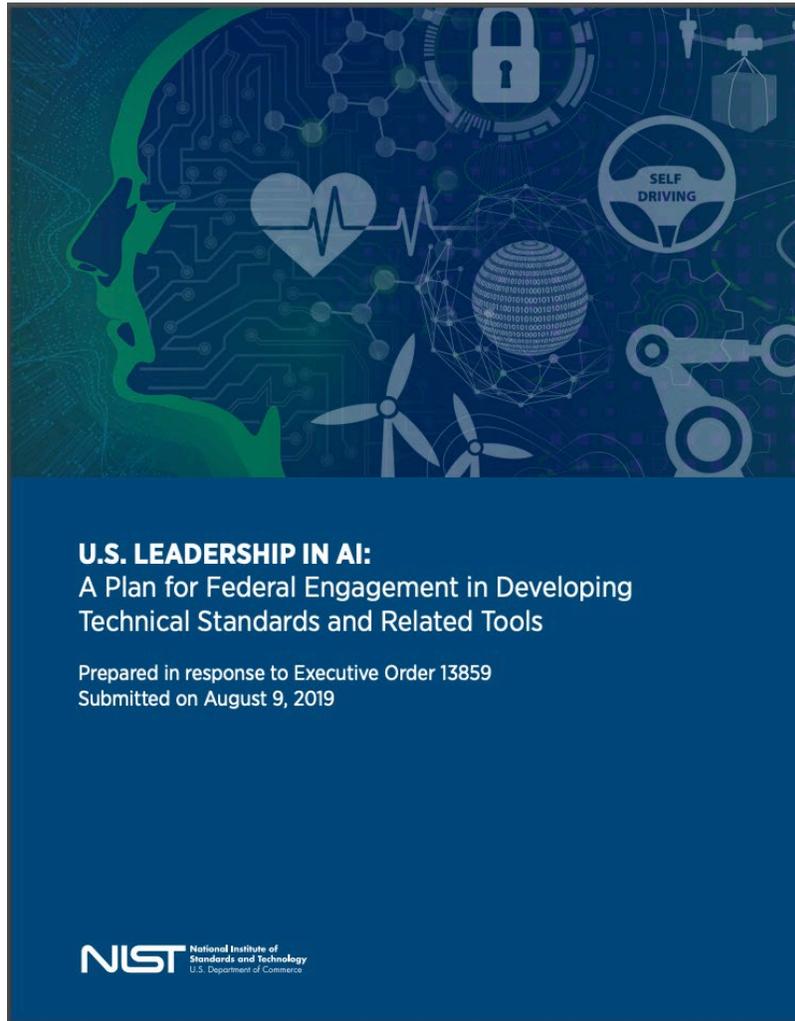
Bias in AI: workshop on August 18, 2020



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Secure AI: Terminology and Taxonomy; 2<sup>nd</sup> draft for public comment

# USG AI Standards Coordinator



Carried out Executive Order by developing a plan for prioritizing federal agency engagement in the development of AI standards



Reached out all known federal and other efforts relating to AI standards development and use



Will facilitate discussions between the U.S. private sector and federal agencies to strengthen private-public sector coordination

# Congressional Hearings

1

## NIST Reauthorization

Walt Copan  
March 11, 2020  
House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology  
Subcommittee on Research and Technology

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## More Hires, Fewer Hacks: Developing the U.S. Cybersecurity Workforce

Rodney Peterson  
February 11, 2020  
House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology  
Subcommittee on Research and Technology

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## Facial Recognition Technology

Chuck Romine  
February 6, 2020  
House Committee on Homeland Security

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## Facial Recognition Technology (Part III): Ensuring Commercial Transparency & Accuracy

Chuck Romine  
January 15, 2020  
House Committee on Oversight and Reform

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## Industries of the Future

Walt Copan  
January 15, 2020  
Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee

# How Can NIST Help?



1. Idea Generation

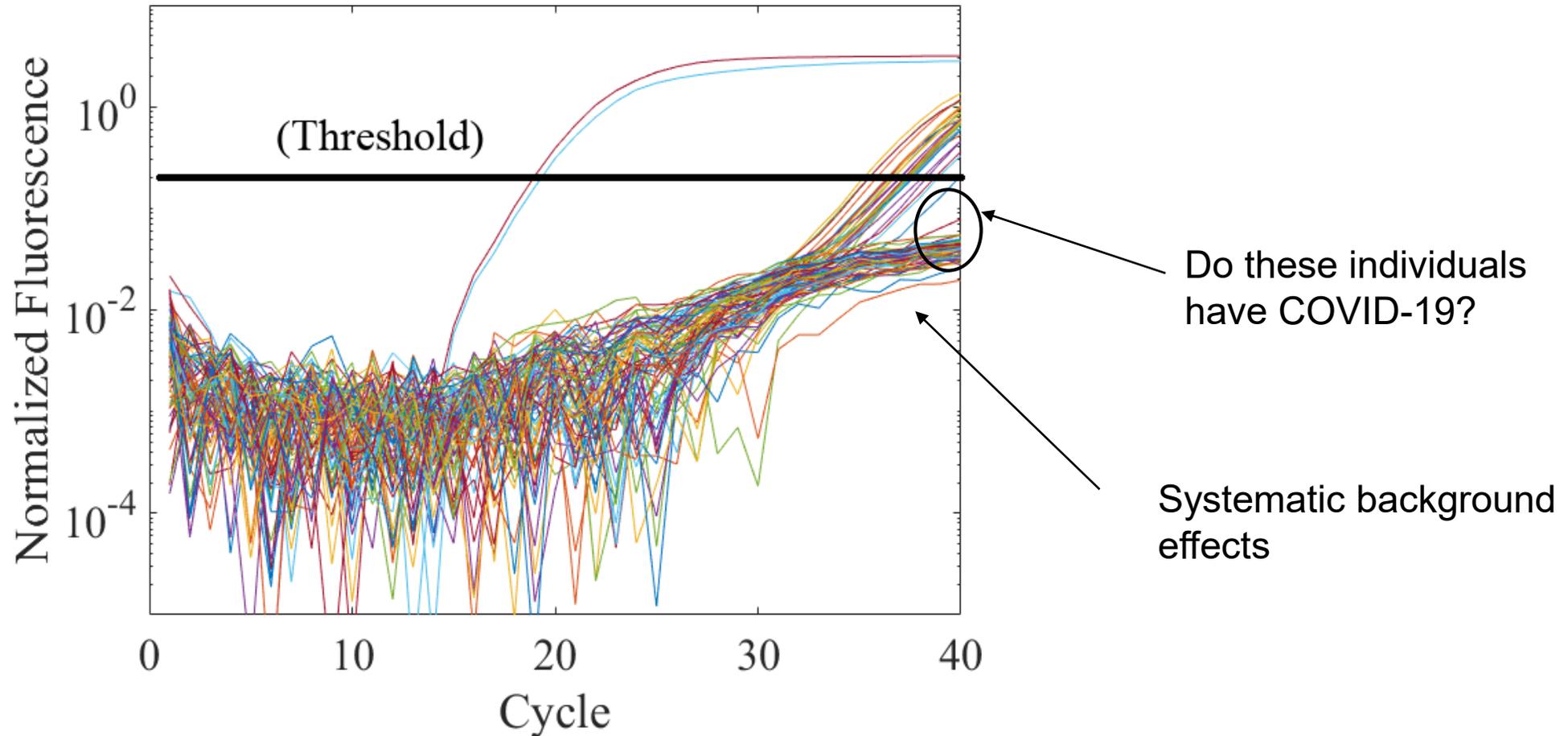
2. Information Sharing

3. Collaboration

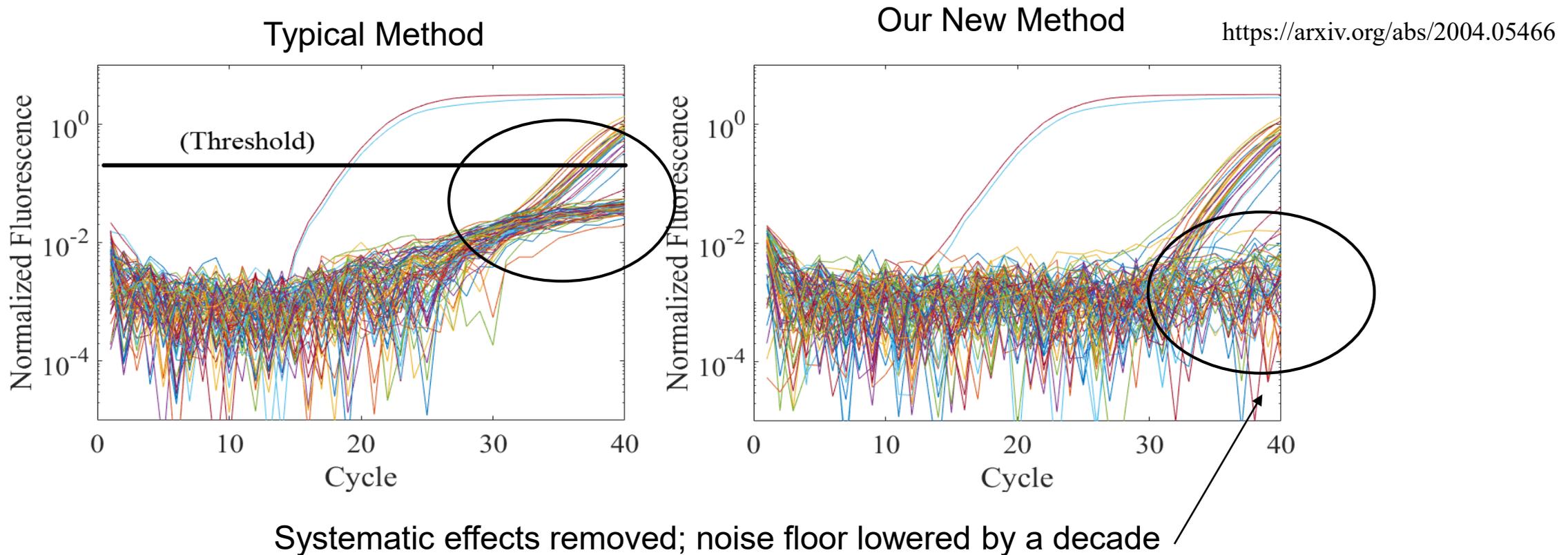
4. Action

# qPCR Data analysis

Manual thresholds for detecting SARS-CoV-2 confounded by background effects



## Mathematical improvement of sensitivity of quantitative PCR measurements



Two submitted manuscripts & provisional patent application (serial number 63/040,310)

STATEMENTS & RELEASES

## Call to Action to the Tech Community on New Machine Readable COVID-19 Dataset

HEALTHCARE | Issued on: March 16, 2020



Today, researchers and leaders from the Allen Institute for AI, Chan Zuckerberg Initiative (CZI), Georgetown University's Center for Security and Emerging Technology (CSET), Microsoft, and the National Library of Medicine (NLM) at the National Institutes of Health released the *COVID-19 Open Research Dataset (CORD-19)* of scholarly literature about COVID-19, SARS-CoV-2, and the Coronavirus group.

### COVID-19 Data Repository

<https://covid19-data.nist.gov/>

### NIST COVID-19 Resource Registry

<https://covid19-registry.nist.gov/>

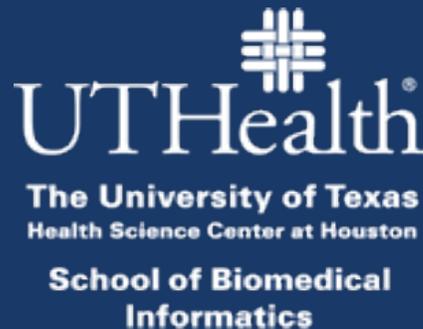
### Curated Archive cord19-cdcs-nist

<https://github.com/usnistgov/cord19-cdcs-nist>

### TREC-COVID: Building a Pandemic Information Retrieval Test Collection

<https://ir.nist.gov/covidSubmit/>

# TREC-COVID:



## Documents

CORD-19, an open-access collection of the scientific literature about COVID-19 and other corona viruses. New snap-shots released weekly.



## Questions

Inspired by search logs at medical libraries including NLM. New questions added in each round.



## Relevance Judgments

Subset of retrieved documents annotated each round by individuals with biomedical expertise.

Two rounds completed; third in progress; Plan is for 5 rounds total.

## Round 1

April 15—April 23

April 10 release of CORD-19,  
~47k articles

30 topics

56 teams, 143 submissions

~8.5k judgments

## Round 2

May 4—May 13

May 1 release of CORD-19,  
~60k articles

35 topics

51 teams, 136 submissions

~ 20k cumulative judgments

## Round 3

May 26—June 3

May 22 release of CORD-19,  
~95k articles

40 topics

addition of a Kaggle task running in  
parallel

**2022**

***Celebrating 50 Years  
of Cybersecurity Research at NIST***

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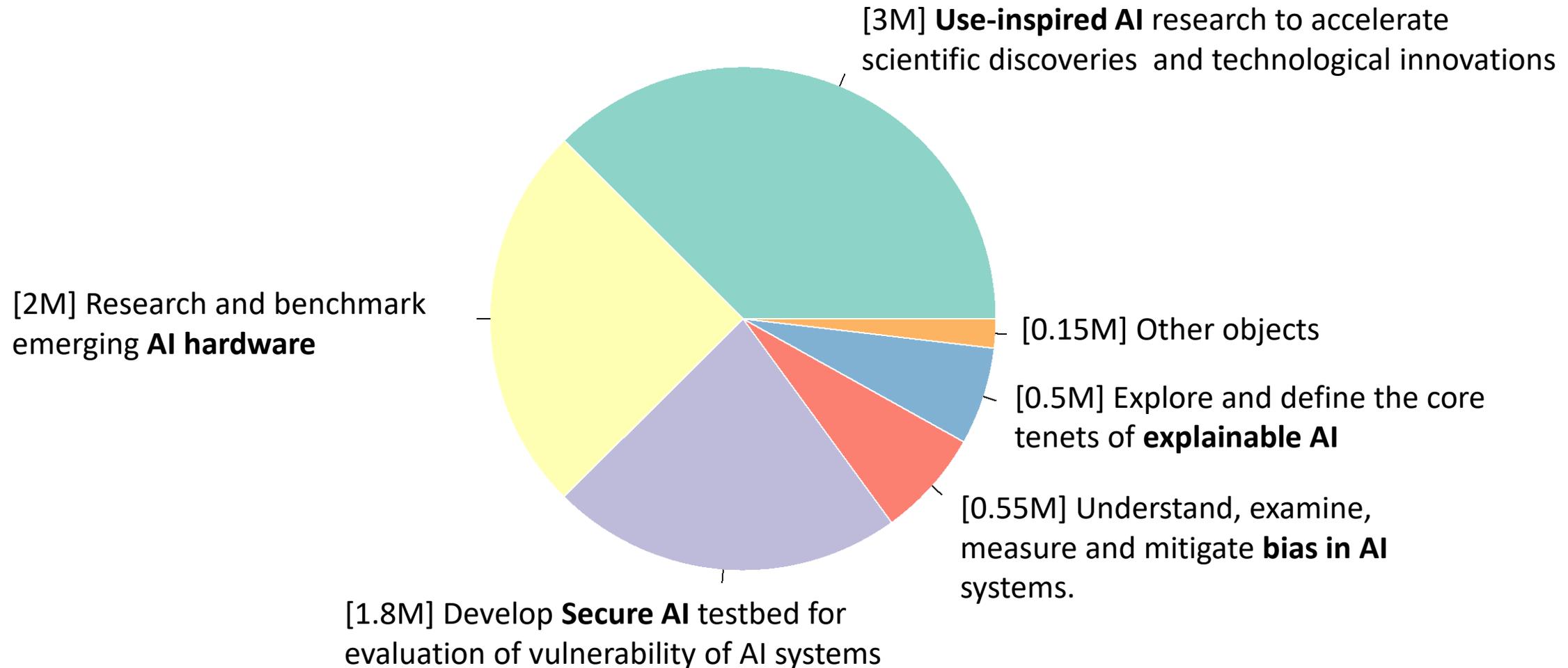
*Treasure the Chesapeake*





**Back up slides**

# FY20 AI Spend Plan



Vision: NIST will become an authoritative source of measurement tools, capabilities, and data necessary to define, develop, and evaluate trustworthy AI.