



## 50 years of extraordinary scientific insight and influence

In 1960, Jonas Salk envisioned the Salk Institute as a haven of excellence, where the world's most brilliant minds were free to pursue their scientific curiosity within a stimulating and collaborative environment.

Today our scientists continue to audaciously tackle biology's Big Questions, setting the stage for the development of new treatments for a wide range of diseases—from cancer and Alzheimer's to obesity and Lou Gehrig's disease.

Dear Friend,

Fifty years ago, Jonas Salk embarked on a landmark journey to pursue an extraordinary vision: a new kind of research institute, where traditional walls between disciplines had vanished, and collaboration catapulted science forward.

Dr. Salk had no road map because what he was attempting had never been done before. But he did have the flexible resources necessary to explore possibilities and realize his vision.

Today the Salk Institute is one of the world's foremost centers for basic biological research, responsible for breakthroughs that have shaped biomedical science. And unrestricted funds like those that established the Institute continue to give us the flexibility to imagine new discoveries, pursue new opportunities, and fill critical funding gaps to support our cutting-edge science.

Your support of the Salk Annual Fund, our principal source of unrestricted funds, is helping to assure that Jonas Salk's dream remains a reality for decades to come, and we are most grateful. I also hope you will consider increasing your investment in Salk science by making a special year-end gift. Your generous contribution will continue to secure the Institute's future and help perpetuate our remarkable contributions to human health. Thank you for your consideration and your confidence in the Salk Institute.

Sincerely,

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