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Spotlight on

Southwest United States



OVERVIEW

The V Foundation funds all types of research across all cancer types, including adult and pediatric cancers, common and rare cancers, from the laboratory to clinics, and from prevention and detection through treatment and recurrence.

The V Foundation solicits competitive research proposals from the 74 National Cancer Institute Designated Cancer Centers and other exceptional institutions across North America.

Our Impact on Cancer Research in the Southwest United States (AZ, CO, NM, UT)

We've funded **48 grants totaling over $13.7 million.**

V FOUNDATION FUNDED RESEARCHERS IN THE SOUTHWEST UNITED STATES, OVER THEIR CAREERS, HAVE:

Received	Produced	Worked on
261 grants and $1.3 billion in funding.	**over 3,850 publications.**	**63 clinical trials.**

A New Drug Combination for Hard-to-Treat Childhood Cancer

- **Siddhartha Mitra, Ph.D.,** is a 2021 V Scholar at the University of Colorado Cancer Center.
- Dr. Mitra's V Foundation-funded project studies new treatment options for childhood cancer patients with group 3 medulloblastoma, an aggressive, common childhood brain tumor that carries a poor prognosis due to an overabundance of an oncogene called MYC.
- Dr. Mitra and his team identified a promising new drug combination that was able to reduce tumor growth in the lab and in mouse studies. Notably, both of these drugs have already been studied in phase I safety trials for other solid tumors.
- A clinical trial will be needed to determine the effectiveness in patients but these exciting results provide hope for a very hard-to-treat childhood cancer.



Siddhartha Mitra, Ph.D., 2021 V Scholar