

SIR Foundation's Track Record of Success

SIR Foundation is directly involved in the ongoing development of the SIR Strategic Plan and supports SIR's mission to improve public health through disease management using minimally invasive, image-guided therapeutic interventions.

Research and innovation are the two powerful engines that launched IR and have sustained it as a major force in the development of minimally invasive medicine.

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Each year, the Foundation focuses on funding key initiatives within the SIR strategic plan which are in line with its mission. Through trials, registries and

research grants, the Foundation seeks to prove that IR procedures add value to the healthcare system through state-of-the-art modern medical advances that offer patients choices.

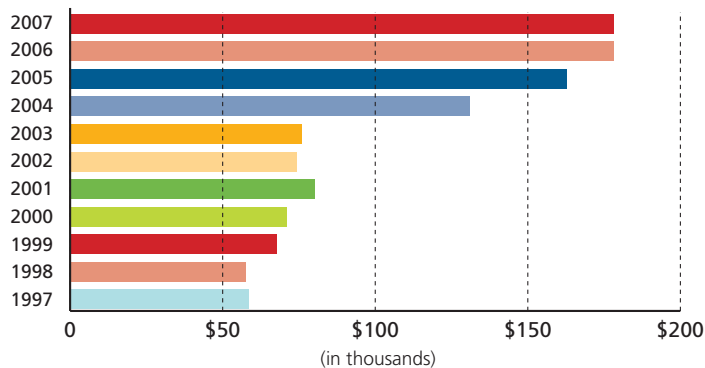
Foundation Funding Opens the Door to Further Research

Since its inaugural Interventional America 2000 (IA2000) Campaign, which raised a total of five million dollars, the Foundation has invested more than \$1.96 million in 92 Research Grants. These grant recipients have subsequently received more than \$29 million in federal and other extramural funding, an excellent return on investment.

Additionally, through special project support from industry and related foundations, the Foundation has been able to substantially and strategically foster innovation in those areas most relevant to the IR specialty.

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A Decade of Growth: SIR Annual Fund 1997–2007
(in thousands)



In addition to research grants, recent and current SIR Foundation initiatives include:

The Uterine Artery Embolization (UAE) FIBROID Registry

This effort tracked more than 3,000 women in several dozen practices in order to assess the safety, effectiveness and durability of the UAE procedure and to obtain data which allows comparison of UAE to other fibroid therapies. Three UAE outcomes manuscripts from this Registry were printed in *Obstetrics and Gynecology*.

The Cooperative Alliance for Interventional Radiology Research (CAIRR) Network

CAIRR is helping the IR specialty by growing clinical research to secure the specialty's future.

Current study topics under CAIRR include:

- ▶ **Cancer** (separate studies on lung and liver oncology)

▶ Deep Vein Thrombosis

(ATTRACT—Acute Venous Thrombosis: Thrombus Removal with Adjunctive Catheter-directed Thrombolysis)

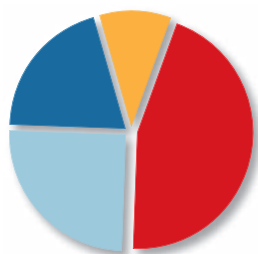
▶ Fertility (UAE vs. Myomectomy)

▶ **Stroke Prevention** (TACIT—Transatlantic Asymptomatic Carotid Intervention Trial)

Innovation and Research in Interventional Radiology—(IR)²

This conference is a valuable forum for interventional radiologists to collaborate with peers in the medical profession, biomedical sciences and leading industry stakeholders, setting the stage for advancements in healthcare treatments.

SIR Foundation Program Expenditures: 1996–2006



- Education/Innovation
- Research Grants & Awards
- Clinical Trials/Registry Development
- Other Research Development