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salk facts

- The Salk Institute for Biological Studies was established in 1960 by Jonas Salk, developer of the polio vaccine.
- The Institute was developed with \$20 million seed money from the March of Dimes and land gifted by the City of San Diego.
- Jonas Salk hired world-renowned architect Louis Kahn to design a collaborative, unobstructed facility adaptable to the ever-changing needs of science.
- The American Institute of Architects (AIA) rated the Salk one of the nation's top ten buildings of the 20th century and one of 31 buildings that changed modern life.
- Research priorities: Cancer, Dynamic Brain, Genomic Medicine, Healthy Aging and Plant Biology
- The Institute has trained more than 2,700 scientists.
- Impact studies by Science Watch measuring scientific citations have ranked Salk scientists among the world's leaders in neuroscience, molecular biology, genetics and plant biology and its faculty members are cited more frequently than any other researchers in their fields.

salk by the numbers

57	Faculty
5	Nobel Laureates
1	National Medal of Science
3	Fellows of the Royal Society
14	National Academy of Sciences Members
7	Howard Hughes Medical Institute Investigators
8	Institute of Medicine Members
2	National Academy of Engineering Members
2	American Cancer Society Professors
5	American Philosophical Society Members
12	American Academy of Arts & Sciences Members
393	Research Staff
53	Graduate Students in partnership with UCSD
235	Postdoctoral Scholars
2700	Alumni - former post-docs & grad students
46	Countries represented by Salk Faculty, Staff & Students
33	Biotech Companies spun off or inspired by Salk Discoveries
509	U.S. & Foreign Patents Covering Salk Technology
3,000	S.D. middle & high school students involved in Salk education outreach
52%	of FY12 budget from NIH and other government agencies
85%	of budget spent on research and support
15%	of budget spent on administrative operations
\$105	Million Total Annual Budget
\$420	Million Annual Economic Impact on the San Diego Community

