

Statement from the American Society for Microbiology
in response to the
House Energy & Commerce Committee Hearing:
“Oversight of the Trump Administration’s Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic”
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On behalf

patients and saving lives by limiting spread of the virus.¹ Testing and tracking of the virus are essential elements for fully reopening the U.S. economy. Sustained, robust funding for multiple public health agencies such as CDC, NIH, BARDA and FDA, including funding for preparedness, response, laboratory capacity, surveillance and infrastructure, also is required to meet the ongoing demands placed on the system by the pandemic, and to provide the medical t