

# Vision

Achieve national leadership & recognition in interdisciplinary obesity research & education.

# Objectives

- Boost productive collaborations within the Texas Tech University System
- Foster strong mentoring to career scientists, post docs, and students on all levels in basic, clinical, and community research broadly related to obesity and chronic diseases

# Mission

Develop interdisciplinary basic, clinical, and community translational research to prevent and treat obesity along with its related complications using innovative collaborations and strategic partnerships.

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## Get Involved

Many departments across the TTU System are participating and contributing ORI's research efforts as well as other universities in and out of Texas.

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## Values

- Integrity & trust
- Respect for interdisciplinary teamwork & diversity
- Mentoring & Training
- Compassion & dedication
- Multidisciplinary & dynamic knowledge development & dissemination

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## History

The Obesity Research Institute at Texas Tech University was originally initiated by Dr. Moustaid-Moussa in 2013 as the Obesity Research Cluster. The Board of Regents approved establishing the Obesity Research Institute in 2019 with Moustaid-Moussa as the founding director and Jannette Dufour as the associate director.



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The Obesity Research Institute reports to the Vice President of Research & Innovation. Research collaborators include Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Schools of Nursing, Medicine, Biomedical Sciences, & Health Professions.