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Science Takes A Village:

A Day of Science Advocacy with the American Astronomical Society

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In April 2024, I spent a week in Washington, D.C., advocating for federal funding in the United States for astronomy and fundamental science. I was there with ~20 other scientists from around the country as part of the American Astronomical Society's Congressional Visit Days (AAS CVD). [1] Recently, I wrote a blog for the AAS reflecting on the experience. Check it out [here](#)! [2]



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