Gaining approval for the medical use of psilocybin, or "medical psilocybin," continues to be the current major aim of the Heffter Research Institute. Our research focus is two-fold. First, we are continuing our studies on how psilocybin affects various aspects of consciousness. This research involves numerous fundamental studies demonstrating that psilocybin can be safely used in medical applications, especially in persons who have never taken a psychedelic.

The second prong of our research is the identification of a medical indication for the use of psilocybin. The research data we produce will be used to identify a medical indication for psilocybin and to show it is safe enough for humans, the two key requirements that must be met for psilocybin to be moved out of Schedule I and developed as an FDA-approved medical treatment.

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Ideally, this research will enable humanity to appreciate better who we are and the relationship between our minds and bodies, knowledge that could provide numerous benefits to mental and physical health and improve our quality of life.