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The Digital Archaeological Archive of Comparative Slavery, hosted by Monticello, received a second grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation in late 2004, in the amount of $570,000. The Mellon Foundation also awarded DAACS a $604,000 grant in 2000 to support the launching of this multi-site research initiative.

The new grant from the Mellon Foundation will allow the scope of the DAACS project to be expanded to include data from additional locations in Virginia and sites in Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Jamaica. "Adding data from sites outside Virginia will enable us to understand better the historical consequences of variation in enslaved people's African origins, and the disease environments and labor requirements they faced in the New World," said Jillian Galle, who has managed the DAACS project since its inception in 2000.