approaches to block HIV transmission and to treat infected people. A small animal expressing both human CCR5 along with human CD4 supports entry of HIV into target cells, a necessary hurdle that must be overcome for development of a small animal model (e.g. transgenic mouse, rat, rabbit, mink) to study HIV infection and its inhibition.

The invention embodies the CCR5 genetic sequence, cell lines and transgenic animals, the cells of which coexpress human CD4 and CCR5, and which may represent valuable tools for the study of HIV infection and for screening anti-HIV agents. The invention also embodies anti-CCR5 agents that block HIV env-mediated membrane fusion associated with HIV entry into human CD4-positive target cells or between HIV-infected cells and uninfected human CD4-positive target cells.

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Publication: This technology was reported in Alkhatib et al. ‘‘CC CR5: a RANTES, MIP–1alpha, MIP–1beta receptor as a fusion cofactor for macrophage-tropic HIV–1’’ Science 1996 Jun 28;272(5270):1955–1958.


Licensing Status: The technology is available for exclusive or nonexclusive licensing.

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Collaborative Research Opportunity: The NIAID Laboratory of Molecular Immunology and Laboratory of Viral Diseases are seeking statements of capability or interest from parties interested in collaborative research to further develop, evaluate, or commercialize CCR5-related products. Please contact Philip Murphy (301/496–8616, pmun@nih.gov) or Edward Berger (301/402–2481, edward_berger@nih.gov) for more information.


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Name of Committee: National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel, NIDA–K Conflicts.
Date: July 17, 2007.
Time: 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: Doubletree Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814.
Contact Person: Mark Sweeter, PhD, Chief, Training and Special Projects Review Branch, Office of Extramural Affairs, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, DHHS, Suite 220, 6101 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–8401, (301) 435–1389. ms80x@nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, T–Cell Immunology.
Date: July 10, 2007.
Time: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Vision Research.
Date: June 26, 2007.
Time: 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).
Contact Person: Brenda Lange-Gustafson, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–496–2550, bgustafson@niaid.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: Microbiology, Infectious Diseases and AIDS Initial Review Group, Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Review Committee, AIDS Research Review Committee (July 2007).
Date: July 10, 2007.
Time: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.
Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge 6700, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).
Contact Person: Erica L. Brown, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 6700B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892–7616, 301–451–2639, ebrown@niaid.nih.gov.

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