Vascular Diseases Research; 93.838, Lung Diseases Research; 93.839, Blood Diseases and Resources Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases: Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Endocrinology Ancillary Studies.

Date: August 13, 2015.

Time: 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Maria E. Davila-Bloom, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 758, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–5452, (301) 594–7637, davila-bloomm@extra.niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Sensitive Obesity.

Date: August 31, 2015.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Michele L. Barnard, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 759, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–2542, (301) 594–8898, barnardm@extra.niddk.nih.gov.


Date: October 1, 2015.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Najma Begum, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 749, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–5452, (301) 594–8894, begumn@niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; NIDDK: Digestive Diseases Program Projects (P01).

Date: October 14, 2015.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Najma Begum, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 749, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–5452, (301) 594–8894, begumn@niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; PAR–12–256: NIDDK Ancillary Studies on CKD and Diabetic Nephropathy (R01).

Date: October 15, 2015.

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Najma Begum, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 749, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892–5452, (301) 594–8894, begumn@niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Council; Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: September 9, 2015.

Open: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Agenda: To present the Director's Report and other scientific presentations.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Brent B. Stanfield, Ph.D., Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594–8843, stanf@niddk.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council; Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases Subcommittee.

Date: September 9, 2015.

Closed: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 31 Center Drive, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review the Division's scientific and planning activities.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases: Notice of Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of meetings of the National Diabtes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council.

The meetings will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing**

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health, HHS

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The inventions listed below are owned by an agency of the U.S. Government and are available for licensing in the U.S. in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404 to extend market coverage of results of federally-funded research and development. Foreign patent applications are filed on selected inventions to extend market coverage for companies and may also be available for licensing.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Licensing information and copies of the inventions to extend market coverage for companies and may also be available for licensing.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Technology descriptions follow.

**Interferon Alpha Hybrids**

**Description of Technology:** Available for licensing are hybrid interferon alpha (INF-alpha) polypeptides constructed by combinations of INFalpha2b1 and INFalpha2c, and mutants of these hybrids. These hybrid constructs have resulted in novel IFNs that either combine different biological properties from the parent proteins or have significantly different biological activity from both the parents in antiproliferative, anti-viral, or competitive binding properties. For instance, the hybrid designated HY–3 has higher antiproliferative activity in Daudi, WISH, and primary human lymphocyte cells exhibiting approximately 6 times higher antiproliferative activity than either parent IFN. These IFN hybrids provide a powerful tool for studying the structure-function relationship of these molecules. The engineered IFN-alpha proteins may have important new therapeutic applications and may provide greater insights into understanding of the clinical activities of existing IFN-alpha.

Also available for licensing are hybrid INF-alpha nucleic acids encoding the hybrid polypeptides as well as cells, vectors, pharmaceutical compositions with these nucleic acid sequences.

**Potential Commercial Applications**

- Anti-viral and cancer therapeutics
- Research tool to study IFN-alpha functions

**Competitive Advantages**

- Ease of manufacture
- Strong anti-viral activity

**Development Stage:** In vitro data available.

**Inventors:** Kathryn C. Zoon (NIAID), Joseph B. Bekisz (NIAID), Mark P. Hayes (FDA), Renqiu Hu (FDA).

**Publications**


**Intelectual Property:** HHS Reference No. E–068–1998/0—

- US Patent No. 6,685,933 issued 03 Feb 2004

**Licensing Contact:** Peter Soukas; 301–435–4646; ps193c@nih.gov.

**Novel Treatment for Anemia and Polycythemia: AVPR1B Molecules Modulating Erythropoiesis**

**Description of Technology:** Anemia can be caused by chronic diseases, chemotherapy, or radiation. Erythropoietin is commonly used to stimulate red blood cell production for anemia treatment, but it takes about a week to manifest its clinical effect. The