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NIH RAISES SALARY CAP

As of January 1, 2003, the highest salary, exclusive of fringe benefits and Finance and Administration (F&A) costs, is set at Executive Level I, or \$171,900 per year. In the recent past, the salary cap has been raised at least annually. The ability to obtain the highest salary can be lost if the NIH budget forms are not filled out properly. If your institutional salary exceeds the capped amount, place the actual salary, rather than the current limit, in the institutional base salary box of the table on Form Page 4 of the PHS 398 form. If the salary limit is raised between the time of submission and award, the new salary limit will be applied to the formally reported salary. Once the award is made, the salary is set and re-budgeting of direct costs is required to modify salaries beyond the standard 3% yearly increase. Complete details can be found at <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-027.html>.

SIMPLE SECURITY

Faced with potential war and a genuine threat of renewed terrorism, safety and security are concerns rarely experienced in normally bucolic Winston-Salem. Crises can arise in many forms from fire to violence, from toxins to tornadoes. How will you respond to the myriad potential dangers? The Medical Center Emergency Dispatch is manned 24/7 year-round and accessed by dialing **6-9111** within the medical center. On the Friedberg campus the number is 6-1660, and at the PTCRC it is 6-8999. Your judgment will determine whether or not an incident is an emergency. When you call, state the problem and your location, and Medical Center Safety/Security will respond, involving community police, fire and rescue workers, as needed.

General guidance for handling a variety of emergencies can be found on the Environmental Health & Safety web site at www.wfubmc.edu/ehs/emergency.html. Brief accounts are provided to address bomb threats, natural disasters, power outages, violent and criminal behavior, and more. In nearly every case, calling the appropriate number above is among the first actions to take.

Other security measures entail prevention rather than reaction. The Medical School is now accessible by badge access only to protect visitors, personnel, animals and facilities. This system works only when badge holders act responsibly. Remember to close external doors behind you and question anyone without a badge. As in the case of other threats, call 6-9111 to report suspicious persons or behavior.

CONCERN LINES

ANIMAL CARE & USE -
716-5899
RESEARCH CONDUCT -
716-0338
COMPLIANCE -
1-877-880-7888

**REGULATORY COMMITTEE
DEADLINES**

ANIMAL CARE AND USE COMMITTEE -
MARCH 7 AND APRIL 4, 2003

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD -
NOON - FRIDAYS

**INTRAMURAL RESEARCH
SUPPORT COMMITTEE
DEADLINES**

*REGULAR AND INTERIM -
APRIL 16, 2003

* Clinical studies or other
research involving humans
are encouraged

IRB FEE INCREASE

Effective March 1, 2003 the charge for IRB review of industry sponsored trials increases to \$2000. This increase applies to research contracts submitted after March 1, 2003. Contracts that have been previously negotiated or that are under active negotiation are not affected. This fee covers the initial IRB review, continuing review, and review of all amendments, study-associated promotional material and adverse events for the duration of the study. IRB review charges are non-refundable. Fees are due whether or not the protocol receives IRB approval, and regardless of whether or not the study is ever initiated.

BIOMED CENTRAL

The Carpenter Library has recently purchased an institutional membership to **BioMed Central** for the School of Medicine, joining other institutions such as Harvard, Columbia, Cornell, and the National Institutes of Health. BioMed Central provides free, full text access to all original research papers published in any of its 80+ online journals covering all areas of biology and medicine. A list of all these journals is available at <http://www.biomedcentral.com/libraries/oajournals.asp>

Publishing with BioMed Central has a number of advantages, including:

- Free access: no subscription charges or registration barriers for access to original full text research articles
- Authors retain copyright of their work, and are free to put it on a publicly accessible server or on any other site they wish.
- Rapid peer review and publication: all papers are peer reviewed rapidly and efficiently due to an online system for submission, peer reviewing and publication.
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- Articles are immediately indexed in PubMed, archived in PubMed Central, and also deposited in CrossRef, CAS, BIOSIS and ISI, to enable direct linking when they are cited in other journals.

BioMed Central normally covers the costs of publishing by levying a processing charge of \$500 for each article published. Among other benefits, our institutional membership qualifies all researchers at the Wake Forest University School of Medicine to receive an article processing charge waiver. Under the terms of our membership, BioMed Central has also created an institutional **member's page** where titles of any research papers published in BioMed Central's journals that have originated at WFUSM can be listed. Please see <http://www.biomedcentral.com/inst/>. The list will be updated to as new research is published.

Instructions on how to submit a paper can be found at <http://www.biomedcentral.com/manuscript/>.

DEAR DR. OR

Dear Dr. OR:

How can I meet the requirements for Human Research Subject Protection Education?

Signed,
Needing a Course

Dear Course:

Our institution provides two ways you can meet these requirements. You can attend one of the three courses scheduled to be held at WFUHS, and successfully complete the post-test. You can also meet these requirements through a web based course. This course consists of a series of modules with a post test at the end of each module. Before beginning the course, be sure to review our institutional specific requirements – not all modules are required. Also be sure you register as Wake Forest University Health Sciences and refer to Wake Forest University Health Sciences material – Wake Forest University (the Reynolda campus) is also listed but has different requirements and material.

You can get registration material for the on-site programs and find the link to take the web base course on the IRB web page under the Education Programs section [<http://www.wfubmc.edu/or/irbedu.html>].

Questions for Dr. OR should be submitted in writing to Amy Comer, Office of Research, or by e-mail: acomer@wfubmc.edu



POSITION AVAILABLE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT NEEDED!! THE HYPERTENSION & VASCULAR DISEASE CENTER HAS AN IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR A RESEARCH ASSISTANT TO CONTINUE ONGOING PROJECTS IN THE CENTER. SEND LETTER OF INTEREST AND RESUME TO SARAH SMITH AT SASMITH@WFUBMC.EDU

SRA TELECONFERENCE AVAILABLE ON VIDEO

The SRA Teleconference entitled "Confidentiality!" is available on VHS for departments to view. If you would like to reserve the video, please contact Amy Comer, 64549 or

acomer@wfubmc.edu. Below is a brief summary of the teleconference.

Part One - HIPAA: A short pre-recorded scenario will depict the HIPAA travails of a researcher seeking approval for a clinical trial and a subject enrolling in the research. That scenario will set the stage for a panel of experts to discuss research concerns, the patient perspective, and provider/covered entity issues, plus address questions from the viewing audience.

Part Two - Confidentiality: A short prerecorded scenario will depict issues of confidentiality and privacy from the perspective of colleges and universities, industry, nonprofits, and other research organizations. A second panel of experts will discuss policy, legal, ethical, and cultural issues that define relationships between researcher, institution, and sponsor. Special attention will be paid to international concerns.

IMPACT OF THE HIPAA PRIVACY RULE ON NIH PROCESSES INVOLVING THE REVIEW, FUNDING AND PROGRESS MONITORING OF GRANTS, COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND RESEARCH CONTRACTS

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) issued final modifications to the STANDARDS FOR PRIVACY OF INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE HEALTH INFORMATION, the "Privacy Rule," on August 14, 2002. The Privacy Rule is a federal regulation under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) of 1996 that governs the protection of individually identifiable health information. The Privacy Rule is not an NIH regulation. It is administered and enforced by the DHHS Office for Civil Rights (OCR). Those who must comply with the Privacy Rule, including some grantees and contractors, must do so by April 14, 2003. The OCR website (<http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/>) provides information on the Privacy Rule, including a complete Regulation Text for the Privacy Rule.

Women's Health Educational and Research Opportunities for Clinicians and Scientists

*For upcoming conferences and lectures, visit
our calendar website at
www.wfubmc.edu/women*

THE ROLE OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY ON WOMEN'S BONE HEALTH

April 11, 2003

Graylyn Conference Center. 8am-5pm; Contact Natalie Barrett at nbarrett@wfubmc.edu for more information

FACTORS INFLUENCING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN WOMEN OF COLOR

Presented by Sara Wilcox, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Exercise Science, Norman J. Arnold School of Public Health, University of South Carolina, Columbia.

Date: Tuesday, March 4, 2003, NOON

Location: Sticht Center Auditorium; Lunch provided.

DRUG ABUSE DISSERTATION RESEARCH: EPIDEMIOLOGY, PREVENTION, TREATMENT, SERVICES, AND WOMEN AND GENDER DIFFERENCES - NIDA

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) announces the availability of small grants to support drug abuse doctoral dissertation research in epidemiology, prevention, treatment, services, and women and gender differences where there is a significant need for new investigators. Grant support is designed to aid the research of new investigators and to encourage doctoral candidates from a variety of academic disciplines and programs to conduct research in these areas of interest to NIDA. It is hoped that this program will ultimately facilitate the entry of promising new investigators into the field of drug abuse research.

Deadlines: June 1, October 1, 2003, and February 1, 2004

Contact: William J. Bukoski, Ph.D.; bb75h@nih.gov

RESEARCH WORKSHOPS:

Grants and Manuscripts II

For a complete brochure and to register, contact the Women's Center at 713-4230. Workshops are located in the Nutrition Center, Commons Conference Room 1-2. Breakfast is provided as are all materials. The cost of each session is \$35.00.

Insiders' Guide to Budgets offers an overview by David Peddycord, Asst. Controller, and Sheila Vrana, Asst. Dean for Research, followed by hands-on examples of NIH grant budgets, emphasizing how the budget justification, budget, and grant text work together.

Date: Friday, March 14, 8:30-10:00 AM

Anatomy of a Grant: The Nitty Gritty provides a thorough look at each section of an NIH grant.

Date: Friday, April 4, 8:30-10:30

Contact Karen Klein at kklein@wfubmc.edu for registration information or visit www.wfubmc.edu/women.

CONTROLLER'S CORNER GRANTS MANAGEMENT

VIEWING AVAILABLE BALANCES FOR PROJECTS/GRANTS

The following process is available only to PeopleSoft Financial users with access to Budget. In order to view the available balance, or remaining spending authority, for a particular departmental project or grant in PeopleSoft, you can run the *Dept PROJ/GRT Bud Status by Proj* Report. This report shows the Budgeted Amount - Encumbered Amounts - Expended Amounts, which is the Available Balance for the project/grant.

Step 1: Click on **Go- Analyze Controlled Budgets Report - Dept PROJ/GRT Bud Stat by Proj - Update/Display**.

Either press the **OK** button or enter the Run Control Id you wish to use. Run Controls are limited to 30 characters, and contain no spaces. For example FinancialQuery/WINDOW. This Run Control ID can be used for all financial Crystal Reports.

Step 2: The *PARAMETERS* panel now appears with your Operator ID and Run Control ID.

Step 3: For **Business Unit**, enter 'WFUSM'.

Step 4: For **Budget Period**, enter only '0001' since this is for a project/grant.

Step 5: For **Department**, click on the down arrow and select the appropriate Department or simply enter the 6-digit Department number.

Step 6: For **Project/Grant Number**, click on the down arrow and select the appropriate Project/Grant number or simply enter the 5-digit Project/Grant number.

Step 7: Click on the **Run** button - the stoplight without the exclamation mark. You are transferred to the *Process Scheduler* panel.

Step 8: Select **Client** as the run location.

Step 9: Select **Window** for the Output Destination. You will notice that the Dept PROJ/GRT Bud Status Report is highlighted and is a Crystal Report with the name BGLD0508.

Step 10: Press the **OK** button to launch Crystal and view the report. This will take a few seconds and may look as if nothing is happening. The larger the amount of data you requested, the longer it will take to return the report. The Crystal Report window will appear once the report is finished.

CAUTION: If you are determining the amount of money remaining for the department to spend on a Project/Grant (Free Balance) you will need to subtract any remaining Indirect (F&A) Costs from the Available Balance.

For assistance with setting up Run Control IDs or to create a customized button on your PeopleSoft toolbar to run this process, contact Carl Jass at 716-1208 or email cjass@wfubmc.edu. Obtaining your Available Balance should just be a button click away.

VIGILANCE:
UPDATES FROM WFUSM
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION NEEDED
 FOR PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS**

Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) is asking principal investigators to provide them with emergency contact information to complete the inventory system described below. This information will be maintained in a confidential manner.

CBREIIS (pronounced "sea-breeze") is Wake Forest University Health Sciences' *Chemical, Biological, Radiological Emergency Information and Inventory System*. It provides 24/7 access to health and safety information on over 15,000 materials used in the clinical, research and support communities. It is a tool not only to ensure that both faculty and staff have access to material safety data sheets (MSDS) and other pertinent safety and health information, but also to provide hazard information to emergency responders and regulatory agencies.

The system provides basic product information such as vendor and part numbers, chemical and health hazards, storage waste, and DOT shipping information including North American Emergency Response Guide Numbers.

Additionally, the system allows material users to develop a complete hazardous materials inventory for their areas of responsibility.

The system allows emergency dispatch personnel access to emergency contact information and inventories for each CBREIIS location. EH&S has populated the system not only with product information, but also product inventories provided by each users. The one thing that is needed to complete the system is an emergency contact number for the PI.

Material users are requested to submit the following information via email to Mary Truell (mtruell@wfubmc.edu) by March 31, 2003:

Network Login (this allows you access to your inventory)

Emergency Contact Number (this is the number where you can be contacted after 5 pm and on week-ends)

Your emergency contact number will be password protected and accessible only to Emergency Dispatch and EH&S.

Thank you for your help in making this system fully functional.

**WFUSM ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
 AND SAFETY**

NEWS FROM NIH

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Resubmission of Unpaid RFA Applications and Resubmission of Applications with a Changed Grant Activity Mechanism - NOT-OD-03-019

The majority of grant applications submitted to NIH each year are investigator-initiated. However, the Institutes and Centers of NIH also solicit grant applications on specific topics through the use of Requests for Applications (RFAs). NIH is changing its practice regarding resubmissions of three categories of grant applications. These categories include:

- Applications that were originally submitted in response to an RFA and then resubmitted as an investigator-initiated application.
- Applications that were originally submitted as investigator-initiated applications and subsequently resubmitted in response to an RFA.
- Applications that were originally submitted using one grant mechanism and subsequently resubmitted using a different grant mechanism (for example, an application that was originally an R01 and then is resubmitted as an R21).

Since an RFA often has special considerations of eligibility, scientific scope, and review criteria, it is felt that most unfunded applications should be resubmitted as **NEW** applications. Similarly, a change of grant mechanism (from an R01 to an R21 or from an R03 to R01, for example) usually involves a change of eligibility criteria, application characteristics, dollar limits, time limits, or review criteria. This also suggests that consideration as a new application is the most appropriate course. Because the application will be new, it will be easier to conform to the new application requirements, which should advantage the applicant in the review process. Additionally, submission of a new application will allow the applicant to fully benefit from the NIH policy that allows an applicant to submit two revisions within two years. The complete notice about this new policy can be found <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-019.html>.

"IACUC 101 FOR SCIENTISTS" OFFERED AT EXPERIMENTAL BIOLOGY 2003 MEETING IN SAN DIEGO, APRIL 11, 2003

The Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare/NIH (OLAW) and Experimental Biology (EB) 2003 will co-sponsor a half-day symposium for scientists on the workings of the IACUC. This special version of "IACUC 101" is intended to address the concerns of research scientists and will provide information useful both to IACUC members and to those whose protocols require IACUC review. Registration for EB 2003 is required to attend this session. Information is available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/olaw/EB2003.htm>.

MARCH OF DIMES BIRTH DEFECTS FOUNDATION

POSITION: Basil O'Conner Starter Research Award

DESCRIPTION: This award is designed to support young scientists just starting their independent research careers and is limited to those holding recent faculty appointments. The applicants' research interests should be consonant with those of the Foundation. These grants do not cover the recipient's salary but do provide support for technical help and supplies. Applicants may not be recipients of major grants (e.g. an R01, or other grant exceeding \$100K a year) at the time of application. Awards are for up to \$75,000. Nominations must be made by the Department Chairman and the Dean, in addition to information that must be provided via the online system at <http://researchgrants.modimes.org/boc>. The complete RFA can be viewed at http://researchgrants.modimes.org/MODGrants/BOC/BOC_RFP_2004.pdf

DEADLINE: Nomination and online submission - March 15, 2003

POSITION: Research Grants

DESCRIPTION: The Foundation invites applications for research grants. Applicants must hold a faculty appointment. Research subjects appropriate for support by the Foundation include basic biological processes governing development, genetics, clinical studies, studies of reproductive health, environmental toxicology, and social and behavioral studies relevant to their mission. Potential applicants should submit electronically the required administrative information and a Letter of Intent summarizing the proposed studies via the online system at <http://researchgrants.modimes.org/loi>. The complete RFA can be viewed at http://researchgrants.modimes.org/MODGrants/LOI/Research_RFP_2004.pdf

DEADLINE: Letter of Intent Due - April 30, 2003

UNITED SOYBEAN BOARD (USB)

POSITION: Soy Health Research Program (SHRP)

DESCRIPTION: The USB invites applications for grant proposals on soy and human health, for eventual submission to the National Institutes of Health. These \$10,000 incentive grants are offered to researchers who develop and submit the best research concepts. Studies are encouraged that might break new ground or lead to new understanding of how soy can affect human health. Applicants must have been a PI on a prior NIH grant (R01, P01, R29, or P30 only). Selected applicants will be required to submit a full grant proposal to the NIH for the June 1 deadline.

DEADLINE: March 15, 2003 (selected applicants will be announced April 15, 2003). Additional information can be found at <http://www.talksoy.com/shrp>.

CHARLOTTE GEYER FOUNDATION

POSITION: CGF Grants

DESCRIPTION: The Foundation will consider recent proposals that were submitted to the National Cancer Institute, received a peer review ranking in the ten percentiles above the NCI payline, and did not receive funding. The award will provide one year's funding to exceptional proposals and give investigators the opportunity to advance and improve projects to the point where they are able to successfully compete for an R01 or other award. The Foundation will also consider the original proposal, a revised proposal, or a portion of the original proposal deemed to have special merit. Awards are for up to \$100,000. Complete information including the application instructions can be found at <http://www.charlottegeyer.org/>.

DEADLINES: June 1 and October 1, 2003

Research Funding Opportunities

For all funding information contact Angela Horton, Office of Research, 623382, unless noted otherwise in the funding announcement

Research Funding Opportunities

For all funding information contact Angela Horton, Office of Research, 62382, unless noted otherwise in the funding announcement

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE - Electronic Submission - see pg. 9

POSITION: Breast Cancer Research Program - Concept Awards

DESCRIPTION: The intent of these awards is to fund the exploration of an initial concept or theory that could give rise to a testable hypothesis; thus, no preliminary data are required. The awards are to encourage the exploration of untested, high-risk questions in breast cancer and are not intended to support the next step in an already established research project. The Concept Award should provide investigators that have potentially insightful ideas from disciplines and fields outside breast cancer with an entry to the breast cancer research field. These awards provide investigators with the opportunity to pursue serendipitous observations; it is anticipated that research completed through these awards may provide sufficient preliminary data to enable the investigator to prepare a hypothesis-based proposal for future research. Awards are for up to \$75,000 for a one-year. Proposals will be accepted only as a PDF file submitted at <http://cdmrp.org/proposals>.

DEADLINE: March 10, 2003

POSITION: Ovarian Cancer Research Program

DESCRIPTION: The overall goal of this program is to promote research directed toward eliminating ovarian cancer and to encourage the scientific inquiry of epithelial ovarian carcinoma, the most common form of ovarian cancer, and/or primary peritoneal carcinoma, a disease with similar clinical history as epithelial ovarian carcinoma. Complete information on this program is available at

<http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/03ocrp.htm>.

Idea Development Award (IDEA) - the intent of these awards is to encourage innovative approaches to ovarian cancer research. IDEA proposals must address etiology and/or early detection of ovarian cancer and must include preliminary data relevant to ovarian cancer research and the proposed project. Awards are for up to \$375,000 for up to three years. Investigators from all academic levels are eligible to submit proposals.

New Investigator Award (NIA) - the intent of these awards is to recognize and support postdoctoral fellows with at least 5 years of postdoctoral training and faculty through the level of Assistant Professor who have innovative ideas applicable to the etiology and/or early detection of ovarian cancer. Awards are for up to \$300,000 for up to three years. Physician-scientists who meet the criteria are encouraged to apply. Applicants may not have received non-mentored research funding in excess of \$100,000 in aggregate from extramural sources as a PI or co-PI.

DEADLINE: April 23, 2003

POSITION: Prostate Cancer Research Program

Complete information of these programs can be accessed at:

<http://cdmrp.army.mil/funding/03pcrp.htm>.

Exploration - Hypothesis Development Award (EHD)

NOTE - All applicants considering submission of a proposal in response to this program announcement are expected to submit an electronic Letter of Intent no later than 4 weeks prior to the deadline.

The intent of this award is to provide funds to support initial exploration of innovative, untested, potentially groundbreaking concepts in prostate cancer. Proposals should (but do not have to) precede the articulation of a hypothesis. Results of studies conducted through an EHD Award may provide the scientific rationale upon which a new hypothesis can be based. The award is designed to provide investigators with the opportunity to pursue serendipitous observations. Some gaps in supporting rationale may exist due to lack of available information. The Award is not intended to support ongoing work. Successful proposals are expected to lead to high-risk, potential high-gain future research endeavors for DOD and other funding sources. Awards are for up to \$75,000 for up to 18 months.

Exploration-Resource Development Award (ERD)

The intent of this award is to support product-driven research aimed at developing critical resources needed to advance the field of prostate cancer research. These resources may include, but are not limited to, development of animal models, cell lines, and reagents. The award will also support studies whose purpose is to develop or refine analytical or experimental methodologies and to discover, develop, or screen new or existing therapeutics. Due to the developmental nature of this award, preliminary data are not required, but may be included if available, to address the feasibility of the resource to be developed. Awards are for up to \$75,000 for up to 18 months.

Health Disparity Training - Prostate Scholar Awards (HDT)

The intent of this award is to provide investigators in the early stages of their careers with training opportunities (under the guidance of a designated mentor) that focus on the disparate burden of prostate cancer in African Americans. These awards require the active involvement of a mentor who is an established prostate cancer researcher. Under this award mechanism, investigators may apply for Predoctoral Traineeships (\$90,000 for up to 3 years), Postdoctoral Traineeships (\$147,000 for up to 3 years), or Postresidency Traineeships (\$300,000 for up to three years). The objectives are to prevent prostate cancer; detect prostate cancer in its earliest stages of development; cure prostate cancer; improve the quality of life for individuals and their families living with prostate cancer. All proposals must demonstrate a connection to, or effectiveness in working with, the African American community, and must explicitly express how the proposed research is related to a health disparity issue.

Health Disparity Research - Prostate Scholar Award (HDR)

The intent of this award is to encourage investigators at the Assistant Professor or equivalent level to focus their research efforts on the disparate burden of prostate cancer in African Americans. These awards will require the active involvement of a collaborator who is an established prostate cancer researcher. The ultimate goal of these awards is to resolve the disparity in prostate cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality between African Americans and other ethnic groups. Awards are for up to \$300,000 for up to 3 years.

New Investigator Award (NIA)

The intent of this award is to recognize and support independent investigators within 6 years of their last fellowship or postdoctoral position who have innovative ideas and new technologies applicable to prostate cancer research and treatment. Applicants may not have received non-mentored research funding in excess of \$100,000 in aggregate from extramural sources as a PI or co-PI. The objectives are to prevent prostate cancer; detect prostate cancer in its earliest stages of development; cure prostate cancer; improve the quality of life for individuals and their families living with prostate cancer. Awards are for up to \$225,000 for up to 3 years.

DEADLINE: April 16, 2003

NOTE - applications for these programs must be submitted electronically by the Office of Research. Complete details are available at http://www.wfubmc.edu/or/aa_DOD.htm

Research Funding Opportunities

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OFFICE OF BEHAVIORAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH (OBSSR), OFFICE OF DISEASE PREVENTION (ODP), NCI, NEI, NIA, NIAAA, NICHD, NIDA, NIDDK, NIMH, NINR

POSITION: Maintenance of Long Term Behavioral Change - OB-03-003

DESCRIPTION: The Organizations and Institutes invite applications for research projects that a) examine biopsychosocial processes and test interventions designed to achieve long-term health behavior change and b) a Resource Center to provide coordination for this set of research projects. Past research has typically focused on short term behavioral change, yielding little information on how change, once achieved, is maintained over the long term. This RFA encourages investigators to expand on the current theoretical base of change processes and intervention models, as well as to consider new conceptualizations from basic research in the social and behavioral sciences. Applications must focus on important health-related behaviors already demonstrated amenable to short-term change, such as tobacco use, exercise, eating habits, alcohol and drug use, inoculation obtainment, disease screening, stress reduction, adherence to health care regimens, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or sexually transmitted infection (STI) risk practices, bullying and abuse of others, sun exposure, and failure to use safety equipment. This RFA will use the NIH research project (R01) award mechanism.

DEADLINES: Letter of Intent - March 11, 2003

Full Application - April 11, 2003

NIA

POSITION: Pilot Research Grant Program - PAR-03-056

DESCRIPTION: The Institute is seeking small grant (R03) applications in specific areas to: stimulate and facilitate the entry of promising new investigators into aging research; and encourage established investigators to enter new targeted, high priority areas in this research field. This small grant (R03) program provides support for pilot research that is likely to lead to a subsequent individual research project grant (R01) that is focused on aging and/or a significant advancement of aging research. There are 24 topic areas than can be addressed in response to this RFA - they can be found at <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-03-056.html>.

DEADLINES: March 17, July 15 and November 17, 2003

NIDA

POSITION: Stress and Drug Abuse: Epidemiology, Etiology, Prevention, and Treatment - DA-04-001

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this RFA is to solicit applications for innovative research on chronic stress and drug abuse or dependence. Research is encouraged on the epidemiology, etiology, prevention, and treatment of drug abuse/dependence, as it relates to either chronic stress or Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). More specifically, research is sought to examine the relationship between chronic stress or PTSD and drug use, abuse, and dependence. Also of interest is the relationship between chronic stress or PTSD and withdrawal/abstinence, remission, and relapse. The focus of this RFA is on drug abuse or dependence as they relate to chronic stress, not acute stress. Applications responsive to this RFA should include clearly articulated definitions of the chronic stress construct. Applications are desired for interventions to prevent the onset of drug use or its escalation to abuse as a result of chronic stress. Interventions can be delivered in many types of environments, including hospitals, emergency rooms, faith-based and community organizations, schools, workplaces, etc. This RFA will use the NIH research project grant (R01) award mechanism.

DEADLINES: Letter of Intent - May 19, 2003

Full Application - June 18, 2003

NIH

POSITION: Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards for Individual Postdoctoral Fellows (F32) - PA-03-067

DESCRIPTION: This program announcement for the individual Postdoctoral Fellowship Award (F32) is issued under the auspices of the Kirschstein-NRSA Act. The proposed postdoctoral training must be within the broad scope of biomedical, behavioral, or clinical research and must offer an opportunity to enhance the fellow's understanding of the health-related sciences and extend his/her potential for a productive research career. Fellowship awardees are required to pursue their research training on a full-time basis, devoting at least 40 hours per week to the training program. Research clinicians must devote full-time effort to their proposed research training and must restrict clinical duties within their full-time research training experience to activities that are directly related to the research training experience. This fellowship may not be used to support studies leading to the M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M., or other similar health-professional degrees. These awards may not be used to support the clinical years of residency training. Before submitting a fellowship application, the applicant must identify a sponsoring institution and an individual who will serve as a sponsor and will supervise the training and research experience. The fellowships can be for up to three years and provide a stipend determined by the number of full years of relevant postdoctoral experience at the time the award is issued. The complete Program Announcement is available at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-03-067.html>.

DEADLINES: April 5, August 5 and December 5, 2003

NIAMS, NEI, NIEHS

POSITION: Health Disparities in Rheumatic, Musculoskeletal, and Skin Diseases - PA-03-054

DESCRIPTION: The Institutes invite applications for research to promote the design, development and testing of hypothesis-driven innovative approaches to eliminating health disparities in rheumatic, musculoskeletal, and skin diseases. Attention is to be focused on potentially modifiable environmental, social, and behavioral factors, and on gene-environment interactions, that may underlie ethnic/racial disparities in disease prevalence and outcome. In addition, descriptive and analytic epidemiologic studies are needed to characterize further the health disparities in rheumatic, musculoskeletal, and skin diseases. This PA will use the NIH research project grant (R01) award mechanism.

DEADLINES: June 1 and October 1, 2003

GRANT AND CONTRACT PROPOSAL WATCH

	This Fiscal Year July - Jan.	Last Fiscal Year July - Jan.	% Change
Proposals Submitted	562	555	1.3
Dollars Requested	\$335,859,933	\$255,548,155	31.4

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POSITION: Exploratory/Developmental (R21) Bioengineering Research Grants (EBRG) - PA-03-058

DESCRIPTION: The Institutes invite applications for Exploratory/Developmental Grants to support innovative, high risk/high impact bioengineering research in new areas that are lacking preliminary testing or development. This research can explore approaches and concepts new to a particular substantive area; research and development of new technologies, techniques or methods; or initial research and development of data upon which significant future research may be built. While this PA is intended to encourage innovation and high impact research, and while minimal preliminary data are expected to be described in the application, applications should clearly indicate the significance of the proposed work and that the proposed research and/or development is scientifically sound, that the qualifications of the investigators are appropriate, and that resources available to the investigators are adequate. Awards are for up to \$275,000 to be distributed over two years.

DEADLINES: June 1 and October 1, 2003

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(DHHS) INSTITUTES - (<http://www.nih.gov/icd/>)

AHRQ - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

NCCAM - National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine

NCI - National Cancer Institute

NCNR - National Center of Nursing Research

NCRR - National Center for Research Resources

NEI - National Eye Institute

NHLBI - National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute

NHGRI - National Human Genome Research Institute

NIAAA - National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism

NIA - National Institute on Aging

NIAID - National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

NIAMS - National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases

NIBIB - National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering

NICHD - National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

NIDA - National Institute on Drug Abuse

NIDCD - National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

NIDDK - National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases

NIDCR - National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research

NIEHS - National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

NIGMS - National Institute of General Medical Sciences

NIMH - National Institute of Mental Health

NINDS - National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

NLM - National Library of Medicine

ORWH - Office of Research on Women's Health

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