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RESEARCH PARK IN DOWNTOWN EXPANDS WITH NEW FACILITY

Basic and applied research and product development at Wake Forest Health Sciences (WFUHS) have reached new potential with the opening of a world-class 180,000 sq. ft. building in the downtown Research Park. The 5-story multi-tenant structure (known as BRF1) is the largest and most advanced building in the Research Park and marks the start of the first phase of expansion plans for the Park led by WFUHS. A formal opening ceremony for BRF1 is scheduled for May 16, 2006. Approximately 40,000 sq. ft. of wet laboratory and office space is available for lease.

The life science theme of the research park is being built around a new biomedical campus for WFUHS that will create a critical nucleus of intellectual activity to attract new life science investment, companies and R&D to WFUHS and the Winston-Salem community. When fully built out over the course of the next 25 years, the Park will have created about 6 million gross sq. ft. of office, laboratory, retail, residential, and commercial space. In the process, 240 acres of the southeastern area of downtown will have been rebuilt and a new engine of economic development created for the future Winston-Salem. Positioned in a high growth environment (N.C. ranked #3 as a biotechnology state by a 2005 Ernst & Young report, and #1 for business climate by *Site Selection* magazine), the Research Park expansion plans will advance WFUHS research programs by increasing awareness of our strengths in life science and accelerating commercial applications, well as attracting new basic and commercial research and product development.

With the addition of BRF1 and its companion building (A1a), a 30,000 sq. ft. research support building for BRF1 due to be completed in the summer of 2006, the Research Park will have added more than 200,000 sq. ft. of wet lab, office, meeting, datacenter, and vivarium space. The WFUHS Institute of Regenerative Medicine led by Dr. Anthony Atala, the Lipid Sciences Research Program led by Dr. Larry Rudel and the Animal Resource Program led by Dr. Jan Wagner will move into the facility, located on the corner of Salem Avenue and Technology Way, this Spring.

CONCERN LINES

ANIMAL CARE & USE - 716-5899

RESEARCH CONDUCT - 716-0338

COMPLIANCE - 1-877-880-7888

**REGULATORY COMMITTEE
DEADLINES**

ANIMAL CARE AND USE

COMMITTEE - JUNE 2, 2006

INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD -

NOON - FRIDAYS

**INTRAMURAL RESEARCH
SUPPORT COMMITTEE
DEADLINES***REGULAR AND INTERIM - AUGUST 18,
2006* CLINICAL STUDIES OR OTHER
RESEARCH INVOLVING HUMANS
ARE ENCOURAGED**RESEARCH
ADMINISTRATORS
SESSIONS****JUNE 8, 2006 - UPDATE FROM
THE RESEARCH SUPPORT CORE**ALL SESSIONS ARE HELD AT 10:00 AM IN
COMMONS CONFERENCE ROOMS 2&3.

PLEASE E-MAIL AMY COMER

(ACOMER@WFUBMC.EDU) TO BE ADDED

TO THE EMAIL LIST.

Research Park, continued from page 1

The Research Park is already home to more than 30 companies and WFUHS academic departments including the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, led by Dr. Jim Smith, Chairman; the Physician's Assistant Program, led by James A. Van Rhee; Office of Public Health Science, led by Dr. Gregory Burke, Chairman; and the Office of Technology Asset Management, led by Dr. Michael Batalia, Director.

Research and technology development underway at the Research Park includes biomedical research studies on cancer, kidney dialysis, neuroscience, nanotechnology, tissue engineering, structural biology, heart disease, nutrition, aging, substance abuse and imaging. Information technology research is across the board: computer networks, software development, and information consulting for financial services, life science and healthcare. Business support services in the Park provide photography, healthcare information, enterprise management assistance, seed capital, corporate communications and design work.

As the Research Park attracts more high technology-content companies, one of the key priorities and points of leverage according to Dr. Christopher H. Price, Executive Director for the Research Park and Senior Vice President of WFUHS, is to help advance and benefit from the major research programs at Wake Forest University and other area academic institutions.

"WFU brings such broad and deep expertise to many different areas of scientific discovery that we create an R&D support base as a nucleus for the innovation community which brings the perspective and tools of the commercialization process back to WFU to advance research and development to the next level," Price said.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE RESEARCH SUPPORT CORE

The Research Support Core will not offer grant or manuscript editing from **June 8 through June 28**. If you plan to submit a grant application for the July 1 deadline and would like the Core to edit it, please email us at rscore@wfubmc.edu as soon as possible. We have contact information for freelance editors who could assist investigators during this time. All arrangements must be made directly with those individuals. The Core makes no recommendations or guarantees regarding their availability or the quality of the work. Investigators will need to pay for freelance editorial work. If you are interested in possibly working with a freelance editor, please contact us at rscore@wfubmc.edu .

UPDATE ON SIGNATURE PROCESS FOR GRANT AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Please continue to leave the face page blank (institutional name and title) on all applications, and the Office of Research will complete this section. There are multiple reviewers in the Office of Research. In most circumstances, either Paula Means, Assistant Dean for Research or Kris Rhodes, Director, Grants Administration will act as signatory on behalf of the institution. If these individuals are not available, other official signatories will be utilized. If possible, do not enter either name onto the form as it may require the face page to be revised and returned for signature. This field will be blank on the pre-populated face page available on the Office of Research website.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION - CHANGE IN COPIES NEEDED FOR OFFICE OF RESEARCH REVIEW

Effective immediately, Grants Administration will require only ONE copy of grant proposals to be submitted for review. The change applies to all proposals submitted through Grants Administration; it does not impact agreements submitted to Industry Relations.

Following review and signature, the original signature pages, along with a copy of the signed route form, will be returned to the department. The proposal copy and original route form will be retained by Grants Administration.

When routing a proposal for signature, please include:

1. **Peach internal route and cost share forms** (as applicable)
2. **Original signature pages required by the sponsor** (face page, letter of intent, etc.)

AND

3. **Copy of the proposal** (The original proposal including original letters of support or collaboration should be retained in the department.)

Please note - we will continue to request a final copy of the for submission.

We hope the change in copies requested will save all of us time and resources. If you have questions, please contact Grants Administration at 62382.

GRANTS.GOV

HANDS-ON TRAINING

Carpenter Library

Training Room B

June 7, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

June 22, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Contact:

Angela Horton

ahorton@wfubmc.edu to

register

**SEE PAGE 12 FOR
UPCOMING WORK-
SHOPS AND TRAINING
SESSIONS**

**NIH MAKES CHANGES TO
BUSINESS PROCESS,
INCLUDING CHANGES IN
EFFORT REPORTING -
SEE PAGE 7 FOR DETAILS**

DEAR DR. OR



Dear Dr. OR:

If a PI is going to receive a subcontract from the University of Chicago, and the University of Chicago will be receiving their funds from NIH, how do I complete the sponsor information on the routing form?

Signed,
Clear as Mud

Dear Clear:

The Sponsor will be who we get the money from. In this case, the University of Chicago. **The Prime Institution**, if the award is the result of a subcontract, should be marked "Other".

Type of proposal - Should always be reflective of the original award - an NIH R01 subaward should be a "Grant" even if the University of Chicago is issuing a subaward to us. If the original instrument is a contract, you would reference "Contract".

Dear Dr. OR:

I just received my Notice of Grant Award for the second year of my grant from the National Cancer Institute (NCI). I noticed that although I received a full year of funding, the budget period start date is now a month earlier. Do you know why NCI is issuing awards this way?

Signed,
Curious

Dear Curious:

In recent years, there has been a dramatic increase in the number of projects funded late in the NIH fiscal year. The result was a clustering of projects in the third and fourth quarters. This clustering caused serious problems for NIH staff who must prepare, review, and negotiate grant awards and cooperative agreements. In response to this situation, the NCI (and other institutes) are currently "recycling" some non-competing continuation and renewal awards. The purpose of "recycling" is to allocate award start dates throughout the year. Institutes have found that this strategy is very successful in more evenly distributing the staff's workload.

If the reduction of time causes a significant amount of carryover for the next budget period, explain the situation in your progress report as follows:

Due to recycling, the current budget period was reduced to 11 months, with 12 months of funding received, resulting in an unobligated balance.

Questions for Dr. OR should be submitted in writing to Angela Horton, Office of Research, or by email ahorton@wfubmc.edu

CONTROLLER'S CORNER - GRANTS MANAGEMENT

Please join us in congratulating Jay Nail for his promotion to Grant Accounting Specialist 1 in February 2006. Jay joins Nancy McCaffrey in assisting the Division of PHS.

Internal Service Department Charges (ITs):

There have been discussions about the IT process and the amount of time spent by Departmental and Controller's Office personnel to identify IT charges. We are in the process of trying to identify the recurring issues and hope to find ways to make this a better process for all. In the meantime, we would appreciate everyone's help with this process.

Please remember to update your grant number (chartfield) with the internal service departments when a grant ends or the number changes. Also ensure that anyone using your chartfield is an authorized user. It is a departmental responsibility to identify authorized users and communicate that information. Chartfields should be treated like your checking account, as you would not want an unauthorized user accessing your account!

Cost Transfers:

There is a new Cost Transfer Policy and Form (effective 3/01/06) on the Controller's Office website http://infinet.wfubmc.edu/depts/wfuhs_control/forms.htm. The actual form has been revised slightly.

A cost transfer form is necessary anytime expenses are being moved, including payroll that is being reclassified via a retro-JCR (Job Change Request). This documentation is necessary to ensure that we are in compliance with sponsor regulations. When mistakes are made, they must be corrected in a timely manner. Items that are corrected within 90 days require a brief explanation, which is designed to allow anyone reviewing it to understand the logic for the transfer. Requests that go beyond 90 days require more extensive explanations. As mentioned above, this process is necessary per sponsor regulations and will serve to protect us personally and institutionally. It will also allow us to identify potential improvements to our current processes and procedures to ensure that all funds are accounted for appropriately.

Training Grant Changes:

In October of 2005, WFUHS adopted a new policy which allows post docs to have family coverage paid for by the source of funds paying for their stipend. Along with family coverage, each trainee receives life insurance and long term disability (LTD) which is also charged to the sponsored fund. Life insurance and LTD fees are recorded once per year. This year the fee is \$147.60 per trainee.

In addition to the above policy change, effective 3/1/06, we will obligate on the Financial Status Report (FSR) a trainee's stipend, tuition and health insurance for the full appointment period.



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

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

EXCELLENCE TRIATHLON TAKING PLACE IN MAY

The 9th Annual Excellence Triathlon is taking place on May 20, 2006 at Tanglewood Park in Clemmons. The Excellence Triathlon raises money to provide funding for educational, training, research and prevention programs about domestic violence. The Women's Health Center of Excellence for Research, Leadership, Education instituted this annual event in 1998 and over \$120,000 has been raised to date.

We have several ways that interested Triathlon supporters can participate:

- volunteering-- contact Natalie Barrett at nbarrett@wfubmc.edu
- donating-- contact Diana Cornelison at dcorneli@wfubmc.edu
- race participant-- contact Stacy Rega, Triathlon Director at srega@wfubmc.edu or visit our website at www.excellencetriathlon.org.

If you have any questions, please visit our website at www.excellencetriathlon.org or contact Stacy Rega, Triathlon Director at srega@wfubmc.edu.

APRIL WAS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

In keeping with April being Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we would like to present the important steps to follow if you have been sexually assaulted.

- Make sure you are in a safe place and call the police
- Stay where you are and **do not** change clothes, brush your teeth, eat, drink or bathe
- Call Rape Crisis at (336) 722-4457

The police will probably want you to go to a hospital, preferably one that will have specially trained nurses to collect evidence from you. These nurses are called SANE or FNE nurses. We are fortunate in having such a program here at the WFU Baptist Medical Center Emergency department. For more information about the SANE program, contact Lisa Haffner at lhaffner@wfubmc.edu.

ARP NEWS:

The Animal Resources Program extends congratulations to Joy Brinkerhoff, RLATg, Laboratory Animal Technician, Friedberg Campus on receiving the *RESEARCH TRIANGLE AALAS* (American Association for Laboratory Animal Science) *President's Award* at the RTB AALAS Awards Banquet on Thursday evening, February 9th. Joy was presented with a plaque and a check for \$500 from Charles River Laboratories for exemplifying outstanding dedication and service to the field of Laboratory Animal Care. Nominees for this award were judged on their responsible care of experimental animals and a positive attitude toward their welfare, notable performance in completing animal care and facility-related duties, the pursuit of knowledge in the field of animal care (she has earned all three levels of AALAS certification), and an innovative approach to animal care problems. Joy did not know she had been nominated and selected to receive this presentation until it was announced at the ceremony. What a wonderful surprise for her as she is so deserving of this recognition of her hard work!

CHANGES TO THE PHS STANDARD FORMS TO SUPPORT THE NIH BUSINESS PROCESS CHANGES - (NOT-OD-06-056).

The PHS398 forms have been revised to incorporate a number of business process changes that have been implemented since the publication of the 9/2004 revision. Revised forms (dated rev. 4/06) are available for immediate use and are required for paper applications being prepared for submission/receipt dates on/after May 10, 2006. After this date, applications submitted using previous versions of form pages that have been updated, may be delayed in the review process. Below are some of the business process changes that the revised forms accommodate:

Replacing PI Signature on the Application with an Institutional Compliance Requirement –

The signature of the Principal Investigator (PI) will no longer be required by NIH for application submissions. The PI's signature on the internal route form (hopefully electronically in the near future) will be institutional documentation supporting the submission, signature is required prior to submission of an application. The change to the "Peach Sheet" will involve the incorporation of an investigator certification indicating: (1) the information submitted within the application is true, complete and accurate to the best of the PI's knowledge; (2) the PI is aware that false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject him/her to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties; and (3) the PI agrees to accept responsibility for the scientific conduct of the project and to provide the required progress reports if a grant is awarded as a result of the application. When multiple PIs are proposed in an application, assurances must be retained for all named PIs. The effective date for this change is May 10, 2006. The Office of Research will have the revised internal route form available by June 1, 2006, the current version can be used until then.

Percent Effort is Now Calendar Months – Effective May 10, 2006, personnel working on projects must now indicate effort in calendar, academic, and/or summer months. The change will affect the following sections of NIH applications:

- Form Page 4 (Detailed Budget Page)
- Key Personnel Format Report
- Modular Instructions, Budget Justification
- Other Support, which continues to be required as a Just-In-Time submission.

There is a month conversion calculator available on the Office of Research, Grants.gov website at <http://www1.wfubmc.edu/OR/Grants/Grants.gov/Submission+Resources.htm>.

Multiple Principal Investigators (PIs) Implementation at NIH - NIH Guide Notice OD-06-036 announced NIH's preliminary plans to incorporate multiple PIs into the application business process. The PHS398 has now been modified to accommodate multiple PIs in competing applications. Applicants are reminded that this initiative is still in a pilot phase. Only applications in response to specific funding opportunity announcements that included multiple PIs as an option should be following these new instructions at this time.

Revised Requirements for Select Agent Research - The requirements of the Research Plan have been revised (NOT-OD-06-056) to include a new section dedicated specifically to Select Agent Research. This new section (G. Select Agent Research) is only required when applicable. Additionally, the Resource Format Page instructions have been revised to request specific information on the biocontainment resources available when applicable. Finally, the Select Agent Research section in Part III Policy/Assurance/Definitions has been revised to include additional informational websites.

Research Funding Opportunities

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NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Position: Research On Ethical Issues In Human Subjects Research (R03, R21, R01) - PA-06-367, PA-06-368, PA-06-369

Description: The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement is to solicit research addressing the ethical challenges of human subjects research in order to optimize the protection of human subjects and enhance the ethical conduct of human subjects research.

Recent developments in biomedical and behavioral research which include the rapid growth of new interventions and technologies, increasing involvement of foreign populations in human subjects research, and concerns about financial conflicts of interest among researchers, challenge investigators' abilities to interpret and apply the regulations. Other situations (e.g., research with vulnerable populations, research on stigmatizing diseases or conditions) may present difficulties for identifying strategies, procedures, and/or techniques that will enhance/ensure the ethical involvement of human subjects in research. Thus, research on ethical issues in human subjects research is necessary to enhance interpretation and application of ethical principles and regulatory requirements.

The research design for studies on ethical issues in human subjects research should be appropriate to the nature of the project(s) proposed and the disciplines involved. Given the conceptual and methodological complexity of many of these research questions, interdisciplinary and collaborative projects are encouraged, particularly those involving clinical researchers, ethicists, and behavioral/social scientists.

In conducting research on ethical issues in human subjects research, different conceptual frameworks for ethics (e.g., principlism, deontology, utilitarianism, rights, ethics of care, etc.) exist and may provide presuppositions and theoretical foundations from which bioethical questions can be formulated and tested. The questions and strategies for testing these issues must be consistent with existing Federal requirements. Currently, research supported by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS – which includes NIH) follows the Code of Federal Regulations – Protection of Human Subjects (45 CFR Part 46). For research conducted internationally, alternative guidelines that describe protections equivalent to those required by 45 CFR 46 may be used (<http://www.hhs.gov/ohrp/humansubjects/assurance/filasur.htm>), such as those developed by the World Health Organization, the Council for International Organizations of Medical Sciences, and other internationally recognized groups.

This FOA seeks Small Grant (R03) applications for empirical or conceptual research that address the ethical challenges of research involving human subjects with the goal of optimizing protections. See <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/r03.htm> for a description of the NIH Small Grant Program. The NIH is also issuing FOAs on the same topics using two other grant mechanisms: the R01 will support empirical research; the R21 will support conceptual as well as empirical research.

Information regarding the different funding mechanisms can be found at: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/contacts/pa-06-367_368_369_differences.doc.

Deadlines: June 1 and October 1, 2006 - Applications must be submitted via Grants.gov, no paper applications will be accepted.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

Position: Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA) for Individual Postdoctoral Fellows (F32) – PA-06-373

Description: The objective of the NRSA F32 program is to provide support to promising postdoctoral applicants who have the potential to become productive and successful independent research investigators in scientific health-related fields relevant to the missions of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers. The purpose of the National Research Service Award Act (NRSA) is to help ensure that diverse pools of highly trained scientists will be available in adequate numbers and in appropriate research areas to carry out the Nation's biomedical, behavioral and clinical research agendas. The National Institutes of Health (NIH) awards individual postdoctoral fellowships (F32) to promising applicants who have the potential to become productive, independent investigators in fields related to the mission of participating NIH Institutes and Centers. The proposed postdoctoral training must be within the broad scope of biomedical, behavioral, or clinical research or other specific disciplines relevant to the research mission of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers. The proposed training 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. Postdoctoral applicants for this award must include a research training proposal that documents the need for the research training and the expected value of the proposed fellowship experience as it relates to the individual's goals for a career as an independent researcher. Fellowship awardees are required to pursue their research training on a full-time basis, normally defined as 40 hours per week, or as specified by the sponsoring institution in accordance with its own policies. A Ruth L. Kirschstein-NRSA fellowship (F32) may not be used to support studies leading to the MD., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M., or other similar health-professional degrees. Neither may these awards be used to support the clinical years of residency training. The applicant's research training should be guided and supervised by a committed sponsor who is an active and established investigator in the area of the applicant's proposed research. The research training should occur in a research-intensive environment that has appropriate human and technical resources and is demonstrably committed to research training in the particular program proposed by the applicant.

Each NIH Institute and Center has a unique scientific purview and different program goals and initiatives that evolve over time. Prior to preparing an application, it is critical that all applicants consult the appropriate Institute website or details of research areas supported by that Institute and contact the appropriate Institute representative listed in the F32 Web site (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/contacts/pa-06-373_contacts.htm) to obtain current information about Institute-specific program priorities and policies. This action is of utmost importance because applications with marginal or no relevance to the participating Institutes will not be accepted for review or possible funding. This mechanism is intended for candidates that will have received a Ph.D., M.D., D.O., D.C., D.D.S., D.V.M., O.D., D.P.M., Sc.D., Eng.D., Dr. P.H., DNSc., N.D.(Doctor of Naturopathy), Pharm.D., D.S.W., Psy.D., or equivalent doctoral degree from an accredited domestic or foreign institution prior to activation of the award. Additional information and detailed requirements for this NRSA award mechanism can be found at: <http://grants.nih.gov/training/nrsa.htm>. Ruth L. Kirschstein-NRSA awards provide stipends to postdoctoral fellows as a subsistence allowance to help defray living expenses during the research training experience.

Deadlines: August 5 and December 5, 2006

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MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION

POSITION: Research Grants

DESCRIPTION: The MDA supports basic and applied research into forty diseases of the neuromuscular system with the ultimate goal of identifying the causes of, and effective treatments for, the muscular dystrophies and related diseases, which include spinal muscular atrophies and motor neuron diseases, peripheral neuropathies, inflammatory myopathies, metabolic myopathies, and diseases of the neuromuscular junction. Applicants must have a Ph.D., M.D., or equivalent degree. A maximum award of \$45,000 is available. Additional information is available at <http://www.mdausa.org>.

DEADLINE: Letter of Intent – June 15, 2006 (Electronic Submission)

BURROUGHS WELLCOME FUND (BWF)

POSITION: Clinical Scientist Awards in Translational Research

DESCRIPTION: These awards are intended to foster the development and productivity of established independent physician-scientists who will strengthen translational research, through their own studies as well as by mentoring physician-scientist trainees. The awards are intended to give recipients the freedom and flexibility to explore fundamental scientific questions, to apply the resulting knowledge at the bedside, and to bring insights from the clinical setting back to the laboratory for further exploration. BWF hopes these efforts will lead to better understanding of the mechanisms of disease as well as to new methods of diagnosing, treating and preventing disease. Candidates must have an M.D. or M.D./Ph.D. degree. Non-M.D. candidates will be considered if their work is likely to contribute significantly to the clinical enterprise. Candidates also must be at the late assistant professor or associate professor level, holding a tenure-track position. Awards are for up to \$150,000 per year for up to five years. Additional information can be found at <http://www.bwffund.org>.

DEADLINE: September 1, 2006 (Electronic Submission Required)

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (ABMRF)

POSITION: Research Grants

DESCRIPTION: The Foundation invites applications for grants to conduct research on the biomedical, biobehavioral and psychosocial aspects of alcohol consumption and its effects. The mission of the ABMRF grant program is to energize the field by helping researchers begin their careers and position them to attract greater funding from other sources with the track record resulting from a Foundation grant. Highest funding priority is given to young investigators, new to the field or trained in the field, or to investigators outside alcohol research bringing an innovative idea to the field. Lowest priority is given to established investigators in the alcohol research field unless the application offers an extraordinary new idea. The maximum grant award is \$50,000 per year for up to two years. More information about the ABMRF grant program, including the application forms and guidelines, is available at the Foundation website (<http://www.abmrf.org>)

DEADLINE: September 1, 2006

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

POSITION: National Center Programs

National Established Investigator Award - The objective of this award is to support mid-term investigators with unusual promise and an established record of accomplishments. Candidates should have a demonstrated commitment to cardiovascular or cerebrovascular science as indicated by prior publication history and scientific accomplishments. A candidate's career is expected to be in a rapid growth phase. At the time of award activation, the investigator is usually four years but no more than 9 years since first appointment at the Assistant Professor level or its equivalent. Awards are for up to \$100,000 per year including 10% indirect costs, for up to five years.

National Scientist Development Grant - The objective of this award is to support highly promising beginning scientists in their progress toward independence by encouraging and adequately funding research projects that can serve to bridge the gap between completion of research training and readiness for successful competition as an independent investigator. Research should focus broadly on cardiovascular function and disease, stroke, or to related basic science, clinical, bioengineering/biotechnology, and public health problems. Awards are for up to \$65,000 per year for up to four years.

Additional information on these programs can be found at <http://www.americanheart.org>.

DEADLINE: July 11, 2006 (Electronic Submission Required)

CHRISTOPHER REEVE PARALYSIS FOUNDATION

POSITION: Individual Grants Program

DESCRIPTION: The CRF Individual Grants Program was founded on the understanding that effective treatments for acute and chronic spinal cord injury will involve carefully orchestrated multi-disciplinary interventions, each tailored to the individual patient. For this reason, the Individual Grants Program, the largest and most comprehensive of the CRF research initiatives, supports investigator-initiated research on a variety of fronts, including axon growth and guidance, remyelination, cellular replacement, rehabilitation and neuroprotection.

Additional information can be found at <http://www.crfp.org>.

DEADLINE: June 15, 2006

GRANT AND CONTRACT PROPOSAL WATCH

	Fiscal Year 06 July - March	Fiscal Year 05 July - March	% Change
Proposals Submitted	967	870	11.1%
Dollars Requested	\$615,530,920	\$572,778,436	7.5%

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OFFICE OF RESEARCH PROPOSED TRAINING SCHEDULE

GRANTS ADMINISTRATION AND INDUSTRY RELATIONS

"Pre-award Fundamentals/Budget 101"

Friday, May 19, 2006 1:30 – 4:30

Presenters – Paula Means, Laura Hemrick

Description – This will be a very interactive workshop and will include definitions and terminology used in pre-award activities. We will also review the various cost standards and allocation principles; definitions of budget line items, and discuss common problems and misconceptions in developing proposal budgets. Other topics will include: basic concepts of proposal development; institutional review of proposals; award types; interpretation and negotiation. We will also familiarize individuals responsible for creating grant budgets with techniques, guidelines and tips relating to basic budget preparation.

Target audience – Business administrators, research administrators and faculty

Location – Sticht Center Auditorium

RSVP - Lauren Schweppe (lschwepp@wfubmc.edu)

"Budget 201"

Tuesday, June 20, 2006 1:30 – 4:30

Presenters – Paula Means, Janice Grace, Kris Rhodes

Description – The second in a series of budget workshops will include a discussion of techniques, guidelines and tips related to budget preparation and management of federal, industry and other types of applications. Some topics to be discussed include: facilities and administration (F&A) costs, consortiums, cost sharing and complex budgets associated with program projects. Attendees should have attended "Budget 101" or have experience in working with sponsored research budgets.

Target audience – Business administrators, research administrators and faculty

Location – Commons Conference Rooms 1-3

RSVP - Lauren Schweppe (lschwepp@wfubmc.edu)

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"IRB Update Meeting"

Thursday, May 18, 2006 10:00 - 11:00

Presenters: Cheryl Byers, IRB Staff

Description – Information session

Target audience – All research faculty and staff as well as IRB members

Location – Babcock Auditorium

COMPLIANCE

"Financial Research Compliance"

Thursday, June 8, 2006 Thursday, October 26, 2006

Thursday, July 27, 2006 Wednesday, November 8, 2006

Thursday, August 24, 2006 Thursday, December 14, 2006

Wednesday, September 27, 2006

Presenters—Laura Hemrick, Mary Truell, Donna Simonds

Description – Training class

Target Audience – Anyone with signing authority on a grant.

Location – Cancer Center, Room 2A-2B

RSVP - Laura Hemrick (lhemrick@wfubmc.edu) or Mary Truell (mtruell@wfubmc.edu)

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