

amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

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*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Initial Review Group Epidemiology and Prevention Research Subcommittee.

*Date:* February 9–10, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Ritz-Carlton Hotel at Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202.

*Contact Person:* Susan L. Coyle, Chief, Clinical, Epidemiological and Applied Sciences Review Branch, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–42, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–2620.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel Epidemiology and Prevention.

*Date:* February 10, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Ritz-Carlton Hotel at Pentagon City, 1250 South Hayes Street, Arlington, VA 22202.

*Contact Person:* Kesinee Nimit, Health Scientist Administrator, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–22, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–9042.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Initial Review Group Basic Behavioral Science Research Subcommittee.

*Date:* February 17–18, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Key Bridge Marriott, 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22209.

*Contact Person:* Mark Swieter, Health Scientist Administrator, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–42, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–2620.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel Human Brain Project.

*Date:* February 23–24, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Key Bridge Marriott, 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22209.

*Contact Person:* Mark Swieter, Health Scientist Administrator, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–42, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–2620.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel Program Projects.

*Date:* February 23, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Key Bridge Marriott, 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22209.

*Contact Person:* Rita Liu, Health Scientist Administrator, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–22, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–9042.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel Centers.

*Date:* February 24, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Key Bridge Marriott, 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22209.

*Contact Person:* Rita Liu, Health Scientist Administrator, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–22, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–9042.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel Medication Development.

*Date:* February 24, 1999.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Key Bridge Marriott, 1401 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22209.

*Contact Person:* Khursheed Asghar, Chief, Basic Sciences Review Branch, Office of Extramural Program Review, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, DHHS, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 10–22, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443–2620.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.277, Drug Abuse Scientist Development Award for Clinicians, Scientist Development Awards, and Research Scientist Awards; 93.278, Drug Abuse National Research Service Awards for Research Training; 93.279, Drug Abuse Research Programs, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: January 19, 1999.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield.**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of meetings of the National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke 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.

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 Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council.

*Date:* February 10–12, 1999.

*Open:* February 11, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

*Agenda:* Report by the Director, NINDS; Report by the Associate Director for Extramural Research; and other administrative and program developments.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Closed:* February 11, 1999, 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the Division of Intramural Research Board of Scientific Counselors' reports.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Closed:* February 12, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Contact Person:* Constance W. Atwell, Ph.D., Associate Director for Extramural Research, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke,

National Institutes of Health, Federal Building, Room 1014, 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9248.

*Name of Committee:* National Advisory Neurological Disorders and Stroke Council, Council Review Committee.

*Closed:* February 10, 1999.

*Time:* 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, Room 8A28, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Contact Person:* Constance W. Atwell, Ph.D., Associate Director for Extramural Research, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, National Institutes of Health, Federal Building, Room 1014, 7550 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496-9248.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.853, Clinical Research Related to Neurological Disorders; 93.854, Biological Basis Research in the Neurosciences, 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 Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) 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, ZDK-1 GRB-D (M2).

*Date:* January 26, 1999.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to Adjournment.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Natcher Bldg., 45 Center Drive, Room 6AS-37, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Ann A. Hagan, Chief, Review Branch, National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health, PHS, DHHS, Rm. 6AS37, Bldg. 45, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 594-8886.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.847, Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Research; 93-848, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Research; 93.849, Kidney Diseases, Urology and Hematology Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: January 20, 1999.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: "Ultra Thin Walled Wire Reinforced Endotracheal Tubing"

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is notice, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i), that the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license to practice the inventions embodied in U.S. Patent Application S/N 08/645, 887 entitled, "Ultra Thin Walled Wire Reinforced Endotracheal Tubing" filed on May 15, 1996 and now U.S. Patent 5,722,395 which issued on March 3, 1998 to Vital Signs, Inc. of Totowa, New Jersey. The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the United States of America.

The prospective exclusive license territory will be for the United States. **DATES:** Only written comments and/or application for a license which are received by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer on or before March 29, 1999 will be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for copies of the patent, inquiries, comments and other materials relating to the contemplated exclusive license should be directed to: Richard U. Rodriguez, M.B.A.,

Technology Licensing Specialist, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, MD. 20852-3804. Telephone: 301/496-7056, ext. 287; Facsimile: 301/402-0220; E-mail: rr154z@nih.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** U.S. Patent 5,722,395 claims an ultra thin walled wire reinforced endotracheal tubing which includes a thin walled tubing comprising a polymeric material having a spring material incorporated therewith. Utilization of the spring wire material in combination with polymeric material results in a reduced wall thickness which results in a significant decrease in resistance to air flow through the endotracheal tubing and therefore should permit a patient to breathe in a more relaxed fashion so as not to become exhausted. The endotracheal tubing of the present invention is made by depositing a dissolvable polymeric material onto a rotating mandrel in successive layers. A spring material is also applied around the mandrel to produce the ultra thin walled wire reinforced endotracheal tubing.

The prospective exclusive license: will be royalty-bearing; will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7; and it will be structured in such a way not to preclude the U.S. Public Health Service from licensing the patent rights of U.S. Patents 5,305,740, 5,429,127, 5,537, 729, 5,711,296 and 5,785,998 and allowing appropriate licensees the right to practice these patent rights worldwide.

The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless within sixty (60) days from the date of this published notice, the NIH receives written evidence and argument that establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Properly filed competing applications for a license filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the contemplated license. Comments and objections submitted to this notice will not be made available for public inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

Dated: January 20, 1999.

**Jack Spiegel,**

*Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer.*

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