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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Availability of Patent Application for Exclusive License

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army, DoD.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Army announces the general availability of exclusive, partially exclusive, or nonexclusive licenses under the following patents that are listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** paragraph.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Rosenkrans at U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Kansas Street, Natick, MA 01760; Phone: (508) 233-4928 or E-mail: Robert.Rosenkrans@natick.army.mil.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Any licenses granted shall comply with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404. The following Patent Application Number, Title and Filing date is provided:

*Patent Application Number:* 09/334,981.

*Title:* Harness for Human Wear.  
*Filing Date:* June 17, 1999.  
*Australian Patent Application Number:* 199672359.

*Title:* Interlock Attaching Strap System.  
*Filing Date:* September 5, 1996.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Concerning Topical Protectants

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, DOD.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent Serial No. 5,607,979 entitled "Topical Skin Protectants" issued March 4, 1997. This patent application has been assigned to the United States

Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army.

**ADDRESSES:** Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, Maryland 21702-5012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619-6664. Both telefax (301) 619-5034.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Creams formed from about 35% to about 50% fine particulates of certain poly (tetrafluoroethylene) resins dispersed in perfluorinated polyether oils having viscosities from about 20 cSt to about 350 cSt afford good protection against chemical warfare agents such as sulfur mustard (HD), lewisite (L), sulfur mustard/Lewisite mixtures (HL), pinacolyl methylphosphonofluoridate (soman or GD), thickened soman (TGD) and O-ethyl S-2-diisopropylaminoethyl methylphosphonothiolate (vx).

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Use of Antibodies to Sialidase as Anti-Infectious Agents and Anti-Inflammatory Agents

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent No. 6,066,323 entitled "Use of Antibodies to Sialidase as Anti-infectious Agents and Anti-Inflammatory Agents" issued May 23, 2000. This patent application has been assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army.

**ADDRESSES:** Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, Maryland 21702-5012

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619-6664. Both telefax (301) 619-5034.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Sialic acids have the ability to prevent hyposialylation of cells as competitive inhibitors of endogenous sialidase. It is now also possible to develop antibodies to mammalian sialidase that significantly reduce influx of neutrophils into inflammatory sites.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Department of the Air Force, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice to amend systems of records.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Air Force is amending a system of records notice in its existing inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

**DATES:** This proposed action will be effective without further notice on April 23, 2001, unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Air Force Access Programs Manager, Headquarters, Air Force Communications and Information Center/ITC, 1250 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1250.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Anne Rollins at (703) 588-6187.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department of the Air Force systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the address above.

The specific changes to the records systems being amended are set forth below followed by the notices, as amended, published in their entirety. The proposed amendments are not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered system report.

Dated: March 16, 2001.

**L.M. Bynum,**

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Officer, Department of Defense.*

#### **F044 AF SG R**

##### **SYSTEM NAME:**

Reporting of Medical Conditions of Public Health and Military Significance (June 11, 1997, 62 FR 31793).

##### **CHANGES:**

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##### **CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

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#### **F044 AF SG R**

##### **SYSTEM NAME:**

Reporting of Medical Conditions of Public Health and Military Significance.

##### **SYSTEM LOCATION:**

Epidemiology Services Branch, Epidemiologic Research Division, Armstrong Laboratory, 2601 West Gate Road, Suite 114, Brooks Air Force Base, TX 78235-5241, medical centers, hospitals and clinics, medical aid stations, Air National Guard activities, and Air Force Reserve units. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices.

##### **CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:**

Active duty Air Force members and their dependents, civilian Air Force employees, retired Air Force members and their dependents, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard personnel and foreign national Air Force employees.

##### **CATEGORIES OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

Name, Social Security Number, home address, home phone, date of birth, and records relating to communicable diseases, occupational illnesses, animal bites.

##### **AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:**

10 U.S.C. 55, Medical and Dental Care; 10 U.S.C. 8013, Secretary of the Air Force; 28 CFR 1960, Occupational Illness/Injury Reporting Guidelines for Federal Agencies; Air Force Instruction 48-105, Surveillance, Prevention, and Control of Diseases and Conditions of Public Health or Military Significance; and E.O. 9397 (SSN).

##### **PURPOSE(S):**

Records from this system of records will be used for ongoing public health surveillance, which is the systematic collection, analysis, and interpretation

of outcome-specific data for use in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of public health practice within the Air Force.

Primary users include appropriate Air Force activity/installation preventive medicine and public health personnel and their major command and Air Force counterparts. Records are used and reviewed by health care personnel in the performance of their duties.

Health care personnel include military and civilian personnel assigned to the Air Force facility where the records are maintained. Students participating in an USAF training program may also use and review records as part of their training program.

##### **ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:**

In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C. 552a(b) of the Privacy Act, these records, or information contained therein, may specifically be disclosed outside the DoD as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) as follows:

To the officials and employees of the National Research Council and the Department of Veterans Affairs in cooperative studies of the natural history of disease and epidemiology. Each study in which the records of members and former members of the Air Force are used must be approved by the Surgeon General of the Air Force.

To officials and employees of local and state governments in the performance of their official duties pursuant to the laws and regulations governing local control of communicable diseases, preventive medicine and safety programs, and other public health and welfare programs.

The DoD "Blanket Routine Uses" published at the beginning of the Air Force's compilation of record system notices apply to this system, except as stipulated in "Note" below.

**Note:** Records of identity, diagnosis, prognosis or treatment of any client/patient, irrespective of whether or when he/she ceases to be a client/patient, maintained in connection with the performance of any alcohol/drug abuse treatment function conducted, requested, or directly or indirectly assisted by any department or agency of the United States, shall, except as provided herein, be confidential and be disclosed only for the purposes and under the circumstances expressly authorized in 42 U.S.C. 290dd-2. This statute takes precedence over the Privacy Act of 1974 in regard to accessibility of such records except to the individual to whom the record pertains. The DoD "Blanket Routine Uses" do not apply to these types of records.

##### **POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:**

##### **STORAGE:**

Maintained in machine readable form.

##### **RETRIEVABILITY:**

Records are retrieved by name, Social Security Number, reportable event, location, or any combination of these.

##### **SAFEGUARDS:**

Records are accessed by custodians of the record system and by person(s) responsible for servicing the record system in performance of their official duties who are properly screened. Except when under direct physical control by authorized individuals, records will be electronically stored in computer storage devices protected by computer system software. Computer terminals are located in supervised areas with terminal access controlled by password or other use code systems.

##### **RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:**

Local retention may vary, but will be no less than 5 years after the fiscal year to which the records relate. After that time, records may be destroyed by erasing, deleting, or overwriting.

##### **SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:**

Chief, Epidemiology Services Branch, Epidemiologic Research Division, Armstrong Laboratory (AL/AOES), 2601 West Gate Road, Suite 114, Brooks Air Force Base, TX 78235-5241, or comparable official of the Public Health Office serving the Air Force activity/installation. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices.

##### **NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:**

Individuals seeking to determine whether this system of records contains information on themselves should address written inquiries to Chief, Epidemiology Services Branch, Epidemiologic Research Division, Armstrong Laboratory (AL/AOES), 2601 West Gate Road, Suite 114, Brooks Air Force Base, TX 78235-5241, or comparable official of the Public Health Office serving the Air Force activity/installation. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices.

Written requests should contain the full name and signature of the requester.

Requests in person must be made during normal office duty hours Monday through Friday, excluding national and/or local holidays.

**RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Individuals seeking to access records about themselves contained in this system should address written requests to the Chief, Epidemiology Services Branch, Epidemiologic Research Division, Armstrong Laboratory (AL/AOES), 2601 West Gate Road, Suite 114, Brooks Air Force Base, TX 78235-5241, or comparable official of the Public Health Office serving the Air Force activity/installation. Official mailing addresses are published as an appendix to the Air Force's compilation of systems of records notices.

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**CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:**

The Air Force rules for accessing records, and for contesting and appealing initial agency determinations are published in Air Force Instruction 37-132; 32 CFR part 806b; or may be obtained from the system manager.

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Records in this system are obtained from DOD and Air Force employees involved in the surveillance, prevention, control, and reporting of diseases and conditions of public health or military significance.

Database is compiled using information from personnel, medical, and casualty records, investigative reports, and environmental sampling data.

**EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE****Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers****Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Calcasieu Lock, LA, Feasibility Study**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The Calcasieu Lock is located on the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW) in southwest Louisiana. A feasibility study is being conducted to investigate alternatives to reduce navigation delays associated with the

lock. A draft EIS is being prepared to accompany the feasibility report.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Questions concerning the EIS should be addressed to Mr. Richard Boe at (504) 862-1505. Mr. Boe may also be reached at fax number (504) 862-2572 or by E-mail at

richard.e.boe@mnv02.usace.army.mil. Mr. Boe's address is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, PM-RS, P.O. Box 60267, New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

1. *Authority.* The feasibility study is authorized by identical resolutions passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives in 1972 requesting the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors "to review the reports on the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (Louisiana-Texas Section, including the Morgan City-Port Allen Route) \* \* \* with a view to determining the advisability of modifying the existing project in any way \* \* \*."

2. *Proposed Action.* The proposed action, if determined economically feasible and environmentally acceptable, is the construction of a new lock to replace the existing Calcasieu Lock.

3. *Alternatives.* a. Three potential alignments for a replacement lock have been identified. The first alternative is to align a new lock immediately north of the existing lock. The second alternative consists of a new lock immediately south of the existing lock. The third alternative is a new lock in the center of an existing bypass channel about one-half mile south of the existing lock.

b. The first alignment alternative could probably be implemented without the replacement of the Highway 384 bridge across the GIWW. The other two alignment alternatives would require replacement of the Highway 384 bridge. For each of the alignment alternatives, at least two lock widths will be evaluated—90 and 110 feet. The length of any new lock would be 1,200 feet, to make it compatible with other locks on the GIWW. For any of the lock replacement alternatives, the existing lock may be decommissioned; may be kept operational on a standby basis; or may be used as a water control structure.

c. In addition to the lock replacement alternatives, a water control structure alternative will be evaluated. This alternative would consist of a water control structure to relieve the existing lock of its water control function. The existing Calcasieu Lock is used to pass water from the Mermentau River Basin into the tidal waters of the Calcasieu

River and Lake after significant rainfall events in the Mermentau River Basin. During these times of open flow through the lock, navigation traffic is usually stopped and significant delays develop. A water control structure would reduce navigation delays during such occasions.

d. A bridge-only alternative will also be investigated. The existing Highway 384 bridge is a floating, pontoon bridge. Due to the close proximity of the bridge to the lock, vessels entering the lock from the east are considered to be in the lock approach zone as they approach the bridge. To assure the safety of personnel and property, no vessels may be in the lock or entering the lock from the west while a vessel is in the east approach zone. This situation causes delays that may be remedied by the replacement of the bridge with a mid-level or high-level bridge.

4. *Scoping.* a. Scoping is the process for determining the scope of alternatives and significant issues to be addressed in the EIS. For this study, a scoping letter combined with a notice of study initiation will be sent to all parties believed to have an interest in the study. The letter will request input on alternatives and issues to be evaluated and notify interested parties and the local and regional news media of a public scoping meeting that will be held in the local area.

b. *Public Meeting.* A public scoping meeting will be held in the Calcasieu Parish Police Jury Administrative Building located at 1025 Pithon Street, Lake Charles, Louisiana, at 7 pm, April 3, 2001. All interested parties are invited to comment at this time, and anyone interested in this study should request to be included in the study mailing list.

5. *Significant Issues.* The tentative list of resources and issues to be evaluated in the EIS includes tidal wetlands, aquatic resources, wildlife resources, essential fish habitat, water quality, air quality, threatened and endangered species, recreation resources, and cultural resources. Socioeconomic items to be evaluated in the EIS include navigation, flood protection, business and industrial activity, employment, land use, property values, public/community facilities and services, tax revenues, population, community and regional growth, vehicular transportation, housing, community cohesion, and noise.

6. *Environmental Consultation and Review.* The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) will be assisting in the documentation of existing conditions and assessment of effects of project alternatives through Fish and Wildlife