

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Innovations in BCST, Psychopathology and Sleep Disorders.

Date: July 25, 2006.

Time: 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Dana Jeffrey Plude, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3176, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2309, pluded@csr.nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Bioengineering Research Partnerships—Brain Injury and Visual Impairment.

Date: July 25, 2006.

Time: 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Dana Jeffrey Plude, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3176, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2309, pluded@csr.nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Sleep and Chronic Disease.

Date: July 26, 2006.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Michael Micklin, PhD, Chief, RPHB IRG, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3136, MSC 7759, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-2158, micklinm@csr.nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Member Conflict: Child Psychopathology and Developmental Disabilities.

Date: July 2, 2006.

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

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Mariela Shirley, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3186, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-0193, shirleym@csr.nih.gov.

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Dated: July 7, 2006.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: Convection Enhanced Delivery and Tracking of Gadolinium Conjugated Therapeutic Agents to the Central Nervous System

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, Public Health Service, HHS.

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 (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive worldwide license to practice the invention embodied: HHS. Ref. No. E-202-2002 "Method for Convection Enhanced Delivery of Therapeutic Agents," Provisional Patent Application, 60/413,673; International Patent Application PCT/US03/30155, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/528,310; European Patent Applications Serial No. 03756863.1; Australian Patent Application No. 2003299140; Canadian Patent Application No. 2,499,573; and HHS Ref. No. E-206-2000/0 and/1 "Method for Increasing the Distribution of Therapeutic Agents;" and "Method

for Increasing the Distribution of Nucleic Acids;" Provisional, Patent Application 60/250,286; Provisional Patent Application No. 60/286,308; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/999,203; U.S. Patent Application No. 10/132,681; and Canadian Patent Application No. 2327208, to MedGenesis Therapeutix, Inc. a Canadian company having its headquarters in Victoria, British Columbia. The United States of America is the assignee of the patent rights of the above invention. The contemplated exclusive license may be granted in a field of use limited to the convection enhanced delivery and tracking of gadolinium conjugated peptides, polypeptides or lipid-based therapeutic agents within the central nervous system of subjects with cancer, Parkinson's disease, Dementia with Lewy bodies or Alzheimer's disease.

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a licence received by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer on or before September 12, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Requests for a copy of the patent application, inquiries, comments and other materials relating to the contemplated license should be directed to: Michael A. Shmilovich, Esq., Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, MD 20852-3804; Telephone: (301) 435-5019; Facsimile: (301) 402-0220; E-mail: shmilovm@mail.nih.gov. A signed confidentiality nondisclosure agreement will be required to receive copies of the patent applications.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The patent applications intended for licensure disclose and/or cover the following:

E-202-2002 "Method for Convection Enhanced Delivery of Therapeutic Agents." The invention is a method for monitoring the spatial distribution of therapeutic substances by MRI or CT that have been administered to tissue using convection enhanced delivery, a technique that is the subject of NIH-owned U.S. Patent No. 5,720,720. In one embodiment, the tracer is a molecule, detectable by MRI or CT, which functions as a surrogate for the motion of the therapeutic agent through the solid tissue. In other particular embodiments, the tracer is the therapeutic agent conjugated to an imaging moiety. The method of this invention uses non-toxic macromolecular MRI contrast agents comprised of chelated Gd(III). In particular, the surrogate tracer used in this invention is a serum albumin conjugated with either a gadolinium chelate of 2-(p-isothiocyanatobenzyl)-6-methyl diethylenetriamine pentaacetic

acid or with iopanioc acid. These macromolecular imaging agents have clearance properties that mimic the pharmacokinetic properties of co-administrated drugs, so as to be useful in quantifying the range and dosage level of therapeutic drugs using MR imaging.

E-206-2000 "Method for increasing the distribution of therapeutic agents:" "Method for increasing the distribution of nucleic acids." The invention pertains to the reliance of therapies on the local parenchymal delivery of macromolecules or nucleic acids for success. However, the volume of distribution of many of these potential therapeutic agents is restricted by their interactions with the extracellular matrix and cellular receptors. Heparin-sulfate proteoglycans are cell surface components which bind to an array of molecules such as growth factors, cytokines and chemokines and viruses such as cytomegalovirus, herpes simplex virus and HIV. The invention provides a method of dramatically increasing the volume of distribution and effectiveness of certain therapeutic agents after local delivery by the use of facilitating agents as described in Neuroreport. 2001 Jul 3;12(9):1961-4 entitled "Convection enhanced delivery of AAV-2 combined with heparin increases TK gene transfer in the rat brain" and in Exp Neurol. 2001 Mar;168(1):155-61 entitled "Heparin coinfusion during convection-enhanced delivery (CED) increases the distribution of the glial-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF) ligand family in rat striatum and enhances the pharmacological activity of neurturin." These methods are especially useful when used in conjunction with technology described and claimed in the convection enhanced delivery technology claimed in U.S. patent 5,720,720

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within sixty (60) days from the date of this published notice, NIH receives written evidence and argument that establishes 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 in response 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: July 5, 2006.

David R. Sadowski,

Acting Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Office of the Secretary

Welcome to the United States Survey

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Office of Policy, Private Sector Office, DHS.

ACTION: Emergency submission to OMB, comment request.

The Department of Homeland, Office of the Secretary, Private Sector Office has submitted the following (see below) information collection request (ICR), utilizing emergency review procedures, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). OMB approval has been requested by July 30, 2006. A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Departmental Clearance Officer.

Comments and questions about the ICR listed below should be forwarded to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (OMB phone number). The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which: [set asterisks]

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarify of the information to be collected; and

- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other

technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses. [end asterisks]

Agency: Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Office of Policy, Private Sector Office.

Title: Welcome to the United States Survey.

OMB Number: 1601-NEW.

Frequency: One-time collection.

Affected Public: Foreign visitors into the U.S.

Number of Respondents: 939.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5 minutes.

Total Burden Hours: 78.25 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.00.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$0.00.

Description: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Policy, Private Sector Office in conjunction with Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Research Triangle Institute, International, will interview foreign visitors entering the United States at four southern border ports of entry, three northern border ports of entry and four airport ports of entry before the Labor Day holiday in August 2006. This survey will measure how CBP is serving the American public with vigilance and integrity, while providing courteous and helpful treatment to visitors, immigrants and travelers. Additionally, this survey will further the Rice-Chertoff Initiative as has been announced by evaluating the two model airports (Dulles International Airport, Chantilly, VA, and Houston International Airport, Houston, TX) for baseline information as well as how welcomed foreign visitors feel upon entering the United States and interacting with a DHS Customs and Border Protection officer.

Scott Charbo,

Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[USCG-2006-25312]

Meeting of the Office of Boating Safety's Recreational Boating Safety Strategic Planning Panel

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard's Office of Boating Safety is sponsoring a panel of