

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research; Notice of 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 a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research.

The meeting 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 meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual intramural programs and projects conducted by the National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Research, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Board of Scientific Counselors, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, Gene Therapy & Therapeutics & Molecular Structural Biology Section.

Date: December 7–8, 2000.

Closed: December 7, 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: NIH, Building 30, Room 132, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: December 7, 2000, 4:20 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: NIH, Building 30, Room 132, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Open: December 8, 2000, 8:30 a.m. to 11:55 a.m.

Agenda: Laboratory Tours, Poster Presentations.

Place: NIH, Building 30, Room 132, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Closed: December 8, 2000, 12:05 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate meeting Report Formulation, Exit Interviews.

Place: NIH, Building 30, Room 132, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Wendy A. Liffers, JD, Director, Office of Science Policy & Analysis, National Institute of Dental & Craniofacial Res., 31 Center Drive, Rm. 5B55, Bethesda, MD 20892–2190.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the intramural research review cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.121, Oral Diseases and Disorders Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: November 22, 2000.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases; Notice of Closed 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 the following meetings.

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 Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: December 18, 2000.

Time: 12 to 2 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: John R. Lymangrover, Scientific Review Administrator, National Institutes of Health, NIAMS, Natcher Bldg., Room 5As25N, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–594–4952.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: December 20, 2000.

Time: 2 to 3 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: 45 Natcher Bldg., Rm 5As.25u, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Tracy A. Shahan, Scientific Review Administrator, National Institutes of Health, NIAMS, Natcher Bldg., Room 5AS25H, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–594–4952.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.846, Arthritis, Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program; National Toxicology Program (NTP) Board of Scientific Counselors Meeting; Review of Nominations for Listing in the 10th Report on Carcinogens: Revised Preliminary Agenda and Review Order

This notice provides updated information and notes changes for the meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors' Report on Carcinogens (RoC) Subcommittee to be held on December 13, 14, & 15, 2000, at the Wyndham City Center, 1143 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20037. On December 13, registration will begin at 9:00 am and the meeting will begin at 9:30 am. On December 14 & 15, the meeting will begin at 8:30 am. Pre-registration is not required; however, persons requesting time to make oral, public comments are asked to notify Dr. Mary S. Wolfe, Executive Secretary, prior to the meeting (contact information given below).

Background

This meeting covers the peer review of nominations for listing in the 10th RoC, and includes opportunity for public input. An earlier notice of this meeting, which included information about the nominations, review order, solicitation of oral and written comments, and how to secure background documents for the nominations, was published in the **Federal Register** (October 17, 2000, Volume 65, Number 201, Pages 61352–61354).

Changes in Review Order

While the agenda for this meeting remains preliminary, the order of the review as published in the previous notice has been altered as follows: the review of Chloramphenicol changes from six to five; Talc (Asbestiform and

Non-Asbestiform) changes on the agenda from number seven to number six; and Estrogens, Steroidal changes

from number five to number seven for review. Summary data and the revised, preliminary order for review of the

nominations are listed in the table below:

SUMMARY DATA FOR NOMINATIONS TO BE REVIEWED AT THE MEETING OF THE NTP BOARD OF SCIENTIFIC COUNSELORS' REPORT ON CARCINOGENS SUBCOMMITTEE—DECEMBER 13, 14, & 15, 2000

Nomination to be reviewed/cas number	Primary uses or exposures	To be reviewed for	Tentative review order
Broad Spectrum UV Radiation and UVA, UVB and UVC.	Solar and artificial sources of ultraviolet radiation	Listing in the 10th Report.	1
Chloramphenicol/(56-75-7)	Used widely as an antibiotic since the 1950s	Listing in the 10th Report.	5
Estrogens, Steroidal	Estrogens are widely used in post-menopausal therapy and in oral contraceptives for women.	Listing in the 10th Report.	7
Metallic Nickel & Nickel Alloys	Widely used in commercial applications for over 100 years.	Listing in the 10th Report.	4
Methyleugenol/(93-15-2)	Flavoring agent used in jellies, baked goods, nonalcoholic beverages, chewing gum, candy, and ice cream. Also used as a fragrance for many perfumes, lotions, detergents and soaps.	Listing in the 10th Report.	3
Talc/(14807-96-6) (Asbestiform and (Non-Asbestiform).	Asbestiform talc (i.e. talc containing Asbestiform fibers) occurs in various geological settings around the world. Occupational exposure occurs during mining, milling and processing. Non-asbestiform talc (i.e. talc not containing asbestiform fibers) occurs in various geological settings around the world. Occupational exposure occurs during mining, milling and processing. Exposure to general population occurs through use of products such as cosmetics.	Listing in the 10th Report.	6
Trichloroethylene (TCE)/(79-01-6)	Trichloroethylene is widely used as a solvent with 80-90% used worldwide for degreasing metals.	Upgrade to Known	2
Wood Dust	It is estimated that at least two million people are routinely exposed occupationally to wood dust worldwide. Non-occupational exposure also occurs. The highest exposures have generally been reported in wood furniture and cabinet manufacturer, especially during machine sanding and similar operations.	Listing in the 10th Report.	8

The RoC Subcommittee will provide separate recommendations for each of the agents, substances, mixtures or exposure circumstance listed in the table above. This includes separate recommendations for Broad Spectrum UV Radiation and for UVA, for UVB, and for UVC; for Metallic Nickel and for Nickel Alloys, and for Talc Asbestiform and for Talc Non-Asbestiform.

The agenda and a roster of Subcommittee members is available on the NTP web homepage at <http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/> and upon request from Dr. Wolfe (Dr. Mary S. Wolfe, P.O. Box 12233, A3-07, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (telephone 919/541-3971; FAX 919/541-0295; email wolfe@niehs.nih.gov). Summary minutes for the previous meeting are available on the NTP web homepage and upon request from Dr. Wolfe.

Dated: November 21, 2000.

Samuel H. Wilson,

Deputy Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program; Request for Comments on Substances Nominated to the National Toxicology Program (NTP) for Toxicological Studies and on the Testing Recommendations Made by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination (ICCEC)

Summary

The National Toxicology Program (NTP) routinely solicits, accepts and reviews for consideration nominations for toxicological studies to be undertaken by the Program on substances of potential human health concern. Nominations are solicited widely from Federal agencies, the public, and other interested parties and those received undergo several levels of review before toxicological studies are designed and implemented. The NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination (ICCEC)

serves as the first level of review for NTP nominations. At the October 27, 2000 ICCEC meeting, 18 new nominations were reviewed and testing recommendations were made. As part of an effort to inform the public and to obtain input for consideration when selecting chemicals for evaluation, the NTP routinely seeks public comment on (1) substances nominated to the Program for toxicological studies and (2) the testing recommendations made by the ICCEC. This announcement provides brief background information about the nomination of substances for NTP study; presents the ICCEC's testing recommendations from the October 27, 2000 meeting; solicits public comment on those nominations and recommendations; and requests the submission of additional relevant information for consideration by the NTP in its subsequent evaluation of the nominations.

Background

The NTP actively seeks to identify and select for study chemicals and agents with the highest potential for