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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Mental Retardation Research Subcommittee, March 12, 2001, 8 a.m. to March 14, 2001, 5 p.m., Embassy Suites, Chevy Chase Pavilion, 4300 Military Rd., Wisconsin at Western Ave., Washington, DC 20015 which was published in the **Federal Register** on January 31, 2001, 66 FR 8418.

The meeting will be held on March 12-13, 2001. The meeting is closed to the public.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Library of Medicine; 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 the following meeting.

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 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: Biomedical Library Review Committee.

Date: March 7-8, 2001.

Closed: March 7, 2001, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Library of Medicine, Board Room Bldg 38, 2E-09, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

Open: March 7, 2001, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Agenda: "Permanent Access to Electronic Information", Associate Director, Library Operations, NLM.

Place: National Library of Medicine, Board Room Bldg 38, 2E-09, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

Closed: March 7, 2001, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Library of Medicine, Board Room Bldg 38, 2E-09, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

Closed: March 8, 2001, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Library of Medicine, Board Room Bldg 38, 2E-09, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

Open: March 8, 2001, 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Agenda: Remarks by the Director, NLM.

Place: National Library of Medicine, Board Room Bldg 38, 2E-09, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

Closed: March 8, 2001, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Library of Medicine, Board Room Bldg 38, 2E-09, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894.

Contact Person: Milton Corn, MD, Associate Director, Office of Extramural Programs, National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, One Rockledge Centre, Suite 301, 6705 Rockledge Drive, MSC 6075, Bethesda, MD 20892-6075, 301-496-4621.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: Method and Apparatus for Constructing Tissue Microarrays

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

ACTION: None.

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 license worldwide to practice the inventions embodied in: (1) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/075,979 (PCT/US99/04001) entitled "Tumor Tissue Microarrays for Rapid Molecular Profiling", provisionally filed February 24, 1998 and PCT filed February 24, 1999, and (2) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/170,461 (PCT/US00/34043) entitled "Method and Apparatus for Constructing Tissue Microarrays", provisionally filed December 13, 1999 and PCT filed December 13, 2000, to Beecher Instruments Company having a place of business in Silver Spring, Maryland. The United States of America is an assignee to the patent rights of these inventions.

The contemplated exclusive license may be limited to the development of instruments for the construction of tissue microarrays for use for medical research and clinical diagnostics.

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer on or before April 23, 2001 will be considered.

ADDRESSES: Requests for a copy of the patent application, inquiries, comments and other materials relating to the contemplated license should be directed to: Uri Reichman, Ph.D., 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. 240; Facsimile: (301) 402-0220; E-mail: reichmau@od.nih.gov. A signed Confidential Disclosure Agreement will be required to receive copies of the patent application.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The advent of the technology of Tissue Microarrays (also called "Tissue Chips") has made it possible to perform simultaneous molecular profiling of hundreds or even thousands of tissue samples in a high-throughput fashion. Tissue Microarrays include multiplicity of sub-millimeter tissue specimens, fixed and arranged on a single microscope slide. The technology provides means to generate hundreds of identical copies of the slides. These slides then can be used for specific molecular analyses, such as DNA and mRNA in situ hybridization and protein immunostaining. The subject