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**ADDRESSES:** Licensing information and copies of the U.S. patent applications listed below may be obtained by writing to the indicated licensing contact at the Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, Maryland 20852-3804; telephone: 301/496-7057; fax: 301/402-0220. A signed Confidential Disclosure Agreement will be required to receive copies of the patent applications.

**ABCA8 Nucleic Acids and Proteins, and Uses Thereof**

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This technology pertains to the identification of a novel gene in the ABC (ATP-binding cassette transporter) gene superfamily, the ABCA8 gene. The ABC proteins are involved in extra- and intracellular membrane transport of various substrates such as ions, amino acids, peptides, sugars, vitamins, or steroid hormones. At least 14 members of the ABC gene superfamily have been described as associated with human disease.

The ABCA8 gene is one of a group of several ABCA genes that is organized in a single large cluster on chromosome 17q24, in a head to tail fashion, and conserved in the mouse genome. The ABCA8 gene is believed to be involved in the reverse transport of cholesterol, as well as in the membrane transport of other lipophilic molecules such as inflammation mediating substances such as prostaglandins and prostacyclins.

The above-mentioned invention is available for licensing on an exclusive or non-exclusive basis.

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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 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 Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, Alternative Therapies for Benign Prostate Symptoms.

*Date:* August 18-19, 2002.

*Time:* 7:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Marriott Suites, 6711 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Ned Feder, MD, Scientific Review Administrator, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, Room 748, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, MTOPS Prostate Samples Analysis Consortium (MPSA).

*Date:* August 26-27, 2002.

*Time:* 7:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Marriott Suites, 6711 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Ned Feder, MD, Scientific Review Administrator, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, Room 748, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD 20892.

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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 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) 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, Heritable Disorders of Connective Tissues.

*Date:* August 12, 2002.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* Holiday Inn—Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

*Contact Person:* Tracy A. Shahan, PhD., Scientific Review Administrator, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, Natcher Building, MSC 6500, 45 Center Drive, 5AS-25H, Bethesda, MD 20892. (301) 594-4952.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Program Support Center; Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority**

Part P, Program Support Center (PSC) Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) (66 FR 31240-41, October 2, 1995, and as last amended 66 FR 58740-41, November 23, 2001) is being amended to reflect a change in the reporting relationship of the head of the