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*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Special Emphasis Panel, Aging and the Musculoskeletal System.

*Date:* February 10, 2005.

*Time:* 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Gateway Building/2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

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*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Special Emphasis Panel, Vitamin E and Downs Syndrome.

*Date:* February 14, 2005.

*Time:* 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Gateway Building/Room 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

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*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Aging Special Emphasis Panel, Alzheimer's Disease Clinical Trials.

*Date:* February 14, 2005.

*Time:* 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Gateway Building/Room 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Ramesh Vemuri, PhD., Health Scientist Administrator, Scientific Review Office, National Institute on Aging, National Institutes of Health, Room 2C212, 7201 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 402-7700. [rv23r@nih.gov](mailto:rv23r@nih.gov). (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.866, Aging Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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**Center for Scientific Review; 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:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Hyperthermia Treatment of BCC.

*Date:* January 26, 2005.

*Time:* 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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

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

*Contact Person:* Elaine Sierra-Rivera, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6184, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1779. [riverase@csr.nih.gov](mailto:riverase@csr.nih.gov).

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Member Conflicts: Community Influences on Health Behavior.

*Date:* February 9, 2005.

*Time:* 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Hotel Helix, 1430 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

*Contact Person:* William N. Elwood, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3162, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/435-1503. [elwoodwi@csr.nih.gov](mailto:elwoodwi@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Biology of Development and Aging Integrated Review Group International and Cooperative Projects 1 Study Section.

*Date:* February 10-11, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The Fairmont Washington, DC, 2401 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Anterior Eye Disease.

*Date:* February 14-15, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Christine A. Livingston, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5202, MSC 7846, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1172. [livingsc@csr.nih.gov](mailto:livingsc@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience Integrated Review Group Molecular Neuropharmacology and Signaling Study Section.

*Date:* February 16-17, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The Jurys Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire Ave, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

*Contact Person:* Syed Husain, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4150, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1224. [husains@csr.nih.gov](mailto:husains@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Health of the Population Integrated Review Group Nursing Science: Adults and Older Adults Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn, Tysons Corner, 1960 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA 22102.

*Contact Person:* Gertrude K. McFarland, DNSC, FAAN, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3156, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1784. [mcjarlag@csr.nih.gov](mailto:mcjarlag@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Risk Prevention and Health Behavior Integrated Review Group Psychosocial Development, Risk and Prevention Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The Marriott, 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Victoria S. Levin, MSW, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3172, MSC 7848, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-0912. [levin@csr.nih.gov](mailto:levin@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Oncological Sciences Integrated Review Group Tumor Progression and Metastasis Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Georgetown, 2101 Wisconsin Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20007.

*Contact Person:* Martin L. Padarathsingh, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6212, MSC 7804, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1717, [padaratm@csr.nih.gov](mailto:padaratm@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience Integrated Review Group Neurodegeneration and Biology of Glia Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Renaissance Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

*Contact Person:* Toby Behar, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4136, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-4433, [behart@csr.nih.gov](mailto:behart@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Integrative, Functional and Cognitive Neuroscience Integrated Review Group Neurobiology of Learning and Memory Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* One Washington Circle Hotel, One Washington Circle, Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Bernard F. Driscoll, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5184, MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1242, [driscollb@csr.nih.gov](mailto:driscollb@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Biological Chemistry and Macromolecular Biophysics Integrated Review Group Macromolecular Structure and Function B Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Churchill Hotel, 1914 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20009.

*Contact Person:* Nancy Lamontagne, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4170, MSC 7806, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1726, [lamontan@csr.nih.gov](mailto:lamontan@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Cell Biology Integrated Review Group Biology and Diseases of the Posterior Eye.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Michael H. Chaitin, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5202, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-0910, [chaitinm@csr.nih.gov](mailto:chaitinm@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel SBTS 10: Small Business Cardiovascular Devices.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Roberto J. Matus, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5108, MSC 7854, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-2204, [matusr@csr.nih.gov](mailto:matusr@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Cell Biology Integrated Review Group Cellular Signaling and Dynamics.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Gerhard Ehrenspeck, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5138, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1022, [ehrenspg@csr.nih.gov](mailto:ehrenspg@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel Epidemiology of Diabetes, Kidney and Infectious Diseases.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Residence Inn Bethesda, 7335 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Christopher Sempos, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3146, MSC 7770, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 451-1329, [semposch@csr.nih.gov](mailto:semposch@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Immunology Integrated Review Group, Cellular and Molecular Immunology—B.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Residence Inn Bethesda, 7335 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Betty Hayden, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4206, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1223, [haydenb@csr.nih.gov](mailto:haydenb@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Immunology Integrated Review Group, Hypersensitivity, Autoimmune, and Immune-mediated Diseases.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Wyndham City Center Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20037.

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Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4204, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1225, [gametchb@csr.nih.gov](mailto:gametchb@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Microbial Pathogenesis.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The Watergate, 2650 Virginia Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Rolf Menzel, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3196, MSC 7808, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-0952, [menzelro@csr.nih.gov](mailto:menzelro@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Hematology Integrated Review Group, Erythrocyte and Leukocyte Biology Study Section.

*Date:* February 17, 2005.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The Watergate Hotel, 2650 Virginia Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Delia Tang, MD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4126, MSC 7802, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-2506, [tangd@csr.nih.gov](mailto:tangd@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Hematology Integrated Review Group, Hematopoiesis Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Chevy Chase, 5520 Wisconsin Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

*Contact Person:* Robert T. Su, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4134, MSC 7802, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1195, [sur@csr.nih.gov](mailto:sur@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Biological Chemistry and Macromolecular Biophysics Integrated Review Group, Enabling Bioanalytical and Biophysical Technologies Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The Fairmont Washington, DC, 2401 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* Noni Byrnes, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4180, MSC 7806, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1217, [byrnesn@csr.nih.gov](mailto:byrnesn@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, Human Brain Project/Neuroinformatics.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Georgetown Suites, 1111 30th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20007.

*Contact Person:* Robert C. Elliott, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for

Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 3130, MSC 7850, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-3009, [elliottro@csr.nih.gov](mailto:elliottro@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Endocrinology, Metabolism, Nutrition and Reproductive Sciences Integrated Review Group, Pregnancy and Neonatology Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Michael Knecht, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6176, MSC 7892, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1046, [knechtm@csr.nih.gov](mailto:knechtm@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Integrative, Functional and Cognitive Neuroscience Integrated Review Group, Neurotoxicology and Alcohol Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Joseph G. Rudolph, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5186, MSC 7844, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-2212, [josephru@csr.nih.gov](mailto:josephru@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Hematology Integrated Review Group, Hemostasis and Thrombosis Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Four Points by Sheraton Bethesda, 8400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* Jerrold Fried, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 2114, MSC 7840, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-2633, [friedje@csr.nih.gov](mailto:friedje@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Biological Chemistry and Macromolecular Biophysics Integrated Review Group Macromolecular Structure and Function C Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Beacon Hotel and Corporate Quarters, 1615 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

*Contact Person:* Arnold Revzin, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4184, MSC 7824, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1153, [revzina@csr.nih.gov](mailto:revzina@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Health of the Population Integrated Review Group Epidemiology of Chronic Diseases Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Holiday Inn Select Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Contact Person:* J. Scott Osborne, PhD, MPH, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4114, MSC 7816, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1782, [osbornes@csr.nih.gov](mailto:osbornes@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Cardiovascular Sciences Integrated Review Group Cardiovascular Differentiation and Development Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* Wyndham Washington, DC, 1400 M Street, NW., Washington DC 20005.

*Contact Person:* Larry Pinkus, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4132, MSC 7802, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1214, [pinkusl@csr.nih.gov](mailto:pinkusl@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Genes, Genomes, and Genetics Integrated Review Group Genetic Variation and Evolution Study Section.

*Date:* February 17-18, 2005.

*Time:* 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* The River Inn, 924 25th Street, NW., Washington DC 20037.

*Contact Person:* David J. Remondini, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 2210, MSC 7890, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1038, [remondid@csr.nih.gov](mailto:remondid@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel Mosquitoes.

*Date:* February 17, 2005.

*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).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering; Notice of Public Comment Period

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB) is developing its first 5-year strategic plan (2005-2009), and invites the public to provide input regarding NIBIB's areas of scientific emphasis, operational emphasis, and strategic priorities. The public is invited to provide comments via the NIBIB Web site.

#### Background

The NIBIB was authorized by Public Law 106-580, which was signed into law by President William Clinton on December 29, 2000. The establishment of NIBIB provided an identity and a research home for the development and application of new technologies and techniques for the delivery of health care in the 21st century.

The mission of the NIBIB is to improve human health by leading the development and accelerating the application of biomedical technologies. The Institute is committed to integrating the engineering and physical sciences with the life sciences to advance basic research and medical care.

To accomplish this mission, the NIBIB has developed a set of goals, strategies, and objectives designed to maximize the Institute's impact on human health. These goals, strategies, and objectives provide the framework and action plan for the Institute's direction over the next five years, and determine how NIBIB will allocate resources to support and enhance scientific research.

#### Request for Comments

The NIBIB wants to develop a process that considers the views of groups and individuals who are concerned about the Institute's programs. The public is invited to provide input electronically into the development of NIBIB's strategic plan for 2005-2009. Please visit the NIBIB Web site at <http://www.nibib1.nih.gov/about/SP/strategicplan.htm> to comment.

#### Comments Due Date

We are asking that electronic comments regarding the development of NIBIB's strategic plan be received by February 28, 2005. If you do not have access to a computer, the NIBIB will provide you with a copy of the material that is on the Web site. You may request