DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of Exclusive License: Device and System for Expression Microdissection (xMD)

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.


The prospective exclusive license territory may be “worldwide”, and the field of use may be limited to the following below.

“Devices, systems, kits and related consumables, and methods using devices, systems, kits and related consumables, for micro-dissection of biological specimens, as covered by the Licensed Patents Rights (the “Exclusive Field’’). xMD Diagnostics, LLC (xMD) shall be the only entity granted rights in the Exclusive Field for commercial or other “for-profit purposes. Methods, kits, and related consumables that are used independent of the devices or systems by individual researchers employed at non-profit and academic institutions, if such kits were built by the researchers themselves from component parts and used for their own individual research purposes, shall not infringe xMD’s rights. Diagnostic services performed using devices, systems, kits and related consumables purchased from xMD (or xMD’s authorized distributor(s)) by those persons employed at non-profit and academic institutions that purchased the devices, systems, kits and related consumables used in the diagnostic services, shall not infringe xMD’s rights.”

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by the NIH Office of Technology Transfer on or before May 29, 2013 will be considered.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent application, inquiries, comments, and other materials relating to the contemplated exclusive license should be directed to: Kevin W. Chang, Ph.D., Senior Licensing and Patenting Manager, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, MD 20852–3804; Telephone: (301) 435–5018; Facsimile: (301) 402–0220; Email: changke@mail.nih.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject technologies are methods, devices, and kits for target activated transfer of a target from a biological sample such as a tissue section, comprising: contacting the biological sample with a reagent that selectively acts on the target within the biological sample; placing a transfer surface adjacent the biological sample, wherein the reagent produces a change in the transfer surface by heating the target; heating the target to produce a change in the transfer surface and selectively adhere the target to the transfer surface, or to selectively increase permeability of the transfer surface to the target; and selectively removing the target from the biological sample by removing the transfer surface and the adhered target from the biological sample, or by moving the target through the transfer surface.

The prospective start-up exclusive commercial license will be royalty bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR Part 404.7. The prospective start-up exclusive commercial license may be granted unless within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, the 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 Part 404.7.

Applications for a license in the field of use filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated exclusive license. Comments and objections submitted 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.


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National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Advisory Council.

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/or contract proposals 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 and/or contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Advisory Council.