

vaccines inadvertently harming a recipient due to ADE-mediated effects. Any safe, effective dengue vaccine must produce well-balanced and tetravalent (for all four dengue serotypes) protective immunity. Despite decades of investigative effort there remains no effective, commercially available dengue vaccine and the greatest hurdle has been the difficulty of rapidly inducing this balanced immunity to all four dengue serotypes.

With this invention, CDC researchers have developed a cross-reactivity reduced dengue serotype 1 (DENV-1) DNA vaccine engineered to directly address ADE-related vaccine safety concerns. *In vivo* murine testing of wild-type and cross-reactivity-reduced vaccines demonstrated that this theoretical vaccine safety concern is real and that the cross-reactivity reduced DNA vaccine dramatically reduces dengue vaccination safety risk while increasing protective antibody responses. Properly developed and implemented, this novel vaccination strategy should help overcome this previously-unaddressed hindrance to dengue vaccine development.

Potential Commercial Applications:

- Creation of a safe, efficacious and well-balanced dengue virus vaccine
- Improving currently developed/developing dengue vaccines to mitigate potential antibody-dependent enhancement safety issues
- Research tools for vaccine development programs for other flaviviruses, HIV

Competitive Advantages:

- Murine *in vivo* studies indicating proof-of-principle, safety and efficacy
- Addresses a long-standing “serotype immunity balancing” issue for dengue vaccine development
- Presently there are no safe, effective commercially available dengue vaccines

Development Stage:

- *In vitro* data available
- *In vivo* data available (animal)

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National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, Addressing Health Disparities in NIDDK Diseases.

Date: April 4, 2014.

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Carol J. Goter-Robinson, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Review Branch, DEA, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, Room 748, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892-5452, (301) 594-7791, goterrobinsonc@extra.nidk.nih.gov.

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, U01 Coordinating Center.

Date: April 22, 2014.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy

Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, Translational Research.

Date: May 7, 2014.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Two Democracy Plaza, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

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Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflict: Neuroscience.

Date: April 8, 2014.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.