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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 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 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 contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Source Selection Meeting for NIAID IRF at Fort Detrick.

Date: July 3, 2018.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Dharmendar Rathore, Ph.D., Senior Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, Room 3G30, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 9834, Bethesda, MD 20892-9834, 240-669-5058, rathored@mail.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the intramural research review cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 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 Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Special Emphasis Panel, Integrated Preclinical/Clinical AIDS Vaccine Development Program, (IPCAVD) (U19).

Date: July 12-13, 2018.

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: J. Bruce Sundstrom, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, Room 3G11A, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 9823, Bethesda, MD 20892-9823, 240-669-5045, sundstromj@niaid.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, NIAID Investigator Initiated Program Project Applications (P01).

Date: July 12, 2018.

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Priti Mehrotra, Ph.D., Chief, Immunology Review Branch, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, Room #3G40, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 9823, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 240-669-5066, pmehrotra@niaid.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, NIAID Investigator Initiated Program Project Applications (P01).

Date: July 13, 2018.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Priti Mehrotra, Ph.D., Chief, Immunology Review Branch, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, Room #3G40, National Institutes of Health/NIAID, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC 9823, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 240-669-5066, pmehrotra@niaid.nih.gov.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.855, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research; 93.856, Microbiology and Infectious Diseases Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Office of AIDS Research Advisory Council.

The meeting will be open to the public, 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.

Name of Committee: Office of AIDS Research Advisory Council.

Date: July 12, 2018.

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Agenda: Report to the OAR Director; Overview of key upcoming OAR activities; Updates of the HHS HIV/AIDS Treatment and Prevention Guidelines.

Place: National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Paul A. Sato, Medical Officer, Office of AIDS Research, Office of the Director, NIH, 5601 Fishers Lane, Room 2E62 Rockville, MD 20852, 240-480-2330, paul.sato@nih.gov.

Any interested participants are encouraged to join this meeting at the weblink provided, at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: www.oar.nih.gov, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.14, Intramural Research Training Award; 93.22, Clinical Research Loan Repayment Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds; 93.232, Loan Repayment Program for Research Generally; 93.39, Academic Research

Enhancement Award; 93.936, NIH Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome Research Loan Repayment Program; 93.187, Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Individuals from Disadvantaged Backgrounds, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of an Exclusive Patent License: Methods of Modulating Erythropoiesis With Arginine Vasopressin Receptor 1B Molecules

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, an institute of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of an Exclusive Patent License to practice the inventions embodied in the Patent Applications listed in the Supplementary Information section of this notice to ERYTHRYx Therapeutics, located in Los Angeles, California.

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by the Office of Technology Transfer and Innovation Access, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research on or before July 9, 2018 will be considered.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent application, inquiries, and comments relating to the contemplated an Exclusive Patent License should be directed to: Yun Mei, Technology Transfer and Patent Specialist, Office of Technology Transfer and Innovation Access, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health, BLDG 1 DEM, RM667, 6701 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817; Telephone: (301) 827-4639; Facsimile: (301) 496-1005; Email: yun.mei@nih.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Intellectual Property

1. U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/885,258, filed October 1, 2013 and entitled “Methods of Modulating Erythropoiesis with Arginine Vasopressin Receptor 1B Molecules”

(HHS Reference No. E-619-2013-0-US-01);

2. PCT Application No. PCT/US2014/058613, filed October 1, 2014 and entitled “Methods of Modulating Erythropoiesis with Arginine Vasopressin Receptor 1B Molecules” (HHS Reference No. E-619-2013-0-PCT-02);

3. U.S. Patent Application No. 15/022,531, filed March 16, 2016 and entitled “Methods of Modulating Erythropoiesis with Arginine Vasopressin Receptor 1B Molecules” (HHS Reference No. E-619-2013-0-US-03);

The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned and/or exclusively licensed to the government of the United States of America.

The prospective exclusive license territory may be the United States and the field of use may be limited to “Use of arginine vasopressin receptor 1B agonists to treat anemia caused by (i) chronic renal failure on dialysis, (ii) receiving myelosuppressive chemotherapy, or (iii) lacking antidiuretic hormone.”

The subject technology is a method of using arginine vasopressin receptor 1B (AVPR1B) agonists to increase the number of red blood cells to treat anemia. The inventors discovered that hematopoietic stem cells express AVPR1B receptor, and these receptors play a key role in promoting hematopoietic stem and progenitor cell proliferation. The number of red blood cells and their precursors significantly increased on day 2 following vasopressin administration, an onset time much faster than erythropoietin (EPO), which is commonly used to stimulate red blood cell production for anemia treatment. EPO takes about a week to manifest its clinical effects. The AVPR1B agonists can be used to jumpstart the hematopoietic system and erythropoietin can be used to sustain the effect.

The subject technology is a repurposing of an existing drug, vasopressin, an AVPR1B agonist, also called antidiuretic hormone. It is a nine-amino acid peptide secreted from the posterior pituitary and used to treat patients with central diabetes insipidus, an uncommon disorder that causes an imbalance of water in the body. This imbalance leads to excretion of large amount of urine (polyuria) and intense thirst even after drinking fluids (polydipsia).

This notice is made in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty bearing, and the prospective exclusive license may be granted unless

within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research 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.

In response to this Notice, the public may file comments or objections. Comments and objections, other than those in the form of a license application, will not be treated confidentially, and may be made publicly available.

License applications submitted in response to this Notice will be presumed to contain business confidential information and any release of information in these license applications will be made only as required and upon a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

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David W. Bradley,

Director, Office of Technology Transfer and Innovation Access, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is owned by an agency of the U.S. Government and is available for licensing to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally-funded research and development. Foreign patent applications are filed on selected inventions to extend market coverage for companies and may also be available for licensing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Barry Buchbinder, 240-627-3678; barry.buchbinder@nih.gov. Licensing information and copies of the U.S. patent application listed below may be obtained by communicating with the indicated licensing contact at the Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property Office, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852; tel. 301-496-2644. A signed Confidential