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Information is also available on the Institute’s/Center’s home page: https://www.niaaa.nih.gov/about-niaaa/our-work/advisory-council where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.271, Alcohol Research Career Development Awards for Scientists and Clinicians; 93.272, Alcohol National Research Service Awards for Research Training; 93.273, Alcohol Research Programs; 93.891, Alcohol Research Center Grants; 93.701, ARRA Related Biomedical Research and Research Support Awards, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Melanie J. Pantoja,
Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Eye Institute, 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 U.S. and foreign Patents and Patent Applications listed in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice to IVERIC bio, Inc. located in New York, NY.

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by the National Eye Institute c/o National Cancer Institute’s Technology Transfer Center on or before June 3, 2019 will be considered.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The following represents the intellectual property to be licensed under the prospective agreement:

Intellectually Property


Within respect to persons who have an obligation to assign their right, title and interest to the Government of the United States of America, the patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the Government of the United States of America. The prospective exclusive license territory may be world-wide, and the field of use may be limited to the use of Licensed Patent Rights for the following: “Human therapeutics for treating x-linked retinitis pigmentosa: The license will also be limited by licensed products covered by patent rights that pertain to AAV-mediated gene therapy delivering an RP2 transgene.”

This technology discloses adeno-associated virus (AAV) vectors comprising nucleotide sequences encoding RPGR–ORF15 or RP2 and related pharmaceutical compositions. It also discloses methods of treating or preventing x-linked retinitis pigmentosa, increasing photoreceptor number in the retina of a mammal, and increasing visual acuity of a mammal using the vectors and pharmaceutical compositions.

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 Eye Institute 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