

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Neuroscience of Interoception and Chemosensation.

*Date:* July 28, 2025.

*Time:* 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Myongsoo Matthew Oh, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 1011F, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 451-7968, [ohmm@csr.nih.gov](mailto:ohmm@csr.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; NHLBI SBIR Topic 111 Contract Review.

*Date:* July 28, 2025.

*Time:* 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate contract proposals.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Nawazish Ali Naqvi, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Office of Scientific Review/DERA, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Room 208-Y, Bethesda, MD 20892-7924, (301) 827-7911, [nawazish.naqvi@nih.gov](mailto:nawazish.naqvi@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; PAR Panel: Clinical and Translational Exploratory/Developmental Studies.

*Date:* July 29-30, 2025.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Caterina Bianco, MD, Ph.D., Chief, Scientific Review Officer, Resources and Training Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, National Cancer Institute, NIH, 9609 Medical Center Drive, Room 7W110, Bethesda, MD 20892-9750, (240) 276-6459, [biancoc@mail.nih.gov](mailto:biancoc@mail.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Small Emphasis Panel: Neuroimaging, Biomarkers, and Therapy.

*Date:* July 29, 2025.

*Time:* 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

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*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Special Topics in Bioengineering and Instrumentation.

*Date:* July 29-30, 2025.

*Time:* 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Mirela Milescu, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, NINDS/NIH, NSC, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 3208, MSC 9529, Bethesda, MD 20892, [mirela.milescu@nih.gov](mailto:mirela.milescu@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflicts: Auditory, Visual and Cognitive Neurosciences and Career Development Training Grant Applications.

*Date:* July 29, 2025.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Jingshan Chen, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, NIDCR, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 451-2405, [jingshan.chen@nih.gov](mailto:jingshan.chen@nih.gov).

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Dated: June 24, 2025.

**Sterlyn H. Gibson,**

*Program Specialist, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Request for Comments: Division of Cancer Prevention Intellectual Property Option to Collaborators

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Cancer Institute, an Institute of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Cancer Prevention (DCP) is seeking comments on instituting a standard policy on Intellectual Property (IP) developed by certain funding recipients under NCI DCP funding agreements. This standard policy is entitled “The DIVISION OF CANCER PREVENTION INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OPTION TO COLLABORATORS (IP Option).” The proposed policy, if finalized, shall

apply to entities that conduct DCP-funded clinical studies under funding agreements which involve an NCI collaborator that provides its proprietary agent or technology for the DCP-supported studies where this IP Option is included as a term of applicable existing and future funding agreements.

**DATES:** Only written comments which are received by the National Cancer Institute’s Technology Transfer Center on or before July 28, 2025 will be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** NCI welcomes public comment on the full text of the DCP IP option, as set forth below. Comments should be addressed to: Sidra Ahsan, Ph.D., Patent Agent, Senior Technology Transfer Manager, NCI Technology Transfer Center, Telephone: (240) 276-6468; Email: [sidra.ahsan@nih.gov](mailto:sidra.ahsan@nih.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

The NCI’s DCP is a division of NCI that supports cancer prevention and early detection research by providing funding and support to clinical and laboratory researchers, community and multidisciplinary teams, and collaborative scientific networks. DCP supports clinical research under funding agreements to funding recipients which conduct the clinical studies. DCP obtains Agents and Technologies from pharmaceutical, biotechnology and nutraceutical companies (hereinafter “Collaborators”) under technology transfer agreements and provides these Agents or Technologies to funding recipients that conduct the clinical research. In exchange for providing their proprietary Agents or Technologies under technology transfer agreements with NCI, Collaborators will often require that the funding recipients conducting the clinical research agree to certain conditions regarding the Agents and Technologies. These conditions include granting options to IP rights arising from the clinical studies using the Collaborator’s Agent or Technology.

Currently, there is no standard IP option in the DCP funding agreements that covers the Collaborator’s Agent or Technology when used in the multitude of studies supported by DCP. These research studies may involve pharmaceutical agents, nutraceuticals, or diagnostic assays for timely prevention and early detection of cancers, and these materials are often obtained by NCI from Collaborators. The lack of clarity regarding IP rights language across the multi-disciplinary clinical programs of DCP that utilize a Collaborator’s Agent or Technology has

become an impediment in NCI DCP's ability to obtain Collaborators' proprietary Agents or Technologies for use in DCP-supported clinical trials. This has led to uncertainty and delays in initiating important clinical studies for the prevention and early detection of cancer. It is imperative for DCP's programs and networks to institute a uniform IP option that covers the many different types of clinical studies using a Collaborator's Agent or Technology. The "Division of Cancer Prevention Intellectual Property Option to Collaborators" is intended to cover the clinical programs and networks of DCP that utilize Collaborator's Agents or Technologies used in DCP-supported clinical trials and that are obtained from Collaborators under technology transfer agreements with DCP. It is also intended to offer appropriate incentives and assurances for both Collaborators and funding recipients to participate in DCP-funded clinical studies.

## II. Division of Cancer Prevention Intellectual Property Option to Collaborators

NCI DCP obtains Agents and Technologies from Collaborators under technology transfer agreements, for use in NCI DCP-funded research conducted at Institutions, under funding agreements. As part of the arrangement with Collaborators to use their Agents or Technologies and to make the collaborative research possible, NCI DCP would agree not to provide Agents or Technologies to Institutions unless the Institutions agree to the Division of Cancer Prevention Intellectual Property Option and Institution Notification described below. This IP Option shall be included as a term of applicable existing and future funding agreements.

### Definitions:

1. "Affiliate" means any corporation or other business entity controlled by, controlling, or under common control with the Collaborator. For this purpose, "control" means direct or indirect beneficial ownership of at least fifty percent (50%) of the voting stock or at least fifty percent (50%) interest in the income of the corporation or other business entity.

2. "Agent" or "Technology" is Collaborator's property and defined in the technology transfer agreement between NCI DCP and Collaborator.

3. "Collaborator" means a biotechnology, pharmaceutical, or nutraceutical company that provides a proprietary Agent or Technology for use in the NCI DCP-supported Study.

4. "Institution" means an NCI DCP funding recipient that utilizes a

Collaborator's Agent or Technology under the scope of a funding agreement.

5. "Invention" means any invention or discovery which is or may be patentable or otherwise protectable under Title 35 of the United States Code, or any novel variety of plant which is or may be protectable under the Plant Variety Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 2321 *et seq.*).

6. "Study" means DCP-supported clinical and associated non-clinical studies conducted by the Institution under the scope of a funding agreement with NCI DCP.

7. "Subject Invention" means an Invention that is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the performance of the Study conducted by the Institution using Collaborator's Agent or Technology.

*A. The IP Option described in this Section A applies to Subject Inventions that claim the use and/or composition of the Collaborator's Agent or Technology in patent disclosures ("Section A Subject Inventions"). Collaborator's Agent or Technology will be provided to the Institution by NCI DCP, as applicable:*

Institution agrees to grant to Collaborator(s): (i) a royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive license for commercial purposes with the right to sublicense to Affiliates or collaborators working on behalf of Collaborator for Collaborator's development purposes; and (ii) a time-limited first option to negotiate an exclusive, or co-exclusive, if applicable, world-wide, royalty-bearing license for commercial purposes, including the right to grant sublicenses, subject to any rights of the Government of the United States of America, on terms to be negotiated in good faith by the Collaborator(s) and Institution. If Collaborator accepts the royalty-free, worldwide, non-exclusive commercial license, the Collaborator agrees to pay all out-of-pocket patent prosecution and maintenance costs which will be pro-rated and divided equally among all licensees. If Collaborator obtains an exclusive commercial license, in addition to any other agreed upon licensing arrangements such as royalties and due diligence requirements, the Collaborator agrees to pay all out-of-pocket patent prosecution and maintenance costs. Collaborator will notify Institution, in writing, if it is interested in obtaining a commercial license to any Section A Subject Invention within three (3) months of Collaborator's receipt of a patent application or six (6) months of receipt of an Invention report notification of such a Section A Subject Invention; the timing is based on

whichever event comes first. In the event that Collaborator fails to notify Institution, or elects not to obtain an exclusive license, then Collaborator's option expires with respect to that Section A Subject Invention, and Institution will be free to dispose of its interests in accordance with its policies. If Institution and Collaborator fail to reach agreement within ninety (90) days, (or such additional period as Collaborator and Institution may agree) on the terms for an exclusive license for a particular Section A Subject Invention, then for a period of three (3) months thereafter Institution agrees not to offer to license the Section A Subject Invention to any third party on materially better terms than those last offered to Collaborator without first offering such terms to Collaborator, in which case Collaborator will have a period of thirty (30) days in which to accept or reject the offer. If Collaborator elects to negotiate an exclusive commercial license to a Section A Subject Invention, then Institution agrees to file and prosecute patent application(s) diligently and in a timely manner and to give Collaborator an opportunity to comment on the preparation and filing of any such patent application(s). Notwithstanding the above, Institution is under no obligation to file or maintain patent prosecution for any Section A Subject Invention.

For all Section A Subject Inventions, regardless of Collaborator's decision to seek a commercial license, Institution agrees to grant Collaborator a paid-up, nonexclusive, royalty-free, world-wide license for research purposes only. Institution retains the right to make and use any Section A Subject Invention for all non-profit research, including for educational purposes and to permit other educational and non-profit institutions to do so.

*B. The IP Option described in this Section B applies to Subject Inventions not covered by Section A, but are nevertheless conceived or first actually reduced to practice by the Institution during the conduct of the Study. It also applies to Inventions that are conceived or first actually reduced to practice pursuant to NCI DCP-funded studies that use non-publicly available clinical data or specimens from patients treated with Collaborator's Agent or Technology (including specimens obtained from NCI DCP-funded tissue banks) ("Section B Subject Inventions"):*

Institution agrees to grant to Collaborator a paid-up nonexclusive, nontransferable, royalty-free, world-wide license to all Section B Subject Inventions for research purposes only.

Institution retains the right to make and use any Section B Subject Invention for all non-profit research, including for educational purposes and to permit other educational and non-profit institutions to do so. Notwithstanding the above, Institution is under no obligation to file or maintain patent prosecution for any Section B Subject Invention.

#### **Institution Notification**

Institution agrees to promptly and confidentially notify NCI DCP ([ncidcppio2@mail.nih.gov](mailto:ncidcppio2@mail.nih.gov)) and Collaborator(s) in writing of any Inventions upon the earlier of: (i) any submission of any Invention disclosure to Institution of an Invention, or (ii) the filing of any patent applications on an Invention. Institution agrees to provide a copy of either the Invention disclosure or the patent application to the Collaborator and to NCI DCP which will treat it in accordance with 37 CFR part 401. These requirements do not replace any applicable reporting requirements under the Bayh-Dole Act, 35 U.S.C. 200–212, and implementing regulations at 37 CFR part 401.

Dated: June 24, 2025.

**Richard U. Rodriguez,**

*Associate Director, Technology Transfer Center, National Cancer Institute.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

### **National Institutes of Health**

#### **National Institute of General Medical Sciences; Notice of Meeting**

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the National Advisory General Medical Sciences Council.

The meeting will be held as a virtual meeting and open to the public, as indicated below. Individuals who plan to view the virtual meeting and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should submit a request using the following link: <https://www.nigms.nih.gov/Pages/ContactUs.aspx> at least 5 days prior to the event. The open session will also be videocast, closed captioned, and can be accessed from the NIH Videocasting and Podcasting website (<http://videocast.nih.gov>).

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 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 Advisory General Medical Sciences Council.

*Date:* September 11, 2025.

*Open:* 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* For the discussion of programs; opening remarks; report of the Director, NIGMS; and other business of the Council.

*Closed:* 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Contact Person:* Ariel Zane, Ph.D., Acting Director, Division of Extramural Activities, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Natcher Building, Room 2AN24C, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–594–3584, [ariel.zane@nih.gov](mailto:ariel.zane@nih.gov).

Members of the public are welcome to provide written comments by emailing [NIGMS\\_DEA\\_Mailbox@nigms.nih.gov](mailto:NIGMS_DEA_Mailbox@nigms.nih.gov) at least 3 days in advance of the meeting. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

Information is also available on the Institute's/Center's home page: <https://www.nigms.nih.gov/about/council/Pages/default>, where an agenda and any additional information for the meeting will be posted when available.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.859, Biomedical Research and Research Training, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: June 25, 2025.

**Bruce A. George,**

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

### **National Institutes of Health**

#### **Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to section 1009 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:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, RFA–OD–25–003: Short Courses on Innovative Methodologies and Approaches in the Behavioral and Social Sciences (R25).

*Date:* July 24, 2025.

*Time:* 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Anna Ghambarian, Ph.D., MD, MA, Scientific Review Officer, Extramural Project Review Branch Office of Extramural Activities, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 6700B Rockledge Drive, Room 2120, MSC 6902, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 443–4032, [anna.ghambaryan@nih.gov](mailto:anna.ghambaryan@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Member Conflict: Integrative Vascular Biology and Hematology.

*Date:* July 25, 2025.

*Time:* 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Dmitri V. Gnatenko, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 867–5309 [gnatenkod2@nih.gov](mailto:gnatenkod2@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; Fellowships: Interdisciplinary Clinical Care.

*Date:* July 25, 2025.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Address:* National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Meeting Format:* Virtual Meeting.

*Contact Person:* Sonia Elena Nanesco, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Division of Extramural Activities, NIDCD, NIH, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Suite 8300, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 496–8693, [sonia.nanesco@nih.gov](mailto:sonia.nanesco@nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel; PAR Panel: Drug discovery and therapeutic approaches for nervous system disorders.

*Date:* July 25, 2025.

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.