

indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate. The Agency's response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the City of Los Angeles Central Library, Science and Technology Department, 630 West 5th Street, Los Angeles CA 90071 and at the EPA Region 9 Superfund Records Center, Mail Stop SFD-7C, 95 Hawthorne Street, Room 403, San Francisco, CA 94105.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before February 2, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** The proposed settlement is available for public inspection at the EPA Region 9 Superfund Records Center, Mail Stop SFD-7C, 95 Hawthorne Street, Room 403, San Francisco, CA 94105. A copy of the proposed settlement may also be obtained from the EPA Region 9 Superfund Record Center, 95 Hawthorne Street, Mail Stop SFD-7C, Room 403, San Francisco, CA 94105, (415) 820-4700. Comments should reference the North Hollywood Operable Unit of the San Fernando Valley Area 1 Superfund Site, and EPA Docket No. 9-2011-0015 and should be addressed to Michael Massey, EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, Mail Stop ORC-3, San Francisco, CA 94105.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kelly Manheimer, EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, Mail Stop SFD-7-1, San Francisco, CA 94105, (415) 972-3290.

Dated: December 22, 2011.

**Kathleen Salyer,**

*Acting Superfund Division Director.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9612-9]

### Biological Processors of Alabama; Decatur, Morgan County, AL; Notice of Settlement

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of Settlement.

**SUMMARY:** Under Section 122(h)(1) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), the United States Environmental Protection Agency has entered into a settlement for reimbursement of past response costs concerning the Biological Processors of Alabama Superfund Site located in Decatur, Morgan County, Alabama.

**DATES:** The Agency will consider public comments on the settlement until February 2, 2012. The Agency will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the settlement if comments received disclose facts or considerations which indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the settlement are available from Ms. Paula V. Painter. Submit your comments by Site name Biological Processors of Alabama Superfund Site by one of the following methods:

- [www.epa.gov/region4/waste/sf/enforce.htm](http://www.epa.gov/region4/waste/sf/enforce.htm).
- Email: [Painter.Paula@epa.gov](mailto:Painter.Paula@epa.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Paula V. Painter at (404) 562-8887.

Dated: December 14, 2011.

**Anita L. Davis,**

*Chief, Superfund Enforcement & Information Management Branch, Superfund Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Office of the Secretary

#### Findings of Research Misconduct

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has taken final action in the following case:

*Jennifer Jamieson, State University of New York, Upstate Medical University:* Based on the report of an investigation conducted by the State University of New York, Upstate Medical University (SUNY US) and additional analysis conducted by ORI in its oversight review, ORI found that Ms. Jennifer Jamieson, former graduate student, Department of Cell and Developmental Biology, SUNY US, engaged in research misconduct in research supported by National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grant R01 GM047607-18A1, and National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), NIH, grants R01 HL70244-05.

ORI found that Respondent engaged in research misconduct by falsifying data that were included in grant application R01 GM047607-18A1, in a manuscript submitted for publication to the *Journal of Cell Biology*, and in several interdepartmental data presentations. Specifically, ORI found that:

- Respondent falsified Figure 1A in a manuscript submitted for publication to the *Journal of Cell Biology*, by altering immunoprecipitation Western blot data to make this experiment appear that no Vav2 SH2 was associated with PKL 3YF, when in fact it did. In addition, the Respondent falsified five figures depicting Western blots of similar experiments in four laboratory meeting presentations. The purpose of the falsifications was to show that the experimental results were as described when they were not, or to show that the results were of greater significance than they actually were.

- Respondent falsified Figure 3I in a manuscript submitted for publication to the *Journal of Cell Biology* by falsely labeling a Western blot to indicate levels of expression for various Vav2 mutants, when the experimental data were taken from a completely unrelated experiment.

- Respondent falsified Figure 6A in an interdepartmental laboratory presentation by falsifying Western blot data to falsely depict Paxillin and Hic-5 expression and phosphorylation levels after siRNA treatment.

- Respondent falsified Figure 5 from NIGMS, NIH, grant application GM047607-18A1, by falsifying Western blot data to support the hypothesis that co-transfection of PKL plus RhoA GEF Vav2 induces RhoA activation and signaling upon plating on fibronectin.

Ms. Jamieson has entered into a Voluntary Settlement Agreement (Agreement). Ms. Jamieson neither admits nor denies ORI's finding of scientific misconduct nor any particular finding of fact asserted in support of that finding. The settlement is not an admission of liability on the part of the Respondent.

Ms. Jamieson has voluntarily agreed for a period of three (3) years, beginning on December 20, 2011:

(1) To have her research supervised if employed by an institution that receives or applies for U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) funding; Respondent agrees that prior to the submission of an application for PHS support for a research project on which the Respondent's participation is proposed and prior to Respondent's participation in any capacity on PHS-supported research, Respondent shall ensure that a plan for supervision of her duties is submitted to ORI for approval; the supervision plan must be designed to ensure the scientific integrity of Respondent's research contribution; Respondent agrees that she shall not participate in any PHS-supported research until such a supervision plan is submitted to and approved by ORI;