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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, NIEHS.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, 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.

The meeting will be closed to the public as indicated below in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual other conducted by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, including consideration of personnel qualifications and performance, and the competence of individual investigators, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: Board of Scientific Counselors, NIEHS.

Date: September 29–October 1, 2002.

Closed: September 29, 2002, 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate programmatic and personnel issues.

Place: Doubletree Guest Suites, 2515 Meridian Parkway, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Open: September 30, 2002, 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: An overview of the organization and conduct of research in the National Center for Toxicogenomics.

Place: Nat. Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, South Campus, Conference Rooms 101 ABC, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Closed: October 1, 2002, 8:30 a.m. to adjournment.

Agenda: To review and evaluate personal qualifications and performance, and competence of individual investigators.

Place: Nat. Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, South Campus, Conference Rooms 101 ABC, 111 T. W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709.

Contact Person: Steven K. Akiyama, PhD, Division of Intramural Research, Nat. Institute of Environment, Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health, P.O. Box 12233, MSC A2-09, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, 919/541-3467, akiyama@niehs.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. 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing; 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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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 (5 U.S.C. appendix 2), 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 552(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: Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research Committee, Allergy, Immunology, and Transplantation Research Committee.

Date: October 10–11, 2002.

Time: October 10, 2002, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: One Washington Circle Hotel, Meridian Room, One Washington Circle, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

Time: October 11, 2002, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: One Washington Circle Hotel, Meridian Room, One Washington, DC 20037.

Contact Person: Nancy B. Saunders, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID, NIH, Scientific Review Program Room 2217, 6700-B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 301-496-2550, ns120v@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

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

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Name of Committee: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel, Sexually Transmitted Diseases Cooperative Research Center Supplement.

Date: October 4, 2002.

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: 6700-B Rockledge Drive, Room 2154, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Robert C. Goldman, PhD, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID, NIH, Room 2217, 6700-B Rockledge Drive, MSC 7616, Bethesda, MD 20892-7616, 301 496-8424, rg.159w@nih.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

National Toxicology Program (NTP) Board of Scientific Counselors' Meeting; Review of Nominations for Listing in the 11th Report on Carcinogens

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the next meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors Report on Carcinogens Subcommittee ("the NTP RoC Subcommittee") to be held on November 19 & 20, 2002, at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814. On November 19, registration will begin at 9 a.m. and the meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. On November 20, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration is not required; however, persons requesting time to make oral, public comments are asked to notify Dr. Mary S. Wolfe, Executive Secretary, prior to the meeting (contact information given below). The agenda covers the peer review of 10 nominations for possible listing in the 11th Report on Carcinogens, and includes an opportunity for public input.

Background

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Report on Carcinogens (RoC) is a public information document prepared by the National Toxicology Program (NTP) in response to Section 301(b)(4) of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. The intent of the document is to provide a listing of those agents, substances, mixtures or exposure circumstances that are either "known" or "reasonably anticipated" to cause cancer in humans and to which a significant number of people in the United States are exposed. The process for preparation of the RoC has three levels of scientific peer review. Central to the evaluations of the review groups is the use of criteria for inclusion in or removal of listings from the RoC. The current criteria for listing in or delisting from the report is available on the

Internet at the following website: <http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/NewHomeRoc/ListingCriteria.html>, or can be obtained in hard copy by contacting Dr. Jameson at the address listed below. The review process for listing in or delisting from the RoC begins with initial scientific review by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)/NTP Report on Carcinogens Review Committee (RG1), which is comprised of NIEHS/NTP staff scientists. The second scientific review group (RG2) is comprised of representatives from the Federal health research and regulatory agencies that are members of the NTP Executive Committee. The third step is external public peer review by the NTP RoC Subcommittee. Following completion of these reviews and solicitation of public comments through announcements in the **Federal Register** and other media, the independent recommendations of the three scientific peer review groups and all public comments are presented to the NTP Executive Committee for review and comment. All recommendations and public comments are submitted to the Director, NTP, who reviews them and makes a final recommendation to the Secretary, DHHS, concerning the listing or delisting of substances or exposure circumstances in the RoC. The Secretary has final review and approval for the 11th RoC.

Agenda

The meeting of the NTP RoC Subcommittee is scheduled for November 19 & 20, 2002. Tentatively scheduled to be peer reviewed are 10 nominated chemicals or exposure circumstances. These nominations are listed alphabetically in the attached table, along with supporting information and a tentative order of presentation and review. Background summary documents for each of the nominations are available to the public and include a summary of the scientific data and information being used to evaluate the nomination. A copy of the draft background summary document for each of these nominations is available electronically through the NTP's homepage at <http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov/> (select Report on Carcinogens) or can be obtained on CD or in hard copy, as available, from: Dr. C.W. Jameson, Report on Carcinogens, NIEHS, MD EC-14, 79 Alexander Drive, Building 4401, Room 3118, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (919/541-4096; FAX 919/541-0144; email jameson@niehs.nih.gov).

Previous announcements in the **Federal Register** (July 24, 2001: Volume

66, Number 142, Pages 38430-38432 and March 28, 2002: Volume 67, Number 60, Page 14957) called for public comments on the nominations to be reviewed for possible listing in the 11th RoC. These announcements identified a total of 17 nominations. This review by the NTP RoC Subcommittee is for the first set of 10 nominations identified in those **Federal Register** announcements that have completed review by the RG1 and the RG2. The remaining 7 nominations for the 11th RoC will be reviewed by the NTP RoC Subcommittee in 2003. The date and details about that meeting will be published in a future **Federal Register** notice.

Solicitation of Public Comment

The NTP RoC Subcommittee meeting is open to the public, and time will be provided for oral public comment on each of the nominations under review. In order to facilitate planning for the meeting, persons requesting time for an oral presentation regarding a particular nomination should notify the Executive Secretary, Dr. Mary S. Wolfe, P.O. Box 12233, A3-01, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (telephone 919/541-3971; FAX 919/541-0295; email wolfe@niehs.nih.gov) no later than November 4, 2002. Each organization is allowed one time slot for an oral presentation per nomination. Persons registering to make comments are asked to provide, if possible, a written copy of their statement by November 4th so copies can be made and distributed to NTP RoC Subcommittee members for their timely review prior to the meeting. Written statements can supplement and expand the oral presentation, and each speaker is asked to provide his/her name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail and supporting organization (if any). At least 7 minutes will be allotted to each speaker, and if time permits, can be extended to 10 minutes. Individuals who register to make oral presentations by November 4th will be notified about the time available for their presentation at least one week prior to the meeting. Registration for making public comments will also be available on-site. Time allowed for presentation by on-site registrants may be less than that for preregistered speakers and will be determined by the number who have registered at the meeting. If registering on-site to speak and reading oral comments from printed copy, the speaker is asked to bring 25 copies of the text. These copies will be distributed to the NTP RoC Subcommittee members and supplement the record. All comments