

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), 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 Neurological Disorders and Stroke Special Emphasis Panel; Child Neurology K12 Review.

Date: April 15, 2016.

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: William C. Benzing, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, NINDS/NIH/DHHS, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 3204, MSC 9529, Bethesda, MD 20892-9529, 301-496-0660, lbenzing@mail.nih.gov.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke Special Emphasis Panel; P01 Review.

Date: April 29, 2016.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Natalia Strunnikova, Ph.D., Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, NINDS/NIH/DHHS, Neuroscience Center, 6001 Executive Blvd., Suite 3204, MSC 9529, Bethesda, MD 20892-9529, 301-402-0288, Natalia.strunnikova@nih.gov.

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Dated: March 24, 2016.

Sylvia L. Neal,

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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Center for Scientific Review; Amended Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel, April 13, 2016, 01:00 p.m. to April 13, 2016, 04:00 p.m., National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 which was published in the **Federal Register** on March 23, 2016, 81 FR 15543.

The meeting will be held on April 7, 2016 at 12:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. The Panel Name of the meeting will be “Neurophysiology”. The location remains the same. The meeting is closed to the public.

Dated: March 25, 2016.

Carolyn Baum,

Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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National Institutes of Health

Prospective Grant of Start-Up Exclusive License: Therapeutics for Multiple Sclerosis, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and Certain Other CNS Disorders

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is notice, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404, that the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of a start-up exclusive license to Great Lakes Neuroscience, Inc., which is located in Illinois, to practice the inventions embodied in the following patents: U.S. Patent 8,597,660, issued December 3, 2013 (HHS reference E-144-2010/0-US-02).

The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned to the United States

of America. The prospective start-up exclusive license territory may be worldwide and the field of use may be limited to therapeutics for Multiple sclerosis, Acute Disseminated Encephalomyelitis (ADEM), Balo’s disease, Clinically Isolated Syndrome, HTLV-1 Associated Myelopathy (HAM), Neuromyelitis optica and NMO spectrum disorder, Schilder’s disease, Traverse myelitis, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and other motor neuron diseases as follows: progressive bulbar palsy, primary lateral sclerosis, progressive muscular atrophy, spinal muscular atrophy, Kennedy’s disease, and post polio syndrome.

DATES: Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by NINDS Technology Transfer on or before April 19, 2016 will be considered.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent application, inquiries, comments, and other materials relating to the contemplated start-up exclusive license should be directed to: Susan An, Ph.D., NINDS Technology Transfer, 31 Center Drive, Suite 8A52, MS2540, Bethesda, MD 20892; Telephone: (301) 435-5515; Email: anos@mail.nih.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This invention discloses treating neurodegenerative diseases by administering cyclin dependent kinase 5 (Cdk5) inhibitory peptides derived from P35, the activator of Cdk5.

Abnormally hyperactive Cdk5 has been shown to be associated with a variety of neurodegenerative disorders. This invention describes isolated peptide fragments, pharmaceutical compositions and methods for use of such for treating subjects with a neurodegenerative disease, such as Alzheimer’s disease (AD), Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and Parkinson’s disease (PD). An inhibitory fragment, TFP5, disclosed in this invention, has been shown to ameliorate symptoms of AD in disease animal models without any evidence of toxicity. In particular, TFP5 treatment of rat cortical neurons reduced hyperactivation of Cdk5 upon neuronal stress and insults. Following intraperitoneal (ip) injection, TFP5 was capable of crossing the blood-brain barrier and localizing within the brain where it was found to rescue memory deficits and pathology in a double transgenic mouse (APP/PS1) AD model.

The prospective start-up exclusive license may be granted unless within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, the NIH receives written evidence and argument that establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the