

the Professionalism and Integrity in Research Program (PI Program) to promote research integrity and prevent research misconduct.

*Amount of Award:* \$135,763 in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 funds and estimated \$135,665 in FFY 2018 funds subject to the enactment of appropriations and availability of funds.

*Project Period:* July 1, 2017–June 30, 2019.

ORI performed an objective review of the unsolicited proposal from Washington University to expand and evaluate the Professionalism and Integrity in Research Program (PI Program), the only remediation program for researchers who violate expectations for the responsible conduct of research. Based on an external and internal review of the proposal, ORI determined that it has merit.

There is a strategic importance of access to this type of training. Research misconduct involving Public Health Service (PHS) support is contrary to the interests of PHS and the federal government, the health and safety of the public, the integrity of research, and the conservation of public funds. Participants in the PI Program will demonstrate better research compliance and integrity outcomes, such as developing better, more ethical research practices. These outcomes will promote research integrity and help prevent future research misconduct.

This award is being made non-competitively because there is no current, pending, or planned funding opportunity announcement under which this proposal could be competed. ORI has identified three additional key reasons to support rationale for awarding this unsolicited proposal:

1. ORI's federal regulation directs us to focus on remediation of Respondents who have been found to commit research misconduct, and the PI Program permits a pathway for that remediation after any sanctions have been completed.

2. Washington University is uniquely positioned to provide this type of training. As the only remediation program for researchers, the grantee has developed a comprehensive and intensive program that will improve research compliance and integrity outcomes.

3. With this experience, Washington University is well known in the research community and is an important service to PHS funded institutions. The program has a robust and unique process for assessment and data analysis.

**Legislative Authority:** Sec. 301 of the Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 241.

**Kathryn M. Partin,**

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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

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 meeting.

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 Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel; Partnerships for Development of Vaccines to Prevent Mycobacterium Tuberculosis and or Tuberculosis Disease.

*Date:* July 18–20, 2017.

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

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, 5601 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Amir E. Zeituni, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Scientific Review Program, Division of Extramural Activities, NIAID/NIH/DHHS, 5601 Fishers Lane, MSC–9834, Rockville, MD 20852, 301–496–2550, [amir.zeituni@nih.gov](mailto:amir.zeituni@nih.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; 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.

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*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel; Clinical Trial (U01) Review.

*Date:* July 10, 2017.

*Time:* 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 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:* Kausik Ray, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, National Institutes of Health, Rockville, MD 20850, 301–402–3587, [rayk@nidcd.nih.gov](mailto:rayk@nidcd.nih.gov).

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Special Emphasis Panel.

*Date:* July 24, 2017.

*Time:* 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 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:* Shiguang Yang, DVM, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Division of Extramural Activities, NIDCD, NIH, 6001 Executive Blvd., Room 8349, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–496–8683, [yangshi@nidcd.nih.gov](mailto:yangshi@nidcd.nih.gov).

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