

NONHUMAN PRIMATES AVAILABLE

A N N O U N C E M E N T

The Animal Resources Branch, Division of Research Resources, is supporting through contracts several projects to breed nonhuman primates. These projects were initiated in the face of current and pending shortages in nonhuman primates to assure that a supply of animals will be available for National Institutes of Health and Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration extramural projects. On or about January 1, 1977, the following animals produced in these colonies will be available for distribution:

12 male squirrel monkeys (Saimiri sciureus) of Colombian stock,
12 - 18 months old, weighing 500 - 600 gm.

16 male squirrel monkeys (Saimiri sciureus) of Colombian stock,
24 - 30 months old, weighing 600 - 800 gm.

10 male squirrel monkeys (Saimiri sciureus) of Colombian stock,
36 - 54 months old, weighing 650 - 1000 gm.

70 male rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta), 18 - 24 months old,
weighing 4 - 6 lbs.

25 female rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta), 18 - 24 months old,
weighing 4 - 6 lbs.

These animals are produced from tuberculosis negative colonies and the dates of birth are available.

Investigators who wish to obtain animals from the above groups for use in NIH- or ADAMHA-supported extramural projects are invited to submit requests for them. The requests, in letter form, should include the title and number of the NIH or ADAMHA grant or contract supporting the research, a short description of the research project, a specification of the animals required, including number, age, sex, or other special characteristics and what, if any, special requirement there is to obtain these captive-bred animals vis-a-vis wild-caught animals. The request should also cite evidence that the local animal care program is competent to care for primates and is in compliance with the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*. The request should state what, if any, requirement there will be to obtain animals from captive-bred sources in future years. Such requirements for future supply from captive-bred sources will be honored whenever feasible. The entire request should not exceed two typewritten pages. It should be addressed to Dr. Charles McPherson, Chief, Animal Resources Branch, Division of Research Resources, Room 5B33, Building 31, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014. The deadline for receipt of requests is October 15, 1976.

If requests for animals exceed the supply, animals will be assigned on the basis of scientific merit of the project, relevance to the program of various Institutes, the special need for captive-bred animals, and the adequacy of the institutional animal care program. Requestors will be notified of the action taken on their requests.

The recipients of the animals will be required to pay shipping costs (from either Winston-Salem, North Carolina; Yemassee, South Carolina; or Alice, Texas, depending on the source of animals) plus a fee for the animal. The fee will be \$300 each for the rhesus monkeys and \$225 each for the squirrel monkeys. These fees will be paid directly to the contractor supplying the animals and will be credited to the NIH-supported breeding program to provide partial support for the breeding colonies.

ACQUIRED CRANIOFACIAL DISFIGUREMENT GRANT
APPLICATIONS SOUGHT BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE
OF DENTAL RESEARCH

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The National Institute of Dental Research (NIDR) has a continuing interest in laboratory and clinical research which is relevant to acquired craniofacial disfigurement. Of particular interest are studies related to an understanding of the nature and the extent of the problem of traumatic injury to the craniofacial structures and the biologic and psychosocial impact on children and adults. Also of primary interest are studies having potential for improved treatment procedures for injuries such as those associated with vehicular or athletic accidents, and ablative surgery involving these structures. This research may include such areas as emergency care, secondary infection, and studies of wound healing, particularly the role of collagen metabolism. Applicants are encouraged to address the psychosocial research problems of acquired facial disfigurement. Similarly more knowledge is needed on the associated speech disability and treatment. NIDR is also interested in studies of biomaterials and prosthetic procedures used in the rehabilitation of patients with acquired craniofacial defects. Prosthetic repair is frequently very complex because of the intricate functional nature of the oral-facial hard and soft tissues.

The deadlines for the receipt of grant applications by the Division of Research Grants are July 1, November 1, and March 1. Review and award of such applications will be through the usual NIH procedures.

Inquiries regarding this program may be addressed to either Dr. Richard L. Christiansen, Chief, or Dr. H. George Hausch, Scientist Administrator, Craniofacial Anomalies Program Branch, National Institute of Dental Research, National Institutes of Health, Room 520, Westwood Building, Bethesda, Maryland 20014, phone (301) 496-7807; or to Dr. Thomas M. Valega, Chief, Restorative Materials Program Branch, National Institute of Dental Research, National Institutes of Health, Room 506, Westwood Building, Bethesda, Maryland 20014, phone (301) 496-7491.