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*The GUIDE is published at irregular intervals to provide policy and administrative information to individuals and organizations who need to be kept informed of requirements and changes in grants and contracts activities administered by the National Institutes of Health.*

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CLINICAL TRIALS METHODOLOGY

**NOTICE**

*Due to the unexpected interest and possibly limited space, notification of your planned attendance is recommended and highly desirable.*

*For information or registration of your intention to attend, write:*

*Mrs. M. Cooper  
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**NOTICE**

NONHUMAN PRIMATES AVAILABLE

The National Institutes of Health has established several supply sources of nonhuman primates. These sources were established in the face of current and pending shortages in nonhuman primates to assure a supply of animals for National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA) supported projects. Animals will be available from three of these sources in the near future as follows:

Wild-caught Squirrel Monkeys

A number of squirrel monkeys (Saimiri sciureus) of Peruvian origin will be available between now and January 1, 1978. These are wild-caught, nonconditioned animals of mixed sex. Most are juveniles. The fee for the animals is \$150 each f.o.b., Miami, Florida. Requests should be addressed to: Dr. Benjamin D. Blood, Executive Director, Interagency Primate Steering Committee, Room 102, Building 14-G, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014.

Domestically Bred Rhesus and Squirrel Monkeys

During the period from December 1, 1977, to March 1, 1978, the following animals will be available:

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

3 male and 1 female rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta), 24-27 months old, weighing 3-4 kg.

111 male and 7 female rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta), 12-24 months old, weighing 1-3 kg.

80 male and 65 female rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta), 0-12 months old, weighing up to 1 kg.

These animals are domestically bred and reared in a controlled colony environment. The dates of birth and the parentage are available upon request. Unless specifically requested otherwise, the rhesus monkeys, but not the squirrel monkeys, will be vaccinated against measles. Requests for special handling and procedures will be considered.

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 5B59, Building 31, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014. The deadline for receipt of requests is October 15, 1977.

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 a fee which will incorporate shipping costs for each animal. The fee will be \$315 each for the rhesus monkeys and \$240 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.

Domestically Bred, Microbiologically Controlled Rhesus Monkeys

After September 1, 1977, the following animals will be available:

150 male rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta), 12-30 months old, weighing 1.0 to 3.9 kg. Price: Up to 1.9 kg. - \$490; 2.0-2.9 kg. - \$560; 3.0-3.9 kg. - \$675.

35 adult female rhesus monkeys (Macaca mulatta). These are wild-caught breeder stock nonproducers. Price: Available upon request.

These animals are produced from an isolated free-ranging island colony. They, and the colony from which they come, have been uniformly negative to tests for Herpesvirus simiae (B virus) antibody, tuberculin hypersensitivity, and Salmonella and Shigella organisms (testing details are available on request from Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Inc.) The animals have been cage-accommodated for four to six weeks and unless specifically requested otherwise, will be vaccinated against measles. The price is f.o.b., Key West, Florida.

These animals were produced through a cost-sharing contract with Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Inc. The animals are to be distributed through regular commercial sale, but the contractor is to give priority to purchase of animals for use on NIH and ADAMHA supported projects. Therefore, investigators desiring animals from this source for use on an NIH or ADAMHA supported grant or contract should include the title and identifying number of the grant or contract with their purchase request. Purchase orders should be sent directly to Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Inc., Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887.

MARC HONORS UNDERGRADUATE  
RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

*Applications must be received no later than January 15, 1978*

Under authority of Section 472 of the Public Health Service Act as amended (42 USC 2891-1) the National Institute of General Medical Sciences is accepting applications for institutional National Research Service Awards (NRSAs) for an undergraduate honors program in the biomedical sciences under the Minority Access to Research Careers (MARC) program. The provisions of the NRSA Act are applicable to this program.

The MARC program is intended to assist minority institutions in the training of greater numbers of scientists and teachers in health-related fields. The objectives of the undergraduate research training program are: (1) to increase the number of well-prepared minority students who can compete successfully for entry into graduate programs leading to the Ph.D. degree, (2) to aid the development of a strong biological sciences curriculum, and (3) to strengthen research training programs in the biomedical sciences.

Training support will be offered to highly selected undergraduate honors students at four-year colleges, universities, and health professional schools in which student enrollments are drawn substantially from ethnic minority groups (such as American Indians, Blacks, Hawaiians, Mexican Americans, and Puerto Ricans). Applicant institutions may request support for no more than five years at a time. These honors programs for third- and fourth-year students should be designed to improve significantly the research training capabilities of the minority institutions. They should provide mechanisms to augment and improve the science curricula, strengthen the faculty, and improve laboratory facilities. Funds will be available for research equipment and supplies essential to the program, and for stipends, tuition, fees, and limited travel costs for the trainees. Arrangements for special training at universities and laboratories other than the grantee institution should be provided.

Applications will be reviewed at the NIH by an initial review group and the National Advisory General Medical Sciences Council, and will compete for appropriated funds available for this program.

Minority institutions wishing to apply for support under this program should request application forms, guidelines, and additional information by calling (301) 496-7357, or writing to Mr. Elward Bynum, Program Director, MARC Program, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014.

PUBLICATION DISTRIBUTION

**NOTICE**

The National Institutes of Health is no longer responsible for distribution of the series *Public Health Service Grants and Awards* ("Blue Books") which list by fiscal year all grants and awards made by the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration, the Health Resources Administration, the Health Services Administration, the Center for Disease Control, the Food and Drug Administration, and the National Institutes of Health.

Requests for single copies of the PHS listing should now be addressed to the Data Management Branch, Division of Grants and Contracts, Room 18A-18 Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The telephone number is (301) 443-1884.

Requests for single copies of the *National Institutes of Health* listings ("Brown Books") which are published separately should continue to be addressed to the Office of Grants Inquiries, Division of Research Grants, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014. The telephone number is (301) 496-7441.

Bulk Supplies of either the PHS or the NIH listings can be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT

GRANT PROGRAM

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Division of Research Resources, National Institutes of Health, announces the reopening of the institutionally oriented Biomedical Research Development Grant (BRDG) Program. The next deadline for receipt of applications is January 1, 1978. Thereafter, applications will be received annually with one receipt deadline of October 1, beginning October 1, 1978.

The objective of the BRDG program is to help establish significant involvement in biomedical and/or health-related behavioral research in institutions that have small overall research programs. The improvement of the institutional research milieu to improve the learning environment for health manpower programs at grantee institutions is a primary objective of the program, but the production of health manpower per se is not an objective.

Applicants therefore should demonstrate conclusively their need for an expanded research base to carry out their mission in such manpower programs. Applicants are expected to demonstrate a commitment to increasing and sustaining their biomedical and/or health-related behavioral research capability. They must show also a strong potential for scientific merit of the research to be developed. Documentation must be provided that will permit evaluation of each application with regard to these objectives and requirements.

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The BRDG Program is a subprogram of the Biomedical Research Support Grant (BRSG) Program. Up to 10 percent of the funds available annually for the BRSG Program will be allocated for the BRDG Program. The program is highly competitive, and no more than 12 to 15 new awards are made each year. Applications may request up to three years of support, with average funding of no more than \$100,000 per year.

Eligibility is limited to nonprofit institutions which, during the latest 12-month period ending September 30, had received less than \$200,000 (direct and indirect costs) in Public Health Service (PHS) research grants. Each individual campus of a multi-campus university is considered as a separate "institution." Each health professional school is considered an "institution," even though it may be a component of a university. Institutions that receive other PHS research development grant support are not eligible for BRDG awards.

Eligible institutions may obtain application forms with special instructions, BRDG Program General Policy and Information Statement, advice on the preparation of applications, and information about eligibility or other matters from:

Biomedical Research Development Grant Program  
Division of Research Resources  
Room 5B-23, Building 31  
National Institutes of Health  
Bethesda, Maryland 20014

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