

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Meeting of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)**

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 10(a), Public Law 92-463, as amended, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the Defense Department Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS). The purpose of the Committee meeting is to provide further briefings on various topics to Committee members. The meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space.

DATES: 8-9 May 2003.

ADDRESSES: Double Tree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Commander Shannon Thaeler, USN DACOWITS, 4000 Defense Pentagon, Room 3D769, Washington, DC 20301-4000. Telephone (703) 679-2122.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested persons may submit a written statement of consideration by the Committee and make an oral presentation of such. Persons desiring to make an oral presentation or submit a written statement to the Committee must notify the point of contact listed above no later than noon, May 9, 2003, from 4:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. before the full Committee. Presentations will be limited to two minutes. Number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public. Each person desiring to make an oral presentation must provide the point of contact listed above with one (1) copy of the presentation by noon, May 2, 2003 and bring 50 copies of any material that is intended for distribution at the meeting. Persons submitting a written statement only must submit one (1) copy of the statement to the DACOWITS staff by the close of the meeting on May 9, 2003.

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 8, 2003

Welcome Administrative Remarks

Women's Work Issues Panel

Dr. Bonnie Moore/RADM (Sel) Deborah Lower

Break

Work/Family Conflict Issues for Soldier and Families

TriCare 101

Lunch (by invitation only)

Special Guests: Service Senior Enlisted Advisors
Air Force Quality of Life Programs
National Guard Quality of Life Programs
Marine Corps Quality of Life Programs
Break
Mr. Abell, PDUSD (P&R)
Dr. Wolfowiz, Deputy Secretary of Defense

Friday, May 9, 2003

Reserve Panel: Comprehensive Review of the Guard and Reserve Break
Best Practices, Civilian OB/GYN Hospital and Clinics
DOD Women's Health Research Program: LTC Karl Friedl
Lunch
Navy Family Summit: RADM (Sel) Marc Purcell
Caliber Associates Current Research Review Briefing
Committee Time
Public Forum

Dated: April 10, 2003.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army****Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Ebola Virion Proteins Expressed From Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis (VEE) Virus Replicons**

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6 and 404.7, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/337,946 entitled "Ebola Virion Proteins Expressed from Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis (VEE) Virus Replicons," filed June 22, 1999. Foreign rights are also available (PCT/US99/14311). The United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights in this invention.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, MD 21702-5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of

Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619-6664, both at telefax (301) 619-5034.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Using the Ebola GP, NP, VP24, VP30, VP35 and VP40 virion proteins, a method and composition for use in inducing an immune response which is protective against infection with Ebola virus is described.

Luz D. Ortiz,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Army****Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Concerning Monoclonal Antibody Against Ricin A Chain**

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6 and 404.7, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent No. 5,626,844 entitled "Monoclonal Antibody Against Ricin A Chain," issued May 6, 1997. The United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights in this invention.

ADDRESSES: Commander, U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, ATTN: Command Judge Advocate, MCMR-JA, 504 Scott Street, Fort Detrick, Frederick, MD 21702-5012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For patent issues, Ms. Elizabeth Arwine, Patent Attorney, (301) 619-7808. For licensing issues, Dr. Paul Mele, Office of Research & Technology Assessment, (301) 619-6664, both at telefax (301) 619-5034.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Monoclonal antibodies against the A chain of ricin have been found to be effective in protecting mammals from morbidity arising from exposure to ricin toxin. The neutralizing action of the antibodies does not appear to be mediated by complement or by immunoprecipitation. The antibodies of the invention are characterized as of isotype IgG1 having the binding characteristics which include: (a) binding specifically to the neutralizing epitope of the ricin A chain and (b) providing in vitro protection of at least 95% of EL-4 cells from 100 µg/mL ricin challenge when said antibody is present

in the tissue culture at a level of at least 1000 µg/mL.

Luz D. Ortiz,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Availability of Non-Exclusive, Exclusive License or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Protective Glove and Method for Making Same

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of U.S. Patent No. US 6,543,059 B2 entitled "Protective Glove and Method for Making Same" issued April 8, 2003. This patent has been assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Army.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Rosenkrans at U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command, Kansas Street, Natick, MA 01760, Phone: (508) 233-4928 or E-mail: Robert.Rosenkrans@natick.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any licenses granted shall comply with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404.

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Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to delete systems of records.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army is deleting two systems of records notices from its existing inventory of records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended.

DATES: This proposed action will be effective without further notice on May 19, 2003, unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Department of the Army, Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Office, U.S. Army Records Management and Declassification Agency, ATTN: TAPC-PDD-FP, 7798 Cissna Road, Suite 205, Springfield, VA 22153-3166.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Janice Thornton at (703) 806-7137/DSN 656-7137.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of the Army systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the **Federal Register** and are available from the address above.

The specific changes to the records system being amended are set forth below followed by the notice, as amended, published in its entirety. The proposed amendments are not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974, (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered system report.

Dated: April 10, 2003.

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A0351 DASG

SYSTEM NAME:

Army School Student Files: Physical Therapy Program (March 23, 1999, 64 FR 13972).

REASON: THESE RECORDS ARE NOW BEING MAINTAINED UNDER THE SYSTEM OF RECORDS NOTICE A0351A DASG, U.S. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT SCHOOL AND ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES ACADEMIC RECORDS (JULY 31, 2002, 67 FR 49678).

A0351 HSC

SYSTEM NAME:

Practical Nurse Course Files (February 22, 1993, 58 FR 10002).

REASON:

Individual Academic and Class Academic records are now covered under the system of records notice A0351a DASG, entitled 'U.S. Army Medical Department School and Academy of Health Science Academic Records'. Individual training records and Faculty Board files have been destroyed.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 16, 2003.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: April 11, 2003.

John D. Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of the Undersecretary

Type of Review: New.

Title: National Evaluation of the Voluntary Public School Choice (VPSC) Program.

Frequency: Annually.