

ORIP Concept Clearance

Limited Competition: Extramural Research Facilities Improvement Program (C06)

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Background

Long-standing two decade collaboration between Division of Construction and Instruments (DCI), Division of Comparative Medicine (now both in ORIP) & Office of AIDS Research (OAR), OD/NIH.

Goal: Provide funds to modernize laboratories and animal housing facilities at the eight National Primate Research Centers (NPRCs) in support of HIV/AIDS research on non-human primates.

The National Primate Research Centers (NPRCs)

Overview

- Research impact:
 - 27,000 non-human primates
 - 1000 projects each year
 - 2000 investigators across the Nation
- Translational Research Activities in Infectious Diseases:
 - Pathogenesis of SIV, correlations with HIV in humans
 - Vaccines and diagnostics for various diseases
 - Microbicides
- AIDS is the largest component of these projects comprising about 40% of the total research at the NPRCs

The Office of AIDS Research (OAR): Overview

- Established in 1988; coordinates a \$3 billion NIH AIDS research enterprise (the largest and most significant public investment in AIDS research in the world)
- Priorities include:
 - Investing in Basic Research
 - Reducing New Infections
 - Accelerating Discovery Through Technology
 - Improving Disease Outcomes for HIV-Infected Individuals
 - Advancing Translational Science from Bench to Bedside to Community
 - Reducing HIV-related Disparities including Infrastructure and Capacity Building

(Source: <http://www.oar.nih.gov/strategicplan/fy2013/index.asp>)

Funding Opportunity Goals

- ORIP and OAR identified needs for enhancing NPRCs facilities for AIDS research
 - Increase the size of animal facilities to accommodate the needed expansion of non-human primate colonies
 - Increase, renovate, maintain and repair laboratories facilities to accommodate AIDS investigators
 - Purchase and install fixed equipment such as autoclaves; Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems; cage washers; or other large fixed equipment

Award Information

- Request for Applications (RFA)
- Limited competition for the eight National Primate Research Centers (NPRCs) funded by DCM/ORIP
- Funding mechanism: C06; Research Facilities Improvement Program
- Available funds: Up to \$4 M in FY2013; anticipate making 2-5 awards

Questions?