

collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and

e. Estimates of capital or start up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Proposal to approve under OMB delegated authority the extension for three years, without revision, of the following report:

Report title: Reporting and Disclosure Requirements Associated with the Policy on Payments System Risk.

Agency form number: FR 4102.

OMB control number: 7100–0315.

Frequency: Biennial.

Reporters: Payment and securities settlement systems.

Annual reporting hours: 210 hours.

Estimated average hours per response: 70 hours.

Number of respondents: 3.

General description of report: The Federal Reserve has determined that sections 11(i) & (j), 13, 16, and 19(f) of the Federal Reserve Act authorize the Board to exercise general supervision of the Reserve Banks, to make rules and regulations to perform effectively its duties and functions, and to determine and regulate fees charged by member or nonmember banks for the collection or payment of checks, among other things (12 U.S.C. 248(i) & (j), 248–1, 342, 360, and 464). Additionally, depending upon the individual institution, the information collection may be authorized under a more specific statute. Specifically, the Board is authorized to collect information from state member banks under section 9 of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 324); from bank holding companies (and their subsidiaries) under section 5(c) of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1844(c)); from savings and loan holding companies under 12 U.S.C. 1467a(b)(3) and 5412; from Edge and agreement corporations under sections 25 and 25A of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 602 and 625); and from U.S. branches and agencies of foreign banks under section 7(c)(2) of the International Banking Act of 1978 (12 U.S.C. 3105(c)(2)), and under section 7(a) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(a)). Together, these statutory provisions provide the legal authorization for the reporting and disclosure requirements associated with the FR 4102. Because the self-assessments are to be publicly disclosed and because the Federal Reserve will not collect any information pursuant to this information collection beyond what is made publicly available, no confidentiality issue arises with regard to the FR 4102. The reporting and

disclosure requirements of the FR 4102 are mandatory.

Abstract: The FR 4102 was implemented in January 2007 as a result of revisions to the Federal Reserve's Policy on Payments System Risk (PSR policy). Under the revised policy, systemically important payment and settlement systems as determined by the Board at that time and subject to the Federal Reserve's authority are expected to complete and disclose publicly self-assessments against the principles and minimum standards in the policy. The self-assessment should be reviewed and approved by the system's senior management and board of directors upon completion and made readily available to the public. In addition, a self-assessment should be updated following material changes to the system or its environment and, at a minimum, reviewed by the system every two years.

Proposal to approve under OMB delegated authority the extension for three years, with revision, of the following report:

Report title: Transfer Agent Registration and Amendment Form.

Agency form number: FR TA–1.

OMB control number: 7100–0099.

Frequency: On occasion.

Reporters: State member banks (SMBs) and their subsidiaries, bank holding companies (BHCs), certain nondeposit trust company subsidiaries of BHCs, and savings and loan holding companies (SLHCs).

Annual reporting hours: 4 hours.

Estimated average time per response: Registrations: 1.25 hours; Amendments: 10 minutes.

Number of respondents: Registrations: 2; Amendments: 4.

General description of report: The FR TA–1 is mandatory and that its collection is authorized by sections 17A(c), 17(a)(3), and 23(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Act), as amended (15 U.S.C. 78q-1(c), 78q(a)(3), and 78w(a)(1)). Additionally, Section 3(a)(34)(B)(ii) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(34)(B)(ii)) provides that the Board is the appropriate regulatory agency for purposes of various filings by SMBs and their subsidiaries, BHCs, SLHCs and certain nondepository trust company subsidiaries of BHCs that act as a clearing agency or transfer agent. The registrations are public filings and are not considered confidential.

Abstract: The Act requires any person acting as a transfer agent to register as such and to amend registration information when it changes. SMBs and their subsidiaries, BHCs, and certain nondeposit trust company subsidiaries of BHCs register with the Federal

Reserve System by submitting Form TA–1. The information collected is available to the public upon request and includes the company name, all business addresses, and several questions about the registrant's proposed activities as a transfer agent.

Current actions: The Federal Reserve proposes to include SLHCs in the respondent panel.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, April 15, 2013.

Robert deV. Frierson,
Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Electronic Government Office, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Electronic Government Office (EGOV), Department of Health and Human Services, has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR), described below, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The ICR is for reinstatement of a previously-approved information collection assigned OMB control number 4040–0001, which expired on March 31, 2013. The ICR also requests categorizing the form as a common form, meaning HHS will only request approval for its own use of the form rather than aggregating the burden estimate across all Federal Agencies as was done for previous actions on this OMB control number. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB. OMB will accept further comments from the public on this ICR during the review and approval period.

DATES: Comments on the ICR must be received on or before May 20, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments to OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov or via facsimile to (202) 395–5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information Collection Clearance staff, Information.CollectionClearance@hhs.gov or (202) 690–6162.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: When submitting comments or requesting information, please include the OMB control number 4040-0001 and document identifier HHS-EGOV-18380-30D for reference.

Information Collection Request Title: SF-424 Research & Related (R&R).

OMB No.: 4040-0001.

Abstract: The SF-424 Research & Related Information Collection is an information collection comprised of a set of standardized forms used for grant applications to research-based agencies.

Need and Proposed Use of the

Information: The SF-424 R&R is used by the public to apply for Federal financial assistance in the forms of grants. These forms are submitted to the

Federal grant-making research-based agencies for evaluation and review.

Likely Respondents: Organizations and institutions seeking research-based grants.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions, to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information, to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search

data sources, to complete and review the collection of information, and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

HHS estimates that the SF-424 Research and Related form will take 1 hour to complete.

We expect that 128,378 respondents will use this form.

Once OMB approves the use of this common form, federal agencies may request OMB approval to use this common form without having to publish notices and request public comments for 60 and 30 days. Each agency must account for the burden associated with their use of the common form.

TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN—HOURS

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
SF-424 Research and Related Application for Federal Assistance	128,378	1	1	128,378
Total	128,378	128,378

Keith A. Tucker,

Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Misconduct in Science/ Research Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that effective on March 14, 2013, a Settlement Agreement was made and entered into by and between Dr. Philippe Bois and the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Kathleen Sebelius, Howard K. Koh, Nancy Gunderson, and Donald Wright (collectively HHS) by and through the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia in *Bois v. HHS, et al.*, Civil Action no. 11-cv-1563, which was pending before the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

In the Settlement Agreement, HHS and Dr. Bois agreed to settle the proceedings before the District Court of the District of Columbia as well as to resolve all administrative matters pending at HHS.

ORI found that Philippe Bois, Ph.D., former postdoctoral fellow, Department of Biochemistry, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, engaged in research misconduct in research funded by National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), grant R01 GM071596, and National Cancer Institute (NCI), NIH, grants P30 CA021765, P01 CA071907, R01 CA072996, and R01 CA100603.

In the Settlement Agreement, the parties agreed that ORI found by a preponderance of the evidence that the Respondent committed misconduct in science and research misconduct by:

1. Knowingly and intentionally falsely reporting that FOXO1a was not expressed in cell lysates from alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma (ARMS) tumor biopsies, by selecting a specific FOXO1a immunoblot to show the desired result, in Figure 1A of the following paper: Bois, P.R., Izeradjene, K., Houghton, P.J., Cleveland, J.L., Houghton, J.A., & Grosveld, C.G. "FOXO1a acts as a selective tumor suppressor in alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma." *J. Cell. Biol.* 170:903-912, September 2005 ("JCB 2005")

2. Falsifying data showing SDS-PAGE for papain digestion of VBS3 and α VBS, by falsely labeling lane 1 to represent papain only digestion, by falsely labeling lane 5 to represent papain digestion of the α VBS peptide, and by falsely inserting a band in lane 3 to

represent the α VBS peptide, in Figure 4B of the following paper: Bois, P.R., Borgon, R.A., Vornhein, C., & Izard, T. "Structural dynamics of α -actinin-vinculin interactions." *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 25:6112-6122, July 2005 ("MCB 2005").

The parties further agreed that Dr. Bois denied committing research misconduct and, pursuant to 42 CFR part 93, filed a timely request for a hearing at which to contest ORI's findings. An HHS Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) denied Dr. Bois' request for a hearing. HHS subsequently entered a debarment order against Dr. Bois. Dr. Bois filed the above referenced lawsuit in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia asking the Court to vacate the debarment order and remand the matter for further proceedings before HHS, including but not limited to granting Dr. Bois' request for a hearing.

On March 2, 2012, Judge Berman Jackson of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued an order vacating HHS' debarment order, affirming Finding #1, and remanding the matter to HHS for further proceedings regarding Finding #2. On March 30, 2012, HHS filed a Motion for Reconsideration before Judge Berman Jackson.

On March 14, 2013, Dr. Bois and HHS entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement) to settle and dismiss the pending civil action. The terms of the