

the Bureau of Health Workforce (BHW), HRSA, are both committed to improving the health of the Nation’s underserved by uniting communities in need with caring health professionals and by supporting communities’ efforts to build better systems of care. The NHSC and Nurse Corps Interest Capture Form, which is used when HRSA staff presents information regarding HRSA funding opportunities for health profession students and providers at national and regional conferences and at campus recruiting events, is an optional form that a health profession student, licensed clinician, faculty member, or clinical site administrator can complete and submit to BHW representatives at an event. The purpose of the form is to enable individuals and clinical sites to ask BHW for periodic program updates and other general information regarding opportunities with the NHSC and/or the

Nurse Corps via email. Completed forms contain information such as the names of the individuals, their email address(es), their city and state, the organization where they are employed (or the school which they attend), the year they intend to graduate (if applicable), how they heard about the NHSC/Nurse Corps, and the programs in which they are interested. Assistance in completing the form will be given by the BHW staff person (or BHW representative) who is present at the event.

**Need and Proposed Use of the Information:** The need and purpose of this information collection is to share resources and information regarding the NHSC and Nurse Corps programs with interested conference/event participants.

**Likely Respondents:** Individual and potential service site conference/event

participants interested in the NHSC or Nurse Corps programs.

**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 Information Collection Request are summarized in the table below.

Form name	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total responses	Average burden per response (in hours)	Total burden hours
NHSC and Nurse Corps Interest Capture Form .....	2,400	1	2,400	.025	60
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>2,400</b>	.....	<b>2,400</b>	.....	<b>60</b>

HRSA specifically requests comments on (1) the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden, and (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

**Maria G. Button,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**National Institutes of Health**

**Prospective Grant of an Exclusive Patent License: Use of the CD47 Phosphorodiamidate Morpholino Oligomers for the Treatment, Prevention, and Diagnosis of Solid Tumors**

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Cancer Institute, an institute of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, is contemplating the grant of an Exclusive Patent License to

practice the inventions embodied in the Patents and Patent Applications listed in the Supplementary Information section of this notice to Morphix Biotherapeutics (“Morphix”) located in Boston, MA.

**DATES:** Only written comments and/or applications for a license which are received by the National Cancer Institute’s Technology Transfer Center on or before January 21, 2020 will be considered.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for copies of the patent application, inquiries, and comments relating to the contemplated an Exclusive Patent License should be directed to: Jaime Greene, Senior Licensing and Patenting Manager, NCI Technology Transfer Center, 9609 Medical Center Drive, RM 1E530, MSC 9702, Bethesda, MD 20892–9702 (for business mail), Rockville, MD 20850–9702, Telephone: (240) 276–5530; Facsimile: (240) 276–5504; Email: [greenejaime@mail.nih.gov](mailto:greenejaime@mail.nih.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is in reference to previous notices 83 FR 22501, which was a Prospective Grant of an Exclusive Patent License to Morphix for the field of use “the use of the CD47 phosphorodiamidate morpholino oligomers (PMO, morpholino, Sequence: 5’-CGTCACAGGCAGGACCCACTGCCCA-

3’) for the treatment, prevention, and diagnosis of hematological cancers (e.g. lymphoma, leukemia, multiple myeloma), excluding uses in combination with radiotherapy”, and 84 FR 1764, which was a Prospective Grant of an Exclusive Patent License to Morphix for the field of use “the use of the CD47 phosphorodiamidate morpholino oligomers (PMO, morpholino, Sequence: 5’-CGTCACAGGCAGGACCCACTGCCCA-3’) for the treatment, prevention, and diagnosis of hematological cancers (e.g. lymphoma, leukemia, multiple myeloma), excluding uses in combination with radiotherapy.”

**Intellectual Property**

1. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/621,994, filed April 9, 2012, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E–086–2012–0–US–01);
2. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/735,701, filed December 11, 2012, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E–086–2012–1–US–01);
3. PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US2013/035838, filed April 9, 2013, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E–086–2012–2–PCT–01);
4. Australian Patent No. 2013246040, issued March 14, 2019, filed April 9, 2013 (HHS Ref. No. E–086–2012–2–AU–02);
5. Canadian Patent No. 2869913, issued September 10, 2019, filed April 9, 2013 (HHS Ref. No. E–086–2012–2–CA–03);

6. European Patent No. 2836591, issued June 6, 2018, filed April 9, 2013 (HHS Ref. No. E-086-2012-2-EP-04);
7. US Patent No. 10407665, issued September 10, 2019, filed October 2, 2014 (HHS Ref. No. E-086-2012-2-US-05);
8. German Patent No. 2836591, issued June 6, 2018, filed April 9, 2013 (HHS Ref. No. E-086-2012-2-DE-07);
9. French Patent No. 2836591, issued June 6, 2018, filed April 9, 2013 (HHS Ref. No. E-086-2012-2-FR-08);
10. United Kingdom Patent No. 2836591, issued June 6, 2018, filed April 9, 2013 (HHS Ref. No. E-086-2012-2-GB-09);
11. US Patent Application No. 16/521,251, filed July 24, 2019 (HHS Ref. No. E-086-2012-2-US-10);
12. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/086,991, filed August 7, 2008, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-US-01);
13. PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US2009/052902, filed August 5, 2009, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-PCT-02);
14. Australian Patent No. 2009279676, issued July 30, 2015, filed August 5, 2009 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-AU-03);
15. Canadian Patent No. 2732102, issued January 2, 2018, filed August 5, 2009 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-CA-04);
16. European Patent No. 2340034, issued January 27, 2016, filed August 5, 2009 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-EP-05);
17. US Patent No. 8951527, issued February 10, 2015, filed February 3, 2011 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-US-06);
18. German Patent No. 602009036069.8, issued January 27, 2016, filed August 5, 2009 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-DE-07);
19. French Patent No. 2340034, issued January 27, 2016, filed August 5, 2009 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-FR-08);
20. United Kingdom Patent No. 2340034, issued January 27, 2016, filed August 5, 2009 (HHS Ref. No. E-153-2008-0-GB-09);
21. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/779,587, filed March 13, 2013, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E-296-2011-0-US-01);
22. PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US2014/025989, filed March 13, 2014, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E-296-2011-0-PCT-02);
23. Australian Patent No. 2014244083, issued January 10, 2019, filed March 13, 2014, now abandoned (HHS Ref. No. E-296-2011-0-AU-03);
24. Canadian Patent Application No. 2905418, filed March 13, 2014 (HHS Ref. No. E-296-2011-0-CA-04);
25. European Patent Application No. 14718255.4, filed March 13, 2014 (HHS Ref. No. E-296-2011-0-EP-05);
26. US Patent Application No. 14/775,428, filed September 11, 2015 (HHS Ref. No. E-296-2011-0-US-06).

The patent rights in these inventions have been assigned and/or exclusively licensed to the government of the United States of America. The prospective exclusive license territory may be worldwide, and the field of use may be limited to those previously

advertised in **Federal Register** notices 83 FR 22501 84 FR 1764, described in the supplementary information section above.

This technology concerns CD47, originally named integrin-associated protein, which is a receptor for thrombospondin-1 (TSP1), a major component of platelet  $\alpha$ -granules from which it is secreted on platelet activation. A number of important roles for CD47 have been defined in regulating the migration, proliferation, and survival of vascular cells, and in regulation of innate and adaptive immunity. Nitric Oxide (NO) plays an important role as a major intrinsic vasodilator, and it increases blood flow to tissues and organs. Disruption of this process leads to peripheral vascular disease, ischemic heart disease, stroke, diabetes and many more significant diseases. The inventors have discovered that TSP1 blocks the beneficial effects of NO and prevents it from dilating blood vessels and increasing blood flow to organs and tissues. Additionally, they discovered that this regulation requires TSP1 interaction with its cell receptor, CD47. These inventors have also found that blocking TSP1-CD47 interaction through the use of antisense morpholino oligonucleotides, peptides or antibodies have several therapeutic benefits including the treatment of cancer.

This notice is made in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty bearing, and the prospective exclusive license may be granted unless within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published notice, the National Cancer Institute receives written evidence and argument that establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR part 404.

In response to this Notice, the public may file comments or objections. Comments and objections, other than those in the form of a license application, will not be treated confidentially, and may be made publicly available.

License applications submitted in response to this Notice will be presumed to contain business confidential information and any release of information in these license applications will be made only as required and upon a request under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing

**AGENCY:** National Institutes of Health.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The invention listed below is owned by an agency of the U.S. Government and is available for licensing to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally-funded research and development.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Licensing information may be obtained by communicating with Vidita Choudhry, Ph.D., National Heart, Lung, and Blood, Office of Technology Transfer and Development, 31 Center Drive, Room 4A29, MSC2479, Bethesda, MD 20892-2479; telephone: 301-594-4095; email: [vidita.choudhry@nih.gov](mailto:vidita.choudhry@nih.gov). A signed Confidential Disclosure Agreement may be required to receive any unpublished information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Technology description follows.

#### Therapeutic and Diagnostic Targets for Severe RSV Infection

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) infects nearly all children by their second birthday. RSV usually causes mild respiratory illness, however, a subset of patients experience severe infection that require hospitalization. Successful host defense against viral pathogens requires rapid recognition of the virus and activation of both innate and adaptive immunity. Toll-Like Receptors (TLRs) are responsible for mounting an innate immune response and genetic variations within TLRs modulate severity of infection. Researchers at NIEHS have identified a single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) in TLR8 that is associated with RSV disease severity. The SNP is p53-responsive allele, indicating that p53, a master cell cycle regulator, can strongly influence TLR8 mediated immune responses. Identification of this SNP can inform diagnosis and prognosis of RSV disease and serve as a therapeutic target for severe RSV infection.

*Potential Commercial Applications:*