

No. 60/089,842, filing date 06/19/1998, "Novel Thiolesters and Uses Thereof", PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/US99/13856, International Filing Date 06/18/1999.

The zinc finger has been found in many proteins and in a great variety of species (e.g., the zinc finger structure can be found in the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)). In viruses, the zinc-binding domains of nucleocapsid proteins have been identified as being involved in both early and late phases of viral replication, thus making them potentially attractive targets for antiviral agents.

The present invention provides for a novel family of thiolesters and uses thereof. These thiolesters are capable of inactivating viruses and other agents by a variety of mechanisms, particularly by complexing with metal ion-complexing zinc fingers. The invention further provides for methods for inactivating a virus, such as HIV, using these compounds, and thereby also inhibiting transmission of the virus.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within 60 days from the date of this published Notice, NIH 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 404.7.

The field of use may be limited to the use of novel thiolesters of the invention for therapeutic and diagnostic uses for anti-viral and anti-retroviral (including anti-HIV/AIDS), anti-tumor, anti-parasitic (e.g., malaria), anti-bacterial, and anti-fungal applications, as well as for agricultural uses (e.g., insecticidal use).

Properly filed competing applications for a license filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the contemplated license. Comments and objections submitted in response to this notice will not be made available for public inspection, and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552.

Dated: April 13, 2000.

**Jack Spiegel,**

*Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Public Health Service

#### National Toxicology Program; National Toxicology Program (NTP) Board of Scientific Counselors Technical Reports Review Subcommittee Meeting; Review of Draft NTP Technical Reports

Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of the next meeting of the NTP Board of Scientific Counselors Technical Reports Review Subcommittee on May 18, 2000 in the Rodbell Auditorium, Building 101, South Campus, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), 111 Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on May 18 and is open to the public. The primary agenda topic is the peer review of draft Technical Reports of long-term toxicology and carcinogenesis studies from the NTP. There will also be a presentation about the beneficial effects of the NIH2000 diet in chronic studies.

Tentatively scheduled for peer review on May 18 are draft Technical Reports of six two-year studies, listed alphabetically in the attached table, along with supporting material. Studies were conducted using Fischer 344 rats and/or B6C3F<sub>1</sub> mice. The tentative order of review is given in the far right column of the table.

#### Draft Reports Available for Public Review and Comment

Approximately one month prior to the meeting, the draft reports will be available for public review and comment on the Internet free of charge through the Environmental Health Information Service (EHIS) at <http://ehis.niehs.nih.gov>. Printed copies can be obtained, as available, from: Central Data Management, NIEHS, PO Box 12233 MD E1-02, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, T: 919-541-3419, FAX: 919-541-3687, or email: [CDM@niehs.nih.gov](mailto:CDM@niehs.nih.gov).

The NTP Board of Scientific Counselors Technical Reports Review Subcommittee meeting is open to the public and public comment on any of the Technical Reports is welcome. Time will be provided for public comment on each of the reports under review. In order to facilitate planning for the meeting, persons requesting time for an oral presentation on a particular Technical Report are asked to notify the Executive Secretary, Dr. Mary S. Wolfe

(PO Box 12233, MD A3-07, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; telephone 919/541-3971; FAX 919/541-0295; email [wolfe@niehs.nih.gov](mailto:wolfe@niehs.nih.gov)). Persons registering to make comments are asked to provide, if possible, a written copy of their statement by May 12th to enable review by the Subcommittee and staff prior to the meeting. Written statements can supplement and may expand the oral presentation, and each speaker is asked to provide his/her name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail and supporting organization (if any). At least seven minutes will be allotted to each speaker, and if time permits, may be extended to 10 minutes. Registration for making public comments will also be available on-site. If registering on-site to speak and reading oral comments from printed copy, the speaker is asked to bring 25 copies of the text. These copies will be distributed to the Chair and Subcommittee members and supplement the record.

Written comments, in lieu of making oral comments, are also welcome. The comments should include name, affiliation, mailing address, phone, fax, e-mail and sponsoring organization (if any) and preferably be received by May 12th to enable review by the Subcommittee and staff prior to the meeting.

#### Request for Additional Information

The NTP would welcome receiving toxicology and carcinogenesis information from completed, ongoing, or planned studies as well as current production data, human exposure information, and use patterns for any of the chemicals listed in this announcement. Please forward this information to Central Data Management at the address given above who will relay it to the appropriate staff scientist.

The agenda and a roster of Subcommittee members will be available prior to the meeting on the NTP web homepage at <http://ntp-server.niehs.nih.gov> and upon request from the Executive Secretary. Following the meeting, summary minutes will be available on the NTP web homepage and upon request to Dr. Wolfe.

#### Attachment

Dated: April 11, 2000.

**Samuel H. Wilson,**

*Deputy Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.*

TECHNICAL REPORTS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW BY THE NTP BOARD OF SCIENTIFIC COUNSELORS  
TECHNICAL REPORTS REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE ON MAY 18, 2000

| Chemical CAS No.                               | Report No. | Primary uses  | Route and exposure levels  | Review order |
|--|------------|---|--|--------------|
| Chloral Hydrate 302-17-0 .....                 | TR-502     | The primary sedative used in children.  | Gavage (water vehicle) Mice: 0, 25, 50, or 100 mg/kg.                              | 4            |
| Chloral Hydrate (feed restricted) 302-17-0.    | TR-503     | The primary sedative used in children.  | Gavage (water vehicle; feed restriction study) Male Mice: 0, 25, 50, or 100 mg/kg. | 5            |
| <i>p,p'</i> -Dichlorodiphenyl Sulfone 80-07-9. | TR-501     | Starting product in production of polysulfones and polyether-sulfones; by-product of pesticide production.                    | Feed Male Rats: 0, 10, 30, or 100 ppm; Female Rats & Mice: 0, 30, 100, or 300 ppm. | 6            |
| Indium Phosphide 22398-80-7 .....              | TR-499     | Used in making semiconductors, lasers, solar cells, and photodiodes.  | Inhalation Rats & Mice: 0, 0.03, 0.1, or 0.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> .                   | 1            |
| Naphthalene 91-20-3 .....                      | TR-500     | Ingredient in moth repellants and toilet bowl deodorants and as an intermediate in a variety of chemical synthesis processes. | Inhalation Rats: 0, 10, 30, or 60 ppm.   | 2            |
| Sodium Nitrite 7632-00-0 .....                 | TR-495     | Color fixative and preservative in meats and fish; also used in a variety of industrial processes.                            | Drinking water Rats & Mice: 0, 750, 1500, or 3000 ppm.                             | 3            |

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4561-N-29]

### Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Program

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* May 19, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number (2502-0233) and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB Desk Officer, Office of

Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Q, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne Eddin@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the information; (3) the OMB approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including

number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the name and telephone number of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Program.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2502-0233.

*Form Numbers:* HUD-101, -203, -203-B, -301, -302, -303, -304.

*Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use:* The Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act authorizes HUD to promulgate and enforce reporting standards for the production of manufactured housing. HUD uses the information collected to support an inspection program and to facilitate recalls as necessary.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit entities.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

Reporting Burden

| Number of Respondents | × | Frequency of response | × | Hours per response | = | Burden hours |
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