2025 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Special Emphasis Panel

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1. Department or Agency			2. Fiscal Year	
Department of Health and Human Services			2025	
'			3b. GSA	
3. Committee or Subcommittee			Committee	
			No.	
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious			1961	
Diseases Special Emphasis Panel				
4. Is this New Durir	•	-	7. Expected	
Fiscal Year?	Charter	Renewal Date	Term Date	
No	09/30/1994			
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear? Authority		8c. Actual Term Date		
Yes		5 Secretary ctive	06/30/2025	
9. Agency	100	Legislation	10b.	
Recommendation f	or Next	to Terminate?	Legislation	
FiscalYear	Ney		Pending?	
Continue	Not	Applicable	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment	Authority Au	thorized by Law		
12. Specific	13.	14.	445	
Establishment	Effectiv	ve Commitee	14c. Presidential2	
Authority	Date	Туре	Presidential?	
42 USC 282(b)(16)	11/20/1	985 Continuing	No	
15. Description of Committee Special Emphasis Panel				
16a. Total	Deperts for			
Number of	Reports for FiscalYear			
Reports	S FISCALI EAL			
17a. 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0 Open				
Meetings and Dates				
No Meetings				

Current Next

	FY	FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to	\$0	00\$0.00
Non-Federal Members	ψ0.	ουψ0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to	\$0	00\$0.00
Federal Members	ψ0.	οοφο.οο
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to	\$0.00\$0.00	
Federal Staff	ψ0.	0000
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to	\$0	00\$0.00
Non-Member Consultants	ψ0.	0000
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0	00\$0.00
Non-Federal Members	ψ0.	0000
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.	00\$0.00
Federal Members	ψ0.	0000
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.	00\$0.00
Federal Staff	φe.	
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to	\$0.	00\$0.00
Non-member Consultants	φ σ ι	
18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs,		
contractor support,	\$0.	00\$0.00
In-person/hybrid/virtual	·	·
meetings)		
18d. Other (all other funds not	^	
captured by any other cost	\$0.	00\$0.00
category)	•	
18e. Total Costs	\$0.	00\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years	0.	00 0.00
(FTE)		

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

This committee is composed entirely of recognized biomedical and/or behavioral research authorities who represent the forefront of research and technical knowledge and who provide first-level merit review of funding applications and proposals, including but not limited to grant and cooperative agreement applications and contract

proposals, for research projects and for research and training activities in areas relevant to allergic and immunologic diseases and disorders, transplantation, vaccinology, microbiology and infectious diseases, including tropical diseases, AIDS and AIDS-related research. Operation of this committee is accomplished using a fluid membership, with members designated to serve for individual meetings rather than formally appointed for fixed terms of service. The reviewers for each meeting are selected to evaluate grant applications and/or contract proposals for a specific, perhaps narrow, expertise area. Participants for each meeting are assembled to most efficiently and effectively cover the number and breadth of applications or contracts requiring review. During this reporting period the committee reviewed 1902 grant applications requesting \$6,499,877,648.00 in direct costs. In addition the committee reviewed 306 contract proposals requesting total direct costs of \$873,595,252.00 for all years.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

This committee has a fluid membership, with members designated to serve for individual meetings rather than formally appointed for fixed terms of service. The reviewers for each meeting are selected to provide advice and recommendations on funding applications and proposals, including but not limited to grant and cooperative agreement applications and contract proposals, for research projects and for research and training activities in the broad areas of allergic and immunologic diseases and disorders, transplantation, vaccinology, microbiology and infectious diseases, including tropical diseases, AIDS and AIDS-related research. Participants for each meeting are assembled to most efficiently and effectively cover the number and breadth of applications or contracts requiring review.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The NIAID Special Emphasis Panel held 156 meetings during this period. The flexibility in review allowed by this committee structure has proved both efficient and effective.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This committee is composed entirely of recognized biomedical and/or behavioral research authorities who represent the forefront of research and technical knowledge and who provide first-level merit review of funding applications and proposals, including but not limited to grant and cooperative agreement applications and contract proposals, for research projects and for research and training activities. These evaluations and recommendations cannot be obtained from other sources because the specialized, complex nature of the applications and proposals requires a unique balance and breadth of expertise not available on the NIH staff or from other established sources.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

The meetings of the NIAID Special Emphasis Panel were closed to the public for the review of grant applications and/or contract proposals. Sections 552b(c)(4) and 552(c)(6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act permits the closing of meetings where discussion could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

21. Remarks

Per "2025 Secretary Directive " this FACA Committee has been terminated. Reports: This committee did not produce any public reports during the fiscal year. URL: The committee does not maintain a website. The DFO and the Decision Maker are the same person, the Director, SRP, NIAID based on the assignment of duties within this Institute. The committee held several meetings on non-consecutive dates. Membership: The members of this Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) do not have standing appointments and serve on an as needed basis for meetings throughout the fiscal year. Therefore, the members list does not reflect appointment start and end dates. As often as possible, instead of appointment start and end dates, each meeting date on which the SEP member served is identified on the Members list. When necessary to protect peer review integrity, a fiscal year start and end date is used as the alternative to appointment start and end dates for some SEP members. As a result, the Members list, including the number of chairs, may not align or directly match to specific meeting dates. Meeting rosters, including members' affiliations and zip codes are available online at https://public.era.nih.gov/pubroster/. There are several records on the membership list that represent members who participated in two meetings that were held at different times within the same day.

Designated Federal Officer

Jay R. Radke Director, Scientific Review Program

Narrative Description

NIH's mission is to seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce illness and disability. NIH works toward that mission by supporting the research of non-Federal scientists in universities, medical schools, hospitals, and research institutions throughout the country and abroad. Section 492 of the PHS Act states that The Secretary ...shall by regulation require appropriate technical and scientific peer review of (A) applications...; and (B) biomedical and behavioral research and development contracts...

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if	
	Applies	
Improvements to health or safety		✓
Trust in government		
Major policy changes		
Advance in scientific research		✓
Effective grant making		✓
Improved service delivery		
Increased customer satisfaction		
Implementation of laws or regulatory		
requirements		
Other		

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	
Unable to Determine	✓
Under \$100,000	

\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	
Over \$10,000,000	
Cost Savings Other	

Cost Savings Comments

NIH supported basic and clinical accomplishments often take many years to unfold into new diagnostic tests and new ways to treat and prevent diseases

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee? 29,347

Number of Recommendations Comments

Grant and contract proposals.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency? 0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

Information on the research funded by NIH is available through the RePORT (Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool) website. RePORT provides access to reports, data, and analyses of NIH research activities that advance the mission of the NIH, including information on NIH expenditures, strategic plans, reports on NIH funding, and reports on the organization and people involved in NIH research and research training. The RePORT website is located at http://report.nih.gov.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

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Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes 🗹 No 🗌 Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Information resulting from closed initial peer review meetings is subject to the Freedom of Information Act. The public can view information on research projects funded by NIH on the RePORT (Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tool) website located at http://report.nih.gov.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	
Reallocated resources	
Issued new regulation	
Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	\checkmark
Other	

Action Comments

An action of "approved" or "recommended" for grants receiving initial peer review by this committee does not infer that the grant will be or has been funded. Research grant applications submitted to NIH must go through a two-step review process that includes the initial peer review for scientific and technical merit and a second step of review and approval by a National Advisory Council for program relevance. In addition, prior to an award or funding being made, NIH staff must conduct an administrative review for a number of other considerations. These include alignment with NIH's funding principles, review of the project budget, assessment of the applicant's management systems, determination of applicant eligibility, and compliance with public policy requirements. After all these steps have been completed, NIH officials make funding decisions on individual grant applications.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

Yes

What is the estimated <u>Number</u> of grants reviewed for approval What is the estimated <u>Number</u> of grants recommended for 1,902 approval 1,902 What is the estimated <u>Dollar Value</u> of grants recommended for approval \$6,499,877,648

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Contact DFO Contact DFO Contact DFO Conline Agency Web Site Conline Committee Web Site Conline GSA FACA Web Site Conline G

Access Comments

Contact IC Committee Management Officer. 240-669-5201