

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board

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1. Department or Agency	2. Fiscal Year
Department of Veterans Affairs	2018
3. Committee or Subcommittee	3b. GSA Committee No.
Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board	2017

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	05/14/2018	05/14/2020	

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date
No		

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?
Continue	No	Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority	Agency Authority		
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
38 USC 7303	05/09/1995	Continuing	No

15. Description of Committee Scientific Technical Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 1 **17b. Closed** 90 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 91

Purpose	Start	End
The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.	11/15/2017	11/15/2017
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<p>The purpose of the Joint Biomedical Laboratory and Clinical Science Research and Development Scientific Merit Review Board meeting is to provide advice on the overall direction and governance relating to investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for Biomedical Laboratory and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Merit Review consideration. This meeting of the parent committee was open to the public and allowed for public input on policies, procedures, and outcomes of the closed merit review meetings.</p>	01/25/2018 - 01/25/2018
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<p>Twenty-nine meetings were conducted between May 16, 2018 and July 16, 2018 to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety, and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review consideration. Reviewed proposals involved a wide range of medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. The closed meetings involved discussion, examination, reference to staff and consultant critiques of research proposals. The details and the evaluation of each proposal will be provided to the parent committee.</p>	05/16/2018 - 07/16/2018
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<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/17/2018 - 05/17/2018
<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/18/2018 - 05/18/2018
<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/18/2018 - 05/18/2018
<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/18/2018 - 05/18/2018
<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/18/2018 - 05/18/2018
<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/21/2018 - 05/21/2018
<p>The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.</p>	05/21/2018 - 05/21/2018

The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. 06/07/2018 - 06/07/2018

The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. 06/07/2018 - 06/07/2018

The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. 06/08/2018 - 06/08/2018

The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. 06/08/2018 - 06/08/2018

The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. 07/16/2018 - 07/16/2018

The purpose of this subcommittee is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review evaluation. Proposals submitted for review include various medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research. 07/16/2018 - 07/16/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 91

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$35,700.00	\$41,412.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$870,435.00	\$948,774.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$76,950.00	\$89,262.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$105,528.07	\$122,412.56
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$30,322.53	\$35,173.52
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$89,027.15	\$103,271.32
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$148,944.00	\$168,306.72
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$32,458.12	\$37,651.42
18d. Total	\$1,389,364.87	\$1,546,263.54
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	5.40	5.50

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Joint Biomedical Laboratory/Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board supports the central VA mission in advancing Veterans' health in its review of Veteran-centric research applications. Supporting research helps to recruit and retain top clinician-scientists, as well as supports the VA Strategic Goals of improving customer service and implementing the mission action. Applications reviewed by the Board included research on suicide prevention, one of the Top 5 Priorities for the VA. Other high priority topics include traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder,

pain, and opioid abuse. The Board provided expert review of the scientific quality, budget, safety, and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA Merit Review funding. The evaluations resulted in recommendations for approval or disapproval, levels and duration of funding, and a priority score reflecting the overall merit of the application. These recommendations were used by the Joint Biomedical Laboratory/Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board to direct the limited research funds to the most promising VA-relevant projects that will impact the health and health care of Veterans.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Board must have an appropriate balance of reviewers to evaluate the scientific, technical, and medical aspects of the proposals within the purview of the Board. Collectively, the members must reflect the broad-based scientific expertise required to competently review the research proposals received. The number of Board members is determined by the number and nature of the proposals that are received.

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

The scientific review function of the Board is performed by 30 standing review panels, which usually meet twice a year--spring and fall--in order to evaluate the scientific merit of research proposals each year. For the current year, there were 59 review panel meetings. In order to assure timely evaluations of research proposals, semi-annual meetings of the review panels are essential.

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

The Board is composed of both VA and non-VA scientists, who are nationally and internationally recognized as experts in their respective fields. Local staff does not have the required expertise, and there is no other acceptable way to accomplish the scientific review of Merit Review proposals. The outstanding credentials of the review panels lend credibility to award decisions.

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

The closed portion of the meetings is devoted to the evaluation of research proposals from investigators whose ideas and credentials are discussed freely. These discussions must remain confidential to protect the privacy of the individual investigators and their research ideas.

21. Remarks

The Joint Biomedical Laboratory/Clinical Science Research and Development Services

Scientific Merit Review Board reviewed 1213 proposals in FY 2018.

Designated Federal Officer

Holly Krull Designated Federal Officer

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Abdi, Salahandin	10/17/2016	06/28/2019	Professor and Chairman, Department of Pain Medicine, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX 77030	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Adam, Rosalyn	09/08/2016	06/29/2018	Associate Professor of Surgery (Urology) Harvard Medical School and Boston Children's Hospital	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Agrawal, Devendra	10/01/2015	06/30/2021	Professor of Clinical and Translational Science, Department of Medicine, Creighton University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Aguiar, Ricardo	02/07/2017	06/30/2021	Research Health Scientist South Texas VA Health Care System Professor in Medicine, Biochemistry, and Immunology (Tenured) University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Aikins, Deane	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Psychologist & Res Scientist, John Dingell VAMC; Assoc Prof of Psychiatry and Behav Neurosciences, Wayne State Univ, Detroit, MI	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Alexander, Sheila	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Assoc Prof, Acute and Tertiary Care, Sch of Nursing; Critical Care Med, Sch of Med, Univ of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15261	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Armando, Ines	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Assoc Prof, Dept of Med, Sch of Med, Univ of Maryland, Baltimore, MD	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Awasthi, Shanjana	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Associate Professor, Dept of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Univ of Oklahoma Hlth Sciences Center, College of Pharmacology, Oklahoma City, OK	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Azhar, Salman	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Associate Director for Research, GRECC/Senior Research Career Scientist, VA Palo Alto Healthcare System, Adjunct Professor of Medicine, Division of Endocrinology, Gerontology and Metabolism, Stanford University School of Medicine	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Back, Sudie	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Staff Psychologist Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center Professor Addiction Sciences Division Medical University of South Carolina	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular

Barchowsky, Aaron	03/28/2016	06/28/2019	Professor, Dept of Environmental & Occupational Health, Univ of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15219	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Basson, Marc	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Assoc Dean of Medicine & Prof of Surgery, Pathology and Basic Sciences, Univ of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND 58201	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Benveniste, Morris	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	Professor and Principal Investigator, Neuroscience Inst, Morehouse Sch of Med, Atlanta, GA	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Bergeson, Susan	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Assoc Prof, Depts of Pharmacology & Neuroscience, Texas Tech Univ Hlth Science Center, Lubbock, TX 79430	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Birukova, Anna	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Associate Professor (RA), Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL 60637	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Blackford, Jennifer	02/07/2017	06/30/2020	Research Scientist Nashville VA Medical Center Associate Professor Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Vanderbilt University School of Medicine	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Bliese, Paul	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Assoc Prof, Dept of Management, Darla Moore Sch of Business, Univ of SC, Columbia, SC	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Blow, Frederic	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	Senior Research Scientist, Ann Arbor VA Healthcare System, Ann Arbor, MI	Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Bowyer, John	10/17/2016	06/28/2019	Research Pharmacologist, Div of Neurotoxicology, National Center for Toxicology Research, US FDA, Jefferson, AR	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Braga, Maria	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Prof of Anatomy, Physiology and Genetics and Prof of Psychiatry, Uniformed Services University of the Health Services, Bethesda, MD 20814	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Chellappan, Srikumar	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor and Chair Department of Tumor Biology H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute	Employee (SGE) Member

Chen, Qian	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	M. G. Ehrlich M.D. Professor of Orthopaedic Research, Brown Univ/Rhode Island Hospital, Providence, RI	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Chorley, Brian	10/17/2016	06/28/2019	Principal Investigator, ORD Carcinogenesis Branch, Nat'l Hlth & Environmental Effects Research Lab, EPA, Research Triangle Park, NC	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Choudhury, Goutam	02/02/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Division Chief for Research and Professor (Tenured) Division of Nephrology Department of Medicine University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Clegg, Deborah	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Professor Department of Biomedical Sciences Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Professor-in-Residence University of California at Los Angeles	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Collins, James	09/11/2017	06/30/2018	Associate Professor, Food Science and Human Nutrition Department, University of Florida	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Combs, Colin	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Professor, Department of Basic Sciences, University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Grand Forks, ND	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Cook, Dane	03/01/2018	06/30/2021	Research Investigator, William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital, Professor of Kinesiology, University of Wisconsin – Madison, Madison, WI	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Coulombe, Roger	10/01/2015	06/30/2021	Professor of Toxicology, Department of Animal, Dairy, and Veterinary Science, Utah State Univ, Logan, UT 84322	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Czyzyk-Krzeska, Maria	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Research Health Scientist Cincinnati VA Medical Center Professor (with Tenure) Department of Cancer Biology Vontz Center for Molecular Studies University of Cincinnati School of Medicine	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
D'Agostino, Dominic	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Assistant Professor, Molec Pharmacology & Physiology, Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Dhillon, Navneet	02/02/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Professor Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Department of Medicine University of Kansas Medical Center	Government Employee (SGE) Member

Dixon, Anne	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Prof of Med, Dir, Div of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine and Clinical Research, Vermont Lung Center, Univ of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05405	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Dupree, Jeffrey	03/28/2016	06/28/2019	Research Biologist, McGuire VAMC / Assoc Prof, Dept of Anatomy and Neurobiology, Virginia Commonwealth Univ, Richmond, VA 23298	Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Ergul, Adviyе	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Research Career Scientist, VAMC / Professor, Dept. of Physiology, Medcal College of Georgia, Augusta, GA 30912	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Feng, Pinghui	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Assoc Prof, Molec Microbiol & Immu, Univ of Southern California, Keck School of Medicine, Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, Los Angeles, CA	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Field, Jessica	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Staff Physician VA Pittsburgh Health Care System Assistant Professor of Medicine Associate Program Director of Research Internal Medicine University of Pittsburgh,	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Filipov, Nikolay	03/28/2016	06/28/2019	Associate Professor, Dept of Physiology and Pharmacology, College of Veterinary Medicine, Univ of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Fiszdon, Joanna	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Dir, Postdoctoral Psychology Trng, Psychol Service, VA Connecticut Hlthcare Service/Assoc Prof, Dept of Psychiatry, Yale Univ Sch of Medicine, West Haven, CT	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Gale, Shawn	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Assoc Prof, Dept of Psychology and Neuroscience Center, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT 84602	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Garcia-Sastre, Adolfo	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor of Medicine Department of Medicine Division of Infectious Diseases Director, Global Health and Emerging Pathogens Institute Mount Sinai School of Medicine	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Garcia, Jose	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Clinical Investigator, Seattle VA Puget Sound HCS / Assoc Prof of Med, Univ of Washington, Seattle, WA 98108	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Giasson, Benoit	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	Associate Professor, Center for Translational Res in Neurodegenerative Diseases, Univ of FL, Gainesville, FL	Employee (SGE) Member Government

Gilbert, Gary	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Chief of Hematology and Oncology VA Boston Healthcare System Associate Professor of Medicine Harvard Medical School	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Goodman, Marianne	02/07/2017	06/30/2021	VISN 2 S MIRECC Clinical Research Psychiatrist Bronx VA Medical Center Clinical Professor Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Greenwood-Van Meerveld, Beverley	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	VA Research Career Scientist, Oklahoma City VAMC/Professor (with tenure), Dept of Physiology, Univ of Oklahoma Hlth Sci Center, Oklahoma City, OK	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Grill, Raymond	09/29/2014	06/29/2018	Associate Professor, Dept of Neurobiology & Anatomical Sciences, Univ of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS 39216	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Gueorguieva, Ralitza	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Senior Research Scientist Department of Biostatistics Yale School of Public Health Director of Biostatistics in Psychiatry Yale University School of Medicine	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Gulliver, Suzy	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor Texas A&M College of Medicine Baylor Scott & White Health	Employee (SGE) Member Special
Gunning-Dixon, Faith	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Associate Professor, Weill Cornell Psychiatry - Westchester, White Plains, NY 10605	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Guo, Grace	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Research Scientist, VAMC / Assoc Prof, Environmental and Occupational Hlth, School of Pharmacy, Rutgers Univ, Piscataway, NJ 08954	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Hajjar, Roger	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Arthur & Janet C. Ross Professor of Medicine, Cardiovascular Research Center, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Hammack, Sayamwong	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Assoc Prof, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05450	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Haqqi, Tariq	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology Northeast Ohio Medical University	Government Employee (SGE) Member

Hawiger, Jack	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Health Research Scientist Nashville VA Medical Center Distinguished Professor of Medicine Professor of Molecular Physiology and Biophysics Division of Allergy, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Vanderbilt University Medical Center	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Horowitz, Jeffrey	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Assoc Professor of Medicine, Univ of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor, MI	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Irani, Kaikobad	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Staff Physician, Iowa City VAMC, Professor of Medicine, University of Iowa	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Isales-Forsythe, Carlos	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Professor, Georgia Regents University, Institute of Molecular Medicine & Genetics, Augustus, GA	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Jernigan, Nikki	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Associate Professor Department of Cell Biology and Physiology University of New Mexico School of Medicine	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Judge, Andrew	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Professor, Department of Physical Therapy, Associate Director of Training, Myology Institute	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Karnoub, Antoine	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Assistant Professor, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard University Medical School, Associate Member, Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard, Affiliate Member, Harvard Stem Cell Institute	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Kehn-Hall, Kylene	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Associate Professor, Biomedical Research Laboratory, George Mason Univ, Manassas, VA	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Khasawneh, Fadi	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Associate Professor Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences Western University of Health Sciences	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Kishore, Bellamkonda	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Research Physiologist, VAMC / Professor of Medicine, Univ of Utah Health Sciences Center, Div of Nephrology and Hypertension, Salt Lake City, UT 84132	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Kotz, Catherine	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Acting Director of Research, GREECC, Minneapolis VA Medical Center, Professor and Director of Graduate Studies, Integrative Biology and Physiology, University of Minnesota	Government Employee (RGE) Member

Kowluru, Renu	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Professor, Ophthalmology and Anatomy Cell Biology, Wayne State University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Kraemer, Brian	03/28/2016	06/28/2019	Associate Director for Research (Acting), GRECC, Seattle VA Puget Sound HCS / Research Associate Professor, Univ of Washington, Seattle, WA 98108	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Krengel, Maxine	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Neuropsychologist VA Boston Healthcare System Assistant Professor in Neurology Department of Neurology Boston Univ. School of Medicine	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Lasley, Stephen	03/01/2018	06/30/2021	Professor of Pharmacology, Department of Cancer Biology and Pharmacology, University of Illinois	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Lauer, Georg	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Associate Professor of Medicine Harvard Medical School Associate Immunologist Massachusetts General Hospital	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Lee, Chun	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor Molecular Microbiology and Immunology Warren Alpert School of Medicine	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Li, Qing	02/07/2017	06/30/2021	Assistant Professor Department of Medicine Division of Hematology/Oncology University of Michigan	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Li, Zhenyu	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Associate Professor, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40536	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Lin, Richard	09/11/2017	06/30/2018	Staff Physician, Northport VA Medical Center, Professor, Physiology and Biophysics, Stony Brook University	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Liu, Yutao	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Associate Professor, Dept of Cellular Biology and Anatomy, Medical College of Georgia, Georgia Regents University, Augusta, GA 30912	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Lockette, Warren	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor of Endocrinology and Medicine Senior Associate Dean Diversity and Inclusion University of Missouri Columbia, School of Medicine	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special

Madison, Roger	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Research Career Scientist, VAMC / Associate Professor of Experimental Neurosurgery, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC 27705	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Majumder, Rinku	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Associate Professor, Dept of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Louisiana State University Health Science Center, New Orleans, LA 70112	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Manjili, Masoud	09/29/2014	06/30/2018	Associate Professor of Immunology, Massey Cancer Center, Richmond, VA	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Martinez-Lemus, Luis	02/07/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Professor Department of Medical Pharmacology and Physiology Dalton Cardiovascular Research Center Investigator University of Missouri – Columbia	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Massa, Stephen	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Staff Neurologist, VAMC / Professor, Dept of Neurology, Univ of California at San Francisco, San Francisco, CA 94121	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Mathew, Sanjay	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Staff Physician, Mental Health Care Line, Professor of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, Baylor College of Medicine	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular
Mauck, Robert	03/26/2015	06/28/2019	Research Hlth Scientist, Philadelphia VAMC/Assoc Prof of Orthopaedic Surgery, Univ of PA Sch of Med, Philadelphia, PA	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
McGinnis, James	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Professor, Depts of Ophthalmology and Cell Biology, Univ of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City, OK 73104	Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
McGlinchey, Regina	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Supervisory Research Health Scientist, VA Boston HCS / Assoc Prof of Psychology, Dept of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, Westford, MA 01886	Government Employee (RGE) Member Special
Mehandru, Saurabh	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Assistant Professor Head of Laboratory of Mucosal Immunology Ichan School of Medicine at Mount Sinai	Government Employee (SGE) Member Special
Mehrotra, Rajnish	02/02/2017	06/30/2021	Professor of Medicine Harborview Medical Center	Government Employee (SGE) Member

Mendias, Christopher	09/11/2017	06/30/2019	Associate Scientist, Hospital for Special Surgery, Associate Professor, Weill Cornell Medical College	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Meng, Xianzhong	03/28/2016	06/29/2018	Tenured Professor and Director of Cardiothoracic Inflammation Research, Dept of Surgery, Univ of Colorado Denver, Aurora, CO 80045	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Minshall, Richard	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Associate Professor, Depts of Anesthesiology and Pharmacology, Univ of Illinois College of Medicine, Chicago, IL 60612	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Mohapatra, Shyam	03/13/2014	06/29/2018	Research Career Scientist, Tampa VAMC/Distinguished Health Prof, Univ of S. Florida, Tampa, FL	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Mohapatra, Subhra	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Research Microbiologist, VAMC / Associate Professor, Dept of Molecular Medicine, Morsani College of Medicine, Tampa, FL 33612	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Mohr, Susanne	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Associate Professor of Physiology Department of Physiology Michigan State University	Regular Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Moore, Scott	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Staff Psychiatrist, VAMC / Assoc Prof of Psychiatry and Mental and Behavioral Health, Duke University, Durham, NC 27705	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Nissenson, Robert	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Deputy Associate Chief Of Staff, Research and Development, VA Medical Center, Professor of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Olszewski, Michal	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Research Biologist, VA Ann Arbor HCS/Asst Prof of Medicine, Univ of MI Med School, Ann Arbor, MI	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ongur, Dost	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, Belmont, MA 02478	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Orsulic, Sandra	09/08/2016	06/29/2018	Professor, Cedar-Sinai Medical Center; Professor, UCLA Women's Cancer Program Cedar-Sinai Medical Center	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Ozcan, Sabire	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Professor of Biochemistry, Department of Molecular & Cellular Biochemistry	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Parker, James	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Professor Emeritus, Dept of Physiology, Univ of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Parthasarathy, Sairam	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Professor of Medicine, Univ of Arizona, College of Medicine, Tucson, AZ 85724	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Patel, Hemal	02/07/2017	06/30/2020	Research Pharmacologist VA San Diego Healthcare System Professor, Department of Anesthesiology University of California San Diego	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Paulus, Martin	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry, University of California - San Diego, Tulsa, OK 74136	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Pisegna, Joseph	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Chief, Div of Gastroenterology, Hepatology & Parenteral Nutrition VAGLA HCS / Prof of Human Genetics, UCLA Sch of Med, Los Angeles, CA	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Pizarro, Theresa	03/26/2015	06/28/2019	Professor of Pathology and Medicine, Case Western Reserve Univ Sch of Medicine, Cleveland, OH 44106	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Plymate, Stephen	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Staff Physician, GRECC - VAPSHCS / Prof of Med, Univ of Washington, Seattle, WA	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Pogach, Melanie	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Attending Physician, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Potter, Pamela	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Professor and Chair, Dept of Pharmacy, Midwestern University, Glendale, AZ	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Puthanveetil, Sathayanarayanan	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Associate Professor, Dept of Neuroscience, The Scripps Research Institute - Florida, Jupiter, FL	Employee (SGE) Member

Qin, Gangjian	02/07/2017	06/30/2021	Professor of Medicine and Biomedical Engineering (with Tenure) Director, The Molecular Cardiology Program Department of Biomedical Engineering School of Medicine and School of Engineering The University of Alabama at Birmingham	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Raber, Jacob	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Professor, Departments of Behav Neurosci & Dept of Neurology, Oregon Hlth & Sci Univ, Portland, OR	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Raffel, Glen	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Associate Professor, Dept of Pharma Sciences, Western Univ of Hlth Sciences, Pomona, CA	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Rahman, Irfan	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Professor of Environmental Medicine (Pulmonary) Department of Environmental Medicine University of Rochester Medical Center	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ramchand, Rajeev	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Senior Behavioral Scientist, Rand Corporation, Arlington, VA 22202	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Reagan, Lawrence	03/28/2016	06/28/2019	Research Health Scientist, VAMC / Professor, Dept of Pharmacology, Physiology, and Neuroscience, Univ of South Carolina Sch of Med, Columbia, SC 29208	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Rishi, Arun	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Health Science Specialist, John D. Dingell VA Medical Center / Professor, Karmanos Cancer Inst., Wayne State Univ, Res & Dev Service, Detroit, MI	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Robling, Alexander	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Staff Physician, Richard L. Roudebush VAMC, Professor, Indiana University School of Medicine	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Rumbaugh, Kendra	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Associate Professor (Tenured), Dept of Surgery, Texas Tech Univ Hlth Sciences Center, Lubbock, TX	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Said, Hamid	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Senior Research Career Scientist, VA Medical Center, Vice Chairman for Research, Department of Medicine, Professor (with tenure), Department of Medicine and Physiology/Biophysics, Univ of California Sch of Med	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular
Sauntharajah, Yogen	09/08/2016	06/28/2019	Professor of Medicine Lerner College of Medicine Case Western University Staff Physician at Cleveland Clinic	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Shi, Yun-Bo	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Chief, Section on Molecular Morphogenesis, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Shim, Yun	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Associate Professor of Medicine, Div of Pulmonary & Critical Care, Univ of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Shiromani, Priyattam	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Professor, Dept of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Science, Medical Univ of South Carolina, Charleston, SC	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Singer, Harold	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Professor and Chairman, Dept. of Molecular and Cellular Physiology, Albany Medical College	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Slitt, Angela	09/08/2016	06/29/2018	Associate Professor, Dept of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Univ of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Smith, Gemma	03/13/2014	06/29/2018	Associate Professor, Dept of Biological Sciences, Kent State Univ, Kent, OH	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Smith, Sylvia	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Regents Professor and Chair, Cellular Biology and Anatomy, Georgia Regents Univ, Augusta, GA	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Srinivasan, Shanthi	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Chief, Gastroenterology, Atlanta VA Medical Center, Professor, Department of Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine	Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Steinhauer, Stuart	02/02/2017	06/30/2021	Research Health Scientist VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System Adjunct Research Associate Professor of Psychiatry University of Pittsburgh	Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Strecker, Robert	10/01/2015	06/29/2019	Research Career Scientist, VA Boston HCS / Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, Brockton, MA	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Sublette, Mary	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Professor of Clinical Psychiatry, Columbia University	Employee (SGE) Member

Sun, Dandan	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Non-clinical Scientist, GRECC, VA Pittsburgh HCS / Professor, Depts of Pharm and Chemical Biol and Neurology, Univ of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Tholpady, Sunil	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Staff Surgeon, VAMC / Assistant Professor, Dept of Surgery, Indiana Univ Sch of Med, Carmel, IN	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Turner, Douglas	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Chief of Surgery, Baltimore VAMC/Assoc Prof of Surgery, Univ of Maryland Sch of Med, Fulton, MD	Government Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Tzeng, Edith	03/13/2014	06/29/2018	Chief of Vascular Surgery, VAMC/Professor of Surgery, Univ of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Uygun, Korkut	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Assistant Professor of Surgery, Harvard Medical School, Massachusetts General Hospital	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Vargas, Marcelo	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	Assistant Professor, Dept of Cell and Molec Pharmacology, Medical Univ of SC, Charleston, SC	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Vella, Anthony	03/13/2014	06/30/2018	Professor of Immunology, University of Connecticut Health Center, Farmington, CT	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Waters, Christopher	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Professor & Vice Chair of Physiology, Dept of Physiology, Univ of TN Hlth Sci Center, Memphis, TN	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Wertheim, Jason	03/01/2018	06/30/2021	Staff Surgeon, Jesse Brown VA Medical Center, Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Northwestern University, NMH/Arkes Family Pavilion	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Wilcock, Donna	10/01/2015	06/28/2019	Associate Professor, Dept of Physiology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Williamson, Peter	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Chief, Translational Mycology Section, LCI, LCID, DIR, NIAID, NIH, Rockville, MD	Employee (RGE) Member

Wilson, Marlene	10/01/2015	06/29/2018	Professor and Chair, Dept of Pharm, Physiol and Neurosci, Univ of South Carolina, Columbia, SC	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Wolf, William	09/08/2016	06/30/2020	Research Health Scientist, Hines VA Hospital / Adjunct Professor, Dept of Anatomy and Cell Biology, Univ of Illinois, Chicago, IL	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Xing, Lianping	03/26/2015	06/30/2019	Professor, Department of Pathology, Univ of Rochester Med Center, Rochester, NY	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Yang, Guang-Yu	03/28/2016	06/30/2020	Professor and Director of Surgical Pathology, Northwestern Univ Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, IL	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Yurek, David	09/08/2016	06/30/2021	Professor of Neurobiology, Department of Neurosurgery, University of Kentucky College of Medicine	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Zhang, Ping	03/13/2014	06/29/2018	Professor and Director of Surgical Research, Michigan State Univ, College of Human Medicine, East Lansing, MI	Employee (SGE) Member Special Government
Zhang, Wei	03/01/2018	06/30/2021	Associate Professor, Northwestern University, Feinberg School of Medicine	Employee (SGE) Member Regular Government
Zhou, Huiping	09/11/2017	06/30/2020	Research Scientist, McGuire VA Medical Center, Professor (tenured), Department of Immunology and Microbiology, Virginia Commonwealth University	Employee (RGE) Member Regular Government
Zimmers, Teresa	03/01/2018	06/30/2021	Non-Clinician Scientist, Indianapolis VA Medical Center, Associate Professor, Department of Surgery, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, IN	Employee (RGE) Member Special Government
Zmuda, Joseph	09/11/2017	06/30/2021	Associate Professor of Epidemiology, Department of Epidemiology, Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh	Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 152

Narrative Description

The Joint Biomedical Laboratory/Clinical Science Research and Development Services

Scientific Merit Review Board supports the central VA mission in advancing Veterans' health in its review of Veteran-centric research applications. Supporting research helps to recruit and retain top clinician-scientists, improving directly employee experience and access to care. The Board provided expert review of the scientific quality, budget, safety, and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA Merit Review funding. The evaluations resulted in recommendations for approval or disapproval, levels and duration of funding, and a priority score reflecting the overall merit of the application. These recommendations were used by the Joint Biomedical Laboratory/Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board to direct the limited research funds to the most promising VA-relevant projects.

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

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

10,784

Number of Recommendations Comments

This is the total number of recommendations for FY 2003 through FY 2018.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

78%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The Board recommended funding for more proposals than funds were available to support.

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

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

NA

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

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Each review meeting is informed about the outcome of recommendations at the subsequent meeting.

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

Other

Action Comments

No other actions

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

No

Grant Review Comments

The research proposals reviewed by the Board are internal to VA and are not considered grants to outside entities.

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

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO

Online Agency Web Site

Online Committee Web Site

Online GSA FACA Web Site

Publications

Other

Access Comments

N/A