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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR CANCER RESEARCH

1990 EMPLOYMENT REGISTER FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS

INTRODUCTION

The AACR’s Employment Register is intended to attract young scientists to the Association, increase interest in AACR programs, and provide a valuable service to all cancer researchers, both senior and junior investigators.

The AACR has operated a limited Employment Register since 1983 with a fee structure that has permitted only the listing of positions and candidates at the annual meeting. Beginning in 1988, AACR staff scheduled interviews at the annual meeting, and brief advertisements describing available candidates and positions were published in the Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research and in two issues of Cancer Research. These services will be continued in 1990. Registration forms for the 1990 Employment Register can be found on the following pages. Fees have been set at the following levels:

Each candidate registration
— by an AACR member $10
— by a nonmember $25

Each position listing
— by an AACR member from a nonprofit or governmental organization $75
— by a nonmember from a nonprofit or governmental organization $125
— from a commercial organization $250

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

1. Supply all information requested on the attached candidate registration form.
2. Type a short description of your background and the position you are seeking in the 5" x 1¼" box provided. Do not include your name; the AACR will assign identification numbers to all candidate listings. Please type carefully; this description will be reproduced as described in the section below entitled PUBLICATION OF LISTINGS.
3. Enclose the original form plus 12 copies.
4. Enclose appropriate payment:
   a. $75 from AACR members in nonprofit or governmental organizations.
   b. $125 from nonmembers in nonprofit or governmental organizations.
   c. $250 from commercial firms.
5. Checks should be issued in U.S. dollars, drawn on a U.S. bank, and made payable to AACR, Inc.
6. Forms should be submitted by February 1, 1990, to ensure publication of listings in the Proceedings. However, position listing forms will continue to be accepted in the Association Office until May 1, 1990. After that date forms should be submitted at the annual meeting.
7. Mail all position listing forms to:
   Employment Register
   American Association for Cancer Research, Inc.
   330 Market Street, 2nd Floor
   Philadelphia, PA 19106

SCHEDULING OF INTERVIEWS

The AACR will set aside space at the annual meeting for interviews which will be scheduled at mutually agreeable times during the following hours: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, May 23–25, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, May 26, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Each candidate and employer will receive an identification number. Registrants who submit their forms and fees by May 1, 1990, will receive from the AACR an acknowledgment which contains their identification number. Scheduling cards will be filled out at the annual meeting.

PUBLICATION OF LISTINGS

Short advertisements describing each candidate and position listing will be published in Volume 31 (1990) of the Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research and in the September 1, and December 1, 1990, issues of Cancer Research. The attached forms contain space for copy for these advertisements. Please type carefully to ensure accurate reproduction of your advertisement. Your copy must not exceed the limits of the box because space for these advertisements is limited. Advertisements for available positions should contain the name and address of the person conducting the job search, and candidates will be able to communicate with that person directly. Candidate advertisements will be anonymous. The AACR will provide the candidate’s complete form to any registered employer who requests it.

As noted above, because of the early publication date of the Proceedings, forms must be received by February 1, 1990, to ensure publication in that document. However, all advertisements submitted before or during the meeting will be published in the two issues of Cancer Research. Registrants wishing to withdraw their advertisements must submit written requests to that effect to the Association Office by July 5, 1990, for the September issue, and by October 3, 1990, for the December issue. All participants in the Employment Register are urged to notify the Association immediately of any change in their status so that all listings will remain current.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMPLOYERS

1. Supply all information requested on the position listing form for each position available.
2. Type a short description of the position available in the 5" x 1¼" box provided. Please type carefully; this description will be reproduced as described in the section below entitled PUBLICATION OF LISTINGS.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions about the Employment Register may be directed to the Association Office at 215-440-9300.
DESCRIPTION OF POSITION

Title ____________________________________________________________

Nature of Work and Responsibilities (research, teaching, administration, etc.)

Education and Experience Required

Date Position Available ____________________________ Annual Salary Range ____________________________

Location of Position: ____________________________________________

Areas of Specialization
(Indicate a maximum of three in order of greatest activity)

☐ Biochemistry & Biophysics ☐ Biostatistics ☐ Carcinogenesis ☐ Cellular Biology & Genetics ☐ Clinical Investigations
☐ Endocrinology ☐ Epidemiology ☐ Immunology ☐ Molecular Biology & Genetics
☐ Preclinical Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics ☐ Virology ☐ Other: ____________________________ (please specify)

EMPLOYER'S REPRESENTATIVE(S)

Name(s) and Title(s) ______________________________________________

Institution ___________________________________________________________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________________________

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Telephone ________________________________________________________________

AVAILABILITY FOR INTERVIEWS AT AACR ANNUAL MEETING

I ___ plan ___ do not plan to attend the AACR Annual Meeting in Washington. Dates available for interviews:

___ May 23 ___ May 24 ___ May 25 ___ May 26

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ADVERTISEMENT (Please type a short description of the position in the box below. If received by February 1, 1990, your advertisement will be printed in the 1990 Proceedings. All advertisements will appear in the September 1, and December 1, 1990, issues of Cancer Research.)


______________________________________________________________________________________________

(This form may be reproduced.)
I. D. Number ______________________

CANDIDATE REGISTRATION
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR CANCER RESEARCH
EMPLOYMENT REGISTER

(Please type and submit original and 12 copies)

TYPE OF POSITION DESIRED (Check all that apply)
___ Postdoctoral ___ Physician in Training ___ Research Associate/Staff Scientist ___ Faculty

TYPE OF INSTITUTION DESIRED (Check all that apply)
___ Industry ___ Academic ___ Government

Name: ____________________________________________

Last                    First                    M.I.

Business Mailing Address: ____________________________________________

Major Field: ____________________________________________

Highest Degree: ____________________________________________

Year Obtained: ____________________________________________

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Type of Visa ___________________________ Desired Salary ___________________________

Date available ___________________________ Geographic preference ___________________________

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION
(Indicate a maximum of three in order of greatest activity)
___ Biochemistry & Biophysics ___ Biostatistics ___ Carcinogenesis ___ Cellular Biology & Genetics ___ Clinical Investigations
___ Endocrinology ___ Epidemiology ___ Immunology ___ Molecular Biology & Genetics
___ Preclinical Pharmacology & Experimental Therapeutics ___ Virology ___ Other: __________________________

(please specify)

ADVERTISEMENT (Please type a short description of your background and the position you are seeking in the box below. If received by February 1, 1990, your advertisement will be printed in the 1990 Proceedings. All advertisements will appear in the September 1, and December 1, 1990, issues of Cancer Research.) DO NOT GIVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS; the AACR will assign identification numbers to each advertisement.)

Name ________________________________

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR CANCER RESEARCH

INFORMATION ON APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE
AND CORRESPONDING MEMBERSHIP

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR) is a scientific society consisting of laboratory and clinical cancer researchers. It was founded in 1907 “to bring together active investigators of the cancer problem for presentation and discussion of new or significant observations; and to foster research in cancer and other phenomena of growth.” Members of the AACR enjoy the following benefits:

1. a subscription to the journal Cancer Research at the reduced member rate;
2. the privilege of sponsoring an abstract for presentation at the AACR annual meeting;
3. an advance copy of the Program and Proceedings pertaining to each annual meeting;
4. a reduced registration rate at the annual meeting;
5. early notification of events in the AACR’s new series of small scientific meetings;
6. subscriptions to any future AACR journals at reduced member rates;
7. preferred access to the AACR Employment Register;
8. the receipt of AACR newsletters, meeting announcements, and an up-to-date membership directory.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Active membership in the AACR is open to investigators who live in the Americas, and who have conducted two years of meritorious research that has resulted in publications relevant to cancer. If a candidate is working in a research area not directly related to the cancer field but has conducted research of exceptional scientific merit, he or she may also qualify for membership.

Corresponding membership is open to qualified persons who are not residents of the Americas. The requirements for corresponding membership are the same as those for active membership. Visiting scientists from outside the Americas who intend to return to their countries of origin soon after submitting their applications should apply for corresponding membership. All other individuals should apply for active membership and transfer to corresponding status at a later date if they should leave the Americas.

PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION

There are two deadlines for receipt of a membership application: August 1 and December 1 of each year. The Membership Committee will review all complete applications for active membership that have been received by these deadlines and will submit recommendations on each candidate to the Board of Directors, which formally elects all members. The same procedure is followed by the Special Memberships Committee, which receives applications for corresponding membership. Applicants who meet the August 1 deadline will be notified of the Board’s decision in November, and, if elected, will be eligible to sponsor an abstract for the annual meeting of the AACR to be held the following Spring. Applicants meeting the December 1 deadline will be notified about their election in March.

A complete application consists of the following material:

1. 6 copies of the form on the opposite side of this page, with all requested information provided.
2. 5 copies of the candidate’s most recent curriculum vitae and bibliography.
3. 5 copies of a letter of recommendation from a nominator who is an active, emeritus, or honorary member of the AACR (at least one copy must be a signed, original letter). This letter should describe the candidate’s achievements in laboratory research, clinical investigations, or epidemiological research, and it should affirm that this research adheres to accepted ethical standards.—OR—The nominator may supply the responses requested at the bottom of the application form in the section entitled “STATEMENT OF SUPPORT” (at least one copy of the form must be the signed original).
4. 5 copies of a letter of recommendation as described in Item 3. above from a seconder who is an active, emeritus, or honorary member of the AACR (at least one copy must be a signed, original letter).—OR—The seconder may supply the responses requested at the bottom of the application form in the section entitled “STATEMENT OF SUPPORT” (at least one copy of the form must be the signed original).
5. 5 reprints of each of two publications on which the candidate appears as author.

All material should be collated into five complete sets with the original application form as a covering document and sent to the address given below. Questions regarding procedures for membership application may also be directed to the following address:

American Association for Cancer Research
330 Market Street
Second Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19106
215/440-9300

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Candidates should be aware of the following responsibilities of membership in the AACR. Active members must pay annual dues, a major portion of which is designated for a subscription to the AACR’s official publication outlet, Cancer Research. Newly elected members of the AACR who have already purchased subscriptions to Cancer Research at the higher, nonmember rate will receive reimbursement of the unused portion of that subscription once their first year’s membership dues are paid in full.

All corresponding members elected after May 23, 1985, are required to pay an annual assessment in lieu of dues. This assessment, which is equivalent to that portion of the regular dues that pertains to support of activities other than the journal Cancer Research, is imposed to defray the cost of sending AACR publications to members outside the Americas. Corresponding members may, if they wish, subscribe to Cancer Research at the reduced member rate.

Successful candidates will be expected to begin paying dues to the AACR in the year following receipt of their applications; e.g., successful applicants who meet either the August 1, or December 1, 1989, deadlines will begin to pay dues in 1990.

Margaret Foti
Executive Director
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

CATEGORY OF MEMBERSHIP: □ Active □ Corresponding

NAME OF CANDIDATE: ___________________________ DATE OF BIRTH: ___________________________

PRESENT POSITION/TITLE: ___________________________

INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION: ___________________________

INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS: ___________________________

(Top) (State/Province) (Country) (Postal Code)

TELEPHONE NUMBER: ___________________________

FAX NUMBER: ___________________________

PRIMARY FIELD OF RESEARCH (Please check only one):

- [ ] Biochemistry and Biophysics  - [ ] Biostatistics  - [ ] Carcinogenesis
- [ ] Cellular Biology and Genetics  - [ ] Clinical Investigations  - [ ] Endocrinology
- [ ] Epidemiology  - [ ] Immunology  - [ ] Molecular Biology and Genetics
- [ ] Preclinical Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics
- [ ] Virology  - [ ] Other: ___________________________

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ACADEMIC DEGREES (Including where and when granted)

EXPERIENCE SINCE HIGHEST DEGREE WAS GRANTED (Please list most recent first)

PUBLICATIONS (Reprints of two articles on which the candidate appears as an author must accompany this application. For these two articles list the authors, title, journal, volume, inclusive pages, and year. Do not submit abstracts.)

CANDIDATE NOMINATED BY: ___________________________ CANDIDATE SECONDED BY: ___________________________

(Please type or print) (Please type or print)

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT (in place of letters of recommendation)

Instead of submitting letters of recommendation, either the nominator or the seconder or both may complete the following section:

How long has the candidate worked in the field of cancer research? ___ years

Will the candidate make a long-term contribution to cancer research? ___ Yes ___ No

Does the candidate’s research adhere to accepted ethical standards? ___ Yes ___ No

I therefore recommend this candidate for membership in the American Association for Cancer Research.

Signature of nominator* ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Signature of seconder ___________________________ Date ___________________________

See Guidelines for Application on the reverse side of this form for further instructions.

(This form may be reproduced.)

* Nominators must be active, emeritus, or honorary members of the AACR.
QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Associate membership is open to graduate students, medical students, postdoctoral fellows, and physicians in training who live in the Americas and are following a course of study or who are working in a research program relevant to cancer.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

The American Association for Cancer Research (AACR), a scientific society consisting of laboratory and clinical cancer researchers, was founded in 1907 "to bring together active investigators of the cancer problem for presentation and discussion of new or significant observations; and to foster research in cancer and other phenomena of growth." Associate members of the AACR enjoy the following benefits:

1. the privilege of sponsoring an abstract for presentation at the AACR annual meeting provided that (a) the associate member is the presenter of the abstract and (b) an active member in good standing of the AACR also signs the abstract in support of the work (In this instance, the active member who co-signs the abstract does not lose his or her own sponsorship privilege);
2. an advance copy of the Program and (if one has been purchased by the associate member) the Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research which contains abstracts of all papers being presented at each annual meeting;
3. the privilege of registering for the annual meeting at the low student rate (This rate is otherwise available only to predoctoral students);
4. preferred access to the AACR Employment Register;
5. an optional subscription to the journal Cancer Research at the reduced member rate;
6. subscriptions to any future AACR journals at reduced member rates;
7. early notification of events in the AACR's new series of small scientific meetings on timely scientific topics;
8. the receipt of AACR newsletters, meeting announcements, and an up-to-date membership directory; and
9. the facilitation of informal scientific exchange with leading researchers in the cancer field.

PROCEDURES FOR APPLICATION

Persons wishing to apply for associate membership must use the official application form on the reverse side of these instructions. Each candidate for associate membership must be nominated by an active member in good standing of the AACR. Three completed copies of the form should be submitted; at least one of these copies must carry the original signatures of both the candidate and the active member nominator. The application form may be submitted to the Association Office at any time. After review of applications for associate membership, the Executive Director will notify candidates of their election or deferral within one month of the receipt of the application form. A check in the amount of $20, which represents one year's dues payment, must accompany the application. This fee will be refunded to any candidate deemed to be ineligible for associate membership. Checks should be in U.S. currency, made payable to AACR, Inc., and drawn on a U.S. bank. Send the three copies of the application form and the $20 dues payment to:

American Association for Cancer Research
330 Market Street - 2nd Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19106
215/440-9300

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERSHIP

Associate members must pay annual dues in an amount to be determined by the AACR Board of Directors. Dues for 1989 have been set at $20 per year. If an application is submitted by August 31, the accompanying dues payment will be credited to the current year. Candidates submitting applications between September 1 and December 31 may indicate whether they wish their dues payments credited to the current or forthcoming year. Candidates should be aware, however, that associate members may sponsor an abstract for the annual meeting only if their dues for the current year are paid. For example, an associate member submitting an abstract in December 1989 for the forthcoming annual meeting must have paid dues for 1989. Any newly elected associate members of AACR who have already purchased subscriptions to Cancer Research at the higher, nonmember rate will receive a refund for the unused portion of that subscription upon receipt of their payment for a member's subscription.

Each Fall the AACR will send to current associate members an invoice for dues for the forthcoming year. Payment of this invoice must be accompanied by a statement signed by the associate member's registrar, dean, or department head, verifying the member's current academic status. The Association's By-Laws state that dues are payable for each year in advance on or before January 1 of that year. An individual may be an associate member for a maximum of five years. Each year in which an individual pays dues will count as one full year of associate membership. Thus, an associate member who pays dues for 1989 may retain associate membership until December 31, 1993. The board of Directors may terminate the membership of any associate member whose dues are in arrears for two years.

Margaret Foti,
Executive Director
**APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**

**NAME OF CANDIDATE:** ___________________________ **DATE OF BIRTH:** ___________________________

**INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION:** ___________________________

**INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS:**

(City) (State/Province) (Postal Code) (Country)

**TELEPHONE NUMBER:** ___________________________

**FAX NUMBER:** ___________________________

**PRESENT ACADEMIC STATUS/TITLE:** (Please check only one):

- Graduate Student
- Medical Student
- Physician in Training
- Postdoctoral Fellow

**PRIMARY FIELD OF RESEARCH** (Please check only one):

- Biochemistry and Biophysics
- Biostatistics
- Carcinogenesis
- Cellular Biology and Genetics
- Clinical Investigations
- Endocrinology
- Epidemiology
- Immunology
- Molecular Biology and Genetics
- Preclinical Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics
- Virology
- Other: ___________________________

(Please specify)

**ACADEMIC DEGREES** (Please indicate degree(s) acquired to date along with the name of the academic institution and date of receipt. Provide information on degree currently being sought and the anticipated date of completion of this degree program.)

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**PUBLICATIONS** (List the authors, title, journal, volume, inclusive pages, and year of any article in a peer-reviewed journal on which the candidate appears as an author. Do not list abstracts. Continue on a separate sheet, if necessary.)

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**CANDIDATE NOMINATED BY:** ___________________________ (Please type or print name of AACR active member in good standing.)

**SIGNATURES**

I hereby apply for associate membership in the American Association for Cancer Research. I have read the instructions on the reverse side of this form, and I understand the privileges and responsibilities of this class of membership. I certify that the statements on this application are true.

Signature of Candidate: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

I recommend this candidate for associate membership in the American Association for Cancer Research. To the best of my knowledge, the candidate is qualified for this class of membership, and the statements on this application are true.

Signature of Nominator: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Submit three copies of this form. At least one copy must contain the original signatures of the candidate and the nominator. Enclose a check for $20 in U.S. funds made payable to AACR, Inc. and drawn on a U.S. bank. Check one of the following boxes only if this form is being submitted between September 1 and December 31:

- current
- forthcoming

The enclosed dues payment should be applied to the

□ current □ forthcoming calendar year.

**(NOTE: If dues are applied to the forthcoming year, membership will take effect on January 1.)** See Guidelines for Application on the reverse side of this form for further instructions.

(This form may be reproduced.)
ANNOUNCEMENT

AVAILABILITY OF FISH OIL TEST MATERIALS

Test Materials Currently Available:

- n-3 ethyl ester concentrate, prepared from menhaden oil, bulk packed or soft-gel encapsulated (80% n-3 fatty acids including EPA and DHA)
- ethyl esters of olive oil (70% oleic), bulk packed or soft-gel encapsulated
- deodorized menhaden oil, bulk packed or soft-gel encapsulated
- commercial preparations of corn, olive, or safflower oil, soft-gel encapsulated only

Processing and Specifications of Biomedical Test Materials:

- n-3 Ethyl Ester Concentrate
  The n-3 ethyl ester concentrate is prepared from vacuum-deodorized menhaden oil using transesterification, urea addition and short-path distillation. The concentrate contains approximately 80% n-3 fatty acid ethyl esters (44% EPA, 24% DHA, 10-12% other n-3 fatty acid ethyl esters), 3% C18 (other than n-3), 6% C16 and the remainder as other esters. It contains 0.2 mg/g TBHQ as antioxidant, 2 mg/g tocopherols and 2.0 mg/g cholesterol. The concentrate is available in 1 g soft-gel capsules (100 capsules/bottle) or packaged bulk in quantities suitable to investigators needs.

- Placebo Ethyl Esters
  The ethyl esters of virgin olive oil are prepared by transesterification. The preparation contains approximately 70% oleic acid, 13% C16, and 15% C18 (<1% n-3) fatty acid ethyl esters. It contains 0.2 mg/g TBHQ as antioxidant and 2 mg/g tocopherols. The preparation is available in 1 g soft-gel capsules (100 capsules/bottle) or packaged bulk in quantities suitable to investigators needs.

- Deodorized Menhaden Oil
  Deodorized menhaden oil is prepared from oil that has been winterized and alkali refined; it is processed through a two-stage wiped-film evaporator to remove cholesterol, volatile oxidation products and any traces of organic contaminants. The oil contains approximately 30% n-3 fatty acids in the triglyceride form; 14% EPA, 8% DHA, 8% other n-3. It contains 0.2 mg/g TBHQ as antioxidant, 2 mg/g tocopherols and 2.0 mg/g cholesterol. The deodorized oil is available in 1 g soft-gel capsules (100 capsules/bottle) or is packaged in bulk quantities suitable to investigators needs. Special requests for antioxidant free oil will be considered.

- Placebo Oils
  Commercial preparations of corn, olive, and safflower oil have been soft-gel encapsulated to serve as placebos for studies involving encapsulated menhaden oil. These oils contain 0.2 mg/g TBHQ as antioxidant and 2 mg/g tocopherols. The major fatty acids for each oil are: corn (58% 18:2n-6, 26% 18:1n-9), olive (17% 18:2n-6, 57% 18:1n-9), safflower (80% 18:2n-6, 9% 18:1n-9). They are available in 1 g soft-gel capsules (100 capsules/bottle). Although vegetable oils will not be supplied in bulk form, investigators may request analysis of antioxidant and tocopherol levels in vegetable oils that they purchase.

FISH OIL TEST MATERIALS PROGRAM

The Fish Oil Test Materials Program is administered by the Division of Nutrition Research Coordination in the Office of Disease Prevention, NIH. It was established in 1986 through the cooperation of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA), and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/Department of Commerce (NOAA/DOC). This program has been designed to provide a long-term, consistent supply of quality-assured/quality-controlled test materials to researchers in order to facilitate the evaluation of the role that omega-3 fatty acids play in health and disease.

Fish Oil Test Materials Advisory Committee:

A Fish Oil Test Materials Advisory Committee (FOTMAC) is cochaired by scientific staff from ADAMHA and NIH and is composed of scientists representing the funding agencies (NIH, ADAMHA), the research community, Department of Commerce (DOC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The FOTMAC provides scientific advice to the DOC regarding the types of materials needed by research scientists, shipping procedures for the materials, and additional quality control and production issues. The committee is advisory to the Fish Oil Test Materials Program on general programmatic issues such as future directions and has produced a manual on Good Laboratory Practices for the handling of polyunsaturated materials. In addition, the committee provided guidance to DOC during the production of the Drug Master File submitted to the FDA by the FOTMAC. A manual on Analytical Methods for the Quality assurance of Fish Oil was produced by the DOC.

Fish Oil Test Materials Distribution Committee:

A Fish Oil Test Materials Distribution Committee (FOTMDC) is composed of NIH and other Federal sciences that do not use these products. The Distribution Committee processes the applications received from investigators and advises the DOC of applications that have fulfilled the application process and makes recommendations regarding the distribution of requested materials.

The awarded materials are provided to investigators free of charge. Availability of materials is contingent on DOC/NOAA production capabilities. When prioritization is necessary, the order will be: 1) NIH/ADAMHA funded, 2) other government funded, 3) peer-reviewed, privately funded, 4) NIH/ADAMHA approved, not funded, and 5) other.

To qualify to receive materials described in this announcement the applicant must: 1) have peer-reviewed research indicating the need for the requested materials, and 2) submit a correctly completed application form and a signed waiver of liability. The committee will not be responsible for assessing the scientific merit of the application. Regulations on human subjects and animal research apply. In accordance with federal regulations, an IND number will be required for the use of these materials in human studies. The FOTMAC has established a drug master file at the FDA which includes manufacturing, chemical composition and toxicological data relevant to these products. Investigators using DOC/NOAA materials may reference this file in order to expedite their IND requests.

Requests for materials of amounts greater than 500 kg/year of vacuum deodorized menhaden oil and/or 50 kg/year of n-3 ethyl ester concentrate should not be submitted without prior discussion with the NIH/FOIDES - Charleston Laboratory. For further information contact Ms. Patricia Fair at (803) 762-1200.

Test Materials Available in the Future:

Test Materials and their relevant application process will be announced in the NIH Guide as new materials become available.

Other Information:

Additional information will be provided the investigator in the form of complete quality assurance data for each lot of test material shipped, general diet preparation information, and instructions for formulation of placebos containing antioxidants balanced to the level in the test material.

Investigators may obtain further information and apply for available fish oil test materials for relevant studies by requesting an application form from:

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