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Opportunities For International Research Collaboration

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Activities dedicated to reducing disparities in global health & advancing research in low- and middle income countries.

“Science for Global Health”
Fogarty International Center
Training Grants for Developing Countries

- Clinical, Operational, and Health Services Research
- HIV/AIDS
- Infectious Diseases
- Environmental and Occupational Health
- Genetics
- Informatics for Global Health
- Maternal and Child Health
- Population and Health
- Research Bioethics
- Tobacco and Health Research
Center for Mental Health Research on AIDS Programs

- Primary Prevention and Behavior Change
- Secondary HIV Prevention and Treatment Adherence
- International Prevention and Structural Research
- Child and Adolescent Program
- Neuropsychiatry of HIV/AIDS
- Neurovirology, Genetics, and Therapeutics
- Secondary Mechanisms of Neuropathogenesis
Neuropsychiatry of HIV/AIDS
David Stoff, Ph.D.

• Evaluation of HIV-associated neurological and neuropsychiatric complications
• Epidemiology of HIV and risk behaviors in seriously mentally ill
• Access to treatment and mental health services for HIV+ individuals
Neurovirology, Genetics and Therapeutics
Jeymohan Joseph, Ph.D.

• Identify viral and genetic factors responsible for HIV associated neurological and neurobehavioral dysfunction
• Identify new treatment targets to prevent or treat HIV central nervous system disease
• Initiate pre-clinical and clinical testing of promising therapeutics

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Secondary Mechanisms of Neuropathogenesis
Kathy Kopnisky, Ph.D.

• Role of viral and host neurotoxic mediators of HIV-associated neuronal dysfunction
• Mechanisms of HIV-induced dysregulation of CNS neurochemical pathways
• Identification and characterization of HIV-associated altered signal transduction in neuronal systems

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NIMH’s International Research Agenda

• Foster new collaborations between U.S. and other PIs to enhance prevention
• Disseminate proven interventions
• Facilitate development of investigators worldwide
• Encourage U.S. PIs to work internationally
Brain Disorders in the Developing World: Research Across the Lifespan

- For collaborative research between high-income and low to middle-income country scientists – Either partner may be the Principal Investigator
- Focus on nervous system function and disorders relevant to developing countries.
- Training component must also be included
- 31 Planning grants awarded. RFA for full R01 or R21 applications to be issued EARLY 2005.

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CMHRA contact: Dr. Kathy L. Kopnisky
Psychosocial needs of children affected by AIDS in low-resource countries (FY05)

• In 2002, 13M children 15 or younger orphaned; 25M worldwide by 2010
• Goal: Enhance mental health care to minimize psychological distress in affected youth.
  – Foster collaborations between U.S.- and foreign-based PIs.
  – Develop, implement, evaluate, & disseminate locally-appropriate, sustainable, psychosocial interventions.
  – Collaborate with existing treatment, prevention, & care programs to create empirically-based models and guidelines.
• Target release date: Sept 2004
• NIMH Contact: Andrew Forsyth, Ph.D. (aforsyth@mail.nih.gov)
International Clinical, Operational, and Health Services Research and Training (ICOHRTA)

- First series of grants focused mostly on mental health and drug abuse-related research training for clinical, health services and operational research

- 14 Programs for collaborative research training between U.S. Institutions and institutions in:
  - Brazil, China, Czech Republic, India, Peru, Poland, South Africa, Turkey, Ukraine, Vietnam

See: www.fic.nih.gov under “Programs” for list of programs and contacts

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NIH now allows 8% indirect costs to the foreign site

(1) Direct Award to a foreign Institution (rare but increasing)

(2) Domestic Award with a Foreign Component (common) (R01, R03, R21)

(3) Fogarty International Research Programs for developing countries (common)
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