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NATIONAL ADVISORY RESEARCH RESOURCES COUNCIL (NARRC)
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Building 31, 6th Floor, Conference Room 10
31 Center Drive, Bethesda, Maryland 20892

Open portion of the Council meeting will be webcast.
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OPEN PORTION

8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

- 8:00 – 8:45 CALL TO ORDER & REPORT OF THE NCRR DIRECTOR: UPDATE ON STRATEGIC PLAN** Dr. Barbara Alving
- 8:45 – 9:15 Council Discussion**
- 9:15 – 9:45 IMAGING DYNAMIC INTRAVITAL MOTION** Dr. Jay Hove
Presentation by Presidential Early Career Award
for Scientists & Engineers (PECASE) Awardee
(Introduction by Franziska Grieder) University of Cincinnati
- 9:45 – 10:25 ENGAGING UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES**

NCRR supports a wide range of activities to enhance participation of minority, rural, and other underserved communities in the nation's biomedical research enterprise. In this session, examples from the Institutional Development Award (IDeA) and Clinical & Translational Science Award (CTSA) programs will highlight challenges and best practices to ensure broad community engagement in clinical and translational research.

Academic Partnerships with Native American Communities
(Introduction by Dr. Sidney McNairy)

Ms. Sara Young
Montana State
University

Community Engagement in the CTSAs
(Introduction by Dr. D.J. McCloskey)

Dr. Lloyd Michener
Duke University/
Dr. Sergio Aguilar-
Gaxiola
University of California,
Davis

10:25 – 10:35 Council Discussion

10:35 – 10:50 BREAK

10:50 – 11:30 INFORMATICS

The Biomedical Informatics Research Network (BIRN) project is currently composed of four awards. The BIRN Coordinating Center (CC) is responsible for building a basic data sharing infrastructure. Three “testbed” awards are responsible for testing the infrastructure and for collaborating with the BIRN CC on constructing new parts of the infrastructure that are directly relevant to the needs of biomedical researchers. Dr. Toga will discuss the advances that have been made in the mouse BIRN testbed award.

Mouse BIRN

**Dr. Arthur Toga
UCLA**

11:30 – 11:40 CONCEPT CLEARANCE: DATA SHARING FOR BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Dr. Greg Farber

11:40 – 12:40 LUNCH

12:40 – 1:40 COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS ON CURRENT EVALUATIONS

An important component of NCRR initiatives is the periodic evaluation of its programs. In this session, an initial report of the Division of Comparative Medicine’s 3 types of institutional National Research Service Awards (NRSA) for scientists with a veterinary background will be presented as well as a progress report from last year’s evaluation of the Biomedical Technology Research Resources (BTRR) (P41) centers.

Report on Veterinary Training Program Evaluation

**Dr. Tilahun Yilma
University of California,
Davis**

Update on Biomedical Technology Research Resources Evaluation

Dr. Doug Sheeley

1:40 – 1:50 CONCEPT CLEARANCE: VISUALIZATION OF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH CHARACTERISTICS

Dr. Olga Brazhnik

1:50 – 2:00 CONCEPT CLEARANCE: POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS ON CTSA TRAINING GRANTS

Dr. Anthony Hayward