

Standard Documents Available

Several documents, including the confidentiality and material transfer agreements, are available in the form of standard agreements that were developed by the Office of Sponsored Programs Administration (OSPA), Iowa State University Research Foundation / Office of Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer (ISURF/OIPTT) and the Office of the Vice Provost for Research (VPR) for use at Iowa State University.

The intent of the standard documents is to facilitate interactions with third parties and hopefully decrease the amount of time spent negotiating. These agreements contain terms that are consistent with University policy. Please feel free to download the documents, print copies for your own use, or provide to collaborative partners for review. <http://www.ospa.iastate.edu/StandardAgr/>

Welcome

- Bruce Leuschen, clinician in veterinary diagnostic and production animal medicine, from Postville Veterinary Clinic.

Farewell

- Robert Baum, associate professor of philosophy & religious studies, resigned in January to go to the University of Missouri, Columbia.
- David Cann, associate professor of materials science and engineering, resigned February 1, to go to Oregon State University.
- Steve Padgitt, professor of sociology, retired April 3.

2nd RFP for Grow Iowa Values Fund

The Office of the Vice Provost for Research is pleased to announce the second round of the grants program designed to expand the commercialization of ISU technology. The grants program is supported by state appropriations to the Board of Regents ("Grow Iowa Values Fund").

All ISU tenured or tenure-track faculty and staff at P17 or above are eligible to apply. **Fifteen** copies of the proposal should be submitted to the primary college of the PI by **May 1, 2006**.

Colleges will rank the proposals from their colleges and submit the proposals to the Office of the Vice Provost for Research by no later than **May 17, 2006** for consideration by the Proposal Review Committee. Centers reporting to the Vice Provost for Research (VPR) should submit proposals directly to the VPR office by **May 1, 2006**.

Guidelines, review criteria, cover page and budget format are available on line at the Vice Provost for Research web site under internal grants: <http://www.vpresearch.iastate.edu/docs/applications/GrowIowaApp.pdf>

Noon Closing

The Offices of Sponsored Programs Administration and Research Assurances, 1138 Pearson Hall, will begin closing over the noon hour (12:00-1:00 p.m.) effective April 17, 2006. This change is being made due to the low volume of phone calls or visitors during the lunch hour and will allow our offices to make more efficient and effective use of our human resources. For urgent issues, you may contact personnel in our offices and arrange for drop off of documents during the lunch hour.

New Patent

To David Wright and Daniel Voytas, GDCB, *Plant Retroelements and Methods Related Thereto*, Patent No. 6,949,695

Agency Workshops

A reminder that the PowerPoint presentations of the agency workshops (NSF, NIH, NSF CAREER, USDA and DOE) are on the Vice Provost for Research web site. <http://www.vpresearch.iastate.edu/>

We have received positive feedback about the usefulness of these workshops. As we make plans for next year, we would appreciate feedback on this year's programs and ideas and suggestions for next year. Please contact Chitra Rajan, rajanc@iastate.edu or Dorothy Pimlott, dpimlott@iastate.edu.

Recent Sponsored Funding Awards

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- To Brian Hornbuckle, Agron, and Amy Kaleita-Forbes, ABE, *A Prototype Remote Sensing Validation Site: Towards a Multi-Variable Approach to Validating and Scaling Remotely-Sensed Observations of the Water Cycle* from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, \$360,154
- To Stephanie Madon, Psych, *Accumulation of Self-fulfilling Prophecy Effects Across Perceivers* from the National Science Foundation, \$132,677
- To Michael Spurlock, FSHN, *High-Throughput Animal Model Facility and Animal Model Development* from the Iowa Department of Economic Development, \$100,000
- To Sharon McGuire, Dean of Students Office, *Assistive Technology: Assessing, Evaluations, Supporting and Training Iowans with Disabilities* from the Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services, \$84,616
- To Richard Honzatko, BBMB, *Chemical and Enzymatic Modification and Carbohydrates* from John Robyt, \$150,000
- To Michael Quist and Clay Pierce, NREM, *Effects of Commercial Harvest on Shovelnose Sturgeon* from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, \$71,472
- To Johnny Wong and Wallapak Tavanapong, Comp Sci, *Development of Endoscopic Software and Hardware* from the Iowa State University Research Foundation, \$25,000
- To Mary Ann Nieves, VCS, *Testing Hypotheses for Modern Human Facial Form via Sutural Growth Alteration in *Sus scrofa*: Evolutionary Insights and Clinical Benefits* from the University of Iowa, \$48,369
- To Ananda Weerasinghe, Math, *Controlled Stochastic Dynamical Systems* from the Department of Army, \$29,401
- To Aleksandar Dogandzic, ECpE, CAREER: *Distributed Space-Time Processing for Sensor Networks* from the National Science Foundation, \$153,466
- To Charles Kerton, Phys & Astro, *Detecting Embedded Intermediate Mass Stars Using the NVO* from Johns Hopkins University, \$25,000
- To Alan Myers, BBMB, and Lynne Mumm, IPRT Comp Assistance, *Development of a Novel High-Level Protein Expression Platform Based on Plant Nectar* from NERP Technologies, \$21,065
- To Timothy Ellis, CCEE, *Construction and Testing of a Prototype Biofilter Using Tire Derived Rubber Particles for Filter Media* from Envirotech Systems, \$17,230
- To Matthew Hill, Anthro, *Incipient Intensification of Bison on the Great Plains of North America* from the National Geographic Society, \$13,000
- To David Hsu and Vinay Dayal, Aero Eng, Lisa Brashe, CNDE, and Dan Barnard, Ames Lab, *Development of Air-Coupled Ultrasonic Inspection for Cirrus Carbon Composite Wing Spar* from the Federal Aviation Administration, \$145,000
- To George Kraus, Chem, *Extended Research on A-Type Procyanidins* from Phytomedical Technologies Corporation, \$77,821
- Yan-bin Jia, Comp Sci, *Shape Localization, Recognition and Reconstruction Through Touch Sensing* from the National Science Foundation, \$78,330
- To Samy Sadaka, CSET, and Robert Brown, ME, *Pyrolysis of Switchgrass to Produce Bio-Oil: Effects of Particle Size, Moisture Content and Bed Temperature on Quantity and Quality of Bio-Oil* from the University of Tennessee, \$43,448

Funding opportunities may be found at <http://www.vpresearch.iastate.edu/Funding/homepage.html>

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