

local governments are not eligible to submit proposals to this program. Potential applicants who are uncertain of their eligibility should contact EPA's Grants Operations Branch at (202) 260-9266.

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Funding Mechanisms

The funding mechanism for all awards issued under this solicitation will consist of a grant agreement between EPA and the recipient. In accordance with Pub. L. 95-225, a grant is used to accomplish a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by Federal statute rather than acquisition for the direct benefit of the Agency.

Minority Institution Assistance

Pre-application assistance is available upon request for potential investigators representing institutions identified by the Secretary, Department of Education, as Historically Black Colleges or Universities (HBCUs), Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACUs), or Native American or Tribal Colleges. For further information on minority assistance, contact Charles Mitchell by telephone at (202) 260-7448, by faxing a written request to (202) 260-0211, or by mailing it to the address for EPA's Office of Exploratory Research shown below.

Contacts

Additional general and technical information on this solicitation and the grants program may be obtained by contacting: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Exploratory Research (8703), 401 M Street SW., Washington DC 20460. Phone: (202) 260-7474/Fax: (202) 260-0211.

Information about the technical content of the solicitation may be obtained by contacting: Kenneth Jewett, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Phone: (202) 260-4211/Fax: (202) 260-2685.

General information on the ETI may be obtained from the ETI information line: (202) 260-2686.

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Metabolism Testing Guideline; Notice of Workshop

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of workshop.

SUMMARY: There will be a 1-day workshop sponsored by the EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs, to discuss the revision of the Metabolism Testing Guideline.

DATES: The workshop will be held on Wednesday, May 24, 1995, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Written comments must be submitted by May 17, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at: Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments in triplicate to: By mail: Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring comments to: Rm. 1132, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: opp-docket@epamail.epa.gov. Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be accepted on disks in WordPerfect in 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the docket number "OPP-00408." No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on this document may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found under the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION unit of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Yiannakis M. Ioannou (7509C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 820D, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-7894. Copies of documents may be

obtained by contacting: By mail: Public Docket and Freedom of Information Section, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 1128 Bay, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA, (703) 305-5805 or 5454.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Pesticide Assessment Guidelines Subdivision F, describe protocols for performing toxicology and related tests to support registration of pesticides under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). Some of the tests are also used in tolerance reviews under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). Subdivision F was proposed for public comment in 1978 and published in October 1982. At that time, the Agency published the criteria for performing a general metabolism study on a pesticide and reserved a line item, Section 85-1, for a guideline on General Metabolism Studies of Pesticides. The Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) also specifies that General Metabolism studies can be required under the TSCA section 4 test rule.

The proposed revisions are the result of efforts by Agency scientists to improve the existing guideline to reflect current state-of-the-art regarding metabolism of pesticides and other toxic compounds. In addition, a need for revision was indicated by the results of the Pesticide Reregistration Rejection Rate Analysis as well as by comments received in response to the notice published in the **Federal Register** of September 19, 1990 (55 FR 38578).

The agenda for the meeting and a draft of the proposed Metabolism Guideline revisions will be available from the public docket within a week or two prior to the meeting.

Any member of the public wishing to submit written comments should contact the OPP docket staff at the address or the phone number given above. Interested persons are permitted to file written statements before the meeting. To the extent that time permits and upon advance notice, interested persons may be permitted to present oral statements at the meeting. There is no limit on written comments for consideration by the Panel, but oral statements before the Panel are limited to approximately 5 minutes. Since oral statements will be permitted only as time permits, the Agency urges the public to submit written comments in lieu of oral presentations. Persons wishing to make oral and/or written