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Assistance Agreements Group

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RE: PD180091 - "Exercise and Plasticity in PD: Functional and Structural Evidence in the Cortex and the Spinal Cord"

STATUS: RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING

Dear Angelo Quartarone:

Congratulations! On behalf of the Department of Defense office of the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs (CDMRP), I am pleased to inform you that your Fiscal Year 2018 (FY18) Parkinson's Research Program (PRP) Investigator-Initiated Research Award application submission was recommended for funding. Funding recommendations were made at a second-tier, programmatic review meeting based on program goals and scientific merit. The peer review summary statement for this application and an information paper highlighting the two-tier review process are posted under your electronic Biomedical Research Application Portal (<https://ebrap.org/eBRAP/public/Program.htm>) account.

Funds to be obligated on this award will be available for use for a limited period based on the fiscal year of the funds. That time is considered when establishing the award's period of performance. It is anticipated that this award will be funded with FY18 funds, which will expire for use on September 30, 2024.

Additional documentation is needed to start the award process. Your timely submission of all applicable documents in the appropriate formats will expedite this process and the release of funds. A CDMRP Science Officer will be your scientific and technical point of contact throughout the life of this award and may contact you for further information regarding various aspects of your application. For example, your Science Officer may contact you about animal use and human use documents that may be needed for your project. Together, you will set a target date for the submission of your complete animal use or human use appendix documents. The Surety and Environmental Office will contact you if any Environmental Compliance Assurance documents are necessary.

A Grants/Contract Specialist from the US Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA) will contact the Business Official (person authorized to conduct negotiations) at your institution to begin award negotiations. All official negotiations of the budget, terms, and conditions of any resulting award will be limited to the Business Official of your institution and the USAMRAA Grants/Contract Specialist.

Your performance on any previous US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command sponsored awards will be considered during negotiations. As such, you are advised to review your current and past awards to ensure that all required information has been submitted, including all technical reporting and regulatory oversight documents and all financial reports, as this may impact the negotiation and award process.

If you are withdrawing your application, please co-sign a letter of withdrawal with a Business Official at your institution and upload it under the "Required Award Information" tab on eBRAP (<https://eBRAP.org>).

To expedite the award process, please answer the post-submission questions found under the "Required Award Information" tab on eBRAP by April 3, 2019. For additional information, consult the "Guide for Funded Investigators," which can be found in the "Resources and Reference Material" section under the "Funding Opportunities and Forms" tab on eBRAP. Please note the following when supplying the information requested under the above-mentioned tab:

- You and your institution are responsible for ensuring that there is no duplication of the science, budget, or level of effort in separately funded studies in which you were or currently are involved. If you received funding for any portion of this application from another source, or if any portion of the proposed work has already started, please indicate so under this tab.
- Updated details on support for previous funding for the past 5 years, current support, and pending support for yourself and key personnel, including the title of the project, goals, specific aims/tasks, estimated start date and end date, level of effort (percentage or calendar months) in the project, and point of contact at the funding agency. Provide a cover letter, signed by a Business Official, certifying that this information is current and accurate and addresses any scientific or financial overlap.

A copy of this notification is being made available to your institution's Business Official.

Again, congratulations on the recommendation of your application for funding. The CDMRP staff and I look forward to working with you to realize the vision of the PRP. Please direct any questions to the CDMRP Help Desk at help@eBRAP.org or 301-682-5507.

Please note that awards are subject to negotiations and availability of funds.

Sincerely,

Jason D. Kuhns
Grants Officer

cc: Daniel Monson, Ph.D.
PRP, Program Manager