



NCAB NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Okay, you've met Erica...now what?

The last newsletter I opened up with an introduction to Erica McFarland. Since then I know that everyone has gone out of their way to make sure they knew who she was and she made a point of talking to most of you at the picnic last month. Speaking of the picnic it was a blast! We had outstanding attendance numbers of around 275 people. The proximity to major research organizations, great weather and a chance to ditch work for the afternoon were all factors to a successful outing. The council had a great time putting it together for you. Except for a few "meat lulls" the grill guys kept up with the ravenous hordes fairly well despite the sweat accumulating on their brow. The dog demonstration provided by the Montgomery County Police Department was a hit and made us all VERY respectful of working dogs after seeing that exhibition. All in all it was a great time. If you didn't come you missed the dog show, the food and lots of beer! Make sure you get tickets next year!

So, let's get back to Erica. You met her right so now what? Well according to the NCAB program chair the first thing is to meet him! He bribed me to get his name in the newsletter so I am complying. Larry Shelton is a veterinarian with the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research (WRAIR) and was just promoted to the rank of Major. He is an energetic guy with lots of ideas for the direction of NCAB, so take the time to get to know him and get involved in his projects.

The second thing you need to do is come join us. We have many things on the horizon. A barn tour is being planned for this summer. Details are still being ironed out so keep watch on the website. There are no monthly meetings planned for July or August but September is chocked full. First up is the NCAB seminar being held again at Turf Valley on September 21st and 22nd. The registration forms must be received to Molly Romick, Registration Chair by August 15th. That is right around the corner so start making your plans. Next on the agenda is the LATG Review Course which will be at the Holiday Inn Gaithersburg, September 25-30 with the pencil test on October 1st. October 13th is a monthly meeting, site to be determined and then we head to St. Louis for the National meeting Nov 6-11. As soon as you get home we have our annual banquet. This is one you do not want to miss! Get out your calendar right now and mark down November 18th because we are heading to Blair House Mansion for some food, fun and mystery! If you have never been involved in a "murder mystery dinner" then this is your chance. I personally am looking forward to it. Just know I am not the culprit...maybe Erica or Larry did it?

Work hard and have fun!

Lisa Secret

31st NCAB Seminar 2005 Seminar Registration

Please fill out the form below as you wish your name, title, etc to appear on your name badge and on future NCAB/AALAS mailings. The price differences below are based on whether you are a NCAB member or not. National AALAS membership cannot be used in place of NCAB membership. If you are paying for membership during registration pay the member fees. For first year membership, you are granted an additional three months membership in order for you to take advantage of these savings.

Seminar Registration Form

Registration forms must be received by August 15, 2005.

Please send completed forms to:

Molly L. Romick
2005 NCAB/AALAS Registration Chair
297 Barrington Drive
Westerville, Ohio 43082

Telephone: 240-472-4764
Fax: 614-865-0962

Name: _____ Title: _____

Company: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Seminar Costs	NCAB	Non Member	Late Member	Total On-Site
◇ Wednesday, September 21st		\$ 75	\$ 125	\$ 175 _____
◇ Thursday, September 22nd		\$ 75	\$ 125	\$ 175 _____
◇ Two day registration		\$ 125	\$ 175	\$ 225 _____
◇ Banquet		_____ X	\$ 35	_____
		No. persons		
◇ Membership Dues – 2006			\$ 15	_____

Check Number: _____

Total: _____

MC/ VISA/DISCOVER: _____ expiration: _____

Hotel Information:
Turf Valley Hotel, 2700 Turf Valley Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042 410-465-1500 www.turfvalley.com

Technician of the Year Awards

Purina Mills Laboratory Animal Technician Award Announcement

The Purina Mills Laboratory Animal Technician Award is one of the most time honored, respected and prestigious awards in the AALAS community. Purina Mills LabDiet® invites you, your colleagues or associates to submit nominations for this award. The unique feature of this annual award is that the winner is chosen by his or her peers. The winner of the award will receive \$500 and the distinguished 2005 Purina Mills Laboratory Animal Technician Award Plaque presented at our Technician Award Dinner during National AALAS.

Nominee's will be considered on the basis of experience, animal care activities and contributions to the advancement of all aspects of the animal technician field. The selection committee will comprise of the three most recent award winners.

If you feel the work and achievement of a Laboratory Animal Technician from your organization merits the national recognition of the Purina Mills Laboratory Animal Technician Award, your submission must be completed and returned by August 1, 2005. Your submission must detail the nominee's professional experience; contributions to the advancement of technicians; a list of his or her published works; presentations and awards; national, state and local animal care activities; and a summary of "why you believe the nominee should receive the award". Please also include nominee's telephone number and e-mail address, for ease of contact should your nominee become the 2005 award winner.

All nominees will receive the same careful and professional consideration. Please don't delay.

Send your nomination to: PMI Nutrition International, LLC Attn: Tricia Lutman P.O. Box 66812 St. Louis, MO. 63166-6812
Phone 314-317-5179
Fax: 314-317-5276





NCAB/AALAS LATG Review Course HOLIDAY INN HOTEL GAITHERSBURG, MD

Course: September 25 through 30, 2005
Exam: October 1, 2005

**There are stringent enrollment requirements.
Please follow the instructions carefully.**

Class pre-requisite: you must be eligible to take the National AALAS LATG exam.

An Authorization to Test letter from AALAS is required.

Enrollment Process:

1. Apply to take the LATG exam: (July 11 to August 19, 2005)

- o To obtain information and an application for the LA TG exam, contact AALAS or visit their website: www.aalas.org
- o Apply no sooner than June 27 and no later than August 5, to ensure a testing window during the dates of the review course
- o To elect to take the paper exam, given October 1st, indicate the following on the form:
Question #18: Paper and Pencil exam, Exam date = October 1, 2005;
Location – Holiday Inn, Gaithersburg, MD

2. Enroll in the NCAB LATG Review Course: (by August 1, 2005)

***** Open Enrollment For Non-NCAB Members after June 15, 2005 *****

- o Fill out the review course application **completely** and **fax** the application to Lindsey Briglio.

Lindsey Briglio

Fax: 301-402-1276

- o You can also apply at the NCAB website: <http://www.ncabaalas.org/>
- o All payments can also be mailed to Lindsey Briglio, but to ensure enrollment into the course, faxing the application prior to sending the payment is advised. Make all checks payable to NCAB AALAS and send to:
Lindsey Briglio
9000 Rockville Pike
Building 31, Room 4A34
Bethesda, MD 20892
- o Once you have received a copy of your Authorization to Test letter from AALAS indicating eligibility to take the LATG exam, fax it to Lindsey Briglio.

Applications will be prioritized and enrollment will be based upon receipt of all of the following:

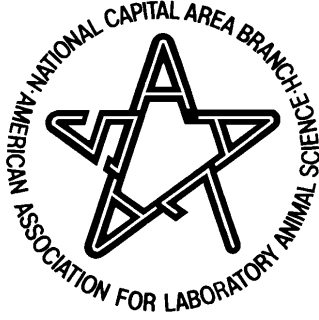
- 1) NCAB Membership: Must be a member of NCAB as of January 1, 2005
- 2) NCAB LATG Review Course application form
- 3) NCAB LATG Review Course payment
- 4) Confirmation from AALAS that you are eligible to take the LATG exam

You will receive confirmation of enrollment by fax and a letter of instruction for the course.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the following:

Cindy Horner 301-412-2958 Program Chair
John Chick 301-873-2048 Course Schedule
Elton Machholz 240-686-4373 Local Arrangements
Katy Bernhard 240-686-7375 Publicity

Chris McNickle 240-686-4376 Co-Chair
Erin Stearns 240-632-2926 Course Schedule
Lindsey Briglio 301-435-5733 Registration
Roger Barkman 301-405-4921 Materials



**NCAB/AALAS
LATG Review Course
Holiday Inn Hotel
Gaithersburg, MD**

Course: September 25– September 30, 2005
(Exam October 1, 2005)

REGISTRATION FORM

The registration fee includes the course fee, lodging, food and materials.
The registration fee DOES NOT include the National AALAS Exam fee.
National AALAS is not affiliated and does not endorse this NCAB Review Course.

NCAB Members* \$ 1000.00 (*Must be a member in good standing as of January 1, 2005)

Non NCAB Members \$ 1200.00

Name: _____ Job Title: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

e-mail address: _____

Name on credit card: _____ Card type: MasterCard Visa

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Payment amount _____

FAX this NCAB LATG course application form by August 1, 2005:

Attention: Lindsey Briglio

Fax: 301-402-1276

When you receive your Authorization to Test letter from National AALAS for the LATG exam,
fax a

copy of the letter to Lindsey also.

· **I will take the Paper & Pencil exam on 10/01/2005** Yes _____ No _____

Or, I have applied to take the computerized LATG exam Yes _____ No _____

· **I am currently a member of NCAB** Yes _____ No _____

Send your payment for the course as soon as possible to:

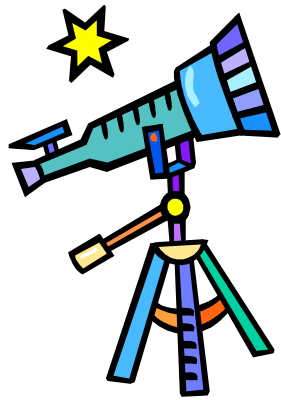
Lindsey Briglio

9000 Rockville Pike

Building 31, Room 4A34

Bethesda, MD 20892

Make checks payable to NCAB AALAS



Look At Our Stars Come Out!

***Congratulations to all those who have received their
AALAS Certification!***

ALAT

Luis Chavez - Priority One Services
Marcus Giles - Priority One Services
Yolanda Jackson - Johns Hopkins University
Donny Johnson - Priority One Services
Shawn Kozlov - Charles Rivers Laboratories
Oscar Medina - Priority One Services
Jorge Medrano - Charles Rivers Laboratories
Becky Roberts - Priority One Services
Darwin Romero - Priority One Services
Gerber Romero - Priority One Services
Laurentine Sop- Priority One Services
Danielle Strauss - Charles Rivers Laboratories

LAT

Bahafta Berhe - Priority One Services
Vanessa Davis - Bioqual
Luis Gyles - Priority One Services
Elias Gonzalez - Priority One Services
Brienne Lo - Charles Rivers Laboratories
Susan Schnurr - Priority One Services
Raymond Stock - Charles Rivers Laboratories

LATG

Chino Anyanwu - Priority One Services
David Hawkins - Priority One Service



Event: IACUC 101 and IACUC 201 Sioux Falls , SD

Co-Sponsors: University of South Dakota School of Medicine, Division of Basic Biomedical Sciences and the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare, National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Dates:

IACUC 101 - September 21, 2005: 7:30 am 5:00 pm

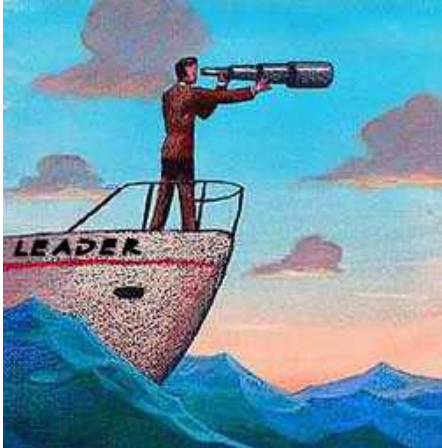
IACUC 201 - September 22, 2005: 7:00 am 3:30 pm

Place : Radisson Encore Hotel, 4300 Empire Place, Sioux Falls SD

For the complete information including registration and conference location and lodging, go to URL: <http://www.usd.edu/brin/events/IACUC2005.htm>

IACUC 101: ³The Basics ² is a full day didactic and interactive training course for new as well as seasoned IACUC members, IACUC affiliates including IACUC administrators, trainers, veterinarians, animal care staff, researchers, regulatory personnel, individuals responsible for their institution's animal care program and others interested in IACUC roles and responsibilities. The program is delivered by a top-notch faculty renowned for their expertise in institutional animal care and use issues and program development including representatives from both private and academic biomedical research institutions as well as the AAALAC, USDA and OLAW. The morning and early afternoon sessions will provide a basic yet comprehensive overview of the laws, regulations, and policies that govern the humane care and use of laboratory animals supplemented with examples and possible approaches for successful and effective administration. Current available resources to help IACUCs keep abreast of the latest information as well as take advantage of networking opportunities will also be covered. The materials and information provided during the course will be applied during the later afternoon session when students will be challenged to consider, deliberate and develop action plans for a variety of potential IACUC scenarios. Students receive an extensive resources manual as well as copies of relevant laws, regulations, policy and guides.

IACUC 201: ³The Process² is a highly interactive program that takes the fundamentals of IACUC 101 and applies them to the process and mechanisms of ensuring compliance. The morning session is divided into 3 tracts based on an individual's IACUC role, responsibility and interests . Each tract focuses on the various possible approaches for conducting protocol review, program review and facility inspection within the requirements of the law, regulations and policy. Registrants reconvene for an open discussion on timely Hot Topics of the audience's choice. During the afternoon session, a mock IACUC consisting of IACUC 201 faculty convene to address one or more complex scenarios with multiple opportunities for audience questions. The program concludes with open questions and answers to representatives of OLAW, USDA and AAALAC, completion of program evaluations and distribution of attendance certificates.



The Leadership Academy is a leadership skills training seminar held in conjunction with the 56th National AALAS Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, and is open to representatives from each branch at no cost to the individual.

Branch members may nominate themselves or someone else; however, the nomination must be endorsed by the branch president. Each branch is allowed one primary and one alternate individual to attend. You may submit additional alternates to a waiting list to fill vacancies which may be created by branches that do not send attendees. Branch officers are asked to ensure that this information is relayed to all branch members and is suggested that it be printed in your branch's newsletter as a resource.

The leadership seminar will be held at the Grand Renaissance Hotel. Saturday's session will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. and materials will be provided for each participant upon arrival. A reception for all attendees will be held from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday following the session. On Sunday morning, from 7:30 – 8:00 a.m., a continental breakfast will be provided. Sunday's session will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m.

Please use the attached form to register for the 2005 Leadership Academy. The **deadline** to submit this form to the AALAS office is **September 1**. Room schedules are not complete at this time and will be forwarded to you at a later date. If you need any more assistance concerning this matter, please contact me by phone at 901-



**LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: _____ AALAS Member: ___ Yes ___ No Member #: _____

Title: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Branch Officer: ___ Yes ___ No

Positions Held (if applicable) _____

Have you ever served on an AALAS Committee? If so, list committee and time frame below.

Committee Name _____ When _____

Committee Name _____ When _____

Committee Name _____ When _____

Signature

THIS FORM MUST BE ENDORSED BY THE BRANCH PRESIDENT

BRANCH: _____

Signature (*please print clearly*)

Signature

Endorse as (check one only): _____ Primary Candidate; _____ Alternate Candidate

(ALTERNATES WILL BE USED TO FILL OPENINGS LEFT BY BRANCHES NOT SENDING A CANDIDATE.)

Upon completion, please fax (901-753-0046) or email this form to the AALAS office, attn: Carolyn Campbell, on or before September 1, 2005.

Institutional Membership Program

The Institutional Membership Program was started in 1978 as an important resource of support providing the NCAB with the opportunity to continually expand its educational programs. In addition to a number of Technician Scholarship awards given each year, the enthusiasm generated through our Workshop Programs have allowed us to increase the number of workshops, as well as expand the content. In 2005, our educational programs will be offered to an ever increasing audience of laboratory animal scientists, as well as other interested groups as to the benefits of biomedical research and the commitment that all members of AALAS have to humane animal care and use. NCAB/AALAS would like to thank all of the Research Institutions and Companies who make up the Institutional membership.



For Institutional membership information for 2005, please contact:

Frank Lynch, flynch@pharmacal.com
 Guerra Benberry, guerra.benberry@covance.com
 Institutional Membership Committee

Member Institution	Year	Member Institution	Year
AAALAC International	1997-2005	BioReliance Invitrogen Bioservices	1979-2005
Ace Animals, Inc.	2000-2005	Bio-Serv, Inc.	1994-2005
Allentown Caging Equipment Co., Inc.	1979-2005	Britz-Heidbrink	1996-2005
Alternative Design Manufacturing & Supply	1994-2005	Carter 2 Systems Inc.	2003-2005
Americans For Medical Progress	2001-2005	Charles River Laboratories, Inc.	1978-2005
Ancare Corporation	1984-2005	Childrens Research Institute/Childrens National Medical Center	1986-2005
Anderson's/Bed-o-Cobs	1992-2005	Coastal Scientific, Inc.	2000-2005
Animal Lab News	2004-2005	Colonial Medical Supply	2002-2005
Avalon Pharmaceuticals Inc.	2005	Covance Laboratories, Inc.	1978-2005
Advanced Sterilization Products	2005	Covance Research Products	1978-2005
Avant Garde Scientific, Inc.	1991-2005	CUH2A	2004-2005
Bio Medic Data Systems Inc.	1997-2005	Dilab Inc.	2005
Biocon Inc.	1979-2005	E-Z Anesthesia/Euthanex Corp.	2004-2005
Bioqual, Inc.	1983-2005	Eastern Virginia Medical School	1989-2005
		Edstrom Industries, Inc.	1981-2005

Member Institution	Year	Member Institution	Year
FDA/CBER	1984-2005	Primate Products, Inc.	1998-2005
Gene Logic Laboratories, Inc.	2004-2005	Priority One Services	1994-2005
George Washington University	1982-2005	Purina Mills LabDiet	1992-2005
Girton	1994-2005	Quality Lab Products, Inc.	1998-2005
Getinge USA	1991-2005	Quip Laboratories Inc.	1989-2005
Harlan	1981-2005	Rees Scientific Corporation	1994-2005
Hilltop Lab Animals Inc.	1983-2005	SAIC-NCI Frederick	1983-2005
Lab Products, Inc.	1978-2005	Scientists Center for Animal Welfare	1999-2005
Labrepro, Inc.	2004-2005	Shepherd Specialty Papers, Inc.	1983-2005
Lenderking Caging Products	1990-2005	SoBran Inc.	2002-2005
Liberty Research, Inc.	1981-2005	SJN Inc.	1995-2005
Life Science Products, Inc.	1982-2005	Southern Research Institute	1991-2005
Locus Technology, Inc.	2000-2005	Spring Valley Laboratories, Inc.	1984-2005
Lomir Biomedical Inc.	2001-2005	Steris Corporation	1993-2005
Louviere, Stratton, Yokel, LLC	1988-2005	Suburban Surgical Co. Inc.	1988-2005
Lynx Product Group	2002-2005	Summit Anesthesia Solutions	2003-2005
Macrogenics, Inc.	2004-2005	Swartz Family Sheep Farm	2005
Marine Biotech Inc.	1997-2005	Systems Engineering	1989-2005
Marshall BioResources	1996-2005	Synectic Resources Inc.	2002-2005
Medimmune, Inc.	1995-2005	Taconic Farms, Inc.	1991-2005
Millbrook Breeding Labs	2005	TBJ Inc.	2005
Myrtle's Rabbitry Inc.	1997-2005	Techspace Inc.	2004-2005
New Year Tech, Inc.	2003-2005	Tecniplast USA	2001-2005
NIH/Division of Veterinary Resources	1979-2005	The Scale People, Inc.	1993-2005
NIH/NIA Gerontology Research Center	1997-2005	Thomas D. Morris, Inc.	2004-2005
NIH/National Eye Institute	2003-2005	Thoren Caging Systems, Inc.	1989-2005
NIH/National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research	2004-2005	Transportech	2004-2005
NIH/National Institute of Child Health and Human Development	1990-2005	Tri State Biomedical, Inc.	2005
NIH/National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism	2004-2005	Tuttnauer	2000-2005
NIH/National Institute on Drug Abuse	2001-2005	Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences	1995-2005
NIH/NINDS/AHCS	1996-2005	University of Maryland Veterinary Resources	1982-2005
NIH/Office of Animal Care and Use	1989-2005	University of Maryland Central Animal Resource Facility	1985-2005
NIH/Vaccine Research Center	2004-2005	U.S. Dept. Of Veterans Affairs Medical Center Animal Research Facility	2004-2005
NIH/Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center Animal Care Program	2001-2005	US Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense	2005
NLS Animal Health	1992-2005	VetEquip, Inc.	2000-2005
Northeastern Products Corp.	1999-2005	West Virginia University Office of Lab Animal Resources	2004-2005
Nuaire Inc.	2000-2005	World Courier Inc.	2004-2005
Osiris Therapeutics, Inc.	2005	WRAIR-NMRC	1981-2005
Pharmalac Research Laboratories, Inc.	1978-2005		
Porter Creek Instruments, LLC	2004-2005		

Career Opportunities

LABORATORY ANIMAL TECHNICIAN (DC Metro Area) Must have a high school diploma or equivalent, AALAS certification and 3 years experience in a laboratory animal facility. Must have experience in technical procedures; multi-species and specialty areas preferred, barrier and data management. Must be willing to travel. JOB ID: CORP Closing date for this position is OPEN.

All candidates should mail or fax cover letters and resumes to:

PRIORITY ONE SERVICES, INC.
Attn: Recruiter
6600 Fleet Drive
Alexandria, VA 22310
Fax: 703-971-5440
recruiter@priorityoneservices.com
EOE, Drug Free Workplace

Supervisor, Animal Facility

Baltimore based biotech company is currently seeking a qualified candidate for an Animal Facility Supervisor position. Applicants **must have** a Bachelors degree in a scientific discipline with a minimum of 3 to 5 years experience with laboratory animal research. Additionally, applicants must have a minimum of 1 to 2 years of supervisory experience in a similar setting. RLAT certification by AALAS preferred. Qualified applicants must have knowledge of the proper handling and restraint of laboratory animals, diagnostic procedures, and blood collection. Responsibilities include the oversight of all aspects of laboratory animal care and performance of services associated with the daily, routine operations of the animal facility. Candidate will perform daily care, observations, and health examinations of animal subjects, and will train core facility employees and investigators in safety, animal husbandry duties, and procedural techniques.

We are looking for intelligent and aggressive people who embrace focused product commercialization and do so with a strong sense of urgency. We will only be selecting high energy individuals who are comfortable with the hands on culture of a small company.

The Company has three products progressing through clinical trials. This represents an exciting opportunity for those individuals seeking to have a significant impact on serious medical problems while participating in a pre-IPO environment.

Please reference job code AF-10-2005 when applying for this position.

Attn: Human Resources
Fax: (410) 522-5519

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NCAB/AALAS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership includes subscription to NCAB Newsletter, discounts for workshops, NCAB annual seminar, monthly meeting socials, etc.

MEMBERSHIP DUES are \$15.00 per year (make check payable to NCAB/AALAS)

MAIL TO:
Molly Romick
4000 Blackburn Lane
Suite 100
Burtonsville, MD 20866

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY! THIS INFORMATION IS USED FOR ALL MAILINGS AND DIRECTORY LISTING!!

(First Name) (Initial) (Last Name) (Degree)

Company Name: _____

Position: _____

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Work Telephone Number: () _____ Fax: () _____

E-mail: _____

Specialty Certification: LATG LAT ALAT OTHER: _____

I hereby apply for membership in the National Capital Area Branch/American Association for Laboratory Animal Science and enclose \$15.00 as my annual dues for one year (January 1 through December 31) which includes a subscription to the NCAB/AALAS Newsletter.

Method of Payment:
Personal Check # _____ Company Check# _____

VISA/MC # _____ Expiration Date (Month/Year) _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date: _____

Newsletter Submission Deadlines for 2005

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
September/October	August 15
November/December	October 15
January/February 2006	December 15

Please submit information for the newsletter to
Julia Drake at e-mail drakej@nei.nih.gov or at phone 301-435-1862 .



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