

# Request for Visiting Program Participant: Part I

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

# — To be completed by the Institute/Center —

In order for the Division of International Services (DIS), Office of Research Services (ORS), to process your Institute or Center's (IC) request for a selected foreign national scientist to participate in the NIH Visiting Program (VP), please complete this form. In addition, if this request is for a scientist *new* to the NIH or a *returning* scientist (i.e. one who previously terminated or ended his/her NIH stay), please have her/him complete "Part II" of this form. Instruct her/him to return Part II of the form to you, along with the required supporting documents. Upon completion of all applicable parts, please send this form, along with all required supporting documents, to the DIS.

Read these instructions carefully to properly complete the form. Type or print clearly. All questions MUST be answered. **If not applicable, write "N/A."** If you need more space to complete an answer, attach a continuation sheet. If a continuation sheet is necessary, write the scientist's name and date of birth at the top of each sheet and indicate the section to which the answer refers.

# **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

#### A. Type of Request

Check the appropriate type of request, based on the NIH Designation selected in section B.

#### **B.** Designation

Check the appropriate NIH Designation for your foreign national scientist. Note: If this request is for a Guest Researcher or Special Volunteer designation, you must complete and submit the NIH Form 590. Include Part II of this form (829-1) when possible.

#### C. Foreign National Scientist Candidate

Enter the name as it appears on the passport. Do not use initials, even for middle names. The entire name must be spelled out. For the date of birth, check dating formats and enter in the month/day/year format.

#### **D. Proposed Dates**

Enter the dates of your foreign national scientist's stay at the NIH. If this visit is NOT for a consecutive time period, attach a continuation sheet describing the dates of the intermittent visits—even if the dates are tentative. If these details are not disclosed, the DIS may use an immigration category that could bar the foreign national from timely returning to the U.S.!

# E. Institute or Center (IC) Information

Enter the details about the sponsoring IC.

#### F. Work Site Information

Enter the location where your foreign national scientist will be placed. List the primary site and additional work site, if any. If there is more than one additional work site anticipated (even if temporary), please attach a continuation sheet.

# G. Work Schedule

Check the appropriate work schedule.

# **H. Funding Information**

Enter the funding that will be used to support your foreign national scientist during her/his stay at the IC. If the IC is funding the visit (e.g. giving a stipend or salary), the IC must ensure that it is paying within the established NIH stipend/salary/per diem/etc. levels. Enclose evidence of outside funding as applicable (refer to the DIS checklists under "What to Send").

#### I. Research Program

Describe the research program that your foreign national scientist will undertake at the IC. Provide the general research area (e.g. genetics, biochemistry) and a full description of the research program and experience to be obtained (using laymen's terms as much as possible). In addition, if the scientist is appointed to a Full-Time Equivalent or FTE designation (e.g. Research Fellow), please complete the "FTE Supplement" on page four.

# J. Patient Contact (for M.D.'s only)

The level of patient contact must be specified in advance, and should not change during the award/appointment/assignment dates. If patient contact is anticipated, request it at this time.

Check the appropriate level of patient contact, complete the information, and attach the required documents. Be sure to review the DIS Technical Advisory 4 and 4a for a summary of patient contact by foreign national scientists, including instructions for the "Four-Point Memorandum" required for incidental patient contact: <a href="http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/advisories/techadvisories.html">http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/advisories/techadvisories.html</a>

NIH-sponsored J-1 Exchange Visitors are limited to incidental patient contact. Additionally, non-FTE designations are generally prohibited from having full patient contact (exceptions on a case-by-case basis). Guest Researchers are not permitted any level of patient contact.

- a. No patient contact: Self-explanatory.
- b. Incidental patient contact: Enter the information requested. Provide a copy of the foreign national scientist's ECFMG

(Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates) certificate and the original "Four-Point Memorandum" (prepared as per DIS Technical Advisory 4a). Note that a Four-Point Memorandum is not required for renewal purposes if there is no change in the program or sponsor/supervisor. If this is the case, check the appropriate box.

c. Full patient contact: Enter the information requested. If your foreign national scientist is in an NIH clinical training program, enter the name and ID number (obtain from http://www.cc.nih.gov/training/gme/programs.html); ACGME-accreditation (Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education); and PGY (post graduate year) level.

Provide a copy of your foreign national scientist's ECFMG certificate; a copy of medical licensure in the U.S. and/or country abroad; and evidence of USMLE (U.S. Medical Licensing Examination) or equivalent examinations, i.e. Parts I and II of FLEX (Federation Licensing Examination) or Parts I, II, and III of NBME (National Board of Medical Examiners).

#### K. Certification

Type/print the name of the signer with signature and date. Only provide those approval signatures that are required by your IC's delegation of authority.

Approval by the Office of Intramural Research (OIR), Office of Director (OD), is required for all exceptions to program provisions. If an exception is necessary, describe the need for the exception and send this request and justification to the OIR/OD before submission to the DIS.

# WHAT TO SEND

Submit this completed form (Part I), signed by all appropriate IC officials, as well as "Part II" of the form, completed and signed by the foreign national scientist.

In addition, also submit the required supporting documentation according to the NIH designation selected in section B. Supporting documentation requirements can be found from the DIS checklists: <a href="http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/forms/01\_forms.html#checklist">http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/forms/01\_forms.html#checklist</a>

#### WHERE TO SEND

Send all documentation to the DIS at the following address. We suggest using hand-carry to ensure delivery. The DIS is not responsible for lost packages. Lost or misdelivered packages are not grounds for the DIS to expedite processing!!

Division of International Services Office of Research Services, NIH 31 Center Drive, MSC 2028 Building 31, Room B2B07 Bethesda, MD 20892-2028 Tel: (301) 496-6166

Fax: (301) 496-0847 http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/ Before submission, please make a copy of all documentation for the IC's records.

#### PROCESSING INFORMATION

Once all required forms are received, the request will be logged into our database and checked for completeness in accordance with immigration rules and regulations, as well as NIH policies and procedures.

Please refer to the DIS Processing Times advisory which describes how long it will take the DIS to process the case, as well as other agencies that may be involved in the process. It also provides tips on how to establish a proposed begin date:

http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/advisories/techadvis\_no01.html

# **STATUS INQUIRIES**

The DIS "IC View" allows designated IC Administrative "Key Contacts" to access the DIS online case status check system, known as the "IC View." The Key Contact is knowledgeable about the IC's requests and internal approval process, and has access to the DIS IC View. Status inquiries should begin with checking the IC View.

Refer to the DIS Processing Times advisory for more information on case processing:

http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/advisories/techadvis\_no01.html

# **REFERENCE**

For the NIH Intramural Visiting Fellow Program (VFP) Manual Chapter, please refer to:

http://www1.od.nih.gov/oma/manualchapters/person/2300-320-3/

For the NIH Guest Researcher/Special Volunteer Programs Manual Chapter, please refer to:

http://www1.od.nih.gov/oma/manualchapters/person/2300-308-1/

For information on Full-time Equivalent (FTE) appointments (based on Title 42), please refer to:

http://hr.od.nih.gov/hrguidance/employment/title42.htm#Pay

For the DIS Technical Advisories, please refer to: http://dis.ors.od.nih.gov/advisories/techadvisories.html



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# TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REQUESTING INSTITUTE OR CENTER (IC)

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			Scientist's Name:	,	
H. Funding Information					
Will the foreign national scie	ntist recei	ve funding from the NIH?			
☐ Yes ☐ No – If Yes, provide the follo		g: a. Amount of funding (per year in	USD): \$		
		b. NIH funding type: ☐ Stipend [	☐ Salary ☐ Per Diem ☐ Ho	onorarium   Other:	
		c. FPS Number (for Visiting Fello	ows only):		
Will the foreign national scien	ntist recei	ve funding from outside the NIH?	•		
☐ Yes ☐ No – If Yes, provide the	ne following	g: a. Amount of funding (per year in	USD): \$		
		b. Source of funding (list name o	f funding organization):		
		c. Type of funding (e.g. grant, em	nployer salary):		
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			□ Other		
Will the foreign national scient  □ No □ Yes – If yes, describe type or		ve additional funding? e.g. on-call coverage supplement, re	elocation expenses), source	and dates the funding is available:	
I. Research Program					
Description of research program	induties.				
J. Patient Contact (for M.D	).'s only)				
□ a. No patient contact	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,				
□ b. Incidental patient contact	Furnish:	Four-point Memorandum     ECFMG Certificate No	·	m not needed, no change in program (for re	• •
□ c. Full patient contact	Furnish:	ECFMG Certificate No		_ dated	
		Current medical licensure:			
		U.S. (specify state)		and/or country	
		Valid from	to		
		USMLE Exam: □ No □ Yes (For equivalent – see instructions)     Passed Step 1?		CS? □ Step 3? □	
		Name of NIH Clinical Training Process	ogram and ID #		
		Is this program ACGME accredite	ed? □ Yes □ No		
		PGY Level:	<del></del>		

Scientist's Name:		
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#### K. Certification

The IC has evaluated the academic and professional credentials of the prospective foreign national scientist, and considers him/her to be qualified to participate in the proposed research program under all applicable NIH policies and procedures. In addition, we have determined that the scientist has sufficient English proficiency to successfully carry out the proposed research program. If sponsored as a J-1 Exchange Visitor, we understand that the scientist cannot accrue tenure.

We certify that the information on this request is true and correct and understand the foreign national scientist may be terminated if:

- Fails to participate in the proposed research program;
- · Engages in unauthorized employment; and/or
- If sponsored as a J-1 Exchange Visitor, fails to maintain required health insurance for him/herself and J-2 dependent(s).

We understand that information and materials submitted with this request may be shared with other government agencies. We also understand that final authorization to sponsor/employ the foreign national rests with the Department of State (DOS) and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) under all applicable immigration regulations. The award/appointment/assignment is not official until cleared by the Division of International Services/ORS.

I. SPONSOR SIGNATURE	
Lab/Branch Sponsor signature (Type name, title, signature):	Date:
II. IC APPROVAL SIGNATURES	
Lab/Branch Chief (Type name, signature):	Date:
IC Scientific Director (Type name, signature):	Date:
IC Director (Type name, signature):	Date:
IC Administrative Officer (Type name, signature):	Date:
III. EXCEPTION TO PROGRAM PROVISIONS	
Approval by the Office of Intramural Research (OIR), Office of Director (OD), is required for all exceptions to program provisions. If an explease indicate below.	ception is necessary,
Brief description for reason for exception:	
OIR/OD Approval (signature):	Date:

SUBMIT THIS COMPLETED FORM, AS WELL AS "PART II" OF THE FORM (completed by the foreign national scientist) AND ALL REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS VIA HAND-CARRY TO THE DIS. BEFORE SUBMISSION, MAKE A COPY FOR THE IC RECORDS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION!

> Division of International Services Office of Research Services National Institutes of Health 31 Center Drive, MSC 2028 Building 31, Room B2B07 Bethesda, MD 20892-2028 Tel: (301) 496-6166

Fax: (301) 496-0847

Scientist's Name:	
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#### **FTE SUPPLEMENT**

Complete this supplement if the foreign national scientist is being appointed to a Full-Time Equivalent or FTE designation (e.g. Research Fellow (VP) position). The purpose of this form is to capture details about the FTE position that are necessary to request a Prevailing Wage (PW) determination.

Type or print clearly. All questions MUST be answered. If you need more space to complete an answer, attach a continuation sheet. If a continuation sheet is necessary, write the scientist's name and date of birth at the top of each sheet and indicate the section to which the answer refers. Again, complete this supplement **only if the designation requested is an FTE**. Do not complete this for non-FTE designations (e.g. Visiting Fellows).

A.	What is the major/field of study required for the position?
В	What is the minimum degree required for the position (e.g. M.D., Ph.D.)?
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C.	What is the estimated hourly work schedule (e.g. 8:00 am to 5:00 pm)?
D.	Will the position supervise the work of other employees?* □ No □ Yes;
	If yes, list the number of those to be supervised:
	*Answer yes only if the FTE will be in charge of completing an employee's performance plan (e.g. acting as the Rating Official on a Performance Management
	Appraisal Program or PMAP). Do not include any mentoring activities.
F	Will travel be required to perform the job duties? ☐ No ☐ Yes;
	If yes, describe the travel requirements:
F.	Does the position require training? ☐ No ☐ Yes;
	If yes, specify the number of months of training required and the name of the field(s) where training is required:
	Months Field(s)
G	Does the position require employment experience? ☐ No ☐ Yes;
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	If yes, specify the number of months of experience required and indicate which occupation the employment experience is required:
	Months Occupation
H.	Are there any special requirements for the position, such as any specific skill(s), licenses, certificates/certifications, etc.? ☐ No ☐ Yes;
	If yes, describe the special requirements: