The National Institute of Dental Research (NIDR) is interested in expanding its nutrition research program. The primary focus of the program will be to obtain knowledge which will contribute to a better understanding of the role of poor nutrition as an etiologic factor in oral disease and the role of sound nutrition as a preventive measure. In order to accomplish these goals studies are encouraged in three general areas: 1) Population or epidemiologic studies, 2) Laboratory studies using model systems and 3) Human clinical studies. Of interest are nutritional factors which affect the development and functional capabilities of the major structures of the craniofacial complex including predisposing factors which may lead to eventual dysfunction of the teeth, salivary glands, oral mucous membranes and bone. For example, of particular interest are protocols designed to assess the various effects of nutritional deficiencies and excesses on the defense mechanism of the oral cavity including the host immune response, integrity of mucous membranes, influence on salivary secretions and their protective function, effects on tooth development and possible predisposition to bone resorption and periodontal disease. It is also encouraged that consideration be given to determine possible unique nutritional requirements related to age (i.e., pre- and post-natal period, pre- and post-adolescent period, middle age and senescence).

The next two deadlines for the receipt of grant applications are February 1, 1975, and June 1, 1975, respectively. Review and award of such grants will be through the usual NIH procedures.

Preliminary drafts of the proposals and other inquiries regarding this program may be addressed to either Paul D. Frazier, Chief, or Matthew A. Kinnard, Scientist Administrator, Mineralization, Salivary Secretions and Nutrition Program, National Institute of Dental Research, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014. Telephone 301, 496-7808.
Fogarty International Center

The John E. Fogarty International Center for Advanced Study in the Health Sciences will sponsor a program of fellowships for faculty members of U.S. schools of medicine, osteopathy, dentistry, and public health with demonstrated productive scholarship and recognized stature in their profession to go abroad to study and share their expertise. Authority for this program is derived from sections 301(c) and 308(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 241 and 242(f)).

These fellowships have four major objectives:

1. To increase the interchange of ideas of mutual interest between U.S. scholars in academic medicine and those of other nations of the world,

2. To permit the exchange of the latest advances in a particular area of medicine, both basic and clinical,

3. To permit participation in the contribution to on-going research in the medical sciences or in science areas related to medicine, and

4. To improve the academic, research and/or clinical biomedical potential of the U.S. medical institution.

The nomination of an individual for this fellowship will be made by the U.S. institution. The application will require the endorsement of the President or other appropriate official of the nominating institution, and shall specify the expected benefits to the institution of the applicant’s proposed program. Additional information may be submitted by the institution in support of the nomination as it considers pertinent. A letter of invitation from an appropriate individual at the host institution abroad attesting to the willingness of the institution to sponsor the applicant and outlining any benefits which may accrue will be a necessary part of the application. In addition, letters of recommendation from colleagues or others who are acquainted with the individual’s scientific competence will be solicited by the Fogarty International Center based on information submitted by the applicant. The nominee will be judged on these evidences of academic competence and on ability to pursue the proposed program.

Program guidelines and the appropriate fellowship forms may be obtained by writing the Office of Research Manpower, Division of Research Grants, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20014.

Deadlines for receipt of applications are:

Awards made by:

1. Applications received by:

January 15 ............... June

May 1 ............... November

2. Applications received after one deadline are considered at the next review.
CLINICAL CANCER EDUCATION GRANTS

The National Cancer Institute announces a new grant program designed to improve the teaching of cancer to physicians and dentists at the undergraduate, graduate, and continuing education levels. Support will be offered to institutions wishing to initiate interdisciplinary cancer education programs, to coordinate and expand ongoing cancer education activities and to implement graduate and/or continuing education projects in one or several specialties pertinent to the clinical aspects of cancer. Eligible institutions include schools of medicine (including osteopathic medicine), dentistry and public health, cancer hospitals, hospitals which are the major affiliates of medical schools, and specialty hospitals with ongoing multi-level education programs. Stipends for trainees will not be included in the grants.

Applications should be submitted on PHS Grant Application form NIH 398 which may be obtained from:

Division of Research Grants
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Applicants should type "Clinical Cancer Education" in the top margin of the application's face page. Applications must be received by November 15, 1974, and thereafter by February 1, June 1, and October 1 of each year in order to be reviewed at the succeeding NCI Advisory Board Meeting (i.e., June, November, and March respectively).

Inquiries should be directed to Chief, Education Branch, DCRRC, Westwood Building, Room 10A07, National Cancer Institute, Bethesda, Maryland 20014; telephone (301) 496-7762.
Because of a number of changes in stipend levels and allowances in recent months, most of the information on page 63 of the PHS Grants Policy Statement is no longer correct for NIH fellowships and training grants. The information below should be substituted:

1. "Old" fellowships and training grants

A. Predoctoral stipends (all levels $3,000
   Dependency allowance up to 600

   (Dependency allowances up to $600 will be permitted from funds available in the current grant. No supplemental funds will be provided by NIH for increases in the allowance from the previous $500 level to $600 during the current grant budget period.)

B. Postdoctoral stipends

   (1) For those postdoctoral fellows and trainees whose stipends have not been "equalized" with the F-22 and T-22 levels, the stipends are at the $6,000, $6,500, and $7,000 levels.

   Dependency allowances of up to $600 will be permitted.

   (2) For all postdoctoral fellows whose stipends have been equalized, the stipend schedule is shown under 2 below.

   (3) Postdoctoral fellows and trainees who are being paid at the "special fellowship" level may continue to be paid at that level until the termination of their support.

2. Research Manpower Programs - F-22 and T-22

   In both the Individual Research Fellowship and the Institutional Research Fellowship Program, only postdoctorals are supported. The stipend level is determined by the number of years of relevant postdoctoral experience at time of award.
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No dependency allowance is provided. For the F-22 program, the sponsoring institution, upon request, was provided with an allowance of up to $3,000 per year per fellow to help defray the costs of training. These costs include supplies, equipment, travel, tuition, medical insurance and other fees.
USE OF ENTITY NUMBER ON GRANT APPLICATIONS
AND CONTRACT PROPOSALS

The Entity Number is a number used throughout the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare to identify grantees and contractors. Essentially, the Entity Number embodies the Employer Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service to be utilized for the submission of social security and income tax withholding payments.

Institutions applying for NIH grants should insert their Employer Identification Number in the area entitled "Entity Number" or "PHS Account Number" on the face page of each grant application. Individual applicants should insert their social security number. This number must also be noted on all contract proposals sent to NIH.

Processing of an application or contract proposal received without an Entity Number may be delayed.