

**Senior Scientific Officer Positions (3)
Concept Accelerator Program (CAP)**

**Office of Biodefense Research Affairs
Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases
NIAID, NIH, DHHS**

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) is seeking three exceptional, industry-experienced leaders to take on the roles of product development specialists. These Senior Scientific Officer (SSO) positions are responsible for identifying cutting-edge research and utilizing the latest technological advances in order to "shepherd" the concepts towards potential vaccine, therapeutic or platform and diagnostic applications. The SSOs will 1) coordinate progression of multiple infectious diseases candidates addressing biodefense and public health needs, from early product development through advanced product development, and the transition to a commercialization partner; 2) manage the design and development of initiatives that leverage the existing research base for product development with an enhanced focus towards exploiting innovative concepts that target product development; 3) ensure adequate oversight and integrate various pre-existing elements of DMID's product development resources and capabilities into the development of candidates; 4) conduct long-range planning in a research environment where future scientific opportunities are not readily apparent and frequently change with the development of new knowledge; and 5) build upon and establish additional cooperative, productive, and coordinated relationships with other government entities, especially Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) and the Department of Defense, to advance candidates and related concepts while avoiding duplication of efforts; interact with FDA on relevant regulatory issues; and work closely with the greater scientific community and the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries to achieve shared scientific goals.

Qualifications: Applicants must possess a M.D. or Ph.D. degree in a biomedical science and have demonstrated infectious disease expertise and therapeutic, vaccine, or platform/diagnostic discovery and development experience relevant to the specific position for which you are applying. In addition, candidates must show evidence of successful development of an infectious disease concept into a product relevant to the specific position for which you are applying, from translational efforts through preclinical-IND-enabling studies to early clinical development; familiarity with relevant regulatory requirements; experience implementing multifaceted, complex biomedical research programs; leadership skills demonstrating effective interactions across multiple sectors of government, industry and academia; and experience supervising multiple individuals engaged in multifaceted, complex scientific programs; effective communications and collaborations.

Application Process: Applicants must be U.S. citizens. The selected candidate must obtain and maintain a Top Secret security clearance based on an SBI with eligibility for sensitive compartmented information (SCI). Provide curriculum vitae, bibliography, and a three page summary explaining 1) your reasons for being interested in the specific SSO

position of interest; and 2) experience you bring to the specific SSO position of interest. Submit application package to Ms. Denise Blackwell, Administrative Officer, NIAID at dblackwell@niaid.nih.gov or 6610 Rockledge Drive, Room 4313, Bethesda, MD 20892.

The deadline for receipt of applications is **November 15, 2011**. Direct any inquiries to Denise Blackwell at DBlackwell@niaid.nih.gov. Additional information can be found at www.niaid.nih.gov/about/working/joblistings/Pages/sso.aspx. All information provided by applicants will remain confidential and will only be reviewed by authorized NIAID officials.

The successful candidates will be appointed under the Title 42(f) authority at a salary commensurate with experience. A full package of benefits is also available, including retirement; health, life, and long-term care insurance; annual and sick leave; and a thrift savings plan (401K equivalent). These positions are subject to public financial disclosure requirements.

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