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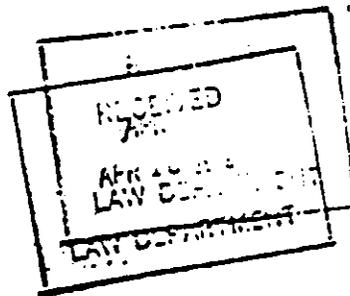
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Gentlemen:

Bill Shinn and I have reviewed the enclosed research proposal from Drs. Charles Puglia and Jay Roberts entitled "Adaptation to Components of Tobacco Smoke." Drs. Puglia and Roberts have requested funds in the amount of \$44,014 to support, as a CTR special project, this one-year study of lung adaptation/defense mechanisms.

Dr. Jay Roberts is Professor and Chairman, Department of Pharmacology, Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. His background includes professorships at the University of Pittsburgh, School of Medicine, and the Cornell University Medical College. Dr. Roberts has published extensively in the area of cardiovascular disease and currently is involved in a number of experimental projects on the biological aspects of aging. In this regard, he especially is interested in the second part of the enclosed research proposal that deals with adaptation to nicotine.

Dr. Charles Puglia is currently Assistant Professor of Pharmacology and Director of the graduate program in pharmacology at the Medical College of Pennsylvania. He has had extensive training in human and animal exposures to gaseous environments and seems well qualified to conduct research on pulmonary adaptation to cigarette smoke components.

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The present proposal represents, in our view, a good opportunity for the industry to support scientific research in a significant area within the smoking and health field. We have discussed the project with Dr. Gardner who believes that it is interesting work and worthy of support. Accordingly, we recommend that the proposal submitted by Drs. Puglia and Roberts be approved as a CTR special project.

Your earliest possible response to Bill Shinn or me with respect to this proposal would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

  
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