scientific merit and availability of funds. Although this program is provided for in the financial plans of the NIDDK, awards pursuant to this RFA are contingent upon the availability of funds and the receipt of a sufficient number of applications of outstanding scientific and technical merit

Contact: The letter of intent is to be sent to: Chief, Review Branch Division of Extramural Activities National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive, and Kidney Diseases 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Room 752 Room 752, MSC 5452 Bethesda, Maryland 20892-5452 (for courier service use 20817) Telephone: (301) 594-8885 Fax: (301) 480-3505 Email: fc15y@nih.gov Applications must be submitted on the standard research grant application form PHS 398 (rev. 4/98). See 'Budget Preparation by Year' section below for additional instructions. Application kits are available at most institutional offices of sponsored research and may be obtained from the Division of Extramural Outreach and Information Resources, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, MSC 7910, Bethesda, Maryland 20892-7910, telephone (301) 435-0714, E-mail: GrantsInfo@nih.gov.

Deadline: Letter of Intent Receipt Date: October 16, 2001. Application Receipt Date: November 16, 2001.

CYSTIC FIBROSIS RESEARCH CENTERS: DK-01-028

Purpose: Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Research Centers foster multi-disciplinary approaches to research ranging from elucidation of the molecular pathogenesis of CF to development of new therapies for this disorder. It is anticipated that one award will be made in response to this Request for Applications (RFA) in FY 2002. The receipt of one com-

peting continuation application is anticipated, and this application will be in competition together with other applications received in response to this RFA.

Term/Amount: The NIDDK intends to commit approximately \$1,000,000 total costs in FY 2002 to fund 1 new or competing continuation grant in response to this RFA. An applicant may request a project period of up to 5 years and a budget for direct costs of up to \$750,000 per year, excluding indirect costs on consortium arrangements. Because the nature and scope of the research proposed may vary, it is anticipated that the size of each award will also vary. Although the financial plans of the NIDDK provide support for this program, awards pursuant to this RFA are contingent upon the availability of funds and the receipt of a sufficient number of applications of outstanding scientific and technical merit. At this time, it is not known if this RFA will be reissued.

Contact: The letter of intent is to be sent to: Chief, Review Branch Division of Extramural Activities, NIDDK 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Rm. 752 MSC 5452 Bethesda, MD 20892-5452 (for express/courier service: Bethesda, MD 20817) Telephone: (301) 594-8885 FAX: (301) 480-3505 The research grant application form PHS 398 (rev. 4/98) is to be used in applying for these grants. These forms are available at most institutional offices of sponsored research and may be obtained from the Division of Extramural Outreach and Information Resources, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, MSC 7910, Bethesda, MD 20892-7910, telephone 301-435-0714, email: GrantsInfo@nih.gov.

Deadline: Letter of Intent Receipt Date: October 15, 2001. Application Receipt Date: November 13, 2001.