

**Resolution to Affirm Policy of Openness in Research and  
Public Disclosure of Sponsorship of Research**

WHEREAS Cornell University has a tradition of free and open research dating from 1948, which was codified as policy in the Guidelines on Sensitive and Proprietary Research (Cornell Research Council, May 20, 1985),

WHEREAS there has been a settled tradition since 1954 of publishing a "detailed list of research projects giving sponsor, title, project, director, amount and time period" (Vice President for Research, *Annual Report 1954*),

WHEREAS the University Faculty Committee on Research Policies reviewed the benefits of publicly disclosing sponsors of research grants and contracts and recommended (December 14, 1972) that such information be published in the Cornell *Chronicle* (first published September 1, 1973),

WHEREAS a monthly list of new grants and contracts for Ithaca and Geneva campuses was published in the Sponsored Programs newsletter beginning October 28, 1982, and was disseminated via the Sponsored Programs website beginning July 1998,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a listing of all Sponsored Program awards be made publicly accessible and updated on a regular basis (ideally monthly) giving the name of the Principal Investigator, the name of the unit administering the award, the name of the sponsoring agency (or organization) of the award, the project title, and the amount of the award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the format of the publication may be amended from time to time, and that additional information about Sponsored Program awards may be published as deemed necessary by the Vice Provost for Research.

Local Advisory Committee  
May 2, 2006

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**Background/Discussion**

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LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Openness in Research  
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It is the policy of Cornell University that a listing of all Sponsored Program awards will be made publicly accessible and updated on a regular basis (ideally monthly) giving the name of the Principal Investigator, the name of the unit administering the award, the name of the sponsoring agency (or organization) of the award, the project title, and the amount of the award. Other information may be published as deemed

necessary by the Vice Provost for Research.

The format of publication may be amended from time to time. Currently, the sponsored programs New Awards list is published monthly and can be found at the web site of the Office of the Vice Provost for Research. Choose the Publications tab on the left side of the home page

<http://www.research.cornell.edu/vpr/>

and scroll to the bottom of the page for "Research Newly Funded."