

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Board of Regents  
**From:** Board Office  
**Subject:** Proposed Institute for Neurological Diseases at the University of Iowa  
**Date:** April 10, 2000

**Recommended Action:**

Receive the report on the proposed Institute for Neurological Diseases at the University of Iowa.

**Executive Summary:**

The University of Iowa is proposing a new institute to be called "The University of Iowa Institute for Neurological Diseases." The purpose of the Institute is to advance the understanding of fundamental brain physiology and pathology ranging from genetic to environmental factors, so that appropriate progress can be made in the management of this broad range of brain diseases. The faculty will do research on a wide range of neurological disorders including epilepsies, muscular dystrophies, and Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases.

The Institute is to be housed in the College of Medicine and will consist of two main sections, the Neuroscience Research Programs and the Center for Mind and Brain Studies. Under the directorship of the Head of the Department of Neurology, the new Institute will encourage active collaboration of faculty members from all departments in the College of Medicine.

There is no similar institute in the state.

The Institute will be self-supporting from endowments, gifts, grants and contracts and will, after it is in place, position the University to seek further external resources to support the advancement of neuroscience. In other words, there is no major commitment of University funds, as indicated in the itemized budget.

**The University of Iowa  
 Institute for Neurological Diseases  
 Budget\* for FY 2000**

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
College of Medicine Commitments	Musser-Davis Neuroscience Fund	\$ 500,000.
Gifts and Grants	US PHS-National Institutes of Health	829,995.
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	Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust	84,200.
	Ataxia MJD Research Project	50,000.
	Ellison Medical Foundation	50,000.
	US PHS-National Institutes of Health	241,039.
TOTAL BUDGET for FY 2000		\$ 2,817,672.

\*These funds are currently budgeted and include \$575,681. of Facilities and Administrative costs. No additional University funds are required as growth will occur on the basis of extramural grants and contracts.

Section 6.06 of the Board of Regents Procedural Guide provides the questions to be answered when new centers or institutes are established. The answers to the questions of the review are provided on pages 3-8.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
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