## Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for NIH Citizen Science and Crowdsourcing Projects” (OMB#: 0925-0766, Expiration Date: 04/30/2023)

**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** NCI Bioinformatics Survey

**PURPOSE:** Bioinformatics expertise within the NCI is increasingly important to research and to the advancement of science. In many cases, however, individuals performing bioinformatics work are isolated within small groups. This effectively creates “information silos” that limit the collaborative nature of scientific research and result in duplication of effort. We are interested in collecting information on the bioinformatics expertise within NCI.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS**: Individuals who currently have an Biowulf account with NCI

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** (Check one)

[ ] Data Catalogue [ ] Repository of Tools and Best Practices

[ ] Recommendations of scientific reviewers [ ] Resources

[ ] Call for Nominations [ X ] Other: Crowdsourcing

**CERTIFICATION:**

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is a low burden for respondents and a low cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. The results are not intended to be disseminated to the public.
5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.

Name: Wendy Wong

To assist review, please answer the following question: If you are collecting names and emails, check for PII.

**Personally Identifiable Information:**

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? [ X ] Yes [ ] No
2. If Yes, is the information that will be collected included in records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? [ ] Yes [ X ] No
3. If Applicable, has a System or Records Notice been published? [ ] Yes [ X ] No

**Gifts or Payments:**

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants? [ ] Yes [X ] No

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The explanation for incentive: (include a number of visits, etc.)

**ESTIMATED BURDEN HOURS and COSTS**

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| **Category of Respondent** | **No. of Respondents** | **No. of Responses per Respondent** | **Time per**  **Response**  **(in hours)** | **Total Burden**  **Hours** |
| Individuals | 600 | 1 | 5/60 | 50 |
| **Totals** |  | **600** |  | **50** |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Category of Respondent** | **Total Burden**  **Hours** | **Wage Rate\*** | **Total Burden Cost** |
| Individuals | 50 | $49.44 | $2,472.00 |
| **Totals** |  |  | $2,472.00 |

\*Source of the mean Hourly Wage Rate is provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupation title “Medical Scientists” 19-1040, <https://www.bls.gov/oes/2021/May/oes_nat.htm#19-1040>.

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is $1,484.84

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| **Staff** | **Grade/Step** | **Salary\*\*** | **% of Effort** | **Fringe (if applicable)** | **Total Cost to Gov’t** |
| **Federal Oversight** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Senior Biomedical Scientist | 15/1 | $148,484 | 1 |  | $1,484.84 |
| **Contractor Cost** |  |  |  |  | $0 |
| Travel |  |  |  |  | $0 |
| Other Cost |  |  |  |  | $0 |
| **Total** |  |  |  |  | **$1,484.84** |

\*\*The salary in the table above is cited from: <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/salary-tables/22Tables/html/DCB.aspx>

**If you are conducting a focus group or survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:**

**The selection of your targeted respondents**

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents, and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe? [X ] Yes [ ] No
2. If the answer is yes, please describe both below (or attach the sampling plan)? If the answer is no, please describe how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them.

An email will be sent to……….

**Administration of the Instrument**

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)

[ X ] Web-based or other forms of social media

[ ] Telephone

[ ] In-person

[ ] Mail

[ ] Survey Form

[ ] Chart Abstraction

[ ] Other, Explain

1. Will interviewers, facilitators, or research coordinators be used? [ ] Yes [ X ] No

**Please ensure that all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.**