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THE CLINICAL CENTER
DIVISION OF RESEARCH GRANTS

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Mr. J. E. Marks
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Dear Mr. Marks:

It is the purpose of this letter to announce Federal Security Agency patent policy revised December 30, 1952, covering grants and awards including special control and research grants and fellowship and traineeship awards. The Public Health Service as a constituent unit of the Agency operates under this policy.

The letter is addressed to you as representative of all the officials of your institution who sign applications for Public Health Service grants-in-aid. It will be appreciated if you will call the matter to the attention of these officials.

Ten copies of Agency Order 110-1, "Inventions Resulting from Research Grants," along with explanation of special applications of the policy by the Public Health Service are attached. We shall be pleased to send you additional copies as needed.

The Order provides that the determination of ownership and disposition of all rights to inventions resultant from the work thus financially assisted by the Public Health Service may be made (1) on an individual basis by the Surgeon General, or (2) by the grantee institution in accordance with its own policies and procedures, when the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service has agreed that these policies and procedures are such as to assure that the invention will be made available without unreasonable restrictions or excessive royalties.

Please feel free to request consideration of your patent policies and procedures by the Surgeon General, as suggested in (2) above. If you so elect, forward your request to the attention of the Division of Research Grants.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest M. Allen, Chief
Division of Research Grants