

**Meeting of the Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses
May 15-16, 2006**

**Agenda
Monday, May 15**

**Meeting Location: 7th Floor Conference Room, American Legion Headquarters
1608 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C.**

8:00 – 8:30	Informal gathering, coffee	
8:30 – 9:15	Introductory remarks, introduction of members	Chairman Jim Binns
9:15 – 10:15	The Gulf War and its aftermath	Mr. Joel Graves Mr. Anthony Hardie
10:15 – 10:30	Break	
10:30 – 11:30	Overview of research on Gulf War illnesses	Dr. Lea Steele
11:30 – 12:15	Toxicological studies evaluating synergism between Gulf War-related exposures	Dr. Mohamed Abou-Donia
12:15 – 1:15	Lunch	
1:15 – 2:15	Studies of neurological function in Gulf War veterans	Dr. Robert Haley
2:15 – 3:00	Biological mechanisms potentially associated with GWI: Neuroinflammation/cytokine activation in response to toxic exposures	Dr. James O'Callaghan
3:00 – 3:15	Break	
3:15 – 3:45	Biological mechanisms potentially associated with GWI: Neural plasticity	Dr. Floyd Bloom
3:45 – 4:30	Biological mechanisms potentially associated with GWI: Neural dysfunction underlying multisymptom illnesses	Dr. Daniel Clauw
4:30 – 5:30	Discussion: Biological mechanisms potentially associated with GWI	
5:30 – 6:00	Public Comment	

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Tuesday, May 16**

**Meeting Location: Room 230, VA Headquarters
810 Vermont Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.**

8:00 – 8:30	Informal gathering, coffee	
8:30 – 9:15	Secretary addresses the committee	Secretary James Nicholson
9:15 – 9:45	GWI and CFS-related proteome in human cerebrospinal fluid	Dr. James Baraniuk
9:45 – 10:15	Gene expression profiles following sarin exposure	Dr. Mohamed Abou-Donia
10:15 – 10:30	Break	
10:15 – 10:45	Discussion: Use of microarray technologies in GWI research	
10:45 – 11:30	Update: Recently published research relevant to Gulf War illnesses	Dr. Beatrice Golomb
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch	
12:30 – 1:15	Gulf War illness research at U.T. Southwestern	Dr. Robert Haley
1:15 – 1:30	Current Gulf War-related research at VA	Dr. Bill Goldberg
1:30 – 2:00	Discussion	
2:00 – 2:15	Break	
2:15 – 2:45	Federal Advisory Committee ethics training	Mr. Jonathan Gurland
2:45 – 3:00	RAC committee business	Chairman Binns, Dr. Steele
3:00 – 3:30	Public Comment	
3:30	Adjourn	