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Fiscal Year:	FY 2016	Task Last Updated:	FY 07/28/2016
PI Name:	Wotring, Virginia Ph.D.		
Project Title:	Dose Tracker Application for Monitoring Crew Medic	eation Usage, Symptoms, and Adverse	Effects During Missions
Division Name:	Human Research		
Program/Discipline:			
Program/Discipline Element/Subdiscipline:			
Joint Agency Name:		TechPort:	No
<b>Human Research Program Elements:</b>	(1) <b>ExMC</b> :Exploration Medical Capabilities		
Human Research Program Risks:	(1) <b>Medical Conditions</b> :Risk of Adverse Health Outco that occur in Mission, as well as Long Term Health Ou (2) <b>Pharm</b> :Risk of Ineffective or Toxic Medications D	utcomes Due to Mission Exposures	
Space Biology Element:	None		
Space Biology Cross-Element Discipline:	None		
Space Biology Special Category:	None		
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Comments:	PI formerly with Universities Space Research Associa	tion until fall 2015.	
Project Type:	Flight	Solicitation / Funding Source:	Directed Research
Start Date:	05/26/2016	End Date:	11/30/2018
No. of Post Docs:		No. of PhD Degrees:	
No. of PhD Candidates:		No. of Master' Degrees:	
No. of Master's Candidates:		No. of Bachelor's Degrees:	
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Flight Program:	ISS		
Flight Assignment:	NOTE: Grant ended 11/30/2018 per PI and NSSC info	ormation; original end date was 5/25/2	021 (Ed., 2/26/19)
Key Personnel Changes/Previous PI:			
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Do medications used during spaceflights work the same as they do on Earth? This single question underlies most of the unknowns within NASA's Human Research Program Risk of Clinically Relevant Unpredicted Effects of Medication. During spaceflight, the body undergoes a number of physiological changes that are expected to result in altered interactions with administered medications, but it is not yet known if, or to what extent, these actually occur. The potential for therapeutically relevant alteration in either pharmacokinetics (how the body handles administered medications) or pharmacodynamics (how administered medications act upon the body) has long been a concern. This observational epidemiological study is a proactive step toward addressing this issue via regular direct questioning of crewmember volunteers, a model that the Johnson Space Center (JSC) Nutritional Biochemistry Discipline has proven to be both feasible and useful. A tablet- or handheld device-based questionnaire will be used to permit fast and efficient collection of data regarding crewmembers' medication use on a near real-time basis, eliminating the current problems associated with recall over periods of weeks. Specific questions regarding medication use (somewhat different from the questions that physicians ask regarding patient health) will be asked of each participating crewmember. The data collection process will be streamlined by using a flexibly programmed computerized survey application that leverages the limited medication choices aboard, the doses available, typical dosing frequency, and side effects associated with each medication to provide an individualized short questionnaire for each medication use by the crewmember. Coded (de-identified) data will be delivered weekly to a secure server on the ground for analysis by study investigators. Post-flight (after re-adaptation to Earth's gravity), each participating crewmember will repeat recording their medication usage, so that their ground medication usage frequencies, doses, and perceptions may be compared to those recorded during flight.

Task Description:

This research is directed because it contains highly constrained research, which requires focused and constrained data Rationale for HRP Directed Research: gathering and analysis that is more appropriately obtained through a non-competitive proposal.

**Research Impact/Earth Benefits:** 

New project for FY2016.

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Baylor College of Medicine.

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