

NIH Office of Intramural Research (OIR)

CRADA Policy on Who Can Be a CRADA PI/Co-PI

Only the following can be a CRADA PI or Co-PI:

- NIH Intramural Research Program (IRP) PIs (as per the designations listed at <https://oir.nih.gov/sourcebook/personnel/ipds-appointment-mechanisms> and approved centrally by OIR): *(please note that Dr. Arlyn García-Pérez at OIR is the contact to determine a person's correct IPD)*
 - Senior Investigator
 - Investigator
 - Senior Clinician
 - Senior Scientist
 - Assistant Clinical Investigator
 - Research Fellows who have been approved by OIR as Independent Research Scholars (IRS) – Please note that these are exceedingly rare as CRADA PI since they are very time-limited positions
- In addition, since 2018, Staff Clinicians who have been approved by OIR for the title of Associate Research Physician or Senior Research Physician may also be CRADA PI (must be 100% FTE, cannot be part-time). These Staff Clinicians must also annually file the form OGE 450 with the NIH Office of Ethics to be eligible for CRADA PI/Co-PI. Additional information about the Staff Clinician IPD can be found at <https://oir.nih.gov/sourcebook/personnel/ipds-appointment-mechanisms/staff-clinician>.
 - Every CRADA proposed to have a Staff Clinician as CRADA PI or Co-PI must have the [Clearance for Designation of a NIH Associate Research Physician or Senior Research Physician as NIH Principal Investigator for Cooperative Research and Development Agreement form](#) fully signed by the indicated IC leaders and verified by Dr. Arlyn García-Pérez at OIR as the DDIR Designee.
- In November 2023, select Staff Scientists were also approved as eligible to be a CRADA PI or Co-PI (must be 100% FTE, cannot be part-time). To be eligible, a Staff Scientist must be either:
 - Have the IPD of Staff Scientist-2; or
 - Have been approved by OIR as a Facility Head/Core Director after duly selection by the IC from the required national search.

These Staff Scientists must also annually file the [form OGE 450](#) with the NIH Office of Ethics to be eligible for CRADA PI/Co-PI. Additional information about the Staff Scientist IPD can be found at <https://oir.nih.gov/sourcebook/personnel/ipds-appointment-mechanisms/staff-scientist>.

- Every CRADA proposed to have a Staff Scientist as CRADA PI or Co-PI must have the [Clearance for Designation of a NIH Staff Scientist-2 or OIR-approved Facility/Core Head as](#)

[NIH Principal Investigator for Cooperative Research and Development Agreement form](#)
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