



Minor Use Animal Drug Program (MUADP)

FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION: 7 USC 450i(c)(1)(B)

APPROPRIATIONS BILL: Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies

AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$1 million

PRESIDENT'S BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY 2013: \$429,000

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

ACCOUNT: National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), Research and Education Activities

TYPE OF FUNDING REQUESTED: Programmatic

JUSTIFICATION:

MUADP identifies animal drug needs for minor species, listed in the previous section, and minor uses in major species. MUADP also generates and disseminates data for safe and effective therapeutic applications and facilitates FDA approval for drugs identified as a priority for a minor species or a minor use. MUADP makes pharmaceutical products available to producers, which in turn allows producers to remain competitive in the marketplace.

DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND:

The President included \$429,000 in his FY11 and FY 12 budgets for the program administered by USDA-NIFA. MUADP funding has fluctuated from a high of \$611,000 in FY94 to a low of \$0 in FY07 and FY08. Since its inception in 1982, Congress has appropriated a total of \$11.2 million for the program—roughly the amount necessary for one label claim by private industry. In exchange, MUADP has been responsible for generating 36 Public Master File (PMF) publications in the Federal Register, an average of 1.4 per year. These PMFs have supported FDA approval for 42 drugs for use in minor food species or for minor uses in major species. Without the MUADP American producers of minor species would not have safe and effective products to keep their livestock healthy. Agricultural production of minor species is critically important to numerous regional economies in the U.S. This diverse aggregation of minor species represents approximately \$4.4 billion in food and fiber farm gate revenues annually. Processing, use, and export of minor species food and fiber products represent an additional \$34 billion economic impact to the U.S. Through a productive MUADP/NRSP-7, producers and veterinarians will continue to have the necessary remedies on hand to stimulate the small farm economy; protect human food safety and security; increase the diversity of our agricultural base to include important specialty species; prevent and control zoonotic diseases; and ensure health while reducing pain and suffering in important species, and avoid contamination of our foods with drug residues.

APPROPRIATIONS HISTORY:

AGENCY/ ACCOUNT	FISCAL YEAR	HOUSE	SENATE	CONFERENCE	PUBLIC LAW
USDA	2011	\$0	\$0	\$0	PL 112-10
USDA	2010	\$429,000	—	\$429,000	PL 111-80
USDA	2009	—	—	\$429,000	PL 111-8

For FY11 the MUADP will get by on emergency funding totaling approximately \$349,000 through the Agriculture Experiment Stations.

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