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**A. Personal Statement**
Briefly describe why your experience and qualifications make you particularly well-suited for your role (e.g., PD/PI, mentor, participating faculty) in the project that is the subject of the application.

**B. Positions and Honors**
List in chronological order previous positions, concluding with the present position. List any honors. Include present membership on any Federal Government public advisory committee.

**C. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications**
NIH encourages applicants to limit the list of selected peer-reviewed publications or manuscripts in press to no more than 15. Do not include manuscripts submitted or in preparation. The individual may choose to include selected publications based on recency, importance to the field, and/or relevance to the proposed research. When citing articles that fall under the Public Access Policy, were authored or co-authored by the applicant and arose from NIH support, provide the NIH Manuscript Submission reference number (e.g., NIHMS97531) or the PubMed Central (PMC) reference number (e.g., PMCID234567) for each article. If the PMCID is not yet available because the Journal submits articles directly to PMC on behalf of their authors, indicate "PMC Journal - In Process." A list of these Journals is posted at: [http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit_process_journals.htm](http://publicaccess.nih.gov/submit_process_journals.htm). Citations that are not covered by the Public Access Policy, but are publicly available in a free, online format may include URLs or PMCID numbers along with the full reference (note that copies of publicly available publications are not accepted as appendix material.)

**D. Research Support**
List both selected ongoing and completed research projects for the past three years (Federal or non-Federally-supported). *Begin with the projects that are most relevant to the research proposed in the application.* Briefly indicate the overall goals of the projects and responsibilities of the key person identified on the Biographical Sketch. Do not include number of person months or direct costs.
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**EDUCATION/TRAINING (Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable.)**

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**A. Personal Statement**

The goal of the proposed research is to investigate the interaction between drug abuse and normal aging processes. Specifically, we plan to measure changes in cognitive ability and mental and physical health across a five-year period in a group of older drug users and matched controls. I have the expertise, leadership and motivation necessary to successfully carry out the proposed work. I have a broad background in psychology, with specific training and expertise in key research areas for this application. As a postdoctoral fellow at Berkeley, I carried out ethnographic and survey research and secondary data analysis on psychological aspects of drug addiction. At the Division of Intramural Research at the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), I expanded my research to include neuropsychological changes associated with addiction. As PI or co-Investigator on several previous university- and NIH-funded grants, I laid the groundwork for the proposed research by developing effective measures of disability, depression, and other psychosocial factors relevant to the aging substance abuser, and by establishing strong ties with community providers that will make it possible to recruit and track participants over time. In addition, I successfully administered the projects (e.g. staffing, research protections, budget), collaborated with other researchers, and produced several peer-reviewed publications from each project. As a result of these previous experiences, I am aware of the importance of frequent communication among project members and of constructing a realistic research plan, timeline, and budget. The current application builds logically on my prior work, and I have chosen co-investigators (Drs. Gryczynski and Newlin) who provide additional expertise in cognition, gerontology and geriatrics. In summary, I have a demonstrated record of successful and productive research projects in an area of high relevance for our aging population, and my expertise and experience have prepared me to lead the proposed project.

**B. Positions and Honors**

**Positions and Employment**

- **1998-2000** Fellow, Division of Intramural Research, National Institute of Drug Abuse, Bethesda, MD
- **2000-2002** Lecturer, Department of Psychology, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT
- **2001-** Consultant, Coastal Psychological Services, San Francisco, CA
- **2002-2005** Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
- **2005-** Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
**Other Experience and Professional Memberships**

1995-   Member, American Psychological Association
1998-   Member, Gerontological Society of America
1998-   Member, American Geriatrics Society
2000-   Associate Editor, Psychology and Aging
2003-   Board of Advisors, Senior Services of Eastern Missouri
2003-04 NIH Peer Review Committee: Psychobiology of Aging, ad hoc reviewer
2005-09 NIH Risk, Adult Addictions Study Section, member

**Honors**

2003   Outstanding Young Faculty Award, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
2005   Excellence in Teaching, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
2008   Award for Best in Interdisciplinary Ethnography, International Ethnographic Society

**C. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications** (Selected from 42 peer-reviewed publications)

**Most relevant to the current application**


**Additional recent publications of importance to the field (in chronological order)**

D. Research Support

Ongoing Research Support

R01 DA942367-03 Hunt (PI) 09/01/07-08/31/12
Health trajectories and behavioral interventions among older substance abusers
The goal of this study is to compare the effects of two substance abuse interventions on health outcomes in an urban population of older opiate addicts.
Role: PI

R01 MH922731-05 Merryle (PI) 07/15/05-06/30/10
Physical disability, depression and substance abuse in the elderly
The goal of this study is to identify disability and depression trajectories and demographic factors associated with substance abuse in an independently-living elderly population.
Role: Co-Investigator

Faculty Resources Grant, Washington University 08/15/09-08/14/11
Opiate Addiction Database
The goal of this project is to create an integrated database of demographic, social and biomedical information for homeless opiate abusers in two urban Missouri locations, using a number of state and local data sources.

Completed Research Support

K02 AG442898 Hunt (PI) 09/01/06-08/31/09
Drug Abuse in the Elderly
Independent Scientist Award: to develop a drug addiction research program with a focus on substance abuse among the elderly.
Role: PI

R21 AA998075 Hunt (PI) 01/01/04-12/31/06
Community-based intervention for alcohol abuse
The goal of this project was to assess a community-based strategy for reducing alcohol abuse among older individuals.
Role: PI