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## **Space & Naval Warfare Systems Center Awards Contract**

CHARLESTON -- Maxygen, Inc., of Santa Clara, Calif., is awarded a grant totaling \$5,642,294 for research and development using a powerful new platform technology -- DNA shuffling -- to develop novel genetic immunization protocols and to evolve a new generation of vaccine vectors for rapid and efficient delivery of pathogen antigens discovered by expression library immunization (ELI). This grant was announced under the DARPA Broad Agency Announcement 97-23 with 43 bids solicited and 43 bids received. Funding for the grant is comprised of Research, Development, Test and Evaluation funds of \$1,891,228; \$2,197,505; and \$1,553,561 for fiscal years 1998, 1999, and 2000, respectively. Funds will not expire at the end of the fiscal year. Work will be done in Santa Clara and is expected to be completed by February 2001. The Space & Naval Warfare Systems Command's Systems Center Charleston is the grant awarding activity (N65236-98-1-5401).

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