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<p>Funding:</p> <p>FY05</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increase reflects reprogramming from PE1160401BB and PE1160402BB for Combat Casualty Care Management initiatives (\$0.416M). <p>FY06</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Congressional reductions include (-\$0.022M) for global 1% reduction and (-\$0.010M) for Section 8125 reduction. <p>FY07</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Increased funds (+\$0.032M) for inflation rate changes. <p>Schedule: N/A.</p> <p>Technical: N/A.</p>		

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RDT&E Articles Quantity							

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- Combat casualty management will: (1) review the emergency medical equipment currently used in the SOF community and compare it to currently available civilian technology, and provide field testing of emergency medical equipment in the adverse environmental conditions encountered by SOF; (2) evaluate current tactical combat casualty care doctrine to ensure consideration of the wide variety of tactical scenarios encountered and apply the latest concepts in casualty care to these circumstances; (3) apply lessons learned from recent combat operations to enhance medical capabilities; and (4) develop CD-ROM and internet compatible automated programs to provide the capability to perform medical interviews in multiple foreign languages and support SOF medical personnel information needs while operating in austere locations.
- Decompression procedures for SOF diving operations will: (1) decrease the decompression obligation in SOF diving operations through the use of surface-interval oxygen breathing; (2) provide the basis for extended mission profiles; and (3) investigate pre-oxygenation requirements for high-altitude SOF parachute operations, as well as ground operations at extreme altitudes.
- Exercise-related injuries will evaluate the effectiveness of applying sports medicine diagnostic, therapeutic and rehabilitative techniques in management of the traumatic and overuse injuries commonly encountered among SOF.
- Inhaled gas toxicology will evaluate the feasibility of using pharmacologic intervention to reduce or eliminate the possibility of central nervous system toxicity.
- Medical sustainment training techniques will: (1) examine novel ways of providing and documenting medical sustainment training for SOF corpsmen and physicians; (2) provide capabilities to rapidly develop new protocol and equipment instructions; and (3) develop a

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system for constantly upgrading the expertise of SOF medical personnel by incorporating new research reports and clinical information into a CD-ROM based computer system that can be used by medical personnel in isolated duty circumstances.

- Thermal protection research into various ensemble clothing and devices that may potentially enhance SOF operator performance.
- Mission-related physiology will: (1) develop accurate measures to evaluate SOF mission-related performance; (2) delineate nutritional strategies designed to help personnel apply known nutritional concepts to optimize performance in mission and training scenarios; (3) evaluate potential ergogenic agents as they apply to enhancing mission-related performance; (4) study the safety and efficacy of various substances to increase performance in sustained operations; (5) study interfaces of new vision devices with refractive vision enhancements; and (6) study pharmacologic measures to prevent acute mountain sickness in high altitude SOF air and ground operations.

B. Accomplishments/Planned Program

	FY05	FY06	FY07	
Ongoing Studies	.771	.883	.935	
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<p>FY05 Completed ongoing studies as follows: Evaluation of HydroTech Aqua Heat System during SDV operations, Medical Support of HSB Shock Mitigation, Computer-Assisted Thermal Protection Training in SOF, Decompression Computer Diving Surveillance and Configuration Management Program, Tympanic Membrane Injuries, Evaluation of Nasal Ketamine for Pain Control, Comparison of Wavefront-Guided RK and LASEK. Hypoxic Exposures to Improve Performance at Altitude. Continued ongoing studies as follows: SOF Performance Enhancing Drug Protocols, Cold Sterilization, Development of Algorithms for Remote Triage, and Tactical Combat Casualty Care Technology Transition Initiative.</p> <p>FY06 Complete ongoing studies as follows: SOF Performance Enhancing Drug Protocols, Development of Algorithms for Remote Triage, Protocols and Techniques for New Equipment and Technologies within SOF, Prevention of Motion Sickness in SOF Operations, SOF Medical Training Presentations, and Evaluation of Surfactant® in the Treatment of Eustachian Tube Dysfunction and Middle Ear Squeezes. Continue ongoing studies as follows: Cold Sterilization, Visual Aberration in Post-Corneal Refractive Surgery Patients Using Panoramic Night Vision Goggles, Toxicity of Compounds Released During SOF Breaching Evolutions, and TCCC Technology Transition Initiative.</p> <p>FY07 Complete ongoing studies as follows: Cold Sterilization, Visual Aberration in Post-Corneal Refractive Surgery Patients Using Panoramic Night Vision Goggles, Toxicity of Compounds Released during SOF Breaching Evolutions, and TCCC Technology Transition Initiative.</p>				
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New Studies	1.716	1.300	1.358	

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<p>C. Other Program Funding Summary. None.</p> <p>D. Acquisition Strategy. N/A.</p>			