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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

West Newton resident Thomas F. Freddo, O.D., Ph.D., an assistant professor of ophthalmology and pathology at Boston University School of Medicine, recently was awarded two grants, totalling more than \$275,000, from the National Eye Institute.

The first grant is for a three-year study to examine the mechanisms that lead to recurrence of anterior uveitis, a poorly understood inflammatory eye disease. The second grant is for a one-year pilot study to develop a effective method for locating certain chemical groups, called sulfhydryls, within the tissue structure of the eye. Locating these sulfhydryl groups may be important to understanding the causes of certain forms of glaucoma.

Freddo, who also is an associate in ophthalmology at University Hospital in Boston, has been a clinical instructor at University Hospital's Gundersen Eye Clinic since 1980.

A member of the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, he is a consultant for the National Board of Examiners in Optometry. He received his Ph.D. in anatomy from Boston University in January, 1982, and his O.D. from Massachusetts College of Optometry in 1976, where he was a Nikon Scholar in optometry.

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Freddo is the co-author of 14 articles which appeared in scientific publications.

He resides on Fairway Drive with his wife, Janice.

Boston University School of Medicine is the site of several major interdisciplinary research centers, including the Hubert H. Humphrey Cancer Research Center and the Cardiovascular Institute of Boston University. The School is an innovator in medical education, offering several alternative curricula leading to the M.D. degree.