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Form 990-PF

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Private Foundation
or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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For calendar year 2016, or tax year beginning 01-01-2016, and ending 12-31-2016

Name of foundation
THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)
1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD NO 124

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

G Check all that apply

☐ Initial return

☐ Initial return of a former public charity

☐ Final return

☐ Amended return

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

H Check type of organization

☒ Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

☐ Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust

☐ Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) \$ 29,422,443

J Accounting method

☐ Cash

☒ Accrual

☐ Other (specify) (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

A Employer identification number
72-1342841

B Telephone number (see instructions)
(205) 325-8103

C If exemption application is pending, check here

D 1. Foreign organizations, check here

2. Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))

	(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc , received (attach schedule)	3,625		
	2 Check ☒ if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B			
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	255,201	255,201	
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	406,485	406,485	
	5a Gross rents			
	b Net rental income or (loss)			
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	1,068,460		
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	1,159,401		
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		1,068,460	
	8 Net short-term capital gain			
	9 Income modifications			
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances			
b Less Cost of goods sold				
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)				
11 Other income (attach schedule)	-653	0		
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,733,118	1,730,146		
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc	85,500	0	68,400
	14 Other employee salaries and wages	60,500	6,050	6,050
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits	23,366	968	11,915
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)			
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)			
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)	153,926	114,682	20,877
	17 Interest			
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)	28,628	464	5,673
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion	1,910	0	
	20 Occupancy	7,442	309	3,795
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings	15,984	662	8,151
	22 Printing and publications	7,216	299	3,680
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)	14,445	557	7,855
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	398,917	123,991	136,396
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	1,484,086		1,484,086
	26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25	1,883,003	123,991	1,620,482
	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12			
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-149,885		
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		1,606,155	
c Adjusted net income(if negative, enter -0-)				

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)			
		Beginning of year (a) Book Value	End of year (b) Book Value (c) Fair Market Value		
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing	1,138,139	607,558	607,558
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ _____ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶ _____			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	68,000	67,500	67,500
	10a	Investments—U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)	5,044,155 	9,151,847	9,151,847
	b	Investments—corporate stock (attach schedule)	21,420,184 	17,760,965	17,760,965
	c	Investments—corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11	Investments—land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ _____			
	12	Investments—mortgage loans			
	13	Investments—other (attach schedule)	2,283,737 	1,750,085	1,750,085
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ _____ 75,823 Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶ 38,952	38,782	36,871	36,871
15	Other assets (describe ▶ _____)	 27,220 	 47,617 	 47,617	
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers—see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	30,020,217	29,422,443	29,422,443	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	44		
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)			
	23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	44	0	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ☒ and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted	30,020,173	29,422,443	
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ☐ and complete lines 27 through 31.				
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg , and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
30	Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	30,020,173	29,422,443		
31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions) .	30,020,217	29,422,443		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances			
1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year—Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1	30,020,173
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2	-149,885
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____	3	0
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	29,870,288
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ _____ 	5	447,845
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5)—Part II, column (b), line 30 .	6	29,422,443

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
1a See Additional Data Table			
b			
c			
d			
e			

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
a See Additional Data Table			
b			
c			
d			
e			

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
a See Additional Data Table			
b			
c			
d			
e			

2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7	2	1,068,460
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6) If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions) If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8		3	

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period?



Yes



No

If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e) Do not complete this part

1 Enter the appropriate amount in each column for each year, see instructions before making any entries

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2015	1,671,797	30,439,180	0 054923
2014	1,459,182	32,158,280	0 045375
2013	1,373,357	30,183,462	0 045500
2012	1,506,767	28,725,556	0 052454
2011	1,430,748	29,488,998	0 048518

2 Total of line 1, column (d)	2	0 246770
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period—divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years	3	0 049354
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2016 from Part X, line 5	4	29,143,487
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3	5	1,438,348
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b)	6	16,062
7 Add lines 5 and 6	7	1,454,410
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4	8	1,620,482

If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate See the Part VI instructions

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948—see instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here ☐ and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary—see instructions)		
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here ☒ and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b	1	16,062
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b. Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col (b)		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	2	0
3	Add lines 1 and 2.	3	16,062
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only. Others enter -0-)	4	0
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5	16,062
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2016 estimated tax payments and 2015 overpayment credited to 2016	6a	67,500
b	Exempt foreign organizations—tax withheld at source	6b	
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d.	7	67,500
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here ☐ if Form 2220 is attached	8	
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	51,438
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2017 estimated tax ☐ 51,438 Refunded ☐	11	0

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

1a	During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation or did it participate or intervene in any political campaign?	1a	Yes	No
b	Did it spend more than \$100 during the year (either directly or indirectly) for political purposes (see Instructions for definition)? If the answer is "Yes" to 1a or 1b , attach a detailed description of the activities and copies of any materials published or distributed by the foundation in connection with the activities	1b		No
c	Did the foundation file Form 1120-POL for this year?	1c		No
d	Enter the amount (if any) of tax on political expenditures (section 4955) imposed during the year (1) On the foundation ☐ \$ 0 (2) On foundation managers ☐ \$ 0			
e	Enter the reimbursement (if any) paid by the foundation during the year for political expenditure tax imposed on foundation managers ☐ \$ 0			
2	Has the foundation engaged in any activities that have not previously been reported to the IRS? If "Yes," attach a detailed description of the activities	2		No
3	Has the foundation made any changes, not previously reported to the IRS, in its governing instrument, articles of incorporation, or bylaws, or other similar instruments? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the changes	3		No
4a	Did the foundation have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	4a		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	4b		
5	Was there a liquidation, termination, dissolution, or substantial contraction during the year? If "Yes," attach the statement required by General Instruction T	5		No
6	Are the requirements of section 508(e) (relating to sections 4941 through 4945) satisfied either • By language in the governing instrument, or • By state legislation that effectively amends the governing instrument so that no mandatory directions that conflict with the state law remain in the governing instrument?	6	Yes	
7	Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year? If "Yes," complete Part II, col (c), and Part XV	7	Yes	
8a	Enter the states to which the foundation reports or with which it is registered (see instructions) ☐ AL			
b	If the answer is "Yes" to line 7, has the foundation furnished a copy of Form 990-PF to the Attorney General (or designate) of each state as required by General Instruction G? If "No," attach explanation .	8b	Yes	
9	Is the foundation claiming status as a private operating foundation within the meaning of section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5) for calendar year 2016 or the taxable year beginning in 2016 (see instructions for Part XIV)? If "Yes," complete Part XIV	9		No
10	Did any persons become substantial contributors during the tax year? If "Yes," attach a schedule listing their names and addresses	10		No

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions).	11		No
12	Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions)	12		No
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address WWW IRRFONLINE ORG	13	Yes	
14	The books are in care of SANDRA BLACKWOOD Telephone no (205) 325-8103			

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15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here ☐	15		
16	At any time during calendar year 2016, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? See instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR). If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶	16	Yes	No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required**File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.**

1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		Yes	No
	(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? ☐ Yes ☒ No			
	(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days). ☐ Yes ☒ No			
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)–(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? ☐ Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ☐	1b		
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2016? ☐	1c		No
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))			
a	At the end of tax year 2016, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2016? ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," list the years ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement—see instructions). ☐	2b		
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here ▶ 20____, 20____, 20____, 20____			
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? ☒ Yes ☐ No			
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2016 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2016). ☐	3b		No
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes?	4a		No
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2016?	4b		No

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (Continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to (1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? ☐ Yes ☒ No (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? ☐ Yes ☒ No (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? ☐ Yes ☒ No (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). ☐ Yes ☒ No (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? ☐ Yes ☒ No b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)–(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? ☐ Yes ☒ No Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here. ▶ ☐ c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? ☐ Yes ☐ No <i>If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945–5(d)</i>	5b		
6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No <i>If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870</i>	6b		No
7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? ☐ Yes ☒ No	7b		

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).				
(a) Name and address	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
See Additional Data Table				
2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1—see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."				
(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
CHARLOTTE BOWERS 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	ASST DIRECTOR 40 00	60,500	7,260	0
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000. ▶				0

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors *(continued)*

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE".

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services.		0

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
1	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions.	
3	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	0

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities.	1a	28,869,008
b	Average of monthly cash balances.	1b	718,288
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	0
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c).	1d	29,587,296
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation).	1e	0
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets.	2	0
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	29,587,296
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	443,809
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4.	5	29,143,487
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5.	6	1,457,174

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here ☐ and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6.	1	1,457,174
2a	Tax on investment income for 2016 from Part VI, line 5.	2a	16,062
b	Income tax for 2016 (This does not include the tax from Part VI).	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b.	2c	16,062
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1.	3	1,441,112
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions.	4	0
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	1,441,112
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	0
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	1,441,112

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc.—total from Part I, column (d), line 26.	1a	1,620,482
b	Program-related investments—total from Part IX-B.	1b	0
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes.	2	
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required).	3a	
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule).	3b	
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4.	4	1,620,482
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	16,062
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4.	6	1,604,420

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2015	(c) 2015	(d) 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Part XI, line 7				1,441,112
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2016				
a Enter amount for 2015 only.			1,356,900	
b Total for prior years 20____, 20____, 20____		0		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016				
a From 2011.				
b From 2012.				
c From 2013.				
d From 2014.				
e From 2015.				
f Total of lines 3a through e.	0			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2016 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>1,620,482</u>				
a Applied to 2015, but not more than line 2a			1,356,900	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required—see instructions).		0		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required—see instructions).	0			
d Applied to 2016 distributable amount.				263,582
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2016 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0			0
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	0			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b		0		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.		0		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount—see instructions		0		
e Undistributed income for 2015 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount—see instructions			0	
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2017				1,177,530
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions).	0			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2011 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions).	0			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	0			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2012.				
b Excess from 2013.				
c Excess from 2014.				
d Excess from 2015.				
e Excess from 2016.				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9)

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2016, enter the date of the ruling. ▶					
b Check box to indicate whether the organization is a private operating foundation described in section ☐ 4942(j)(3) or ☐ 4942(j)(5)					
2a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2016	(b) 2015	(c) 2014	(d) 2013	
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities. Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test—enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test— enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed. . .					
c "Support" alternative test—enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii). . . .					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the organization had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year—see instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:	
a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000) (See section 507(d)(2))	
b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest	
2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:	
Check here ☐ if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.	
a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed SANDRA BLACKWOOD 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD SUITE 124 BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233 (205) 325-8103	
b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include CALL FOR INFORMATION	
c Any submission deadlines CALL FOR INFORMATION	
d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors MUST BE IN LINE WITH FOUNDATION'S PURPOSE - CALL FOR MORE DETAILS	

Part XV **Supplementary Information** (continued)**3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment**

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a <i>Paid during the year</i> See Additional Data Table				
Total			▶ 3a	1,484,086
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total			▶ 3b	0

Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

Part XVI-B Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes

Line No. ▼	Explain below how each activity for which income is reported in column (e) of Part XVI-A contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the foundation's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes) (See instructions)
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Part XVII

- | | Yes | No |
|-------|-----|----|
| 1a(1) | | No |
| 1a(2) | | No |
| 1b(1) | | No |
| 1b(2) | | No |
| 1b(3) | | No |
| 1b(4) | | No |
| 1b(5) | | No |
| 1b(6) | | No |
| 1c | | No |

[illegible]

- 2a** Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ☐ Yes ☒ No

- b** If "Yes," complete the following schedule

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship

**Sign
Here**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than taxpayer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown below
(see instr)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Paid
Preparer
Use Only**

Print/Type preparer's name MONTY S WAITES CPA	Preparer's Signature	Date	Check if self-employed ☐	PTIN P00438717
Firm's name ▶ DIPIAZZA LARocca HEETER & CO LLC				Firm's EIN ▶ 26-3731278
Firm's address ▶ P O BOX 530095 BIRMINGHAM, AL 352530095				Phone no (205) 871-9973

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns a - d			
List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e g , real estate, (a) 2-story brick warehouse, or common stock, 200 shs MLC Co)	(b) How acquired P—Purchase D—Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo , day, yr)	(d) Date sold (mo , day, yr)
K-1 JM TEXAS LAND FUND NO 5, LP	P		
MV SECURITIES #963	P		
MV SECURITIES #963	P		
MV SECURITIES #806	P		
MV SECURITIES #814	P		
K-1 HARBERT MEZZANINE PARTNER III, LP	P		
K-1 MONTAUK TRIGUARD FUND VII LP	P		
K-1 MONTAUK TRIGUARD FUND VII LP	P		
CAPITAL GAINS DIVIDENDS	P		

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns e - h

(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)
		88,582	-88,582
10,847			10,847
103,151			103,151
		2,359	-2,359
802,545			802,545
22,232			22,232
286			286
50			50
220,290			220,290

Form 990PF Part IV - Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income - Columns i - l

Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69			(l) Gains (Col (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F M V as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col (i) over col (j), if any	
			-88,582
			10,847
			103,151
			-2,359
			802,545
			22,232
			286
			50
			220,290

Form 990PF Part VIII Line 1 - List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation

(a) Name and address	Title, and average hours per week (b) devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	Expense account, (e) other allowances
MICHAEL A CALLAHAN MD 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	PRESIDENT 0 50	0	0	0
V HUGO MARX III 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	TREASURER 0 50	0	0	0
PAUL STERNBERG JR MD 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	SECRETARY 0 50	0	0	0
JOHN S PARKER MD 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	VICE PRESIDENT 0 50	0	0	0
SANDRA BLACKWOOD 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 40 00	85,500	10,260	4,646
LARRY A DONOSO MD PHD JD 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	DIRECTOR 0 50	0	0	0

Form 990PF Part XV Line 3 - Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
CALLAHAN EYE FOUNDATION 1720 UNIVERSITY BOULEVARD BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	3,705
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE ONE BAYLOR PLAZA HOUSTON, TX 77030	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	3,000
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE PARK, MD 20742	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	35,000
FIGHT FOR SIGHT 381 PARK AVE S NEW YORK, NY 10016	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	23,100
INDIANA UNIVERSITY 1160 WEST MICHIGAN STREET INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46202	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	100,000
Total 				1,484,086
3a				

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Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
LASKER FOUNDATION 110 E 42ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10016	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	346,205
NORTHEAST OHIO MEDICAL UNIVERSITY PO BOX 95 ROOTSTOWN, OH 44272	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	100,000
PREVENT BLINDNESS 211 W WACKER DRIVE CHICAO, IL 60606	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	9,000
ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH IN VISION (ARVO) 1801 ROCKVILLE PIKE SUITE 400 ROCKVILLE, MD 20852	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	10,000
RESEARCH TO PREVENT BLINDNESS 645 MADISON AVE FLOOR 21 NEW YORK, NY 10022	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	2,500
Total ► 3a				1,484,086

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Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
THE ORDER OF ST JOHN 1850 M STREET NW WASHINGTON, DC 20036	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	1,000
TUFTS MEDICAL CENTER 800 WASHINGTON STREET BOSTON, MA 02111	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	100,000
UAB DEPT OF OPHTHALMOLOGY 700 18TH STREET BIRMINGHAM, AL 35294	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	571,000
UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA TUCSON, AZ 85721	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	100,000
SUPPORT SIGHT - MACULA VISION RESEARCH FOUNDATION 100 FRONT STREET SUITE 300 WEST CONSHOHOCKEN, PA 19428	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	2,576
Total ▶ 3a				1,484,086

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Recipient	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
Name and address (home or business)				
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
UNITED DOCTORS WELFARE HEALTH ORGANIZATION ROAD DASKA DISTT SIALKOT PAKISTAN PK	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	7,000
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LEXINGTON, KY 40506	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	35,000
WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ONE BROOKINGS DRIVE ST LOUIS, MO 63130	NONE	EXEMPT	RESEARCH	35,000
Total ▶ 3a				1,484,086

TY 2016 Investments Corporate Stock Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Name of Stock	End of Year Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
MONROE VOS 806	5,312,692	5,312,692
MONROE VOS 814	11,390,209	11,390,209
MONROE VOS 776	1,058,064	1,058,064

TY 2016 Investments Government Obligations Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

**US Government Securities - End
of Year Book Value:**

9,151,847

**US Government Securities - End
of Year Fair Market Value:**

9,151,847

**State & Local Government
Securities - End of Year Book
Value:**

0

**State & Local Government
Securities - End of Year Fair
Market Value:**

0

TY 2016 Investments - Other Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Category/ Item	Listed at Cost or FMV	Book Value	End of Year Fair Market Value
JM TEXAS LAND FUND NO 5	FMV	1,397,452	1,397,452
HM CAPITAL PARTNERS	FMV	336,091	336,091
MONTAUK TRIGUARD	FMV	16,542	16,542

TY 2016 Other Assets Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Other Assets Schedule

Description	Beginning of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Book Value	End of Year - Fair Market Value
ACCRUED INTEREST RECEIVABLE	27,220	47,617	47,617

TY 2016 Other Decreases Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Description	Amount
UNREALIZED GAINS/LOSSES ON INVESTMENTS	447,845

TY 2016 Other Expenses Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Other Expenses Schedule

Description	Revenue and Expenses per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	3,379	140		1,723
GENERAL INSURANCE	4,933	204		2,515
PROGRAM EXPENSE	1,000	0		1,000
GENERAL OFFICE EXPENSE	5,133	213		2,617

TY 2016 Other Income Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Other Income Schedule

Description	Revenue And Expenses Per Books	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income
K-1 JM TEXAS LAND FUND NO 5, LP	1,513		1,513
K-1 MONTAUK TRIGUARD FUND VII LP	-2,166		-2,166

TY 2016 Other Professional Fees Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
INVESTMENT FEES	68,048	68,048		0
K-1 HARBERT MEZZANINE PARTNERS	6,409	6,409		0
K-1 JM TEXAS LAND FUND	38,384	38,384		0
OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES	21,421	888		10,923
CONTRACT EXPENSE	19,520	809		9,954
K-1 MONTAUK TRIGUARD FUND VII LP	144	144		0

TY 2016 Taxes Schedule

Name: THE INTERNATIONAL RETINAL RESEARCH
FOUNDATION INC

EIN: 72-1342841

Category	Amount	Net Investment Income	Adjusted Net Income	Disbursements for Charitable Purposes
PAYROLL TAXES	11,125	461		5,673
FEDERAL EXCISE TAX	17,500	0		0
FOREIGN TAXES - K-1 MONTAUK TRIGUARD FUND VII LP	3	3		0