

**Research Planning Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, June 26, 2019**  
**2:30 p.m.**  
**Beaumont Conference Room**  
**Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Enrico Di Cera, M.D., chairperson  
Rich DiPaolo, Ph.D.  
Joel Eissenberg, Ph.D., ex officio  
David Ford, Ph.D.  
Daniel Hoft, M.D., Ph.D.  
Denise Johnson, ex officio  
John P. Long, D.V.M., ex officio  
Ratna Ray, Ph.D.  
John Walker, Ph.D.  
William Wold, Ph.D.

**Members Not Present:**

Christine Jacobs, M.D.  
Ravi Nayak, M.D.  
Blake Noyes, M.D.  
Ken Olliff, D.Min., MBA, ex officio  
Jeff Teckman, M.D.  
Mark Voigt, Ph.D.

**Guests**

Jasmin Patel  
John Chrivia, Ph.D.  
Steve Tinge

**1. Announcement**

Dr. Di Cera congratulated Dr. Jeff Teckman on his appointment as interim chair, Department of Pediatrics. He will now serve as a chair ex officio voting member of the Research Planning Committee (RPC). A new faculty member will be appointed to replace Dr. Teckman as a voting committee member of the RPC.

**2. Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) Presentation**

Dr. John Chrivia, IACUC chair, presented an overview of the IACUC and discussed its purpose, procedures and how the IACUC and investigators at SLU work together to oversee the welfare and humane treatment of animal research subjects. The University's IACUC consists of 14 members, some with dual roles: eight investigators (representing Molecular Microbiology and Immunology, Biology, Pharmacology and Physiology, Internal Medicine, and Pathology); two veterinarians (Comparative Medicine), two community members, two members of the Institutional Biosafety Committee and two SLU affiliated non-scientist.

Requested changes in the protocol review process were presented. The factors that determine the length of protocol review are the 1.) time for the PI to respond to request for changes, 2.) number of rounds inherent in process (Vet and IACUC reviews); and 3.)

number of rounds due to communication issues. Combining the Vet and IACUC reviews was requested to improve the process.

**3. Center for Health Care Ethics**

Jason Eberl, Ph.D., director, Albert Gnaegi Center for Health Care Ethics, presented an overview of the Center and its faculty. The Center was founded in 1979 to provide clinical ethics education in the School of Medicine and consultations to local hospitals. Academic areas include a minor in health care ethics, a Ph.D. in health care ethics with four concentration options and dual-degree and joint degree options (M.D., J.D. and theology programs). Faculty members have held grants from the NIH, the Office of Research Integrity, and several foundations, including the Mayday and Templeton Foundations.

**4. Compensation Plan**

Dr. Di Cera announced that the revised compensation plan was submitted to the president last month. It is hoped that the plan will be approved and effective July 1, 2019.

**5. 2019 Frontiers in Molecular Medicine Lecture Series**

Monday, October 14, 2019

4th Edward A. Doisy Lecture

John Griffin, Ph.D.

Professor, Department of Molecular Medicine

Scripps Research Institute

4 p.m., Anheuser-Busch Auditorium (in the Chaifetz School of Business)

Reception to follow

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

William S. Sly Lecture

Emil Kakkis, M.D., Ph.D.

President and CEO, Ultragenyx Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

4:00 p.m., Place: TBD

December 2, 2019

Wendell Griffith Lecture

Speaker: Andreas Stahl, Ph.D.

Professor & Chairman, Department of Nutritional Sciences & Toxicology, UC-Berkeley

3:00 p.m., Place TBD

Friday, December 13, 2019

Robert E. Olson Lecture

Tim Lohman, Ph.D.

Professor, Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biophysics, Washington University

Held in conjunction with the 7th Annual Structural Dynamics of Biomolecules Workshop

3:00 p.m., Allied Health Auditorium

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise Johnson  
Director, Planning and Operations

