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V. NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Dr. Ron Balczon is a Study Section Member for the American Cancer Society and is on the Editorial Board of Frontiers in Bioscience. Dr. Mohan Bhatnagar is on the Editorial Board of Biology of Reproduction. Dr. Phillip Fields is on the Editorial Board of Trends in Reproductive Biology. Dr. Tony Gard is on the NIH-CSR Study Section: Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Neuroscience 6 (MCDN-6). Dr. Steven Goodman is on the Editorial Boards of Brain Research Bulletin and Cellular & Molecular Biology Letters. Dr. Goodman is also a Member of the State of Alabama Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Agency. In additon, he has been elected as Councillor for the Association of Anatomy, Cell Biology, and Neuroscience Chairs. Dr. Steve Kayes is on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Parasitologists and is Section Editor of the Journal of Parasitology. Dr. Susan LeDoux is a Member of the State Legislative Committee for the American Association for Cancer Research. Dr. Betty Pace served on a Study Section involved in Minority Research Training Review, Special Emphasis Panel, for NHLBI. Dr. Glenn Wilson is an Associate Editor for Clinical Science. Dr. Warren Zimmer is on the American Heart Association Peer Review Committee. He also Co-organized an AHA Conference on Molecular, Cellular and Integrated Physiological Approach to the Failing Heart, Snowbird, Utah.

VI. BRIEF SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES AND PROGRESS

The department underwent a name change to the Department of Cell Biology and Neuroscience. Two students received their Ph.D.'s from our department this year. Dr. Scott Hollensworth completed a thesis entitled "CNS Cell-Specific Responses to Oxidative mtDNA Damage," under the sponsorship of Dr. Susan LeDoux. Dr. Amy Ferry completed her thesis entitled "Identification of Stage Specific Transcription Factors That Regulate the γ to β Globin Gene Switch During Erythroid Maturation," under the sponsorship of Dr. Betty Pace.

The department has also recently exchanged laboratory and office space in the CSAB for equivalent space on the MSB second floor. As a result, the Department is, for the first time, primarily in contiguous space on the second floor of the MSB. In the process, we have consolidated the CBN and Sickle Cell Offices, both of which Dr. Goodman directs, into a single space in MSB 2015.