

**Approved by the Faculty of Medicine  
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COMMITTEE ON BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH  
THE CWRU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**

***COMMITTEE STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP:***

**Committee Charge:** The Committee for Biomedical Research (CBR) is a standing committee of the Faculty of Medicine that provides a forum for faculty input into discussions aimed at identifying current and future research areas that cross departmental and center boundaries and are strong candidates for investment by the SOM. Topics will include:

1. Strategic vision for research
2. Basic, clinical, translational, and population research
3. New technologies and emerging research approaches

Issues related to research may be brought before the CBR by the Dean, the Vice Dean for Research, Department Chairs (individually or through the Council of Basic Science Chairs), Center Directors, faculty groups, or individual faculty.

Recognizing that issues and needs related to the conduct of basic, clinical, translational, and population science are different, the CBR may appoint *ad hoc* working groups to provide guidance and recommendations on specific areas of interest. These working groups will be in existence for less than a year, report to the CBR, and interface with

**Eligibility and Election of Members:** The Dean is responsible for making appointments to the CBR in the numbers designated above (5 total appointments). The Nominating & Elections Committee will assemble the slates of candidates for elections held by each of the five faculty constituencies. Committee appointments and nominations for elected positions will be governed by the following criteria:

- 1) Membership on the CBR will represent the broad spectrum of research at the SOM and affiliated institutions.
- 2) Members of the CBR should be actively engaged in externally funded research.

Annual elections and appointments must be completed by April 30th for committee service beginning July 1st of each year. Continuity will be maintained by staggered membership, and members-elect will attend the final meetings each year before assuming full membership responsibilities in July. Nominations, or self-nomination, for all open positions must be made in writing to the Nominating Committee by March 1st. The ballot approved by the Nominating Committee should nominate at least 2 candidates for each open position on the CBR.

**Committee Activities:** The CBR will advise the Dean, Vice-Dean for Research, Faculty Council and Committee of Basic Science Chairs regarding operation of, and the strategic vision for research at the School of Medicine. It will be responsible for input and analysis of three aspects of research activities affecting faculty: (1) Strategic vision for research; (2) Basic, clinical, and translational research; (3) Research training and education.

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faculty for input on meeting agendas and to publish minutes of meetings. A web site for the CBR will be established and reports noted in the Medicus newsletter.