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PROFESSOR MICHAEL ROSE  
Irvine campus

I am pleased to tell you that I have approved the establishment of the Intercampus Research Program on Experimental Evolution (IRPEE) as an Intercampus Research Program (IRP). Faculty from UC Irvine, UC Riverside and UC Santa Barbara have created this consortium of experimental evolutionary biologists to foster research collaborations across campuses, to enhance postdoctoral and graduate student training, and to attract extramural funding in this topical area of research. You will serve as director of the IRPEE for the first three years.

The proposal was reviewed positively by experts in the field from within, and external to, the University of California. In response to the question of one of these reviewers regarding the plan for implementing the program, you indicated that an early activity of the IRPEE participants would be to determine and implement the organizational structure, programs, symposia, workshops and/or other activities to advance this intercampus program. I ask that your first annual report focus specifically and in some detail on the efforts of the IRPEE to develop these activities.

I am enclosing the IRP guidelines and suggest that you contact Dr. Cathie Magowan by phone at (510) 987-0377 or by email at [cathie.magowan@ucop.edu](mailto:cathie.magowan@ucop.edu) if you have any questions about the procedures and protocols of the administration of an Intercampus Research Program.

The Office of Research will conduct a three-year review of the IRPEE in 2007 to determine whether the IRP designation still suits the IRPEE's ongoing goals and achievements. We will also request a progress report at the end of the first and second years of the program.

I wish you and your colleagues much success in this new endeavor and look forward to working with you over the next three years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence B. Coleman".

Lawrence B. Coleman  
Vice Provost for Research

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Enclosure

cc: Provost King  
Acting Vice Chancellor Gaines  
Interim Vice Chancellor Luben  
Vice Chancellor Parker  
Dean Moskovits  
Director Magowan

## PROPOSALS FOR INTERCAMPUS RESEARCH PROGRAMS (IRPs) (June 2002)

The Office of Research has created a new category of multicampus research entity in response to many requests by intercampus faculty groups for formal recognition. The Office of Research will not provide funding for these groups but will provide them with formal recognition. The generic name for these entities is UC Intercampus Research Programs (IRPs). IRPs will have in hand or seek external sources of funding sufficient to sustain research programs beneficial to faculty and graduate students throughout the UC system. IRPs should be open to faculty and graduate student participation from all campuses. The designation UC IRP will benefit these programs by making them highly competitive as Universitywide groups as opposed to single campus groups in the solicitation of gifts, grants, and contracts from extramural sources. A successful IRP will:

- Engage the participation of at least three campuses or two campuses and a UC-managed national laboratory with the intent to expand to all UC campuses;
- Bring together a critical mass of researchers across campuses;
- Benefit graduate student training;
- Facilitate intercampus research collaborations;
- Convene workshops, seminars, and other activities on an annual basis;
- Bring new extramural funding to UC;
- Canvass faculty across disciplines throughout the system who might participate in the program.

It is possible that the proposed research may fall into an area already encompassed by an existing MRU. In such cases, the Office of Research will work with the proposers and the MRU to determine whether independent IRP status or affiliation with the MRU is preferable. Once established, the IRP must submit an annual narrative and budget report to the UC Office of Research and be peer-reviewed for continuation every three years.

### SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL:

In order to be so designated, a potential IRP must submit for external peer review a proposal to the Office of Research. The proposal should include:

- Description of proposed research program (not to exceed four pages), including background of the faculty or equivalent director and applicant group, advisory structure, a statement of how the proposed program is relevant to the disciplines represented, anticipated outcomes and benefits of the program, a timetable for the major components of the program, and a description of staffing and other resource requirements, if any;
- Abbreviated curricula vitae of participating researchers, not to exceed two pages each;
- Letter of intent from participating researchers;
- Proposed income and expenses for the research program;
- Statement of endorsement by the Research Vice Chancellor of the lead campus or the laboratory Deputy Director for Science if a national laboratory is the lead;
- Names of five possible reviewers from outside the UC system.

Proposals should be submitted electronically to Dr. Cathie Magowan, Director of Science and Technology Research, at [cathie.magowan@ucop.edu](mailto:cathie.magowan@ucop.edu)