THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST: Approval for the Granting of Tenure by the Medical School to Faculty in the Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics

NAME: Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics, Medical School
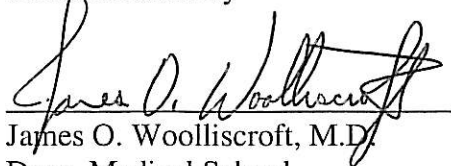
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2009

I am pleased to recommend that the faculty appointed in the Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics (CCMB) on the instructional track (tenure track), be eligible for tenure in the University of Michigan Medical School under the aegis of the Dean of the Medical School.

The Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics was created to facilitate interdisciplinary research in computational medicine and biology and to forge collaborative relations with faculty across campus and the United States. There are over 100 University of Michigan academic faculty currently affiliated with the Center, with many holding joint research track appointments in CCMB. The Bioinformatics Graduate Program is the academic component of the CCMB with a strong curriculum and research opportunities for M.S. and Ph.D. students.
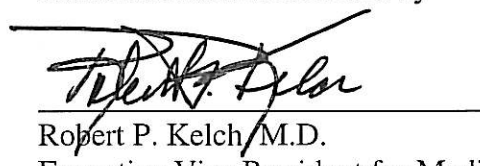
It is becoming more difficult to recruit world class investigators to the Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics without including the prospect for these individuals to achieve a tenured position, and, therefore, it is essential that the Center be permitted to offer academic, as well as research track, positions as it develops its faculty cohort. In this regard, CCMB will be the administrative unit and the Dean's Office of the Medical School will have full responsibility for the tenure obligation for these new full-time tenure track faculty. I am very pleased, therefore, to recommend that the faculty appointed in the Center for Computational Medicine and Bioinformatics (CCMB), be eligible for tenure in the University of Michigan Medical School under the aegis of the Dean of the Medical School.
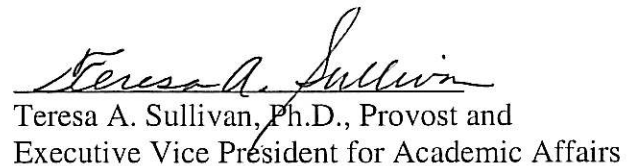
Recommended by

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