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DAVID WASHBURN OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE RESEARCH FOUNDATION JOINS

LIFE SCIENCE TENNESSEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nashville, TN and Knoxville, TN – University of Tennessee Research Foundation Vice President David Washburn has been named to the board of directors for Life Science Tennessee, the state’s leading association for the life sciences industry.

Life Science Tennessee is a statewide, non-profit, member organization whose mission is to advance and grow the life science industry in Tennessee through advocacy, partnerships and alignment with economic and workforce development.

The University of Tennessee Research Foundation promotes the commercialization of UT intellectual property. Washburn, who joined the University of Tennessee in November 2011, leads the commercialization activities at Knoxville, Chattanooga, the Space Institute and Institute of Agriculture.

Previously, Washburn was assistant director at the Office of Technology Management at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign from 2001 to 2011. He was instrumental in helping launch 25 new startup companies that raised more than \$100 million in venture funds with a combined valuation exceeding \$300 million. Washburn was an entrepreneur and involved in business development for number of high growth startup companies such as Wolfram Research, InstallShield, and Kuck & Associates.

Sam Lynch, President and CEO of Franklin, Tenn.-based BioMimetic is the new chairman of Life Science Tennessee board of directors. As the new chairman, Lynch plans to build on the association’s growth and momentum by expanding awareness of the importance of the industry for jobs and economic growth in the state. “Despite the economic downturn of recent years there is great promise for growth and investment in the life sciences,” said Lynch. “One of the greatest challenges, however, is developing a highly skilled workforce to fuel that growth. Life Science Tennessee looks forward to bringing together our industry, government and education partners to identify ways to develop our workforce,” said Lynch.

In addition to Washburn, several new board members were added this year. They include:

- David Adair, M.D., Chief Science Officer, Chairman of the Board, and Founder, Glenveigh Medical
- Josh Brown, Director of Government and Public Affairs, Pfizer
- Hilary Lang, Ph.D., Associate, Wadley & Patterson, P.C.
- Jamie Lee, Vice President of Operations and Events, Nashville Health Care Council
- Peter Nelson, Director, Business Development, BioDimensions
- Paul Seltman, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs & Reimbursement, Smith & Nephew

2013 Life Science Tennessee Board of Directors

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Sam Lynch, President and CEO, BioMimetic



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Steve Bares, President and Executive Director, Memphis Bioworks

Treasurer

Glenn Perdue, Managing Member, Kraft Analytics

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Joe Cook, Jr (Past Chairman), Principal and Co-Founder, Mountain Group Capital

Paul Seltman, SVP Government Affairs and Reimbursement, Smith & Nephew

Josh Brown, Director, Government Affairs, Pfizer

Gary Stevenson, Managing Partner, MB Venture Partners

David Black, Ph.D., President and CEO, Aegis Sciences Corporation

Bruce Doeg, Chairman Business Development, Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell and Berokwitz

Tom Ballard, Director, Innovation and Entrepreneurial Initiatives, Pershing Yoakley & Associates

Ken Woody, President, Innova Memphis

Peter Nelson, Director, Business Development, BioDimensions

Bill Taaffe, Retired President and CEO, ICON Clinical Research

David Washburn, Vice President, University of Tennessee Research Foundation

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David Adair, Chairman and Founder, Glenveigh Medical

Kim Denton, President, Oak Ridge Economic Partnership

Jim Frierson, Tennessee Valley Energy

Jamie Lee, Vice President Operations and Events, Nashville Health Care Council

Hilary Lang, Ph.D., Associate, Waddey & Patterson

Richard Magid, Ph.D., Vice President, University of Tennessee Research Foundation

Bob Morris, Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada

Kelly Tiller, Ph.D., President and CEO, Genera Energy

Ted Townsend, Regional Director, Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

Dana Zukierski, Partner, Ernst & Young

Ex-Officio

Leslie Wisner-Lynch, Executive Director, BioTN Foundation

Christopher Cummings, Life Science Tennessee Academic Alliance Liaison, Vanderbilt University

Board Observers

Paul Fitzpatrick, CEO, Advanced Catheter Therapies

Doug Grindstaff, CEO, Nusirt Sciences

Eric Latham, Founder and CEO, IPE, Inc.

Jud Schneider, Scientific Director, NextGDX

About Life Science Tennessee

Life Science Tennessee is a statewide, non-profit, member organization whose mission is to advance and grow the life science industry in Tennessee through advocacy, partnerships and alignment with economic and workforce development.



Members include companies, universities, research institutions, government and economic development groups, and other industry associations involved in discovery and application of life sciences products and related services that improve the health and well-being of people throughout the world.

Life Science Tennessee conducts business and economic development activities; advocates on behalf of the industry; educates the public about the benefits of life sciences research and product development; and provides a network for the exchange of ideas, information and opportunities.

For more information about Life Science Tennessee, visit <http://www.lifesciencetn.org/>.

About UT Research Foundation

The University of Tennessee Research Foundation (UTRF) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that promotes the commercialization of UT intellectual property, encourages an entrepreneurial culture, contributes to state and regional economic development, and promotes research and education to benefit the people of Tennessee and beyond.

Last year, UTRF established nine startup companies based on technology developed by UT faculty and received 141 new invention disclosures.

For more information about UT Research Foundation, visit <http://utrff.tennessee.edu>

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