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Three New Members to Join LA BioMed Board of Directors

LOS ANGELES (June 16, 2009) – Three new members will join the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Biomedical Research Institute at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center ([LA BioMed](#)) on July 1, bringing valuable skills and knowledge to the institute's governing body.

The newly elected board members are Eli Ipp, MD, a LA BioMed investigator and professor of medicine at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA; Richard J. Glassock, MD, MACP, a medical consultant, and Sandra McPeak, PhD, first vice president, investments and portfolio manager, Wachovia Securities.

Ranked among "America's Top Doctors," Dr. Ipp also serves as the associate director of the General Clinical Research Center at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center and has been a researcher at LA BioMed since 1984. This is his first term on the board.

Dr. Glassock previously served on the LA BioMed Board of Directors from 2001 to 2008. He has been co-chair of the Capital Campaign Steering Committee and has served on the board's development and audit committees. Dr. Glassock has been a LA BioMed Legends honoree, and he is the former chair of the Harbor-UCLA Medical Center's Department of Medicine. He also is the former president of the National Kidney Foundation and the American Society of Nephrology.

Dr. McPeak served on the LA BioMed Board of Directors from 2000 to 2003, including a brief stint as the board's treasurer. She also had served on the LA BioMed Foundation Board from 1999 to 2002.

"We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Ipp to the board and to have Dr. Glassock and Dr. McPeak return to the board," said LA BioMed Board Chairman Scott D. Somers. "Each brings a unique set of skills and experiences to the board that will strengthen the research enterprise and help us to advance the pace of discovery at LA BioMed."

The board also elected Mr. Somers to another term as chairman and Richard K. Learned to another term as treasurer. In addition, it appointed Steven A. Nissen, Esq., to another term as a member of the board.

Mr. Somers is managing partner and co-founder of the Windale Group, which provides executive search consulting services for clients seeking senior executives and client-facing professionals. He has been on the board since 2004.

Mr. Learned is a semi-retired financial executive and real estate investor with more than 35 years experience in various forms of financial management. He has been on the board since 2003.

Mr. Nissen is vice president of legal and government affairs at NBC Universal. He has been on the LA BioMed board since 2006.

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About LA BioMed

Founded in 1952, LA BioMed at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center is one of the country's largest nonprofit independent biomedical research institutes. It conducts biomedical research, trains young scientists and provides community services, including childhood immunization and nutrition assistance. The institute's researchers conduct studies in such areas as cardiovascular disease, emerging infections, cancer, diabetes, kidney disease, dermatology, reproductive health, vaccine development, respiratory disorders, inherited illnesses and neonatology. LA BioMed is academically affiliated with the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. For more information, please visit our website at www.LABioMed.org

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