RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board of Governors authorize the President or his designee to enter into a contract for research and laboratory services from Cell and Molecular Tissue Engineering (CMTE). The contract will be to determine the feasibility of swine to evaluate late signal attenuation in transdermal glucose sensor devices.

BACKGROUND

Cell and Molecular Tissue Engineering (CMTE), registered in the State of Connecticut, was founded as a joint venture in 2010 to expedite the development of novel implantable devices and materials useful for the diagnosis and treatment of human and animal diseases. CMTE also focuses on the design and development of coating technologies that enhance the biocompatibility of implanted devices.

Michigan Conflict of Interest law requires specific sunshine procedures in order for a University employee, or a company owned by a University employee, to contract directly or indirectly with the University:

(A) The employee must disclose any pecuniary interest in the contract to the Board and the disclosure must be made a matter of record in the Board’s proceedings.

(B) The contract must be approved by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the full membership of the Board in open session.

(C) The Board’s minutes must report:

(i) The name of each party involved in the contract.

(ii) The terms of the contract, including duration, financial consideration between the parties, facilities or services of the public entity included in the contract, and the nature and degree of assignment of employees of the public entity for fulfillment of the contract.

(iii) The nature of any pecuniary interest.

If the Board approves this Recommendation, the minutes will report as follows:

The Board of Governors authorized the President, or his designee, to enter into an agreement
to provide up to $50,000 in research services for Cell and Molecular Tissue Engineering (CMTE).

(i) The parties involved in the contract are Wayne State University and Cell and Molecular Tissue Engineering (CMTE)

(ii) The contract will provide:

Scope: to determine the feasibility of swine to evaluate late signal attenuation in transdermal glucose sensor devices.

(b) Duration: The contract will be for twelve months.

(c) Financial consideration: The amount of the contract will not exceed $50,000 which does not include indirect costs.

(d) University facilities to be utilized: The research will be performed in the Integrative Biosciences Center (IBIO) at Wayne State University

(e) Employees assigned to the services: Li Mao and a student assistant (TBN)

(iii) Dr. Klueh’s pecuniary interest consists of a current interest of approximately 50% ownership in Cell and Molecular Tissue Engineering (CMTE), and she will therefore have the potential to financially benefit from the commercial success of the company.