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**APRIL 16, 2021** 

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

From: Douglas A. Gage Port Jo

Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation

**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: *Advertent Biotherapeutics, Inc.* 

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and Advertent Biotherapeutics, Inc., a Michigan corporation, in which MSU faculty member Dr. Erik Martinez-Hackert holds a financial interest.

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves an option agreement with Advertent Biotherapeutics, Inc., consistent with earlier public notice and with an "Option Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

# **BACKGROUND**

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with Advertent Biotherapeutics, Inc., a Michigan corporation was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on October 25, 2019. The terms of an option agreement are now presented for Board approval.

Dr. Erik Martinez-Hackert, Associate Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, has options to buy an ownership interest of more than 1% of the company.

The attached "Option Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with Advertent Biotherapeutics, Inc.

cc: Board of Trustees, S. Stanley, M. Woo, T. Woodruff, N. Beauchamp, N. Barr, M. Zeig, B. Mattes, B. Quinn, N. Stuart



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#### **OPTION AGREEMENT TERM SHEET**

**Party:** Advertent Biotherapeutics, Inc.

**Agreement:** Exclusive option to acquire an exclusive,

royalty-bearing, worldwide license to MSU technology, including patent rights and

proprietary biological materials. Company shall be provided the right to evaluate the technology

for commercialization opportunities.

**Technology:** MSU TEC2019-0064 - Novel Therapy for

Reducing/Preventing Muscle Fibrosis and Fatty Infiltration After Rotator Cuff Injury; PCT patent application PCT/US2020/043119, entitled

"Inhibiting Fatty Degeneration of Skeletal Muscle Tissue", filing date 7/22/2020

MSU TEC2021-0009 - Novel second-generation biologic agent for reducing/preventing fatty degeneration in rotator cuff tears and other musculoskeletal injuries; provisional application

to be filed

Biological materials: TGFBR2-Fc fusion protein; TGFBR2-chimera-Fc fusion protein; Growth Factors including TGFb1, Activin A and B, BMP4

and GDF8/Myostatin

The parties may add or remove technologies under the agreement, including improvements generated under a separate sponsored research agreement, provided the change does not affect the financial consideration of the parties or the nature or extent of any pecuniary interest of

MSU personnel.

**Term:** 18 months from the effective date of the option

agreement

Potential Commercial Application:

The optioned technologies may provide

potential therapeutic benefit in a patient's recovery from rotator cuff repair surgery. The

technologies may have expanded applications in other injuries to the musculoskeletal system, and in patients with neurodegenerative and neuromuscular diseases.

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**Payment Terms:** \$1000 option fee; reimbursement of fees for

nationalization patent filing(s)

**Services Provided:** None contemplated under the agreement

**Organization Type:** Michigan corporation

**Personnel Interest:** Dr. Erik Martinez-Hackert, Associate Professor

of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, has options to buy an ownership interest of more

than 1% of the company.



#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

From: Douglas A. Gage

Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation

**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: West Central Michigan Horticultural

Research, Inc.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and West Central Michigan Horticultural Research, Inc., a Michigan non-profit corporation, on which MSU faculty member Dr. Douglas Buhler serves as a board member.



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### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves a license agreement with West Central Michigan Horticultural Research, Inc., consistent with earlier public notice and with a "License Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with West Central Michigan Horticultural Research, Inc., a Michigan non-profit corporation was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 12, 2021. The terms of a license agreement are now presented for Board approval.

Dr. Douglas Buhler, Director of MSU AgBioResearch, serves on the board of directors of West Central Michigan Horticultural Research, Inc.

The attached "License Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with West Central Michigan Horticultural Research, Inc.

cc: Board of Trustees, S. Stanley, M. Woo, T. Woodruff, N. Beauchamp, N. Barr, M. Zeig, B. Mattes, B. Quinn, N. Stuart

#### LICENSE AGREEMENT TERM SHEET

**Party:** West Central Michigan Horticultural Research,

Inc. (the "Foundation")

**Agreement:** The Foundation owns and maintains a

horticultural research station consisting of approximately sixty-five acres of land and a training, conference, and education facility in

Hart, Michigan

The Foundation grants to MSU a license to utilize all areas of the research center for MSU research, extension and teaching programs

**Term:** 5 years from the effective date of the License

Agreement, with the option to extend the term

**Payment Terms:** The Foundation is providing the research center

license in exchange for MSU's provision of its research, extension and teaching programs at the research center; there will be no monetary

license fee

**Services Provided:** MSU will provide research, extension and

teaching programs

The Foundation will provide maintenance and

upkeep of the research center

**Organization Type:** Michigan non-profit corporation

**Personnel Interest:** Dr. Douglas Buhler, Director of MSU

AgBioResearch, serves on the board of directors

of the Foundation



#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

From: Douglas A. Gage

Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation

**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: *Iaso Therapeutics, Inc.* 

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and Iaso Therapeutics, Inc., a Michigan corporation, in which MSU faculty member Dr. Xuefei Huang holds a financial interest.

#### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves a service agreement with Iaso Therapeutics, Inc., consistent with earlier public notice and with a "Service Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

# **BACKGROUND**

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with Iaso Therapeutics, Inc., a Michigan corporation, was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 16, 2018. The terms of a service agreement are now presented for Board approval.

Dr. Xuefei Huang, a Professor in the Department of Chemistry, owns, or has options to buy, an interest in the company.

The attached "Service Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with Iaso Therapeutics, Inc..

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#### **SERVICE AGREEMENT TERM SHEET**

**Party:** Iaso Therapeutics, Inc.

**Project Description:** Comparative studies of vaccine constructs

**Term:** June 1, 2020 – May 31, 2021

**Payment Terms:** A fixed price total of \$10,000 to MSU

**Services Provided:** MSU to provide testing service

**Use of University** 

**Facilities/Personnel:** MSU faculty member Zhen Qiu will provide

service and the studies will be housed at MSU

facilities

**Organization Type:** Michigan corporation

**Personnel Interest:** Dr. Xuefei Huang, a Professor in the

Department of Chemistry, owns, or has options

to buy, an interest in the company.



#### **MEMORANDUM**

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Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation

**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: *STEP for Success LLC* 

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and STEP for Success LLC, a Michigan company, in which MSU faculty member Dr. Connie Sung, an Associate Professor in the Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education holds a financial interest.

#### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves a license agreement with STEP for Success LLC, consistent with earlier public notice and with a "License Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with STEP for Success LLC, a Michigan company was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on October 20, 2020. The terms of a license agreement are now presented for Board approval.

Dr. Connie Sung, an Associate Professor in the Department of Counseling, Educational Psychology and Special Education serves as a director of the company.

The attached "License Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with STEP for Success LLC.

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#### LICENSE AGREEMENT TERM SHEET

**Party:** STEP for Success LLC

**Agreement:** Non-exclusive worldwide license agreement

**Technology:** TEC2019-0080 Assistive Social Skills and

Employment Training (ASSET) and Employment

Preparation and Skills Support (EPASS) Programs for Transition-age Individuals with Autism, Intellectual and Developmental

Disabilities

**Term:** 12 years

Potential Commercial

**Application:** Company will use the ASSET and EPASS

program curriculums to provide training to school districts and regional governmental

agencies

**Payment Terms:** 5% royalty on net sales of products and

services; \$100 annual minimum royalty

payment starting in Year 3

**Services Provided:** None contemplated under the agreement

**Organization Type:** Michigan limited liability company

**Personnel Interest:** Dr. Connie Sung, an Associate Professor in the

Department of Counseling, Educational

Psychology and Special Education serves as a

director of the company



#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

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**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: *RedoxBlox, Inc.* 

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and RedoxBlox, Inc., a Delaware corporation, in which MSU faculty members Dr. James Klausner, Professor in the College of Engineering, Joerg Petrasch, Associate Professor in the College of Engineering, Kelvin Randhir, Research Associate in the College of Engineering, Nima Rahmatian, Research Associate in the College of Engineering, and Alessandro Bo, a doctoral student in the College of Engineering, owns or has options to buy, an interest in the company or are officers or paid employees of the company.



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# **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves an option agreement with RedoxBlox, Inc., consistent with earlier public notice and with a "Option Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

#### **BACKGROUND**

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with RedoxBlox, Inc., a Michigan corporation was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 12, 2021. The terms of an option agreement are now presented for Board approval.

James Klausner, Professor in the College of Engineering, Joerg Petrasch, Associate Professor in the College of Engineering, Kelvin Randhir, Research Associate in the College of Engineering, Nima Rahmatian, Research Associate in the College of Engineering, and Alessandro Bo, a doctoral student in the College of Engineering, owns or has options to buy, an interest in the company or are officers or paid employees of the company.

The attached "Option Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with RedoxBlox, Inc.

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#### **OPTION AGREEMENT TERM SHEET**

Party: RedoxBlox Inc.

**Agreement:** Worldwide option in all fields of use

**Technology:** TEC2019-0035 Scalable Thermochemical Option

for Renewable Energy Storage (STORES)

TEC2020-0080 Electrodes for High Temperature Heating of Conductive Ceramics in Oxidizing

Environments

The parties may add or remove technologies under the agreement, including improvements generated under a separate sponsored research agreement, provided the change does not affect the financial consideration of the parties or the nature or extent of any pecuniary interest of

MSU personnel

**Term:** 24-month option term

Potential Commercial

**Application:** Thermochemical energy storage solution

**Payment Terms:** Option fee of Two Thousand Five Hundred

Dollars (\$2,500)

**Services Provided:** None contemplated

**Organization Type:** Delaware corporation

Personnel Interest: James Klausner, Professor in the College of

Engineering, Joerg Petrasch, Associate

Professor in the College of Engineering, Kelvin Randhir, Research Associate in the College of Engineering, Nima Rahmatian, Research Associate in the College of Engineering, and Alessandro Bo, a doctoral student in the College of Engineering, has or has options to buy, an interest in the company or are officers or paid

employees of the company.



#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

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**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: *National Pesticide Safety Education* 

Center

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and *National Pesticide Safety Education Center*, a company in which MSU employee Tom Smith holds an interest.

#### **RESOLUTION**



BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves a service agreement with *National Pesticide Safety Education Center* consistent with earlier public notice given at a Board meeting and with a "Service Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

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### **BACKGROUND**

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with *National Pesticide Safety Education Center*, a Michigan nonprofit corporation, was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on April 12, 2019. The terms of a service agreement are now presented for Board approval.

Mr. Tom Smith, Associate Director of MSU's Institute of Agricultural Technology is the Executive Director of the National Pesticide Safety Education Center.

The attached "Service Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with *National Pesticide Safety Education Center*.

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#### SERVICE AGREEMENT TERM SHEET

Party: National Pesticide Safety Education Center

**Project Description:** Executive Director, National Pesticide Safety

**Education Center** 

**Term:** February 1, 2021 – January 31, 2022

**Payment Terms:** \$128,335.76 to MSU in fees for service

**Services Provided:** By MSU to National Pesticide Safety Education

Center: Provide Executive Director services including, but not limited to: (1) oversight, establishment and operation of the governance structure for the NPSEC; (2) development, implementation and management of a business

plan and budget; (3) marketing and

communication regarding services offered by NPSEC; (4) maintenance of quality control and efficiencies for NPSEC products and services; and (5) oversight of fiscal activities, budget

management and financial practices

By National Pesticide Safety Education Center to MSU: None contemplated under the Agreement.

**Use of University** 

**Facilities/Personnel:** Efforts of Mr. Tom Smith

**Organization Type:** Michigan nonprofit corporation

**Personnel Interest:** Mr. Tom Smith is the Associate Director of

MSU's Institute of Agricultural Technology and

is the Executive Director of the National

Pesticide Safety Education Center.



#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance

From: Douglas A. Gage

Interim Vice President for Research and Innovation

**Subject:** Approval of Contract Terms: *Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc.* 

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Trustee Committee on Audit, Risk and Compliance recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract between Michigan State University and Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc., a Michigan corporation, in which MSU faculty member Dr. Timothy Grotjohn holds a financial interest.

# **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby approves a service agreement with Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc., consistent with earlier public notice and with a "Service Agreement Term Sheet" now presented to the Board for inclusion in its minutes.

# Office of BACKGROUND

In compliance with State law, public notice of the University's intent to negotiate contracts with Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc., a Michigan corporation, was given at the Board of Trustees meeting on September 6, 2019. The terms of a service agreement are now presented for Board approval.

Dr. Timothy Grotjohn, a Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, owns or has options to buy an interest in the company or is an officer or paid employee of the company.

The attached "Service Agreement Term Sheet" summarizes the agreement that MSU has negotiated with Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc..

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#### SERVICE AGREEMENT TERM SHEET

**Party:** Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc.

**Project Description:** Subcontract from Great Lakes Crystal

Technologies, Inc. prime award from the US Department of Energy to MSU (IP00524176)

**Term:** May 3, 2021 – May 2, 2023

**Payment Terms:** \$366,000 payment to MSU for service

**Services Provided:** By MSU to Great Lakes Crystal Technologies,

Inc.: Large Diffraction-grade Single Crystal Diamond for Applications at New Generation

Synchrotron and FEL X-ray Sources

By Great Lakes Crystal Technologies, Inc. to MSU: None contemplated under this agreement

Use of University

**Facilities/Personnel:** Work is to be performed at MSU's Engineering

Research Building. Personnel includes Dr. Sergey Baryshev (Principal Investigator) and Dr.

Elias Garratt (Co-Principal Investigator).

**Organization Type:** Michigan corporation

**Personnel Interest:** Dr. Timothy Grotjohn, a Professor in the

Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, owns or has options to buy an interest in the company or is an officer or paid

employee of the company.