MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED:	July 5, 2012
ATTENTION:	Medical Board of California
SUBJECT:	Special Faculty Permit Review Committee Recommendation
STAFF CONTACT:	Curtis J. Worden, Chief of Licensing

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Board approves the recommendations of the Special Faculty Permit Review Committee (SFPRC) for appointments pursuant to Section 2168.1 of the California Business and Professions Code.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

The Medical Board of California is authorized to issue a Special Faculty Permit (SFP) to a person who is academically eminent and meets all of the other requirements pursuant to Section 2168.1 of the California Business and Professions Code (B&P).

An individual who holds a valid SFP is authorized to practice medicine only within the medical school itself and any affiliated institutions in which the SFP holder is providing instruction as part of the medical school's educational program and for which the medical school has assumed direct responsibility.

The SFPRC is comprised of two Board members, one who is a physician and surgeon and one who is a public member, and one representative from each of the medical schools in California. The SFPRC reviews and makes recommendations to the Board regarding the applicants applying pursuant to Section 2168.1 of the B&P.

At its June 14, 2012 meeting, the SFPRC reviewed the qualifications of three applicants: One from the University of California Los Angeles, David Geffen School of Medicine (UCLA-DGSOM), the University of California Irvine, School of Medicine (UCI-SOM); and the University of California San Francisco, School of Medicine (UCSF-SOM).

HASAN YERSIZ, M.D., UCLA- DGSOM - SFP APPLICANT:

Note: Neil Parker, M.D., Senior Associate Dean Student Affairs and Graduate Medical Education, presented UCLA-DGSOM's request for Hasan Yersiz, M.D. at the January 23, 2012, SFPRC meeting. The SFPRC requested additional information and a proctoring plan to be presented at the next SFPRC meeting (June 14, 2012).

Neil Parker, M.D., Senior Associate Dean Student Affairs and Graduate Medical Education, presented UCLA-DGSOM's request for Hasan Yersiz, M.D. to receive a SFP and the qualifications of Dr. Yersiz. Dr. Parker recommends Dr. Yersiz for the SFP based on his clinical research in split-liver transplantation. Dr. Yersiz leads the Dumont-UCLA Transplant Center in all aspects of multi-organ procurement procedures, and he holds the primary responsibility for training residents and fellows in the surgical techniques utilized in organ procurement. UCLA-

DGSOM has determined that Dr. Yersiz is the most qualified individual to bring these skills to the Dumont-UCLA Transplant Center.

Dr. Yersiz was awarded the prestigious international award by the Medical Students International Coordination in 1980. Dr. Yersiz's research has been published in leading international scientific journals, including: Transplantation; and Annals of Surgery.

The Board previously granted Dr. Yersiz a 2111 appointment from May 8, 1992 until May 8, 1995. Dr. Yersiz went back to Turkey in 1994 to work as an Assistant Professor at the University of Istanbul until returning to UCLA-DGSOM in September 1995. UCLA-DGSOM reapplied to the Board for another 2111 appointment in September 1995, which was approved on November 2, 1995 and was valid until November 2, 1998.

The Board previously granted Dr. Yersiz a 2113 faculty position, which was valid from July 31, 1998 until July 31, 2003. The Board received a request from UCLA-DGSOM requesting an extension of Dr. Yersiz's 2113 faculty position, which was denied by the Board based on B&P § 2113 (d)(1)(2), which only allows a registrant to hold the faculty position for a total of five years.

Dr. Yersiz has held the title of Health Sciences Clinical Professor of Surgery at Dumont-UCLA Transplant Center in the Division of Liver & Pancreas Transplantation, at UCLA-DGSOM since July 1, 2011. Dr. Yersiz has also held several other positions at UCLA-DGSOM, in the department of Liver and Pancreas Transplant Program, Visiting Assistant Researcher 1992, Visiting Associate Researcher 1995; Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery 1998; Assistant Adjunct Professor of Surgery 2003; Associate Adjunct Professor Surgery 2004; Adjunct Professor of Surgery 2007. On November 8, 2011, UCLA-DGSOM approved an academic title change for Dr. Yersiz to Professor of Clinical Surgery. Dr. Yersiz's expertise has allowed him to provide consultations for several liver transplantation committees, along with providing training to numerous fellows.

Dr. Yersiz's application is complete except for the final fee for the permit. The fee will be requested from UCLA-DGSOM if the Board agrees with the SFPRC's recommendation for approval.

PIETRO GALASSETTI, M.D., UCI-SOM - SFP APPLICANT:
F. Allan Hubbell, M.D., Executive Vice Dean, School of Medicine, Professor of Medicine, Public Health, and Nursing Science, presented UCI-SOM's request for Pietro Galassetti, M.D., to receive a SFP and presented the qualifications of Dr. Galassetti. Dr. Galassetti's area of expertise is pediatrics, specifically in the area of in-vivo metabolic procedures.

Dr. Hubbell indicated that Dr. Galassetti holds the following titles of Associate Professor, Step IV, in Line (50%) and Associate Professor in Residence, (50%) in the Department of Pediatrics at UCI-SOM since March 1, 2011. Dr. Galessetti has also held the position at UCI-SOM as the Director of the Bionutrition/Metabolism Core, General Clinical Research Center in 2002. Dr. Galassetti has been awarded research awards from Southern Society of Clinical Investigations and the Outstanding Young Investigator Award from the Association for Patient-Oriented Research in 2001. Dr. Galassetti is the recipient of a prestigious NIH K24 mid-career award that recognizes both scientific innovation and outstanding mentorship in clinical/translational research. Dr. Galassetti's research has been published

in scientific journals and he has served as a reviewer for over 30 different scientific journals. Dr. Galassetti's expertise will provide invaluable contributions to the academic, clinical and research at UCI-SOM, along with providing training to numerous fellows. UCI-SOM has indicated Dr. Galessetti fills a great need in the School of Medicine to lead the development of a pediatric obesity clinical and research program.

UCI-SOM submitted a 2113 application on Dr. Galassetti's behalf that was approved by the Board, effective January 31, 2003. Dr. Galassetti held this faculty position until the Board received the Notice of Termination requesting to cancel the registration effective February 1, 2006. Dr. Galassetti did not apply for a California license while he held this position; he never took and passed Step 3 of the United States Medical Licensing Examination. Dan M. Cooper, M.D., Associate Dean for Translational Science, Professor and Chair, Department of Pediatrics, UCI-SOM, indicated the reason Dr. Galassetti did not take Step 3 was due to administrative delays and not receiving his certificate from the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates in a timely manner. Dr. Cooper has indicated that Dr. Galassetti is still planning to take Step 3.

Dr. Cooper provided to the SFPRC a proctoring plan for Dr. Galassetti that will be implemented, if the Board approves Dr. Galassetti for a SFP. Dr. Cooper indicated that Dr. Galassetti's professional efforts will be subdivided between 50-60% clinical research, 25-35% mentoring, and 10-20% patient care.

Dr. Galassetti's application is complete except for the final fee for the permit. The fee will be requested from UCI-SOM if the Board agrees with the SFPRC recommendation for approval.

MARIA ROBERTA CILIO, M.D., UCSF-SOM- SFP APPLICANT:
Neal Cohen, M.D., MS, MPH, Vice Dean, presented UCSF-SOM's request for Maria Roberta Cilio M.D., Ph.D to receive a special faculty permit and presented the qualifications of Dr. Cilio. Dr. Cohen indicated that Dr. Cilio is a recognized world leader in neonatal neurophysiology.

Dr. Cohen indicated Dr. Cilio has held the title of Visiting Professor at UCSF-SOM in the Department of Neurology since September 2011. Dr. Cilio's previous two positions at UCSF-SOM were Visiting Associate Professor 2008 and Associate Adjunct Professor 2009. Dr. Cilio was awarded the Presidential Chair award from UCSF-SOM in 2011, which calls for her to develop and implement an interdisciplinary program in neonatal neurophysiology. Dr. Cilio is the project leader and principal investigator for prestigious multicenter research grants with the European Commission and the Italian Ministry of Health for rare neonatal neurological disorders and the genetic basis of neonatal seizures.

Dr. Cilio is a clinical child neurologist with two distinct subspecialties within Child Neurology Epilepsy and Neonatal Neurology. Her knowledge of neonatal EEG and her combined clinical skills in neurology and neurophysiology render her ideal in bridging the gap between clinicians and neurophysiologists. Dr. Cilio will utilize her education, clinical, and research approach with the specific goals of diffusing basic concepts of neonatal, neurophysiology, and epilepsy throughout the UCSF community.

Dr. Cilio's application is complete except for the final fee for the permit. The fee will be requested from UCSF-SOM if the Board agrees with the SFPRC recommendation for approval.

SPECIAL FACULTY PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE FINDINGS:
The SFPRC initially reviewed Dr. Yersiz's application on January 23, 2012 and requested UCLA-DGSOM provide to the Board a proctoring plan that will include the method of supervision, a clinical assessment, the applicant qualifications, and the intended scope of practice. UCLA-DGSOM provided this information, which was reviewed by SFPRC on June 14, 2012.

The SFPRC recommended approval of Dr. Yersiz for a SFP at UCLA-DGSOM. The approval includes the requirement for follow-up documentation to be provided by UCLA at the time of renewal that confirms the proctoring plan was implemented and completed satisfactorily, a report to the Board on what privileges were requested and granted to Dr. Yersiz, and whether there was appropriate proctoring for the privileges.

The SFPRC recommended approval of Dr. Galassetti for a SFP at UCI-SOM. The approval includes the requirement for follow-up documentation to be provided by UCI-SOM at the time of renewal that confirms the proctoring plan was implemented and completed satisfactorily, a report to the Board on what privileges were requested and granted to Dr. Galassetti, and whether there was appropriate proctoring for the privileges.

The SFPRC recommended approval of Dr. Cilio for a SFP at UCSF-SOM, contingent upon receipt of follow-up documentation from UCSF regarding why a great need exists to fill the appointment as a SFP holder. The Board received the requested follow-up documentation from UCSF-SOM`. Therefore, SFPRC recommends approval for Dr. Cilio.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS:
None

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DATE REPORT ISSUED:	June 20, 2012
ATTENTION:	Medical Board of California
SUBJECT:	Special Faculty Permit Review Committee University of California, Irvine School of Medicine Committee Member Change Request
STAFF CONTACT:	Curtis J. Worden, Chief of Licensing

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Board approve University of California, Irvine School of Medicine's (UCI) request to change its Special Faculty Permit Committee (SFPRC) member from F. Allan Hubbell, M.D., M.S.P.H., Executive Vice Dean to Wadie Najm, M.D., Associate Dean for Academic Affairs/Clinical.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

Pursuant to Section 2168.1(c)(1) "The division [now the Board] shall establish a review committee comprised of two members of the division, one of whom shall be a physician and surgeon and one of whom shall be a public member, and one representative from each of the medical schools in California..." The Special Faculty Permit Review Committee is comprised of two Board members and one representative from each of the eight California medical schools for a total of ten members.

The Board has received a written request (attached) from UCI requesting to change its SFPRC member from F. Allan Hubbell, M.D., M.S.P.H. Executive Vice Dean to Wadie Najm, M.D., Associate Dean for Academic Affairs/Clinical.

FISCAL CONSIDERATIONS:

None

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May 25, 2012

Medical Board of California
Attention: Philip Egeston
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Dear Mr. Egeston:

I hereby nominate Dr. Wadie Najm as the new representative to the Special Faculty Permit Review Committee from the University of California, Irvine. Dr. Allan Hubbell will be retiring effective July 1st, 2012.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph V. Clayman, M.D.
Dean, School of Medicine
Professor of Urology

cc: Wadie Najm, M.D.
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs/Clinical