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MEMORANDUM

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To: Senate
c/o Lisa Collins, Manager, Senate Secretariat

From: Lorne A. Whitehead
Vice President Academic and Provost

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Re: The AstraZeneca Chair in Occupational and Environmental Lung Disease Research

Recommendation:

I recommend that Senate approve the establishment of the AstraZeneca Chair in Occupational and Environmental Lung Disease Research, made possible by funding from AstraZeneca Canada Inc.

Rationale:

The purpose of the Chair will be to promote occupational and environmental lung disease research at the University of British Columbia. The Chairholder will lead a multidisciplinary team of investigators, who will build upon previous work completed in B.C., and work in collaboration with the extensive network of investigators at UBC involved in respiratory diseases. The Chairholder will liaise with the Occupational Environmental Health program at UBC. This opportunity for partnership will consolidate and enhance clinical and epidemiological research in occupational lung disease in general and asthma in particular.

The incumbent will hold a PhD and/or MD degree and have attained recognition as a leader, or demonstrated excellent potential, in the field of occupational and environmental lung disease research.

The Chair will reside in the Division of Respiratory Medicine, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine and the School of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene, Faculty of Graduate Studies.

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