UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE
J.B. SPEED SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Office of the Dean

December 5, 2023

Ayman El-Baz, PhD.
Professor and Chair of Bioengineering
Speed School of Engineering
University of Louisville
Louisville, KY 40292

RE: Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering

Dear Dr. El-Baz:

I support the doctoral program in Translational Bioengineering with great enthusiasm. I have reviewed the proposal for this program and recognize that it will help to increase the national stature of Speed School's graduate program as well as provide needed doctoral student support to research programs in bioengineering.

To support this program, the Speed School of Engineering will annually match the 1 University fellowship provided by graduate school for this program with 1 Grosscurth fellowship for Bioengineering. Each fellowship is a commitment for 2 years and therefore the Bioengineering PhD program will have 4 fellowships each year. Within 5 years, Speed School also seeks to commit 2 new graduate teaching assistants (GTAs) lines to Bioengineering from Speed School funds in addition to the current GTA lines allocated to Bioengineering.

I recognized that this investment from Speed School is essential in an emerging area of research and will enable BE@UofL to attract good students, increase enrollment and compete with other universities. I look forward to working with the Department of Bioengineering to assist in any way I can to assure the doctoral program is successful. Best of luck as this moves forward!

Sincerely,

Emmanuel G. Collins
Dean, Speed School of Engineering

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GRADUATE SCHOOL

January 30, 2024

Ayman El-Baz, PhD.
Professor and Chair of Bioengineering
Speed School of Engineering
University of Louisville
Louisville, KY 40292

RE: Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering

Dear Dr. El-Baz:

I support the proposal for the doctoral program in Translational Bioengineering with great enthusiasm. The Interdisciplinary Studies Doctoral Program was designed largely as an incubator so that we could quickly test the market for new and innovative degrees. The Interdisciplinary Studies with Specialization in Translational Bioengineering has grown and shown success since it began in 2016. Indeed, it is our most successful interdisciplinary program, and I am supportive of this program moving out of Graduate School's Interdisciplinary Studies Doctoral Program into the Speed School of Engineering.

To support this program, Graduate School will provide 1 University fellowship for Bioengineering each year. Each fellowship is a commitment for 2 years and therefore the Bioengineering PhD program will have 2 fellows each year supported by Graduate School. I expect Speed School to match our fellowship support for the Translational Bioengineering program, a commitment made by your dean.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Department of Bioengineering and Speed School to assist in-any way I can to assure this doctoral program is successful. Best of luck as this moves forward!.

Best,

Beth A Boehm, Ph.D.
Dean of the Graduate School and Vice Provost for Graduate Affairs

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Jeffrey M. Bumpous, M.D., FACS
Interim Dean of the School of Medicine
Interim Vice President for Academic Medical Affairs
Endowed Professor of Otolaryngology

DATE: April 29, 2024

RE: Proposed Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering

TO: Emmanuel Collins, Ph.D.
Dean J.B. Speed School of Engineering

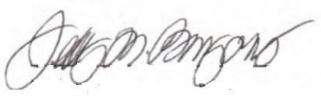
As Dean of the School of Medicine, I have reviewed the current Doctoral Program in Interdisciplinary Studies with a Specialization in Translational Bioengineering and understand that this program is being proposed to move to Speed School of Engineering as the Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering.

I support Translational Bioengineering students enrolling in courses offered within the School of Medicine, provided students satisfy all necessary prerequisites.

In addition, I also support our School of Medicine faculty serving as co-mentors or dissertation committee members for Translational Bioengineering students.

I look forward to working with the J.B. Speed School of Engineering to provide students with this unique Translational Bioengineering education and training opportunity.

Sincerely,



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COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Office of the Dean

Date: April 26, 2024

To: Emmanuel Collins, Ph.D. Dean, J.B. Speed School of Engineering

From: Jeff Guan, Ph.D. Interim Dean, College of Business

Subject: Proposed Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering

As Interim Dean of the College of Business, I have reviewed the current Doctoral Program in Interdisciplinary Studies with a Specialization in Translational Bioengineering and understand that this program is being proposed to move to Speed School of Engineering as the Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering. I support Translational Bioengineering students enrolling in courses offered within the College of Business, provided students satisfy all necessary prerequisites.

In addition, I also support our faculty in the College of Business serving as co-mentors or dissertation committee members for Translational Bioengineering students.

I look forward to working with the J.B. Speed School of Engineering to provide students with this unique Translational Bioengineering education and training opportunity.

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UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Office of the Dean

DATE: May 10, 2024

RE: Proposed Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering

TO: Emmanuel Collins, Ph.D.
Dean J.B. Speed School of Engineering

As Dean of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry, I have reviewed the current Doctoral Program in Interdisciplinary Studies with a Specialization in Translational Bioengineering and understand that this program is being proposed to move to Speed School of Engineering as the Doctoral Program in Translational Bioengineering. I support Translational Bioengineering students enrolling in courses offered within the School of Dentistry, provided students satisfy all necessary prerequisites.

In addition, I also support our School of Dentistry faculty serving as co-mentors or dissertation committee members for Translational Bioengineering students.

I look forward to working with the J.B. Speed School of Engineering to provide students with this unique Translational Bioengineering education and training opportunity.

Sincerely,

Margaret Hill, DMD
Interim Dean