**Research AY 2011-12** Update on the Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives

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2.0 Making new discoveries that advance vision science and patient care

- 2.1 Goal: To develop and maintain the most productive basic and clinical research programs among schools and colleges of Optometry.
- 2.2 Goal: To establish a Center for Clinical Research.
- 2.3 Goal: To provide resources to attract and retain outstanding research faculty.
- 2.4 Goal: To enhance the Ph.D. program in Vision Science
- 2.5 Goal: To integrate the O.D./M.S. Program in Vision Science with clinical research and the development of clinical faculty.



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#### Objectives by 2013

- Increase research funding to \$5 million
  - *\$3.8 M projected for 2011-12.*
- 10 faculty with NIH grants (3 clinical)
  - 12 with one clinical in 2011-12
- *3 NIH Clinician Development Awards* 
  - 2 LRPs, 1 K28 clinician scientist award, 1 K28 application
- 100 publications in peer reviewed journals (10 high impact)
  - 56 papers, 40+ abstracts, in 2010-11
- 100 publications of patient-based research ...
- 3 seminal basic science discoveries ...
- 2 significant applications of basic research to clinic ... Backus SBIR application; Sack IP
- *3 clinical contributions to standards of care ... Dul/Swanson; Ciuffreda, new studies*
- Foster research collaborations ... Backus-Llerena SIVR funds



# 2.3 Goal: To provide resources to attract and retain outstanding research faculty.

- Endowed chairs to recruit and retain outstanding researchers
  - Haffner Innovation Chair 2011 (\$500,000 endowment).
- *Recruit outstanding research faculty* 
  - Kathryn Richdale, OD PhD hired in 2011
  - Ads for three leadership positions developed and posted
    - Chair of Biological and Vision Sciences
    - Chair of Clinical Education
    - Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Research
  - Existing additional searches for
    - Clinical research
    - Optics
    - Cell biology/biochemistry/molecular biology
- Lab renovations on 16/17
- Clinical Research Center...



#### Mission(draft):

The mission of the SUNY Optometry Clinical Research Center is to promote new knowledge and technological advances in clinical eye and vision care through research with diverse patient populations in partnership with government agencies, industry, private foundations, and other academic institutions.

#### Services:

Provide assistance to all funded clinical research projects on...

- Grant reports
- IRB, HIPPA, GCP requirements
- Subject recruitment and enrollment
- Study coordination
- Data collection and monitoring
- Statistical analysis

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### Personnel:

- Director
- Clinical Trial Coordinator(s)
- Statistician(s)
- Clinical Trial PIs
- Clinical Investigators

#### Space:

- 2-3 dedicated exam rooms
- Special testing rooms
- Clinical Trials Office
- Materials and data storage
- Shared areas in services
  - as needed



## Levels of engagement in the SUNY Optometry Clinical Research Center

#### Core Personnel

Director	<ul> <li>Facilitate grant development and application</li> <li>Budget and resource allocation</li> <li>Reports to Assoc. Dean for GCVR</li> </ul>	
Clinical Trials Coordinators	<ul> <li>Recruit, enroll, and consent</li> <li>Study coordination</li> <li>Grant reports</li> </ul>	
Statisticians	•Study Design •Data analysis	
Faculty	<ul><li>Primary investigators</li><li>Clinical Investigators</li></ul>	



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