

## **UCSD Recruits Top Expert from The National Science Foundation to Spearhead UCSD's Mission of Research Internationally recognized chemist to join UCSD as Vice Chancellor for Research**

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UCSD announced today that Arthur B. Ellis, Ph.D., will join UCSD as the Vice Chancellor for Research. The appointment follows approval Wednesday by the UC Board of Regents and will be effective Sept. 1, 2006. Dr. Ellis comes to UCSD from the National Science Foundation, where he served as the Director for the Division of Chemistry. He is an internationally recognized chemist and is widely known for his leadership in advancing the mission of research in the University to create and communicate new knowledge.

"This is an exciting time for UCSD, and to have someone of Dr. Ellis's caliber join our team will truly enhance the overall mission of research at UCSD," said Chancellor Marye Anne Fox.

Dr. Ellis holds Ph.D. and B.S. degrees in chemistry from MIT and Caltech, respectively. Dr. Ellis has served as Meloche-Bascom Professor of Chemistry and as the Chair of the Graduate Materials Science Program at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He has garnered much recognition of his work. Among his many awards are Guggenheim and Sloan Fellowships, the National Science Foundation Director's Meritorious Service Award and the NSF's Distinguished Teaching Scholar Award. Dr. Ellis and his co-workers have published more than 200 research papers in leading scientific journals and obtained nine patents.

As Vice Chancellor for Research, Dr. Ellis will be responsible for overseeing UCSD's extensive research enterprise and for promoting, supporting and facilitating UCSD's research mission and the complex infrastructure required of a top-notch research institution. His responsibilities will include Research Administration, Contract and Grant Administration, Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property, and Animal Care and Animal Welfare, while playing a leadership role in federal and state research relations. Dr. Ellis will hold an appointment as a Professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Dr. Ellis will be working on a variety of research partnerships, including initiatives with the international community. "His focus on collaboration with other countries will enhance UCSD's global competitiveness and ensure that we continue to build our status as a preferred partner in research and education," Fox continued.

UCSD is delighted to welcome Dr. Ellis to the campus. His ability to think boldly, focus on new models of collaborative research and partnerships, and identify new strategies for broadening participation in UCSD's research mission will be a boon for this campus.

The UC Regents approved Dr. Ellis for a salary of \$240,000, a relocation allowance of \$60,000, 30 days of temporary housing, reimbursement for up to two house-hunting trips to the local area, reimbursement for moving expenses, eligibility for future sabbatical leave, eligibility for a University sponsored home loan of up to \$1,000,000 and the standard Senior Management Group benefits package which includes medical, disability and life insurance coverage, as well as participation in the UC retirement and savings programs.

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