Mission of the CVRI

• establish a nationally and internationally recognized center of excellence for the study of cardiovascular pathophysiology and disease

• facilitate multi-disciplinary collaboration (encompassing basic molecular and cellular biology to clinical application) and innovation among cardiovascular investigators

• develop a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary and translational training environment for students, fellows, junior faculty

Eligibility for Membership

Membership is open to all WSU SOM faculty with an interest in cardiovascular research and/or cardiovascular medicine. The major criterion for membership is a commitment to collaborative, multi-disciplinary research.

Categories and Benefits

There are two categories of membership designed to reflect different levels of involvement in CVRI activities.

Primary members:

• eligible to apply as Principal Investigators for CVRI ‘Isis Awards’ (1-year grants awarded on a competitive basis for the support of novel multi-disciplinary research with clear translational relevance)

• priority access to current and future CVRI core resources (equipment; technical; administrative support)

Associate members:

• eligible to serve as a co-investigator on CVRI ‘Isis Awards’

• access to current and future CVRI core resources (equipment; technical; administrative support)

For both categories: membership in a ‘network’ that fosters new opportunities for collaboration and innovation.
**Expectations**

It is expected that primary and associate CVRI members:

- will be open to collaboration
- will participate in CVRI seminars and activities
- will acknowledge the CVRI on publications, in oral/poster presentations and on grant submissions
- on an annual basis, will provide copies of publications, abstracts, and grant submissions to the CVRI administrative office

**For multi-disciplinary grants from primary CVRI members submitted under the umbrella of the CVRI:** we request that the CVRI receive a modest proportion of the departmental share of the indirect costs (IDCs). Distribution of IDCs will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis with PIs and their Chairs to reflect % efforts, level of support provided by the CVRI, etc.

**Membership Term**

Membership is conferred for a 3-year term, with renewal contingent on:

- evidence of commitment to the mission and goals of the institute
- participation in CVRI activities, commensurate with membership level.

**Application Procedure**

Please provide:

- your name, contact information and departmental affiliation(s)
- **category of membership:** Primary or Associate
- copy of your curriculum vitae
- a brief 1-2 paragraph summary of current research interests or electronic copies of 1-2 recent publications or abstracts
- a brief summary of current collaborations within WSU, including name(s) of collaborators, departments, and the title or a 1-sentence description of the project

Submit your application to Ms. Christina Niarhos, CVRI Administrative Assistant, at cn iarhos@med.wayne.edu

Applications will be reviewed by the CVRI Director. Membership will be granted by the Dean of the School of Medicine and with the approval of the candidate’s Department Chair(s).