Dear Fellows and Members of the Cardiovascular Section,

I first wish to thank all of you for your support in my election to the Chair of the Cardiovascular Section of APS. The Cardiovascular Section has a long and distinguished history within the APS, and I am honored to be the Chair for the next three years. I have several hopes and goals for the next few years.

My first goal is to invigorate existing sub-sections of the CV Section, and perhaps work to create new ones. Since 1981 there have been two sub-sections of the Cardiovascular Section: Splanchnic Circulation Group and Cardiac Mechanics Group. Neither of these groups has been active within the Cardiovascular Section, but, in my opinion, we should either invigorate these groups and/or create new ones. During the last several years, much cardiac physiology and pathophysiology has drifted away to other groups and meetings, e.g., International Society for Heart Research, Biophysical Society, and we should try to reverse this trend. The Splanchnic Circulation Group has become more affiliated with the GI Section, and much of their work is presented at the annual Gastroenterology Meeting. Several questions that we, as a Section, need to address are:

- Should we expand sub-sections based on organ systems, e.g., coronary, cerebral?
- Should we abolish sub-sections?
- Should we re-organize sub-sections along the lines of scientific levels, e.g., integrative cardiovascular physiology, vascular biology, microcirculation, modeling, etc?

In my opinion reorganization of existing sub-sections may be the best way to revitalize certain areas of cardiovascular physiology that have drifted away from our section. I think these are serious and important issues, and would like to form a group that will study these issues and make recommendations. If you are interested, please contact me (chilian@mcw.edu) or the Secretary of the Section, Robert J. Tomanek (robert-tomanek@uiowa.edu).

My second goal is to improve the quality of programming for the Experimental Biology Meeting to meet our needs in the ever changing realm of science. To do this effectively, I think we must work with other sections for jointly programmed symposia, and even work to include societies outside of FASEB as guest societies to our meetings. For example, free radical biology and oxidant stress is assuming a more prominent role in our understanding of vascular physiology and pathophysiology; yet, very few of the “card carrying” members of the Oxygen Society (that sponsors The Journal of Free Radical Biology) come to EB. I think both could benefit greatly if we coordinate efforts with other societies for joint programming at EB. Please contact me, or our programming representatives (Julian Lombard [lombard@mcw.edu] or David Busija [dbusija@wfubmc.edu]) with thoughts and suggestions.

My third goal is to increase work increase our exposure by encouraging the submission of programs for APS Workshops. We have opportunities to organize specialty meetings that are sponsored by the APS, but in the recent past we have not been particularly proactive in this area. Please contact me, or our programming representatives (Julian Lombard or David Busija) with thoughts and suggestions.

My fourth goal is increase our voice within the APS. The participation of the CV Section on APS committees is poor. We are greatly underrepresented on virtually every APS Committee. In fact, we are the largest section (by a substantial margin), but we have no officers (President, Councillor) in the APS who are primarily affiliated with our section. To reverse this trend, I will ask all of you to volunteer your time, your efforts, and to vote and nominate members of our section to APS offices and committees. My fear is that the CV Section will become marginalized if we do not become more proactive. If you are interested in serving on APS or CV Section Committees, please contact the chair of the CV Section Nominating Committee, Kathryn Lamping (Kathryn-lamping@uiowa.edu).
NOMINATIONS FOR CV SECTION AWARDS

Nominations for the four awards described below should be sent to:

Irving G. Joshua, Ph.D.
Department of Physiology
University of Louisville
1115 Health Sciences Center
Louisville, KY 40292-0001

The CV Section confers the following four awards annually:

Young Investigator's Award: The Young Investigator Award is intended for members, but not necessarily fellows, of the Cardiovascular Section of the American Physiological Society who have received a Ph.D., M.D., D.Sc., D.V.M., or D.D.S. degree with an academic rank or equivalent not higher than that of Assistant Professor who have already made a substantive independent contribution and hold future promise but are not, as yet, well established. The nomination package, to be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee of the APS CV Section, should consist of a letter of nomination, a seconding letter (preferably from someone outside the nominee’s institution), and a CV of the candidate.

Berne Distinguished Lectureship: The award is presented to a scientist who is a Fellow of the Cardiovascular Section of the American Physiological Society, who has made outstanding prior contributions to cardiovascular research, and whose current research is particularly interesting, such that the presentation of this work would be expected to further interest in the CV Section meeting. This award is in honor of one of the most distinguished members of the Cardiovascular Section, Robert M. Berne. The nomination package, to be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee of the APS CV Section, should consist of a letter of nomination, one or more seconding letters (preferably from someone outside of the nominee’s institution), and a CV of the candidate.

Wiggers Award: The award is presented to a scientist who is a Fellow of the Cardiovascular Section of the American Physiological Society, who has made outstanding and lasting contributions throughout their career to cardiovascular research, and who will bring broader and more international representation to the CV Section meetings. This award is in honor of the Cardiovascular Section’s founder, Carl J. Wiggers. The nomination package, to be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee of the APS CV Section, should consist of a letter of nomination, one or more seconding letters (preferably from someone outside of the nominee’s institution), and a CV of the candidate.

Cardiovascular Section Young Investigator Travel Award: This award is designed to entice submission of abstracts to the Experimental Biology meetings from junior investigators and to aid them in their travel expenses. To be eligible, the investigator must be within 10 years of receiving his/her Ph.D. or M.D. degree and have submitted a first-authored abstract to a Cardiovascular Section topic category (see Physiology topic category list under the heading “Cardiovascular Section”). Abstracts from eligible individuals will be judged by the Cardiovascular Section Awards Committee and a total of up to nine each year which are judged to be the most meritorious will be awarded. Eligible individuals are requested to email a copy of their submitted abstract to the Chair of the Awards Committee of the APS CV Section to arrive by the end of November each year.

Nomination of Fellows

The deadline for nominations of fellows is Dec. 14th, 2001.

Nominations for fellowship should be submitted to the Chair of the Fellowship Committee and should include the candidate’s curriculum vitae and letters of nomination from 2 Cardiovascular Fellows. Please email the materials (as MS Word or Corel WordPerfect files) to:

Donna Van Winkle at: Donna.Vanwinkle@med.va.gov.

Prospective fellows must (1) be regular members of APS; (2) have their primary or secondary affiliation with the Cardiovascular Section; (3) publish meritorious physiological research in the cardiovascular field; and (4) be an established investigator.
The Cardiovascular Section of the American Physiological Society is seeking proposals for Symposia and Featured Topics for the Experimental Biology 2003 meeting to be held April 12-16, 2003 in San Diego, California. Please submit your proposals by April 1, 2002 to Julian H. Lombard, Ph.D., Chairman of the Programming Committee for the APS Cardiovascular Section at the following address:

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Symposium proposal forms can be downloaded from the APS web site at the following address: http://www.The-APS.org

**Guidelines for Cardiovascular Section Symposia at Experimental Biology Meetings:**

Symposia are in-depth presentations with multiple invited speakers that discuss timely topics that are of interest to the membership of the Cardiovascular Section. Symposium organizers should consider multidisciplinary approaches (participation of other Sections) and the contribution by experimentation at multiple levels of investigation.

Each symposium organizer will be allocated monies for use in the reimbursement of relevant travel expenses (airfare, per diem, housing, etc.) of invited speaker(s), both member and nonmember. The amount provided to each organizer from APS funds will not exceed $4,000. The allocation of funds will be at the discretion of the symposium organizer(s). The organizer may raise additional funds from outside sources (pharmaceutical companies/industry). All invited speakers will receive complimentary registration. Membership in APS is not a requirement for speaker participation or travel reimbursement eligibility.

**Some symposium proposals may be changed to Featured Topic Sessions by the Cardiovascular Section Steering Committee, and will be required to follow the guidelines for Featured Topics Sessions described below.**

**Guidelines for Featured Topics at Experimental Biology Meetings:**

Featured topics are similar to minisymposia in that they are oral sessions that are pre-formed (prior to the mailing of the Call for Papers). Featured topics include a session title, chairperson and not more than two featured presenters. Featured presenters, or invited speakers, may present work not represented by a submitted abstract. All other presentations are selected from the submitted abstracts. Abstract authors choose the preferred featured topic category from the call for papers as an indication that they are willing to present their research in both an oral and a poster format. Either the chairperson of the Featured Topics Session or the primary sponsoring section’s Joint Program Committee Representative is responsible for selecting which abstracts to include in the featured topic session.

**APS provides each primary sponsoring section $1,000 for each featured topic they program to be used in support of travel or activities related to the featured topic session.** This money may be used in any of the following manners as determined by either the primary sponsoring section Chair or Joint Program Committee representative (note: no honoraria are allowed):

1. Registration reimbursement for presenter(s) or chairperson(s)
2. Travel expenses (transportation, housing, meals) of presenter(s) or chairperson(s)
3. Breakfast/luncheon to enhance junior/senior presenter interactions
4. Refreshments during the session

Instructions regarding the procedures for distribution of funds for Featured Topics Sessions will be provided by APS.
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INSTRUCTIONS: Please record nominations of individuals for possible service as APS President and APS Council in the spaces provided below.

PLEASE NOTE that the DEADLINE for receipt of nominations for the election year 2002 is September 30, 2001.

Send nominations to:

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Candidates for APS President

Candidates for APS Committees

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Liaison with Industry Comm.
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Porter Physiology Develop. Comm.

Candidates for APS Council

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FOR THE CARDIOVASCULAR SECTION

INSTRUCTIONS: Please record your nominations for the office of Section Chair and Nomination Committee membership in the spaces provided below.

PLEASE NOTE that the DEADLINE for receipt of nominations for the year 2001 election of officers is September 30, 2001.

Return the completed ballot to:

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