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Dear Professor DuBois,

Thank you for your application for ASBMB program accreditation. We are pleased to inform you that the ASBMB has accredited your program for the **FULL seven-year term, through December 31, 2029**. Your renewal application will be due in October of 2029.

Aspects of your application that were considered particularly noteworthy included:

- Strength of the overall biochemistry and molecular biology program of study along with excellent facilities for student training.
- Strength of the faculty, including a high level of sustained scholarship.
- Participation by all students in primary research as part of their training program.

Despite the overall strength of your application, some areas of relative weakness, ambiguity or concern were identified:

- Lack of detail addressing biochemistry and molecular biology activities by the core biochemistry and molecular biology faculty. For example, key information requested in the guidelines was not provided to BMB activities/teaching/mentoring. Examples should include teaching awards, talks, membership in professional organizations and committees and placement of advisees in graduate/professional schools.

Looking ahead to your renewal application in 2029, please note that weaknesses were identified in your program in items considered "Critical" (see [rubric](#)), specifically, key information requested in the guidelines related to BMB activities/teaching/mentoring. These must be remedied, or partial progress toward or lack of remediation must be explained, before a new approval will be granted. It makes sense to address these deficiencies in the near term, rather than waiting until you are preparing your new application.

We continue to identify ways in which the review process can be improved in both substance and execution. In particular, we would appreciate receiving more information on the following topics as part of your next renewal application:

- Placement of students in professional and advanced programs of study.

Additionally, please note that sections of the application may be modified slightly each year by the accreditation sub-committee. When it is time to apply for renewal, please be sure to use the latest version of the application to ensure all components are adequately addressed.



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We encourage you to share this good news with your university community and stakeholders. If you are contemplating the release of an article, blog post or press release, please know that the ASBMB is very interested in helping to promote it. We ask that you send a copy to Allison Frick, multimedia and social media content manager, at africk@asbmb.org. If you send a tweet, please tag [@ASBMB](https://twitter.com/ASBMB) in it, and we'll retweet you.

Again, we thank you for your application and congratulate your program on receiving accreditation. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

John T. Tansey for the ASBMB department/program accreditation steering group