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Welcome Address

Welcome to the report “Research & Teaching 2010” of the Ulm University Medicine (*Universitätsmedizin Ulm*)! We cordially invite you to share the work that Ulm University Medicine has accomplished in recent years in research and teaching guided by our mission to support and advance quality and innovation.

Ulm University Medicine is dedicated to providing excellent teaching and training for our future scientists and physicians in order to enhance high quality research and ensure state-of-the-art health care for our patients. Since our last report published in 2007, the Medical Faculty and University Medical Center Ulm have progressed tremendously. Recent endeavors include our Comprehensive Cancer Center Ulm (CCCU) which has been funded since 2009 by German Cancer Aid as one out of 10 centers of excellence in oncology in Germany. Based on a comprehensive approach to health care, the Center is committed to combining high level basic and translational research, high quality teaching of students, and training of young scientists and clinicians with state-of-the-art medical care for the benefit of our tumor patients.

We have obtained several grants for novel collaborative research projects funded, for instance, by the German Research Foundation and the EU that has led to a Clinical Research Unit for trauma research and the FP7 Health Collaborative project “Clinical Decision-making and Outcome in Routine Care for People with Severe Mental Illness” (CEDAR). Our concept for the training of PhD students is internationally recognized. In this respect, we take pride in receiving a grant from the Excellence Initiative of the German federal and state governments for our International Graduate School in Molecular Medicine Ulm. At this Graduate School more than 100 PhD students from all over the world are trained according to the highest international standards. Our Bachelor, Master and PhD courses of studies in Molecular Medicine have been accredited and we will shortly launch



an innovative international postgraduate study program in Advanced Oncology that can be studied part-time. This course of studies is specifically aimed at clinical oncologists and those scientists engaged in the field of oncology. We are expecting our first students to begin in the winter semester of 2010/2011.

What are our future plans and visions? We are committed to expanding our standing and reputation within the national and international scientific community. Our ambitions include such goals as the establishment of translational research centers focusing on oncology and stem cell research. Another future endeavor will be the expansion of our high level teaching and training programs for the increasing numbers of students entering the field of human medicine, and of our biomedical courses of studies in Molecular Medicine and Biochemistry.

Finally, we would like to thank all those institutions, both nationally and internationally, which have been and still are involved in making Ulm University Medicine the great success that it has become. Their enthusiasm has given us ample motivation to further our efforts and continue fulfilling our mission to strengthen both quality and innovation in medical research and teaching.

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