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*Comprehensive Cancer Center of Wake Forest University*

SECTION ON HEMATOLOGY AND ONCOLOGY

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Barbara MacKay Vinson - President  
MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research  
7 Thimbleberry Square  
Greensboro, NC 27455

Dear Barbara:

On behalf of the Blood and Marrow Transplant (BMT) Program of the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center and the Section on Hematology and Oncology, I wish to extend my sincere gratitude for the generous donation of \$30,000 that the MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research gave us in 2007. This money will be applied to the endowment fund that supports the BMT Program.

Since 1990, there have been more than 1400 transplants performed at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center for patients with cancer. By the end of 2008, that number will be more than 1500. The money that has been provided by the MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research supports the ongoing research of the BMT Program by providing support for the infrastructure for the collection and analysis of data and the education in transplantation related issues for the nurses and research personnel.

These important functions allow us to participate in clinical research trials in transplantation through the Blood and Marrow Transplant Clinical Trials Network (BMT-CTN), the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP), the Center for International Blood and Marrow Transplant Research (CIBMTR), and the National Cancer Institute (NCI) through our work with the Cancer and Leukemia Group B (CALGB) clinical trials program. These studies are advancing the understanding of transplantation and making transplants safer and more effective for those who need them.

Without the support of the MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research, this work at the Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center could not be done. We truly appreciate all of your efforts on our behalf and the behalf of our patients. People like you and those who support the MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research truly make a difference.

Sincerely,

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