Dear Members of the UO Research Community,

I hope you will join me in congratulating our own Judith Eisen on her recent election into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Her remarkable accomplishments include pioneering research seeking to understand motor neuron development in vertebrates using the zebrafish model and research examining neural crest development. Additionally, she’s been a strong proponent of science outreach and an amazing mentor. She will be a wonderful addition to the Academy’s membership.

In other news, the University of Oregon received 25 new awards totaling more than $2.8 million in support of research activities during the month of April 2018. The Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation (OVPRI) is continuing to do everything it can to support our research community, and I encourage you to reach out if you need any assistance.

I also wanted to highlight the National Academy of Inventors (NAI) chapter at the University of Oregon. The NAI was founded in 2010 to recognize and encourage inventors with patents issued from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The University of Oregon celebrated the launch of the first Oregon National Academy of Inventors (NAI) chapter during a recent ceremony that included the induction of more than 40 UO patent holders. The NAI is a member organization with strong representation by AAU institutions that supports academic inventions and the societal impact of university research.

Thank you for all the great work you are doing, and please let me know if I can be of assistance.

Best,