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Dr. Fred W. Turek received his BS in biological sciences from Michigan State University in 1969, and his PhD in biology from Stanford University in 1973. After two years of postdoctoral training at the University of Texas at Austin, he took a faculty position at Northwestern University, where he subsequently served as Chair of the Department of Neurobiology & Physiology from 1987-98. He is the founder (1996) and current Director of the Center for Sleep and Circadian Biology at NU where he has held an endowed chair since 1995. He was the founding president of the Society for Research on Biological Rhythms (1986) and was Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Biological Rhythms* from 1995-2000. Since 2002 he has been Deputy Editor of the journal, *Sleep*. He is presently the Chair of the Government Relations Committee of the SRS. His research on biological rhythms and sleep has been supported by the NIH, NSF, NASA, the Air Force, the Army, DARPA, American Waterways Operators, as well as a number of pharmaceutical companies and private foundations.

Dr. Turek has received a number of awards, including an NIH Research Career Development Award, two NIH Senior International Fogarty Fellowships, a Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship, the Curt P. Richter Prize from the International Society of Psychoneuroendocrinology and a Distinguished Investigator Award from National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression. He has served on the Board of Directors of the NIH National Center on Sleep Disorders Research and the National Sleep Foundation. His present research interests include the genetic, molecular and neural basis for sleep and circadian rhythms in rodent models and humans, with a special interest in circadian dysregulation for a number of mental and physical diseases. He has published over 340 reviews and peer-reviewed papers.

