

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Adopted by the Regents

January 22, 2009

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir


Robert F. Todd III, M.D., Ph.D., Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology and professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on November 12, 2008.

Dr. Todd received his A.B., Ph.D., and M.D. degrees from Duke University in 1970, 1975, and 1976, respectively. He completed his internship and residency at Peter Brent Brigham Hospital in Boston from 1976-78, pursued clinical and post-doctoral fellowships at the Sidney Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard Medical School from 1978-81, and served on the faculty of Harvard Medical School from 1981-84. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as associate professor of internal medicine in 1984 and was promoted to professor in 1988. Dr. Todd was associate chair of the Department of Internal Medicine from 1989-92, chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology from 1993-2007, and interim chair of the Department of Internal Medicine from April 2007 until November 2008. He served as associate vice president for research from 1999-2006, and was named Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology in 1999.

Dr. Todd is widely recognized for his research on the functional characterization of membrane receptor glycoproteins expressed by human inflammatory and neoplastic cells. He has published more than 150 peer-reviewed articles and 28 book chapters, and holds 3 patents. In addition to his scholarly and administrative activities, Dr. Todd maintained an interest in the career development of biomedical trainees at the local and national levels. Within the Medical School, he served as associate director of the Medical Scientist Training Program in 2006-2007 and as director of medical student biomedical research from 2006-08. Nationally, he has been particularly active in the American Society of Hematology and the American Society of Clinical Oncology, serving in numerous leadership roles. His honors include selection as one of the "Best Physicians in America" (since 1997) and "America's Top Doctors" (since 2003), and election to the Association of American Physicians in 2004.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Robert F. Todd III professor emeritus of internal medicine.**

Requested by:



Sally J. Churchill
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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