THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Melvyn T. Korobkin, M.D., professor of radiology, Medical School, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2012.

Dr. Korobkin received his B.A. degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, in 1963 and his M.D. degree from Yale University in 1967. He completed a medical internship at the Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, from 1967-68, and a radiology residency at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), from 1968-71. From 1972-78, he was a faculty member at UCSF, and from 1978-84 he was a professor of radiology at Duke University. In 1984 he relocated to Michigan, opened a private practice, and concurrently was appointed clinical professor of radiology at Wayne State University. He joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as professor of radiology in 1989.

Dr. Korobkin is an internationally recognized leader in abdominal radiology, whose research efforts focused on genitourinary radiology, especially adrenal imaging. He led the field in defining the imaging features of adrenal lesions, and developed the criteria used today to distinguish benign from malignant adrenal nodules. He was an outstanding mentor for junior colleagues in abdominal radiology. Dr. Korobkin directed the abdominal radiology division from 1991-2002, and was the founding radiologist for the Multidisciplinary Endocrine Conference, a service line that has become a destination program. A prolific investigator, Dr. Korobkin has published over 200 peer-reviewed papers and served on the editorial boards of the four most important journals in his field. He was chosen as a James Picker Foundation Scholar (1973-76), and as recipient of an NIH Research Career Development Award (1975-80). In 2007 he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society of Uroradiology.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Melvyn T. Korobkin professor emeritus of radiology.

Requested by:

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