THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Daniel L. McShan, Ph.D., professor of radiation oncology in the Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2012.

Professor McShan received his B.S. degree from Midwestern University in 1966, and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Purdue University in 1968 and 1971, respectively. From 1971-73, he completed a fellowship at Florida State University. He was a computer scientist in the Department of Radiation Oncology at Rhode Island Hospital from 1973-84 and assistant professor of radiation medicine at Brown University from 1976-84. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1984 as an assistant professor of radiation oncology, and was promoted to associate professor in 1991, and professor in 1997.

Professor McShan is well-respected nationally and internationally for his contributions to the development of an interactive 3D radiation therapy treatment planning system known as UMPlan. He has continued to maintain and generate new releases for this system, which has supported state-of-the-art patient care and continued improvements in radiation treatment planning. Professor McShan has over 100 publications in peer-reviewed journals. He has served as a grant reviewer for the National Cancer Institute, and since 1989, he has participated in an NIH study section for the treatment planning tools contract at Bethesda, Maryland. He was elected as a fellow of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine in 1999, and is a member of the Association of Computing Machinery, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, American Medical Informatics Association, and HL7 International. Professor McShan has been a frequently invited speaker at local, national, and international professional meetings.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Daniel L. McShan professor emeritus of radiation oncology.

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