

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

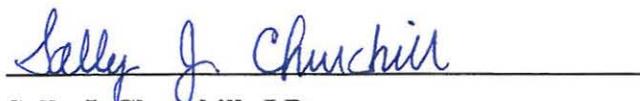
Robert G. Sitrin, M.D., professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on February 29, 2016.

Dr. Sitrin received his B.S. (1973) and M.D. (1977) degrees from the University of Michigan. He completed his internal medicine internship (1977-78) and internal medicine residency (1978-80) at the University of Michigan. Dr. Sitrin completed a fellowship (1980-83) at the Cardiovascular Research Institute at the University of California, San Francisco. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor in 1983, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1985, associate professor in 1991, and professor in 1997.

Dr. Sitrin's research explored leukocyte activation, adhesion, and movement, with special emphasis on the function of lipid raft microdomains in the regulation of neutrophil activation signaling. His work also explored the roles of coagulation and fibrinolytic factors in the pathogenesis of inflammatory lung injury. Dr. Sitrin has a notable history of successfully securing research funding, authored numerous peer-reviewed articles in the leading journals, and was actively involved in a number of professional associations. His clinical interests focused on neuromuscular respiratory failure, including the diagnosis of sleep-disordered breathing in patients with underlying neuromuscular disorders, the use of new technologies to monitor and manage chronic respiratory failure in the home setting, and new modalities of noninvasive ventilation. He has served as medical director of the Assisted Ventilation Clinic since its inception in 2009. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, Dr. Sitrin was actively involved in the education and development of a generation of medical students, residents, and postdoctoral fellows. He received the Department of Internal Medicine's Special Recognition Award for contributions to the medical student teaching program in 2005.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Robert G. Sitrin, professor emeritus of internal medicine**.

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