THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Victor Chi-Min Yang, Ph.D., Albert B. Prescott Professor of Pharmaceutics and professor of pharmaceutical sciences in the College of Pharmacy, retired from active faculty status on December 30, 2016.

Professor Yang received his B.S. degree from TamKang University in 1972, his M.S. degree from Texas A&M University in 1977, and his Ph.D. degree from Brown University in 1983. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1986, and was promoted to associate professor in 1991, and professor in 1997. He was named the Albert B. Prescott Professor of Pharmaceutics in 2000.

A world-renowned scientist, exceptional teacher, and dedicated mentor, Professor Yang is a leader in the field of pharmaceutical sciences. His extensive research interests encompassed a number of topics, including MR imaging and transduction therapy for cancer treatment; novel targeted and pro-drug delivery systems; brain drug delivery for the treatment of Parkinson's and Alzheimer's Diseases; site-selective thrombolysis; anticoagulant, antithrombotic, and thrombolytic agents; non-toxic heparin antagonists; bio-sensors and blood diagnostic assays; extracorporeal detoxification systems for the treatment of autoimmune diseases; and polypeptide carriers and pH-sensitive hydrogels for light-regulated drug delivery. Professor Yang has a notable history of successfully securing research funding, authored over two hundred articles in the leading peer-reviewed journals, and published twenty-one patents. He played an instrumental role in the development of relationships between the University of Michigan and educational institutions in China. Professor Yang also championed scientific development as well as promoted education in the bioengineering and pharmaceutical sciences across Asia. Professor Yang received a number of awards, including the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy's Paul Dawson Biotechnology Award (2003), the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists' Research Achievement Award in Biotechnology (2003), and the College of Pharmacy's Teaching Excellence Award (2008).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Victor Chi-Min Yang, Albert B. Prescott Professor Emeritus of Pharmaceutics and professor emeritus of pharmaceutical sciences.

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