

The University of Michigan Regents Communication

Request for Action

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

John T. Wei, M.D., M.S., David A. Bloom Professor of Urology and professor of urology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2026.

Dr. Wei received his M.D. degree from Northwestern University in 1991 and his M.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1999. He joined the University of Michigan Department of Urology faculty as a lecturer in 1997, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1999, associate professor in 2004, and professor in 2009.

Much of his work has focused on measuring function, recovery, and adaptation. The development of the Expanded Prostate Cancer Index Composite (EPIC), now used internationally and translated into more than ten languages, emerged from that recognition, as did subsequent instruments including the Michigan Incontinence Symptom Index, Bladder Cancer Index, Adaptive Behaviors Index, and CARE. Along the way, working closely with colleagues, he built a robust health services research division and a fellowship program supported by a long-standing NIDDK T32 grant.

Dr. Wei's focus on outcomes naturally led to clinical trials and team science. As a founding investigator in the NICHD Pelvic Floor Disorders Network, he led the OPUS randomized clinical trial examining prophylactic midurethral sling placement during prolapse surgery. Similarly, through the NCI's Early Detection Research Network, his work in biomarker clinical validation contributed to FDA approval of PCA3 as the first urinary test for prostate cancer.

Clinically, Dr. Wei's other major interest has been benign prostatic hyperplasia management and laser surgery. Today, the University of Michigan Department of Urology hosts one of the largest HoLEP practices in the country, with eight surgeons performing the procedure and a commitment to training both residents and alumni.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **John T. Wei, professor emeritus of urology**.

Requested by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Kinsey', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jon Kinsey
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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