

The University of Michigan Regents Communication Request for Action

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Chisa Yamada, M.D., clinical professor of pathology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on July 19, 2026.

Professor Yamada received her medical degree (1986) from Tokyo Women's Medical University in Tokyo, Japan. She completed residency programs and worked for ophthalmology department in Keio University in Japan (1986-1992). She also worked as an ophthalmologist at Shizuoka Red Cross hospital (1987-1988) and Yokohama Municipal Citizen's hospital (1988-1993). She served as a chairperson in ophthalmology at Keio University-affiliated Nippon Kokan hospital in Kawasaki, Japan (1994-1998). She then worked for research at Loyola University, Chicago (1999-2001), completed a pathology residency program at Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Medical Center (2006) and a transfusion medicine fellowship program at Johns Hopkins Medical Center (2007). She joined Johns Hopkins Medical Center as a clinical assistant of pathology (2007) and the University of California, Irvine as a clinical assistant professor of pathology (2008). Professor Yamada joined the University of Michigan faculty as a clinical assistant professor (2009) and was promoted to a clinical associate professor (2017), and a clinical professor (2024). She served as a medical director (2013-2026) of the apheresis procedure unit and as an assistant/associate medical director of transfusion medicine (2009-2026) at Michigan Medicine.

Professor Yamada's scholarship and publications focused on apheresis technologies and therapies, global education in transfusion medicine (especially apheresis), and transfusion-related patient safety. She has contributed extensively to ASFA, the International Society for Apheresis, and the Japanese Society for Apheresis through presentations and committee leadership, including international affairs co-chair (2020–2021) and chair (2021–2023), leading to her appointment to the ASFA Board of Directors (2023–present). Her 2021 *Transfusion* article on transfusion-associated hyperkalemia was selected for CME, and she also served as MABB president (2018) and received the MABB President Award (2018).

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar, teacher, and faculty member by naming **Chisa Yamada, clinical professor emerita of pathology**.

Requested by:

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Jon Kinsey

Vice President and Secretary of the University

July 2026