

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir


James H. Vincent, Ph.D., professor of environmental health sciences in the School of Public Health, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2008.

Professor Vincent received his B.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Durham, England, in 1962 and 1966, respectively, and received a meritorious D.Sc. degree from the University of Durham in 1991. From 1967-72 he worked for the American Standard Corporation on plasma-based power systems for spacecraft, which led to studies of new types of air pollution control equipment. From 1972-78 he was a lecturer in applied physics at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, and in 1978 he joined the Institute of Occupational Medicine in Edinburgh as head of the physics branch, leading research related to ventilation, aerosol science, inhalation toxicology and exposure assessment, with special reference to the coal mining and asbestos industries. From 1991-98 he was professor of environmental and occupational health and director of the industrial hygiene program at the University of Minnesota. He joined the University of Michigan faculty in 1998 as professor and chair of the Department of Environmental Health Sciences, and held the position of chair until 2004.

Professor Vincent's research, which spans nearly 4 decades, has included studies of the transport of air pollutants near buildings, aerosol standards setting, and occupational health policy. He has published over 200 peer-reviewed works and 4 books, three as sole author. He was president of the British Occupational Hygiene Society (1990-91), and a board member and vice president of the Michigan Public Health Institute (1998-2004). He was editor of the *Journal of Aerosol Science* (1998-99), and served as chair of the editorial board of the *Journal of Environmental Monitoring* (2003-06). Among his honors are the Sinclair Award from the American Association for Aerosol Research (1994), the Meritorious Achievement Award from the American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienists (1998), the Cummings Award from the American Industrial Hygiene Association (2008), and election as a fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (2004).

The Regents now salute this faculty member by naming **James H. Vincent professor emeritus of environmental health sciences**.

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