

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN OF MEDICINE

School of Medicine Faculty Accomplishments

I am very pleased to announce that Scott C. Weaver, PhD, Professor, Departments of Pathology and Microbiology and Immunology, has been appointed as holder of the John S. Dunn Distinguished Chair in Biodefense, effective June 1, 2009. This Distinguished Chair was established in 2002 by the John S. Dunn Research Foundation to support an outstanding faculty member whose research focuses on tropical virology and the prevention of bioterrorism.



Dr. Weaver is an internationally recognized virologist and vector biologist as evidenced by more than 180 publications in prestigious scientific journals and many invited presentations at international meetings. He is the recipient of numerous NIH grants and a W.M. Keck Foundation award. Dr. Weaver holds membership and leadership positions in a number of scientific societies and professional organizations. His high standing in the scientific community is also indicated by his service on national and international committees, and editorial responsibilities. He is an associate editor for *PLoS Neglected Tropical Diseases*, editor for *Archives of Virology*, section editor (virology, vector biology) for *American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene*, and editorial board member of *Journal of Virology*. In addition, he serves as an ad hoc reviewer for 24 journals and has four patents. Dr. Weaver teaches extensively, and is the Leon Bromberg Professor for Excellence in Teaching. He currently serves as Vice Chair for Research in the Department of Pathology, Director for Tropical and Emerging Infectious Diseases of the UTMB

Center for Biodefense and Emerging Infectious Diseases, and Associate Director for the WHO Collaborating Center for Tropical Diseases.

Dr. Weaver earned his BS degree from The College of William and Mary in 1979, MS degree from Cornell University in 1982, and PhD degree from the University of California, San Diego in 1993. Following a postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health at Yale University School of Medicine, he joined the faculty at UTMB.

Dr. Weaver has a wealth of talents as a researcher, leader, and educator, and is deserving of appointment to this prestigious position. Please join me in congratulating him on this honor.

Sincerely,

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