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CHILDREN'S MERCY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - KANSAS CITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE APPOINT NEW ENDOWED CHAIR

Kansas City, MO – July 22, 2010 – Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics and the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine have appointed Shui Qing Ye, M.D., Ph.D, a member of the section of medical genetics at Children's Mercy, as the William Brown/Missouri Endowed Chair in Medical Genetics and Molecular Medicine. He will also serve as a professor in the departments of Pediatrics and Informatic Medicine and Personalized Health.

Dr. Ye has an extensive research background and is currently leading National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded research projects that focus on lung biology and the regulation of cellular injury. In his new role, Ye will also be involved in establishing a core genomics laboratory with the Department of Informatic Medicine and Personalized Health.

Dr. Ye received his medical degree from the Wuhan University School of Medicine with a postgraduate emphasis on biochemistry. He also completed a Ph.D. at the University of Chicago, focusing on the molecular mechanisms of diseases.

Prior to joining Children's Mercy and the UMKC School of Medicine, Dr. Ye was a professor in the departments of surgery and molecular microbiology and immunology at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Before that, he served in the pulmonary/critical care section of the department of medicine at both the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine and Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He also served as an assistant professor in the department of pediatrics at Johns Hopkins.

About Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics

Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, located in Kansas City, Mo., is one of the nation's top pediatric medical centers. The 314-bed hospital provides care for children from birth through the age of 18, and has been recognized by the American Nurses Credentialing Center with Magnet designation for excellence in nursing services, and ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of "America's Best Children's Hospitals." Its faculty of 600 pediatricians and researchers across more than [40 subspecialties](#) are actively involved in clinical care, pediatric research, and educating the next generation of pediatric subspecialists. For more information about Children's Mercy and its research, visit childrensmercy.org. For breaking news and videos, follow us on [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), and [Facebook](#).

About the UMKC School of Medicine

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About the University of Missouri-Kansas City

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