

RECENTLY, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRAVEL WITH A Distinguished University of Michigan delegation to Beijing for a symposium of the Joint Institute for Translational and Clinical Research, a partnership between the U-M Health System and Peking University Health Science Center.

The Joint Institute represents the very best in scientific global partnerships: strategic research, mutually productive trainee and researcher exchanges, maximized cultural and national strengths, and the incredible gain we realize when we open ourselves to different perspectives and ways of doing things.

With that global backdrop, it strikes me as especially timely that in this issue we look at what U-M-trained physicians are doing right here in Michigan. Often they come from elsewhere to train with well known faculty through our wide range of residency and fellowship programs, then remain to practice medicine in Michigan. Many times they are our own graduates who leave for additional training, then bring that new expertise back to the Medical School to help train those who will provide care to the patients of the future — including patients in the state of Michigan.

While we are proud of our growing partnerships around the world, we are just as proud of our service to our community and state. Global good, local gain: the benefits of what we do accrue to us all, everywhere, including right at home.

Sincerely,



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Qide Han, M.D., president of Peking University Health Science Center, and Dean Woolliscroft exchange gifts during the September symposium in Beijing.

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