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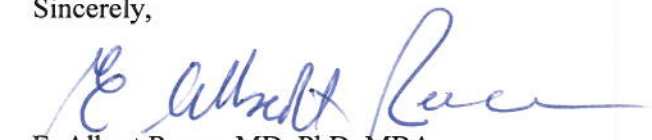
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Dear Colleagues:

I would like to reiterate the School's position on using the designation of academic degrees as they were awarded by the institution, which was clarified by a memo from Dean Wilson in 2003 (attached). Regardless of whether the degree is the equivalent of an M.D. or Ph.D., it must be used as awarded (e.g., M.B., Ch.B., M.B.B.S., Dr.med., etc.) for academic and clinical purposes. This applies to curriculum vitae submitted for reviews, professional business cards, letterhead and prescription forms.

Please distribute this communication to your faculty and thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Department Chairs and Program Directors

FROM: Donald E. Wilson, M.D., M.A.C.P.
Vice President for Medical Affairs
Dean, School of Medicine

DATE: April 30, 2003

SUBJECT: Designating Academic Degrees as Earned

Recently, it was brought to my attention that some clinical faculty awarded foreign medical degrees (e.g. M.B., Ch.B., M.B.B.S., etc.), have been identifying themselves, for academic and clinical purposes, as having been awarded the M.D. degree. Curriculum vitae submitted to the APT Committee, professional business cards, letterhead and prescription forms have been printed with the M.D. degree noted.

I would like to clarify the School's position on this matter. All academic degrees must be designated as awarded. The practice of designating degrees incorrectly, regardless of what the degree may be similar to (M.D. or Ph.D.), must cease immediately.

In this vein, the Dean's Office is in the process of updating database tables to accommodate all varieties of academic degrees. Your cooperation is being requested in this endeavor. You can provide or update degree information or ask any questions about this issue by contacting the Office of Academic Administration on ext. 6-2656.

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