

**Michael A. Adams appointed Interim Head
Department of Biomedical and Molecular Sciences**

Vice-Dean Academic Iain Young and I are pleased to announce that Principal Daniel Woolf has appointed Professor Michael Adams as the Interim Head of the Department of Biomedical and Molecular Sciences for a two-year term commencing November 1, 2010. In this position, Professor Adams will play an integral role in leading the implementation and transition processes for the new Department.

A graduate of the University of Western Ontario, Professor Adams joined the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology as an Assistant Professor in 1988, initially with a Joint appointment in the Department of Anesthesiology. He was granted Tenure and promoted to Associate Professor in 1994 and to Professor in 1998. Professor Adams served as Acting Head of the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology during the 2009/2010 academic year. Currently, he holds cross-appointments in the Department of Urology and the School of Kinesiology and Health Studies.

Professor Adams has been extensively involved in research in the areas of cardiovascular pharmacology and sexual medicine. He has held a number of scholarships and awards including a Senior Research Scholarship from the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada, a Career Award in Medicine from the Medical Research Council-Health Research Foundation, the Young Investigator Award of the Canadian Hypertension Society, and the Faculty of Health Sciences' Basmajian Award for Excellence in Research. Professor Adams has published more than 120 scientific papers and chapters and he has 16 patented inventions. In recognition of the latter achievement, he recently received the Most Prolific Inventor, Life Sciences award from PARTEQ Innovations at Queen's.

An enthusiastic and innovative educator, Professor Adams has been instrumental in establishing and delivering multi-disciplinary cardiovascular sciences courses in numerous undergraduate, graduate and professional programs. He has trained more than 30 graduate students and he has been a recipient of the Faculty of Health Sciences' Education Award.

Professor Adams has made numerous significant service and administrative contributions to many national and international organizations and he was recently one of six members of the Queen's University Academic Writing Team.



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