



Guang Fan, M.D., Ph.D. Chair Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine



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Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine leadership transition complete

School of Medicine Dean David Jacoby, M.D., is pleased to announce that he has appointed Guang Fan, M.D., Ph.D., professor of pathology and laboratory medicine, chair of pathology and laboratory medicine. She has [served as interim chair](#) since September. Her appointment as chair is effective immediately.

"Dr. Fan has built her career at OHSU and personally helped build up the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, resulting most recently in the opening of OHSU's first full-spectrum clinical microbiology laboratory, the culmination of a long-held goal," said Dr. Jacoby. "She is a brilliant, diligent and effective leader, and she manages teams with an infectious enthusiasm that not only makes you want to follow her but makes you glad that you did. I am tremendously pleased to appoint her department chair."

Dr. Fan joined the OHSU faculty in 2001, and served as vice chair of the department of pathology and laboratory medicine, associate medical director of the clinical laboratory, and medical director of hematopathology.

She was a key contributor when the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, along with others at OHSU, [stood up a COVID-19 testing lab in 14 days](#) at the beginning of the pandemic in 2020 and launched a successful COVID-19 [community testing program](#) that partnered with K-12 schools and community groups. Dr. Fan then helped leverage the equipment and training investments made by OHSU and the OHSU Foundation during the pandemic to [bring to fruition](#) the full-spectrum microbiology lab in February 2023, along with Xuan Qin, Ph.D., professor of pathology and laboratory medicine and director of the lab, and many others.

Dr. Fan is board certified in anatomic and clinical pathology and hematology from the American Board of Pathology. She is a clinician-scientist who focuses on the diagnosis of leukemia, lymphoma, congenital and acquired bone marrow failure disorders. Her research interest is in developing sensitive and advanced diagnostic tests for leukemia and lymphoma. She completed her residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at the University of Cincinnati in 2000, followed by a fellowship in hematopathology at Indiana University in 2001.

"I am honored to serve as chair and deeply appreciate Dr. Jacoby's recognition of our accomplishments in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine," said Dr. Fan. "As a department, service is integral to our DNA. During the pandemic, our work - and that of others - took center stage. In that moment, we realized what we were capable of. It was simply inspiring to witness the can-do attitude of every member of our department and clinical laboratory, and their tireless efforts to meet the demand for testing and analysis and then to sustain that energy to open the full-spectrum lab. I am humbled by the opportunity to lead such a remarkable team."