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COLLEGE NOTICE

FACULTY OF MEDICINE SENIOR APPOINTMENTS

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL, FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Professor Sir Anthony Newman Taylor CBE FMedSci has accepted appointment as Deputy Principal of the Faculty of Medicine in succession to Professor Christopher Kennard, from 1 October 2008.

Sir Anthony, who holds the Chair in Occupational and Environmental Medicine, is currently the Head of the National Heart and Lung Institute, Faculty of Medicine, and Campus Dean of the Royal Brompton Campus.

Sir Anthony joined the College in 1995, when the National Heart and Lung Institute merged with the College. His research investigates the occupational and environmental causes of lung disease, particularly asthma. Between 1996 and 2008 he was chairman of the Industrial Injuries Advisory Council, an expert advisory group for the UK Department for Work and Pensions. He was knighted for public service in the 2008 Queen’s Birthday Honours list.

Successors to Sir Anthony as Head of the National Heart and Lung Institute and Dean of the Royal Brompton Campus will be announced in due course.

HEAD OF DIVISION OF SURGERY, ONCOLOGY, REPRODUCTIVE BIOLOGY AND ANAESTHETICS

Professor Mervyn Maze FMedSci, Interim Head of the Division of Surgery, Oncology, Reproductive Biology and Anaesthetics since July 2007, has accepted appointment as Head of the Division of Surgery, Oncology, Reproductive Biology and Anaesthetics on a permanent basis from 1 August 2008.

Professor Maze, who holds the Sir Ivan Magill Chair of Anaesthetics, joined the College in 1999 from Stanford University, USA, where from 1977 he held a number of research and academic appointments. Professor Maze’s research interests cover the mechanisms and
uses of general anaesthetics, and in 2003, he received the American Society of Anaesthesiology’s Excellence in Research Award.

Professor Maze will remain as Campus Dean for Chelsea and Westminster Campus.

HEAD OF DIVISION OF CLINICAL SCIENCES AND HEAD OF THE MRC CLINICAL SCIENCES CENTRE

Professor Amanda Fisher FMedSci, Acting Head of the Division of Clinical Sciences since January 2008, has been appointed Head of the Division of Clinical Sciences on a permanent basis from 1 August 2008. The Medical Research Council has also recently appointed Professor Fisher as Head of the MRC Clinical Sciences Centre.

Professor Fisher has held academic appointments at Imperial since March 1994 when she was appointed Honorary Senior Lecturer. She was appointed Reader in 1999 and became Professor of Cell Biology in 2001.

Professor Fisher obtained her PhD at the University of Birmingham and was awarded a Lady Tata Memorial Fellowship to study at the National Institutes of Health, USA, before returning to Europe in 1987. In 1993 she was invited by the MRC to establish a research team at the newly formed Clinical Sciences Centre, with interests in lymphocyte development and haematopoiesis. In 2002 Professor Fisher was awarded the European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO) Gold Medal.

Rodney Eastwood
College Secretary