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Dr. Albert Hofman named new chair of Epidemiology Department

Dr. Albert Hofman is an internationally recognized scientific leader in the epidemiology of common neurologic and vascular diseases, in particular dementia and stroke.



New China-Harvard-Africa Network enhances global health collaboration

The new alliance will convene scholars, experts, and policy leaders from Africa, China, and the United States to enhance the sharing of knowledge to improve health worldwide.



'Bugs' on the subway: Monitoring the microbial environment to improve public health

The trillions of microbes that transfer from people to surfaces could provide an early warning system for the emergence of public health threats such as a flu outbreak or a rise in antibiotic resistance.

Event Highlights

Meditation and heartfulness

July 11
Noon-12:45 PM
Tosteson Medical Education Center, L007

Evergrande Center Symposium

July 15
9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Joseph B. Martin Conference Center

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In the news

[Farmers' market program improves diets in low-income neighborhoods](#)

[Protecting against bug-borne illnesses](#)

[Gun violence is a public health issue](#)

[Postponing the Olympics 'a wrong and dangerous message'](#)

[Health and rights linked for world's 25 million transgender people](#)

[Global fishery declines linked to malnutrition threat](#)

Featured podcast

Around the School



Health ministers urged to think more like economists

Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus called on health ministers at the fifth annual Ministerial Forum for Health Ministers to think of health as an integral part of economic development.

The Ministerial Leadership Program will also be broadening its reach in the future, by [welcoming education ministers](#). With the support of Big Win Philanthropy and the Harvard Graduate School of Education these ministers will begin visiting the School starting in 2017.

Program preps students from underrepresented minority groups for international field research

The School recently welcomed 10 new fellows into the Multidisciplinary International Research Training (MIRT) program. MIRT is a national program aimed at encouraging students who are members of underrepresented minority groups to pursue careers in biomedical and behavioral science research and it provides placement and funding for summer international field experiences.

Rottingen receives Norwegian Fulbright Article award

[John-Arne Rottingen](#) was recently honored for his research on an experimental Ebola vaccine.

Student recognized for genetic research on malaria

Caleb Irvine, an undergraduate working in [Dyann Wirth's](#) lab, received the Hoopes Prize for his research on malaria transmission in Senegal.



In this week's episode: The impact of a Supreme Court ruling striking down a Texas abortion law, plus healthy swaps for your July 4th cookout.

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