



## Clinical Pathologist joins



Thomas R. Fritsche, M.D., Ph.D., has joined the Pathology Department at Marshfield Labs, specializing in laboratory medicine and clinical microbiology. Dr. Fritsche is a native of New Ulm, Minnesota, and earned his master's, Ph.D. (parasitology) and medical degrees from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. He completed an internship and residency in laboratory medicine and a fellowship in clinical microbiology, all at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle. He served on the medical staffs of the University Medical Center and Harborview Medical Center for 19 years before moving five years ago to a private pathology consulting practice in Iowa. There he served as director of clinical laboratories, focusing on international antimicrobial resistance surveillance programs and clinical trials involving new antimicrobial agents. "I wanted to get back to an active clinical laboratory practice because I missed the hospital and clinic environments," he said of his decision to join Marshfield Labs. "I had been focused exclusively on research endeavors and thought it was time to bring that information back into the clinical realm." He has authored more than 200 peer-reviewed publications and chapters, and has served as a section editor for the *Manual of Clinical Microbiology* and as an associate editor for *Diagnostic Microbiology and Infectious Diseases*. He remains active in a number of national committees and professional societies, and expects to be involved in translational research at the Clinic. Dr. Fritsche is committed to helping you in consultations and problem solving of your microbiology cases.

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