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Dr. Marin Kollef is a Professor of Medicine at Washington University School of Medicine and Director of the Medical Intensive Care Unit and Respiratory Care Services at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri. He is a member of the Barnes-Jewish Hospital Critical Care Committee. Dr. Kollef was awarded Virginia E. and Sam J. Golman Chair in Respiratory Intensive Care Medicine in 2009. After completing his Bachelor of Science from the US Military Academy in West Point, NY, Dr. Kollef went on to receive his Doctor of Medicine degree from University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Dr. Kollef then completed his residency in Internal Medicine and fellowship in Pulmonary Diseases and Critical Care at the Madigan Army Medical Center in Tacoma, Washington. He is a fellow of the American College of Physicians and the American College of Chest Physicians.

Dr. Kollef has lectured extensively on numerous critical care topics, including fungal infection, ventilator-associated pneumonia, antibiotic resistance, and optimization of antibiotic therapy. Dr. Kollef has authored peer-reviewed manuscripts, letters, case reports, editorials, and invited publications. He currently serves on the editorial boards of *Respiratory Care*, *Critical Care*, *Critical Care Medicine*, *Informed Decisions/Clinical Strategies*, and *Journal of Surgical Infections* and is a reviewer for many journals including *Chest*, *JAMA*, and the *New England Journal of Medicine*. Dr. Kollef is the recipient of numerous honors and awards including selection to "Best Doctors in America," Central Region and Barnes-Jewish Hospital Team Awards for Quality Improvement for programs directed to VAP prevention, bloodstream infection prevention, and the "Surviving Sepsis Initiative." He has received teaching awards and is a recognized expert in the performance of clinical outcomes research in the ICU setting. His clinical research focus has been the understanding and prevention of nosocomial infections and the improved care of mechanically ventilated patients. He is also a member of the American Thoracic Society, Society of Critical Care Medicine, American Association for Respiratory Care, and American Society of Clinical Investigation.