No traffic jams in asthmatic cells
An unexpected new discovery reveals that in people with asthma, the cells that line the airways in the lungs are unusually shaped and constantly on the move.

Racial bias and health care
Eliminating racial and ethnic disparities in health in the U.S. isn’t just the job of the health care sector—it’s the job of society as a whole, argues David Williams.

Spicy food linked with longer life
People who eat spicy foods nearly every day have a 14% chance of living longer than those who consume spicy foods less than once a week.

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Event Highlights

Career Development Conversations for Managers
COMPASS Series
August 19
10:00-11:30 AM
Kresge, 201

Covering: The Hidden Assault on our Civil Rights
Kenji Yoshino
August 24
12:00-1:00 PM
Kresge, G1

Inaugural Forum on Population Health Equity
September 10–11
Joseph B. Martin Conference Ctr.
Register

Research news

Newly identified molecular mechanism plays role in obesity-related type 2 diabetes development

Experimental Ebola vaccine found highly effective in trial

Parents’ exposure to chemicals prior to conception linked to child’s health problems

Heat waves and cold snaps linked to death rate spikes

Reducing teen smoking in Chile

Around the School

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Laser printing has gone 'nano'
Researchers are recommending that laser printers be used in well-ventilated areas because they can emit potentially harmful nanoparticles.

Active learning classroom opens
This fall, students can look forward to a new active learning classroom that offers some of the latest and greatest innovations for flexible learning.

Banning smokeless tobacco
Howard Koh, Harvey V. Fineberg Professor of the Practice of Public Health Leadership, lauded a proposal to ban smokeless tobacco in city parks, including Fenway Park.

Community marks one-year anniversary of Michael Brown’s death
On Monday, August 10 the Office of Diversity and Inclusion organized a conversation so community members could discuss Michael Brown's death, as well as strategies to combat racial injustice.

Racial violence has long roots in the past
Melissa Nobles of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an expert in racial and ethnic politics, recently spoke at the School and said that a recent string of racially motivated violence in the U.S. is deeply connected with a violent past that stretches back to the Reconstruction Era.

Scoopfest draws a crowd
Students, faculty, and staff recently packed into the Kresge cafeteria for the annual Scoopfest. School deans, senior leaders, and faculty dished out ice cream as well as a much needed break from the heat.