

## **Renewed Focus on Tuberculosis Holds Promise for New Treatments**

FDA approved rifampin for the treatment of tuberculosis (TB) in 1971, the same year Intel Corporation invented the first microprocessor. Since then, advances in computer technology have revolutionized the way people live and work. But no additional medications have been approved by FDA for the treatment of *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* infection—a problem that federal officials and others want to fix.