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eScripts is a monthly newsletter highlighting faculty, staff, students and alumni of the CU Skaggs School of Pharmacy.

The Start of a New Academic Year

August was a busy month on campus as we welcomed students to start the new academic year. From orientation and white coat ceremonies to kicking off our 110th anniversary year, we are ready for this new chapter in the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences story, whatever it may bring.

Click here to see the photos

Joy Publishes as Lead Author

Melanie Joy, PharmD, PhD, was the lead author on a new research article entitled “An evaluation of a novel nanoformulation of imatinib mesylate in a mouse model of lupus nephritis” in Drug Delivery and Translational Research. Others from the School who participated in this work and article include faculty Tom Anchordoquy, PhD, drug delivery expert; Jared Brown, PhD, toxicology assessments; and Mike Wempe, PhD, mass spectrometry assessments; as
well as graduate students and trainees Uma Fogueri, Georgia Charkoftaki, Gavi Roda, Stacey Tuey, Mustafa Ibrahim, and Indu Persaud.

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### O’Bryant Publishes Study Results

Cindy O’Bryant, PharmD, published study results in the Journal of Cancer, Chemotherapy and Pharmacology. Her article, “Pharmacokinetics and safety of niraparib in patients with moderate hepatic impairment - Cancer Chemotherapy and Pharmacology,” characterized niraparib pharmacokinetics (PK) and safety in patients with normal hepatic function (NHF) versus moderate hepatic impairment (MHI).

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### Vondracek Publishes in National Kidney Foundation Journal

Sheryl Vondracek, PharmD, was the lead author on a recent publication in the high impact National Kidney Foundation Journal. The article, “Principles of Kidney Pharmacotherapy for the Nephrologist: Core Curriculum 2021,” provides recent updates and practical considerations for designing optimal medication regimens. Ty Kiser, PharmD, was also a contributing author to this publication.

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### Multiple Faculty Contribute to New Textbook

Numerous School faculty recently
contributed to the 2nd edition of the textbook “Critical Care Pharmacotherapy,” published by the American College of Clinical Pharmacy. Their chapter contributions are:

- **Douglas N. Fish, PharmD**: Chapter 12, “Pharmacokinetic and Pharmacodynamic Considerations for Antimicrobial Use in Critically Ill Patients”
- **Robert MacLaren, PharmD, MPH, FCCP**: Chapter 24, “Hemostatic Agents for the Prevention and Management of Hemorrhage in the ICU”
- **Tyree H. Kiser, PharmD, BCPS, FCCP**: Chapter 25, “Laboratory Testing with Anticoagulation”
- **Melanie S. Joy, PharmD, PhD, FCCP**: Chapter 27, “Drug Dosing in Acute Kidney Injury and Extracorporeal Therapies”
- **Toby C. Trujillo, PharmD, BCPS**: Chapter 34, “Management of Cardiac Arrest”

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**Alumni Spotlight: Dmitriy Gekker Stacks the Cards in Career Choice**

Career Services Manager Laurie Sein continues her conversations with CU alumni involved in new and novel fields of pharmacy. This time, Dmitriy Gekker,
PharmD ’20, takes center stage, discussing his role at STAQ Pharma as an intern production pharmacist. Read the entire article here.

Alumni in the News

Jason Gotzinger, PharmD ’12, takes the reigns as the new owner of Glenwood Springs’ Downtown Drug. Read the article here.

The Florida Pharmacy Association names William Garst, PharmD ’07 as Pharmacist of the Year. Read more about his accomplishments here.

Happy and Healthy Hour

The CU Anschutz Happy & Healthy Hour resumes Wednesday, Sept. 8 at 5 p.m.

The virtual event sponsored by the CU Anschutz Alumni Central Office will feature Jay Lemery, MD, FACEP, FAWM, on the topic CU Wilderness Medicine: leading remote care on earth and the moon! Click here to learn more.
Successful Alumni Book Club

An engaged group of CU Pharmacy alumni and students cozied together on Thursday, Aug. 17 for a discussion on the book The Adaptation Advantage lead by faculty member Katy Trinkley, PhD ’19 during the first installation of the CU Pharmacy Alumni Association book club. Future book club discussions will be scheduled periodically throughout the year with guest moderators to guide discussion. Keep an eye out for the next one!

Hire CU Career Expo

The 2021 Hire CU Pharmacy Interview Day and Career Exploration/Preceptor Showcase arrives this fall on Oct. 8 and Oct. 15. Positively influence the professional and career development of our CU Pharmacy students! Your participation will broaden students perspective of pharmacy career paths. Register for one or both events. There is no cost to participate.
Alumni Advantage (A+) CE Discounts

Specially discounted rates up to $100 for select lifelong learning courses are offered to CU Pharmacy alumni through the School's Continuing Education Office in collaboration with the School's Alumni Association. Enter coupon code AlumniAdvantage to receive discounted rate for CE Courses under the Alumni Advantage (A+) program. Click here to learn more.

NEW Clinical Teaching Certificate

Program begins Sept. 8

The Clinical Teaching Certificate Program provides an opportunity to enhance teaching skills through practical training and actual hands on teaching experience both in the university setting as well as the
clinical practice setting. A focus will be placed on both classroom and clinical practice teaching/precepting. [Click here to learn more.]

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**Other CE Opportunities**

- Back by popular demand! [The Bottom Line with Joe and Bob Cardiovascular Webinar Series](#)
- NEW Advanced Diabetes Training Program (Rolling Registration) [Diabetes Certificate Training Program](#)
- Home Study [Individual Cannabis Home Study Modules](#)
- Home Study [Say What You See - Infectious Disease Puzzles](#)
- Home Study [Integrative Health and Medicine](#)
- Home Study [Infectious Disease Home Study Series](#)
- Home Study [Motivational Interviewing for Healthcare Professionals](#)
- Home Study [Don’t Let Orange be the New White Coat: 2019 Pharmacy Law Webinar Series](#)
- Home Study [COVID-19: Implications for Pharmacists](#)

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**CU Pharmacy Thought Leaders**

- [Pharmacy Times: Advocacy Champion Works to Improve Health Care, Outcomes for Patients With Cancer](#), feat. Ashley E. Glode, PharmD, BCOP

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