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

Celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

During the month of May, we highlighted students for Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. From groundbreaking research, to leadership roles, and award-winning work, we featured individuals making big changes in their fields.

See the highlights

Pharmacy Perspectives Graduation Edition is Here

This year's graduates of the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences faced a pandemic, a scramble to vaccinate, remote learning, and much more. These are not normal graduates.

In the latest issue of Pharmacy Perspectives, the official magazine of CU Pharmacy, we're sharing the extraordinary stories of the class of 2021, and how they flourished in an unprecedented year. Click here to read the magazine.
Commencement 2021

On Monday, May 24, we were able to hold commencement in person for a very special ceremony. If you missed the live stream, go to the commencement website page for the recorded graduation along with lots of special content, including graduate stories, an alumni message, awards and scholarships, and graduate photos. For candid shots of the day, click here to view the Flickr gallery. Congratulations to all graduates!

New Research Pharmacy on Campus

You may have heard, there is a new CU Research Pharmacy on campus. This cross-collaborative project is led by the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, in partnership with the School of Medicine, the CU Anschutz Chancellor and the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research. Check out the center’s website here.

Annual SSPPS Awards

On Friday, May 7, the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences held its annual Awards & Scholarship Ceremony. Congratulations to all winners! If you missed the awards event, watch the entire presentation here.
Moore, Zadvorny Testify for SB21-094

Earlier in May, Drs. Gina Moore and Emily Zadvorny, both PharmDs, continued their advocacy work at the State Capitol. Moore and Zadvorny testified before the Senate Health and Human Services Committee for SB21-094, Sunset Continue State Board of Pharmacy.

Students Publish in Colorado Mental Health Newsletter

Breeanna Sailas, P3, and Stefanie Schwab, P4, recently had their research published in the Colorado Mental Health Institute (CMHI) P&T Newsletter. The mission of CMHI is to provide the highest quality mental health services to persons with complex, serious and persistent mental illnesses within the resources available. Sailas’ research focused on the potential use of Ginko Biloba in psychiatry.
Schwab's work examined the use evaluation of ADHD medication.

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**Work Wins 3rd Place in National Poster Competition**

Hannah Work, PhD student, won 3rd place in the Division of Drug Metabolism and Disposition at the 2021 Experimental Biology ASPET meeting poster presentation competition. Work’s poster was entitled “Development of a High-throughput Fluorescent-Based Assay to Assess Cytochrome P450 CYP3A7 Activity in Neonatal Human Liver Microsomes.” She has been working in the Lampe Lab under assistant professor Jed Lampe, PhD.

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**Vallejos Awarded National Pediatric Pharmacy Award**

Chelsea Vallejos, P3, was recently chosen as a national recipient of the John Dice Memorial Student Scholarship. This is a competitive award with only two students chosen annually. She is the current president of CU-PediatRx, the local Pediatric Pharmacy Association student chapter. Vallejos is well-deserving of this honor and this is a
great recognition of her efforts as well as the efforts of CU-PediatRx.

Alumni Spotlight: Dr. Chong Kim Researches Pharmaceutical Outcomes

Recently, we connected with Dr. Chong Kim, who received his PhD in Pharmaceutical Outcomes during the fall 2020 Commencement on Dec. 12. Dr. Kim describes himself as a critical thinking, highly motivated, and hard working problem solver. Currently, his specific interests lie in optimizing the landscape of the healthcare environment around the world. His main expertise involves observational studies, development of statistical methods, and programming. He's currently working as a manager at Stratevi, a boutique consulting firm located in Santa Monica California.

Read the full story here
Beverly Brunson Diversity Scholarship Crowdfunding Reaches Goal

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Beverly Brunson Diversity Scholarship Crowdfunding Campaign. The goal of $15,000 has been surpassed! Your contribution is greatly appreciated and will impact students for years to come. If you missed the crowdfunding kick-off, you can always give to support Beverly's legacy of diversity by clicking here.

Announcing a New Alumni Book Club

Dr. Katy Trinkley, PharmD, PhD, will be leading a select book discussion for CU Pharmacy alumni. This new club is still in its development phase, and we would like to know your interest in participation, discussion, and topics. Click here to let us know your thoughts and if you are interested in joining.

On-Demand Diabetes Certificate from CE@CU

CE@CU brings you Advanced Diabetes Certificate Program: Use of Pattern Management in Tele-Practice. Click here to register and
find out more about this program designed to prepare pharmacists with the knowledge, skills, and practical training to use pattern management and technology to provide patient centered diabetes care. Upcoming Live Session Dates: June 30, Aug. 25, and Oct. 27.

Continuing Education: Movie Night

CE@CU: June is National Migraine and Headache Awareness Month

Join us for CE Movie Night! Thursday, June 3, at 6 p.m. (MT) for Out of My Head, a documentary film by award-winning filmmakers Susanna Styron and Jackie Ochs. Hosted by Ruth Nemire, PharmD. Click here to register.

CU Pharmacy Thought Leaders

- THEHealthy: 26 Essential Oils That Might Be Helpful for People With Gout feat. Monika Nuffer PharmD, CA
- 5280 Magazine: Colorado Pharmacists Face the Threat of Burnout feat. Emily Zadvorny, PharmD, BCPS
- PP&P Magazine: Key Considerations for Biosimilar Formulary Adoption, feat. Ashley E. Glode, PharmD, BCOP
- Managed Healthcare Executive: ISPOR: Baking the Patient Perspective Into Value Assessment, feat. R. Brett McQueen, PhD