November 2021

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

November Was Native American Heritage Month

November was Native American History Month and throughout the month we celebrated outstanding individuals in the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences community who identify as Native American or who are working with Native American populations. From an alumna working to improve healthcare, to a faculty member operating a clinic for Native American individuals, to a Navajo student completing a PharmD remotely, read all about their work and success on Facebook.

Mallela Lab COVID Research Featured on Journal Cover

Krishna Mallela, PhD, along with Vaibhav Upadhyay, Alexandra Lucas, Sudipta Panja, and Ryuki Miyauchi were featured on the cover of the Journal of Biological Chemistry with an illustration from their recently published article. Their article, Receptor binding, immune escape, and protein stability direct the natural selection of SARS-CoV-2 variants, focuses on the emergence of new SARS-CoV-2 variants that have raised concerns related to the
effectiveness of vaccines and antibody therapeutics developed against the unmutated wild-type virus.

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O'Bryant Receives Fulbright

Cindy O'Bryant, PharmD, received a Fulbright Specialist Program award. Dr. O'Bryant will complete a project at PINK BLUE Health & Psychological Trust Centre in Nigeria that aims to exchange knowledge and establish partnerships benefiting participants, institutions, and communities both in the US and overseas through a variety of educational and training within the field of public/global health.

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Kroll Featured in Henrietta Lacks Story

David Kroll, PhD, has been featured in an article related to the Henrietta Lacks story. As the article states: Many people know the story of Henrietta Lacks, whose cancer cells, unknowingly taken from her 70 years ago, changed medical research. But few know the tale like CU Pharmacy Professor David Kroll, who used those cells as a graduate student and continues to pay tribute to the woman’s legacy today. Read the entire article here and watch for a forthcoming book club in the new year.
Alumni Spotlight: Przemek Lott, ’19 Discusses his Unique Career Path

In his own words, Przemek Lott, PharmD ’19, talks about his journey to becoming an Epic Business Intelligence Developer, contracted to work with Children's Hospital Colorado. Read the full interview here.

Alumni Book Club

Save the date, and look for more information in 2022! The next book club will discuss *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* and feature Dr. David Kroll, PhD. Fill out this form to weigh in on the book discussion and to keep up to date on when to register.

Alumni Awards

Approximately 50 alumni, students, staff and faculty gathered virtually on
Thursday, Nov. 4 for the second annual Alumni Awards. Boris Tabakoff (BS ’66, PhD ’70) received the Distinguished Alumni, the highest honor bestowed by the Alumni Association. Lucas Smith (PharmD ’14) was honored as the recipient of the Horizon Alumni Award, the Association’s young alumni award.

**Successful Homecoming 2021**

Near perfect weather conditions in Boulder on Saturday, Nov. 6 brought over 60 CU Pharmacy alumni, students and other friends of the School to cheer the CU Buffs to victory with a 37-34 win over Oregon State. The Alumni Association celebrated 10 years of service to the School on Sunday, Nov. 7 as 20 current and former board members gathered at the Hotel Teatro for an evening of recognition and fine dining at the Nickel restaurant. Stay involved and join us in 2022 for another alumni celebration!

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Enhance Your Career

Still Time to Register for the 3rd Joe and Bob Cardiovascular Webinar

Webinar Series
Dec. 1, 2021

The topic being covered is
THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT THIS...Understanding which omega-3 fatty acids provide long-term benefits in patients with high triglycerides. Registrants can still take advantage of the five-pack webinar discount (Register for All 5 Webinars and SAVE $25!) The first two webinars have been recorded and now available as Home Study. Click to learn more.

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
- March 5, 2022 (Save the Date) Advances in Pharmacotherapy

CU Pharmacy Thought Leaders

- 9News: Demand at pharmacies ramps up as COVID-19 vaccine booster shots approved, feat. Emily Zadvorny PharmD, BCPS

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