

Dean for Student Affairs at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences

By Palmer Taylor, Ph.D.

After a national search, in which several candidates were invited for interviews from a long list of applicants, we are pleased to announce the selection of Candis Morello, PharmD, CDE, as the new Associate Dean for Student Affairs. Dr. Morello is an Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy, who specializes in diabetes, and is known nationally for her leadership as a diabetes clinician, educator and researcher.

Dr. Morello received her bachelor's degree from UC Davis in 1991 and subsequently obtained her PharmD degree from UC San Francisco. Following completion of her pharmacy practice residency at the Veterans Affairs San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS), Dr. Morello practiced at both the VASDHS and the Naval Medical Center San Diego where she established innovative multidisciplinary ambulatory care clinics to improve the care of patients with diabetes. In 2002, Dr. Morello became a founding faculty member at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (SSPPS) at UC San Diego. During her tenure at SSPPS, Dr. Morello has served with distinction and has been heavily involved in advancing student pharmacist education, student participation in professional society activities and community outreach efforts.



In addition to her administrative efforts as Associate Dean, Dr. Morello will continue teaching in the capstone Pharmacy Practice and Therapeutics courses and maintain her clinical practice in diabetes management and research program at the VASDHS.

We thank Anthony Manoguerra, PharmD, who has served as the Associate Dean since the school's founding in 2002. Dr. Manoguerra set a tradition of excellence in the office whose obligations cover admissions, student guidance, and eventually residency and career placement. Despite his retirement, we look forward to his continued counsel and support.

Please join us in welcoming Candis Morello as the next Associate Dean for Student Affairs.

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The Industry Focus Group introduces non-traditional career opportunities to SSPPS students

By Christina Han, P-2 and Michelle Hughes, P-2

One of the greatest advantages of SSPPS is its proximity to numerous biotechnology and pharmaceutical industry companies around San Diego. With a growing interest in industry among students, the Industry Focus Group (IFG) serves to introduce and inform UCSD pharmacy students about careers in the pharmaceutical industry. Since its first meeting in September 2010, IFG has held six additional events including various fellowship presentations and career information sessions. It has been a very successful year, and we are very excited to share the details of our events with you!

IFG kicked off its first event in October 2010 with a fellowship presentation by one of the most prestigious programs in the country, Rutgers University Fellowship Program. Claire Tsai, Pharm. D., a current Rutgers fellow, visited



L to R: Jasmine Knight (USC), Nick Vu (P1), Chris Mapes (P2), Michelle Hughes (P2), Sophie Bordson (P2), Christina Han (P2), Michael Pazirandeh (USC), Bryan Son (USC)

SSPPS and shared her experiences in scientific communications and medical strategy at Bristol-Myers Squibb. She also outlined the numerous opportunities with some of the top ten global pharmaceutical companies for post-Pharm.D. specialization training including regulatory affairs and drug information. Following Rutgers, Dr. Joseph Ma, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pharmacy at SSPPS, presented the logistics of the fellowship application process to SSPPS students, covering topics on differences between a residency and fellowship, how to prepare a fellowship application, and what to expect at ASHP Mid-Year interviews. Finally, the Fall Quarter concluded with a fellowship presentation from the Department of Clinical Pharmacology at Pfizer-La Jolla.

Dr. Michael Tortorici, one of the directors of the fellowship program, and two fellows, including UCSD alumni Dr. Justin Hoffman, shared the core features of their program including research, teaching opportunities, and experience in clinical trials.

The Spring Quarter marked some of IFG's biggest events including a CV review panel and the University of Southern California (USC) Building Bridges Event. The CV review panel was organized as a venue for students to ask questions regarding what qualifications make an applicant competitive for a career in industry. The panelists comprised of human resources professionals from local companies including Casey Cammack (HR Representative, Lilly

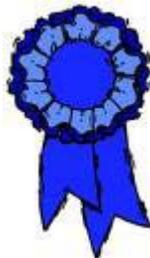
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Biotechnology Center), Lisa Kanetake (Sr. Director of HR, Ardea Biosciences), and David Ullum (Recruiter, Pfizer-La Jolla). They were extremely helpful in addressing the students' concerns and even provided some insight into the interview and hiring process of their respective companies. The Building Bridges event was a collaborative effort between USC's Student Industry Association (SIA) and Academy of Managed Care Pharmacists (AMCP). Five SSPPS students (Nick Vu, Sophie Bordson, Christina Han, Michelle Hughes, and Chris Mapes) were invited by USC pharmacy students to attend this large networking event. Set up in roundtable fashion, students were given the opportunity to network with Pharm.D. professionals from 18 managed care and pharmaceutical companies. It was truly an inspiration to see the support and motivation behind such a well-organized and successful event. IFG hopes to establish a collaborative relationship with USC-SIA and bring its own connections to this event next year.

Our final event was held in the spring quarter and was an information session on Regulatory Affairs by Dr. Susan Trieu, a Medical Science Liaison (MSL) at Novartis. Although her regulatory affairs experience was mainly through the Rutgers fellowship program, she was able to provide a valuable, detailed account of what a career in regulatory affairs entails and some of the tough decisions she had to make that led to her present career as a MSL.

With guidance and industry connections from our faculty advisor, Dr. Williams Ettouati, IFG was able to bring many representatives from the pharmaceutical industry to SSPPS. IFG would not have been possible without the support of our fellow students, especially Wei Tai (P1), Nick Vu (P1), Sophie Bordson (P2), and Chris Mapes (P2). Thank you all who came out to our events and we look forward to bringing you more in the future.



2011 Student Leadership Award Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the 2011 Student Leadership Awards:

- Ann Bui, Pacific
- Susan Cho, UCSD
- Emily Garispe, Loma Linda
- Yumi Honda, Touro
- Linda Quan, UCSF
- Eunice Rhee, USC
- Amy Tran, WesternU
- Daniel Yerekhman, CNCP

The Student Leadership Award was established to recognize the contribution of pharmacy students to CSHP, the pharmacy profession, and local communities. Each year, one student from each of the California schools of pharmacy is eligible to receive this award. Their outstanding activities in pharmacy and/or community service have been exemplary.

UCSD SSPPS student pharmacists volunteer for (SCAMP) Camp

By Stephanie Chauv P-2 and Beverley A. Freedman, R.Ph.

At the start of summer vacation some of our students set out for camp! This was no ordinary camp! -SCAMP camp is a camp for children with asthma. Through the collaboration with the California Society of Health Systems Pharmacists (CSHP) –UCSD Chapter, and the American Lung Association, and largely due to the tremendous hard work of Stephanie Chauv, a dream became a reality- for the first time, student pharmacists got to volunteer at the 38th annual Southern California Asthma Management Program (SCAMP) Camp for children with asthma.

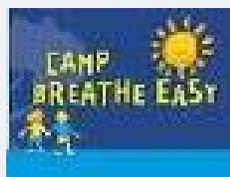
SCAMP camp gives children with asthma the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities and, at the same time, learn how to better manage their asthma. All of this is done under the supervision of medical volunteers: doctors, nurses, respiratory therapists, pharmacists, and – for the very first time – student-pharmacists.

The adventurous first group of volunteer student pharmacists set out on June 26th, 2011 for the warm region of Julian, CA. Over seven days at camp, the student-pharmacists lived in dormitories and worked closely with asthma experts from a variety of health care disciplines. The volunteer student pharmacists were permitted to administer medications, provide asthma education, and help kids better control their asthma. Each morning and evening, as part of the camp routine, the student volunteers helped administer medications to over 150 kids: passing out inhalers and observing inhaler techniques. It was remarkable to see how many camp participants were not making appropriate and effective use of their inhalers through poor techniques. This was where our student-pharmacists stepped in and made the biggest impact. Together with the knowledge of asthma inhaler techniques learned in the winter quarter of Pharmacy Practice and the on-site training received from asthma experts, our student-pharmacists were well equipped to not only explain proper inhaler technique, but to also empower the kids to take control of their asthma by doing so.

The daily asthma educational activities provided as part of the camp included explaining the differences between rescue versus maintenance inhalers through a “medication twister” game. An unforgettable education experience was the anatomy demonstration using an actual pig lung. The camp participants were given the opportunity to feel the airways of the pig lung. This important exercise showed them how air gets into the lungs and the importance of proper use of their inhalers.

Not only was SCAMP Camp an empowering experience for the kids, but it was also equally as rewarding for our student-pharmacists and medical volunteers. Camp set the stage for an environment of teamwork and inter-professional development. Every medical volunteer was able to contribute their services and our student-pharmacists did an exceptional job representing our profession and our school.

This experience could not have been made possible without the hard work of our CSHP-UCSD Chapter president, Stephanie Chauv; ALA camp coordinator, Kenyatta Parker, on-site pharmacist, Debbie Pham and of course our student-pharmacist volunteers: Mackenzie Bear, Jon Benner, Carissa Chan, Stephanie Chauv, Jennifer Gin, Sheryl Gong, Gabriel Gonzaga, Rebecca Kandilian, Tiffany Lee, and Karen Wu and our preceptors: Dr. Beverley, Dr. Charles Freedman, M.D. and Dr. Marie Scott. We hope that this is the start of many more years of SCAMP camp experience for our students.



A First Health Fair at Wesley First United Methodist Church By Binh Tran, Pharm.D.

The Health Fair at Wesley First United Methodist Church on May 22, 2011 was a big success, thanks to the wonderful participation of all. This was the first time the Asian Pacific Health Foundation organized a Health Fair at this site, so we could not anticipate the turn-out, but the church members and community members came in great numbers (128 in total). Long lines at the cholesterol and glaucoma screening stations showed the popularity of these tests.

Dr Robert Gish stopped by to see the medical and pharmacy students and all the volunteers at work, and even spoke to a few patients in Vietnamese!

Nhat Pham was an excellent coordinator, spending much time on logistics and coaching the volunteers on their tasks. Kristiana Nguyen from the APHF took care of registration and lunch, and oriented everyone to their designated stations.

Patients were seated in the middle of the auditorium and waited their turn to get their blood pressure and blood glucose measured. Heartburn awareness and immunization guidelines were provided, along with the novel electronic patient medication history from the Skaggs School of Pharmacy students. In a corner of the room, bone densitometry was performed by technicians from the on site Wellness Program.



The recently renovated building had several classrooms fitted for Hepatitis B and Cholesterol screenings. Glaucoma screenings for the Student Vision Savers Program, were conducted in 2 adjacent rooms: eye pressure measurements in one room, and eye exams by Dr. Michelson and other ophthalmologists in the dark room.

At 1:00 PM, Dr. Ton Tran presented Updates on Hepatitis B and Osteoporosis in Asian Populations with a questions and answers session at the end.

One hundred twenty-eight persons registered at the health fair, with eighty-five being screened for Hepatitis B. Twenty-two persons (25.88%) were non-immune, 59 (69.41%) showed immunity, and 4 (4.71%) showed positive results with Hepatitis. The SSPPS teams performed the screening for hypertension on 71, cholesterol on 75 and diabetes on 92 persons. Heartburn assessment was provided to 10 and immunization information to 40 attendees.

For glaucoma screening, Dr. Michelson communicated that of the 63 patients seen, 19 were referred for various ophthalmic conditions other than glaucoma and 3 were referred for further glaucoma evaluation and possible treatment. The other 41 patients had no specific suspicion of glaucoma or other ocular problems but were encouraged to maintain routine annual or biannual exam schedules.

We thank the sponsors: - Greg Nolan at Gilead Sciences, Karen Georgiou at Bristol-Myers-Squibb, and Russ Shood at Warner-Chilcott, Rev. Cuong Nguyen and Rev. Toan Le, Dr. Michelson and ophthalmologists and students of the Student Eye Savers Program, Dr. Robert Gish, Medical Director of the Center for Hepatobiliary and Abdominal Transplantation at UCSD Medical Center., Eric Cooper, PharmD, preceptor, Sang Luu, P3, and all the student pharmacists, City College students and other volunteers.

UCSD Embarks to Change Diabetes Curriculum within Pharmacy Schools Across the Nation

By Melissa D. Neighbors, P-4

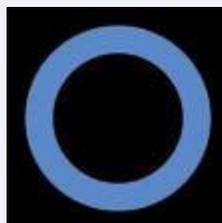
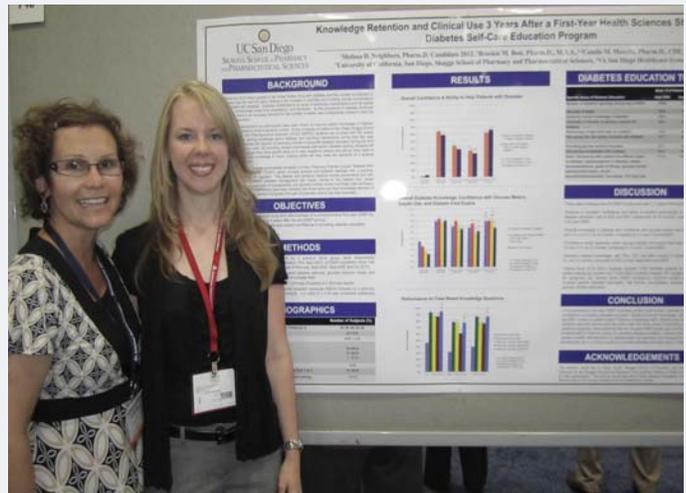
In the United States, 25.8 million people are living with diabetes and this number is projected to double over the next 40 years. Adding to the increase in morbidity and mortality are the complications associated with diabetes. Diabetes contributes to an array of secondary complications such as kidney failure, nontraumatic lower limb amputations, and blindness. As the prevalence of diabetes continues to grow, the demand increases for the number of health care professionals trained to treat this patient population.

Clinical interventions by pharmacists have been shown to improve patient knowledge of diabetes and have helped patients achieve glycemic control. At the University of California San Diego Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (UCSD SSPPS), students are provided with the unique opportunity to gain knowledge about diabetes and non-drug interventions during their first year curriculum, whereas the majority of pharmacy schools incorporate diabetes education during the third or fourth academic year. By providing student pharmacists with early diabetes training, students are able to apply the knowledge they have learned early on in their academic careers, and they will be more likely to retain and use this knowledge in future practice, which will help meet the demands of a growing diabetes population.

At UCSD SSPPS, student pharmacists complete a nine hour Pharmacy Practice Course, Diabetes Self-Care Education Program (DSEP), which includes lectures and textbook readings with a practical, hands-on educational approach. The didactic and hands-on sections involve preventative and self-care diabetes education, diabetes management with insulin, caring for the diabetic foot, insulin administration, management of hypoglycemia, and glucose monitor review and finger stick technique.

Student pharmacists from the Class of 2011 have been followed throughout their academic career to assess their knowledge retention of the diabetes material learned during their first year of pharmacy school, and on June 27th, this data was presented at the American Diabetes Association 71st Scientific Sessions Meeting held in San Diego. Conference attendees were impressed to learn of UCSD's unique diabetes training model and that our student pharmacists are confident in providing diabetes education to patients, especially early on in their career as students

The majority of students from the Class of 2011 used this training clinically within their first three years of pharmacy school to assist patients, demonstrating that this training model may provide additional healthcare professionals to meet the needs of a growing diabetes epidemic. Having direct patient access coupled with education in disease-state management and therapeutics, student pharmacists are in a unique position to provide diabetes education early in their training.



Student Organizations Unite to Help Veterans at the VA Stand Down By Rebecca Kandilian, P-1

To most, walking into a high school football field recreates memories of school spirit, football games, and cheerleading squads. But, walking into San Diego High School's football field on the weekend of July 15th, added a completely different image and feel to a high school football field. With trucks filled with clothes parked just outside the field, and military tents erected right next to each other hugging its circumference, the UCSD Student Pharmacists entered the 23rd annual VA Stand Down. Organized by The Veteran's Village of San Diego, the VA Stand Down is a three-day event that aims to provide refuge and assistance of various types to veterans who, although no longer fight for our country, fight everyday to survive. Taking an important part in the



pharmacy services were the UCSD Skaggs School of Pharmacy student chapter of CSHP, APhA and ASCP. Students, despite their busy summer schedules, made time to lend a hand to the veterans.



Left to Right: Denise Herano, Tiffany Lee, Pamela Saarikoski, Stephanie Shu and Jeff Yin

At the pharmacy tent, the student pharmacists formed two groups. One solely provided hypertension screenings, the other helped dispense medications.

Under the supervision of local pharmacists, both groups first assessed the overall well being of the patient, suggested lifestyle modifications as necessary and provided pertinent information on the use of their medications. While some patients, due to the severity of their current medical condition, were referred to the medical tent for immediate attention, others simply needed encouraging words to maintain their spirit to fight. By Sunday afternoon, nearly 1000 homeless veterans were served and as the medications were put away and the tents disassembled, the students, too, went their separate ways with a renewed motivation to start the new school year.



Left to Right: Andrea Chan & Jeff Yin

Marianne Manchester was named the American Society for Microbiology Plenary Lecturer at the 30th Annual Meeting of the American Society for Virology, Minneapolis, MN July 18 2011.

Marianne Manchester's book, "Viral Nanoparticles: Tools for Materials Science and Biomedicine" has been published by PanStanford, Singapore, Inc. This new book surveys this rapidly growing field and summarizes the work done by engineers, chemists, physicists, materials scientists, medical researchers and others; the viruses used, and the applications. The book has been featured in several national media outlets.



Charles E. Daniels, R.Ph., Ph.D., Associate Dean and Pharmacist-In-Chief, has been elected to the honor of Correspondants Etrangers (Foreign Correspondent) by the Academie nationale de Pharmacie in France. Foreign correspondents are chosen from among those who have distinguished themselves in work with the academy. Dr. Daniels was nominated for his work in hospital pharmacy. He will receive the honor in Paris in December.



The Pharmacogenomics Education Program is teaming up with SDPharmNet to present a seminar titled, "Pharmacogenomics in Clinical Practice". Dr. Grace Kuo, Associate Professor of Clinical Pharmacy, Associate Dean for Academic Clinical Affairs, and Director of SDPharmNet™ and PharmGenEd™ will be hosting the seminar. Three speakers from different Health Systems will present how pharmacogenomics evidence is translated into clinical practice. We would also like to learn from you about what pharmacogenomics services are offered at your health systems. Program information will be forwarded upon registration. We invite you to share this invitation with your associates who have an interest in pharmacogenomics. Please join us on Tuesday, September 20 from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm at the Faculty Club. Limited seating is available. Your registration RSVP is required at the following website:

<https://kuooffice.wufoo.com/forms/pharmacogenomics-in-clinical-practice-seminar/>

Light refreshments will be provided and reserved parking will be available.

A Long-Lasting Legacy

By Binh Tran, Pharm.D.

On July 22, 2011, the Deans, Faculty and students at the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences had the honor to meet with Dr. Caroline Hatton from UCLA and her guest Laureline Delacotte, a 4th year pharmacy student visiting from France.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AT SSPPS

Dean Palmer Taylor and David Adler, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs gave, an overview of the academic programs at the school. Dr Kathryn Nguyen, Director of Development and Global Alliances, Dr. James Colbert, Associate Dean for Experiential Education, and Binh Tran, Executive Director of the Asian Pacific Health

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Foundation presented the overseas programs, including the Global Advanced Pharmacy Practice Elective in Viet Nam starting in 2009 and Taiwan in 2010.

Interestingly, the three students who went for the rotation in the spring of 2009: Kay Hien Nguyen, Lannie Duong, and Vy Tran are participating in the Pharmacy CE Program at the 7th International Convention of the Vietnamese Physicians, Dentists and Pharmacists in the Free World to be held in Toronto, Canada on August 11 to 14, 2011. Kay will present on *Hypercalcemia in malignancy*, Lannie will talk on *Ambulatory care services*, and Vy will discuss on *Warfarin in anticoagulation therapy management*, reflecting the activities at their current pharmacy practice sites. This Pharmacy CE program is sponsored by the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences for up to a total of seven hours of CAPE credit.

In 2010, the school organized the APPE courses in Taiwan, with three students enrolled. Likewise, two more students participated in the program in Vietnam.

DR DONG TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Why is Dr. Caroline Hatton interested in the SSPPS overseas educational activities? The answer lies in the Dr Dong To Scholarship Fund, to which her parents are notable benefactors. The origin traces back to the pharmacy review classes funded by the San Diego County in 1984-85 to retrain the Vietnamese pharmacist graduates, and prepare them to take the Pharmacy Equivalency Exam. Dr Dong To, former Dean of the Saigon School of Pharmacy worked closely with Dr. David Adler and the faculty from UCSF to teach the pharmacy courses on the UCSD campus. In 2005, Deans Taylor and Adler took the initiative for the Scholarship Fund in honor of Dr. To, and Binh rallied all the former classmates at UCSD and



subsequent enrollees at UCI to contribute to this fund. Mr. and Mrs. Do Hong Chuc, Caroline's parents, were present on the Scholarship Fund Reception Day on November 19, 2006 at the School of Pharmacy.

Each year, the Dr Dong To Scholarship is awarded to two pharmacy students who have shown great leadership capabilities and a strong desire to extend pharmacy education globally. This year, Jiah Kim and Colleen Tu are the recipients of this award.

A PHARMACIST'S FAMILY LEGACY

In an excellent slide presentation, Dr. Hatton highlighted the sequence of events leading her family of pharmacists from Viet Nam to France and the United States in some 50 years. After their parents passed away, Caroline and her brother continued as benefactors to the fund. The slides showed a journey full of insights from a loving daughter to her parents, a pharmacist relating the experiences of pharmacy practice in Saigon, Viet Nam, Normandy and Paris, France, and a scientist specializing in sports pharmacy affiliated with UCLA, California, perpetuating a legacy for generations of pharmacists. One more activity graces Dr. Hatton's multifaceted career: children's books author. Among the dozen books for all ages that she brought, two were especially written for the younger set: *A Pet for Grandma* to reinforce the spirit of the three-generation family, and *Surprise Moon* on the traditional lanterns and moon cakes at the mid-autumn festival in Viet Nam.

Class of 2006 5-Year Reunion By Shelly Fromholtz

On June 17th and 18th, in coordination and partnership with UCSD Alumni, the SSPPS hosted its very first Alumni Reunion for the Charter Class of 2006. Believe it or not, it has been five years since the school graduated its very first pharmacists and there was a lot of catching up to do. A small but mighty group of alumni represented the Class of 2006 on this weekend: Drs. Sanam Ansari, Brandi Bain, Jason Lam, Lisa Mueller, Rachel Stengone, Shadi Vaccani, and Patty Lok.



The reunion weekend began with the SSPPS Alumni Reception at the Faculty Club on Friday, June 17th. As the former students walked into the reception, they were heartily welcomed by the eagerly awaiting SSPPS deans and faculty. Many smiles and laughs filled the room as the alumni reconnected with their former teachers and mentors and each other. A slide show that the students had put together at the end of their 4th year was playing in the background, evoking many guffaws at the “old” pictures of faculty and students.

On Saturday, June 18th, the alumni reunited with faculty, staff, students and alumni from other classes at the SSPPS Brunch & Greet held in the Health Sciences Education Center Lobby. The alumni took turns speaking for a few moments about what they’ve been doing with their lives since graduating from SSPPS. Later that night, wrapping things up, was the SSPPS Alumni Dinner at The Shores Restaurant in La Jolla. A lovely evening of lively conversation, wonderful food, pictures galore, and a spectacular view closed the Class of 2006’s first class reunion, and we very much look forward to the next one!

A sincere and heartfelt **Thank You** goes out to Lisa Kellogg from UCSD Alumni for helping us sponsor and organize SSPPS’s first class reunion.



4th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception By Shelly Fromholtz



The Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences honored its many volunteers with the 4th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Reception, Wednesday, July 27th, in the Health Sciences Education Center Lobby. The school is fortunate to receive volunteer help from high quality pharmacists across the county serving in every capacity possible helping to educate and train our students. Among many other tasks, they lecture in classes, precept IPPEs and APPEs, donate products, serve as mentors, and advise on research projects. In a short program, Dean Palmer Taylor and Dr. Brookie Best thanked the volunteers on the school’s behalf and detailed how important their volunteer contributions are to the success of our students’ educations.

Clinical Faculty Accomplishments

By Grace Kuo, Pharm.D., M.P.H., Ph.D.

CLINICAL FACULTY RECRUITMENT



Dr. Douglas Humber, Health Sciences Associate Clinical Professor, has joined the school as a full-time faculty starting July 1, 2011. Dr. Humber has 13 years of clinical pharmacy experience with an emphasis in cardiology, anticoagulation, and critical care. Among his numerous previous achievements, he has served as Chair of the Clinical Council (2008-2011) and Director of PGY2 Pharmacy Residency in Critical Care (2004-2009) at UCSD Medical Center Pharmacy Department. He has received the Preceptor of the Year Award (2002) and the Volunteer Faculty Member of the Year Award (2007). He currently serves as faculty preceptor at UCSD's Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center, teaching pharmacy students and residents in both the acute and ambulatory care settings. He will be co-chairing the Therapeutics Course.

HONORS and AWARDS

Dr. Felix Yam is appointed to ASHP Section Advisory Group (SAG) for Pharmacy Practice Experiences.

Dr. Nathan Painter and Dr. Sarah McBane became members of the San Diego Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force.

Dr. Sarah McBane is appointed to serve as the Chair of the Advocacy Task Force for AACP's Section of Pharmacy Practice.

Thirty ACCP members have been elected Fellows of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy and will be recognized during a special ceremony on October 16 at the College's 2011 Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Recognition as a Fellow is awarded to ACCP members who have demonstrated a sustained level of excellence in clinical pharmacy practice and/or research. Three UCSD SSPPS Faculty members have been elected to this prestigious honor: **Dr. Grace Kuo, Dr. Jennifer Le, and Dr. Kelly Lee.**

CLINICAL SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

IMG Diabetes Self-Management Clinic, co-developed and co-run by **Dr. Renu Singh**, has been awarded a contract with UCSD Medical Group and services will be expanded to a total of three weekly sites: IMG La Jolla, Lewis street clinics, and the Medical Offices South building. **Drs. Sarah McBane and Nathan Painter**, both Certified Diabetes Educators, will also join this service as providers.

Dr. Felix Yam will be serving as the Pharmacist for the Hospitalist program at The VA Medical Center. He will assist the service with the development of guidelines and protocols to standardize clinical practice, quality improvement projects, and involve in health services research opportunities.

Dr. Kelly Lee has been appointed to the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee at UCSD Outpatient Psychiatric Services. Dr. Lee also serves on the Clozapine Initiation and Monitoring service with the Mood Mini-Clinic at the UCSD Outpatient Psychiatric Services.

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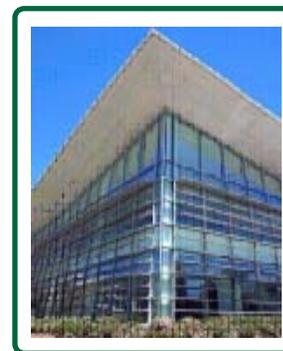
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GRANT AWARDS

Dr. Eduardo Fricovsky received \$1,000 for classroom purposes from the Society of Chemical Industry and American Chemical Society. He was nominated by his former student, Eli Castro, as an outstanding teacher who played a significant role in his choice of college major.

Dr. Felix Yam is awarded the 2011 American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education (AFPE) Pharmacy Faculty Development Fellowship in Geriatric Pharmacy. This is a six-month Faculty Development Fellowship with a stipend of \$25,000, matched by UCSD for a total of \$50,000. His research project is entitled: "Evaluating Medication Regimen Complexity During Transition of Care in an Elderly Veteran Population".

Dr. Linda Awdishu and Dr. Robert Steiner (Nephrologist) were awarded \$36,000 from Novartis for their T32 research study "Measuring Prednisone Exposure in Chronic Renal Transplant Recipients".

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES and OUTREACH

Dr. Sarah McBane continues serving as a key faculty member of the San Diego Pharmacy Residency Leadership (SDPRL) Teaching Certificate Program.

Dr. Kelly Lee served as primary preceptor for Depression Awareness community educational project with P4 students Susan Cho and Marina Zotova. The events were held at the Free Clinics in Downtown and Pacific Beach.

Congratulations and Thank You!

Outstanding Teachers Awarded

By Shelly Fromholtz



Eight APPE and IPPE preceptors were awarded Outstanding Teacher Awards for the 2010-2011 academic year at the Preceptor Skills Workshop held on Saturday, August 27th: Drs. Panteha Kelly, UCSD Internal Medicine Group; Marie Scott, Kaiser Permanente; Jilian Skog, Scripps Mercy Hospital; Gary Thomas, Rite Aid Pharmacy; Juan Toledo, UCSD MC Hillcrest; Binh Tran, Asian Pacific Health Foundation; Henry Walker, Kaiser Permanente; and Alice Yu, UCSD Thornton Hospital. These preceptors continually go above and beyond the call of duty and continually receive rave reviews on the students' evaluations of them. Their unrelenting dedication to the school and outstanding service to our students is inspiring and very sincerely appreciated. Thank you and Congratulations!