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October was Pharmacy Month
October was busy with American Pharmacists Month, National Pharmacy Week (Oct. 16-22), and Women in Pharmacy Day (Oct. 12). All are important ways to recognize the impact pharmacists make on their patient's lives and increase awareness of the vital role pharmacists play as part of the healthcare team. Pharmacists are often the unrecognized heroes in detecting and preventing adverse drug events before a drug even reaches a patient. We are thankful for our team, and the impact they have in educating future pharmacists, the impact they make on drug therapy at the individual level, and the impact they make on influencing population health.



Patel Receives Campus Research Award
Dr. Manisha Patel, PhD, was honored at the CU Anschutz Research Awards Ceremony with the Faculty Research Excellence Award. Dr. Patel was selected for this distinguished award out of the more than 100 nominations which were submitted.

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Anderson's Study on Medicare Goes Viral
Dr. Kelly Anderson, PhD, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) analyzing the benefits and harms of prior authorization (PA) policies for Medicare and the impact these policies have on patients and clinicians. The study looks at the policy care delivery in Medicare Advantage (MA), which covers more than 48 percent of Medicare beneficiaries and can affect clinical operations. It was picked up in numerous media publications, including *Medical Life Sciences News* and *American Journal of Managed Care*.

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McQueen Awarded \$600K to Develop Predictive Diabetes Tool
Dr. R. Brett McQueen, PhD, along with his colleagues at the University of Exeter, UK, have been awarded a two-year, \$600K grant from JDRF to develop a comprehensive web-based tool to inform global public health adoption and therapeutic investment decisions on the costs and benefits of identifying people at risk of type-1 diabetes (T1D) world-wide.

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CU Pharmacy Sees Success at ACCP
We have something to celebrate after a stellar show at the annual American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) conference. Dr. Brian Hemstreet was inducted as the new ACCP President of the Board of Regents and Dr. Paul Reynolds received the ACCP Critical Care PRN Educator Award.

- Drs. Rob Maclaren and Ty Kiser finished their Board of Regents and Board of Trustees service for ACCP. Dr. Kiser was also recognized as an outstanding reviewer for the ACCP journal *Pharmacotherapy*.
- Dr. Lucas Orth became the chair-elect of the 22-23 PedIPRN
- Student Melissa Maffei served on the Public and Professional Relations committee
- Our poster presenters included Drs. Yee Ming Lee, James Martin, and Rachel Lowe, and students Courtney Pos, Brittney Sjulstad, and Ellie DeGagne.



Research Featured on Journal Cover
The Distance Degrees and Programs team had its research selected as the cover image for Pharmacy journal. Drs. Paul Reynolds, Ralph Altieri, Kari Franson, Tina Brock, Jodi Malhotra, Shaun Gleason, along with Rachel Wagmeister, are authors of the study, "Predicting the Success of International Pharmacists in a Distance-Based US Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) Program: Results from a 5-Year Cohort."

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Alumni Zone
Look here for the monthly alumni spotlights, upcoming events, and opportunities to get involved!



Alumni Spotlight: 2022 Alumni Awards
It was homecoming weekend, and The Alumni Association of the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences held their third-annual Alumni Awards which honored three outstanding alumni, spanning three generations of pharmacists.

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CU Pharmacy Tailgate
CU Pharmacy alumni spanning 60 years of graduates gathered with their friends and family, along with students, faculty, and staff, on the CU Boulder campus, Saturday, Oct. 29 to celebrate the annual Homecoming event at Ralphie's Corral.

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Thought Leaders
Monthly overview of faculty in the news and their published research.

In The News

- **Journal for Pediatrics**, [Making Polypharmacy Safer for Children with Medical Complexity](#), by Lucas Orth, PharmD
- **Cancer Network**, [Identification of Treatment Options and Supportive Care Strategies in AML](#), feat. Jennifer K. Tobin, PharmD, RPh

Research Roundup

- **ACS Appl Mater Interfaces**, [PEGylation of Phosphatidylglycerol Dicosahexanoic Acid Hexosomes with d-α-Tocopheryl Succinate Poly\(ethylene glycol\)₂₀₀ Induces Morphological Transformation into Vesicles with Prolonged Circulation Times](#), Bor G. Lin, J.H. Lin, K.Y. Chen, H.C. Pranjantira, P. Salentinn, S. Hsieh, P.K. Moghni, S.M. Yagmur A. 2022 Oct 22. doi: 10.1021/acsami.2c14375. Online ahead of print. PMID: 36271846
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