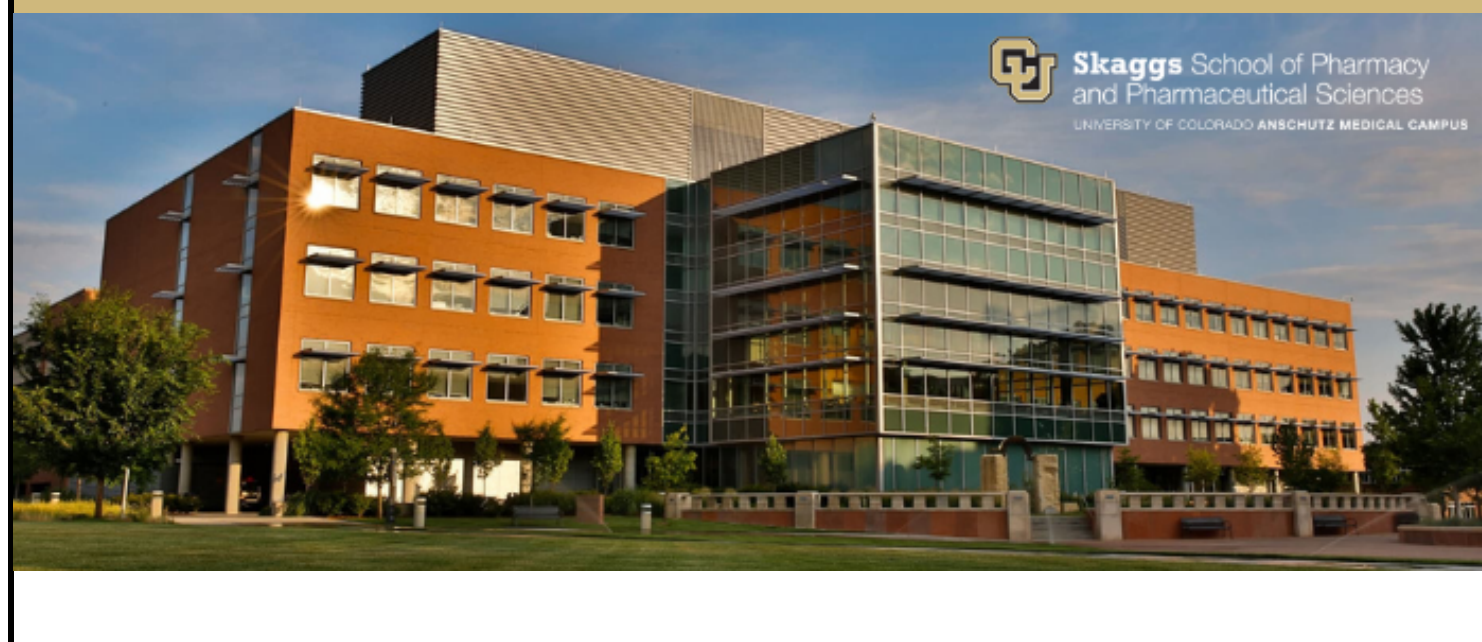


eScripts is a monthly newsletter highlighting faculty, staff, students and alumni of the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.



May 2023



Residency Match Rate Above the National Average

CU Pharmacy's overall combined PGY1 Phase I and II match rate was 85 percent, which was above the national average of 83 percent.



Anchordoquy, Kiser Win Teaching Awards

Tom Anchordoquy, PhD, and Ty Kiser, PharmD, were selected as this year's University teaching award winners. Dr. Anchordoquy will be honored with the Chancellor's Teaching Award and Dr. Kiser will be receiving the President's Teaching Award. Both will be recognized during the commencement ceremonies on May 22.



Nair Accepted into Colorado Immersion Training

Kavita Nair, PhD, was accepted into this year's Colorado Immersion Training (CIT) in Community Engagement Program. CIT is a unique community-campus educational initiative that aims to introduce an expanded pool of researchers to community-based participatory research (CBPR) and community engagement.



CU Pharmacy Participates in Denver's 1st Annual Black Men in White Coats Youth Summit

Hilda B. Ndikum, PharmD, along with clinical instructor and alumni board member Harold Okocha, PharmD, organized CU Pharmacy's participation in the first annual Black Men in White Coats Youth Summit. The day was filled with mentorship, medical exposure, and networking to strengthen the future of healthcare. Students and parents of all genders and ethnicities in 3rd grade and up attended to learn more about medical professions.



PhD Candidate Chairs Seminar

Paige Anton, PhD candidate in the McCullough Lab, co-chaired the Gordon Research Seminar which was held from March 25-26th in Ventura, California. Trainees from across the country met to showcase and discuss the latest advancements in the field of alcohol-induced end organ diseases. They shared their latest work, networked with each other and with established scientists, and learned from alcohol researchers across the US and globe.



Students Create Planetary Report Card, Benchmark for Improvement

Every Earth Day the international Planetary Report Card is released, and for the first time CU Pharmacy was one of the four contributing pharmacy schools around the world. The report card was contributed to by students in Dr. Tina Brock's Human Health and Climate Change elective class, a partnership between pharmacy, nursing, and medical students from CU Anschutz, Montana and Australia. The Planetary Health Report Card is a metric-based tool for evaluating and improving planetary health content in health professional schools. Results help track institutional change over time. At the School of Pharmacy, students evaluated and provided recommendations on curriculum, research, community outreach and advocacy, support for student-led initiatives and campus sustainability.

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Alumni Zone

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



Alumni Spotlight: Hien Pham

Giving up has never been an option for 2003 PharmD graduate Hien Pham. Not even a cancer diagnosis could disrupt her goal of becoming a pharmacist and living life to the fullest. In celebration of Asian-American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month this May, we feature Hien's inspiring story.

[Read more](#)



Spring Alumni Forum Thursday, May 11, 6PM

Join us at the Blue Moon Brewery in the Denver RiNo neighborhood for appetizers and a drink for the Spring 2023 CU Pharmacy Alumni Forum!

This semester's event will feature Associate Dean for Operations Dr. Gina Moore providing an update on the latest developments in legislative advocacy as it relates to the pharmacy profession.

This networking opportunity is open to all CU Pharmacy alumni, students and friends. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required.

[Register Today](#)



Preceptors Needed at Health Fairs

Preceptors are needed for two upcoming health fairs coordinated by the Center for African American Health. The Women's Health Fair is scheduled for **Saturday, May 6, 8 AM-Noon**. A Senior Health and Fitness Day will take place **Wednesday, May 31, 3-7 PM**. Both health fairs are located at 3350 Hudson St., Denver, CO. For more information or to sign up, please contact '06 alumnus Dr. Bryan Killam at killamrxr@gmail.com.

[Email Dr. Killam](#)



In Case You Missed it... Alumni Heroes!

If you missed the recent Alumni Heroes Celebration held Thursday, April 20 at Pindustry in Greenwood Village, you can enjoy the highlights captured on camera.

[View the photos](#)



Become an Alumni Ambassador

The CU Pharmacy Alumni Association is looking for alumni to join its Alumni Ambassador program. Sign up to be an ambassador today and receive communications on volunteer opportunities in your interest areas at the school and around the community. Alumni Ambassadors help share the future of pharmacy and share their pride of CU Pharmacy. Join today.

[Join the Ambassadors](#)



Alumni Nomination Season

It's nomination season for CU Pharmacy alumni. Here are two ways to show your School pride by nominating a fellow alumna/alumnus for either an alumni board position or for an alumni award.

Alumni Award Nominations: bit.ly/3KfT19ns
Alumni Board Nominations: bit.ly/3lWEAid

Career Services

Check here for featured job postings. We're proud to be one of the few schools of pharmacy with a Career Services Office devoted to helping students and alumni obtain employment.



Students and Alumni need to create a Handshake account, if they do not already have one, to apply to featured jobs. Click here to join: <https://app.joinhandshake.com/login>



FDA Overdose Labeling Fellowship

A research opportunity is available in the Office of Clinical Pharmacology (OCP), Office of Translational Sciences (OTS), Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) located in Silver Spring, Maryland. CDER performs an essential public health task by making sure that safe and effective drugs are available to improve the health of people in the United States. Under the guidance of the mentor, the participant will learn clinical pharmacology/toxicology as it relates to overdoses.

[Learn More and Apply](#)

Continuing Education

Live and online ACPE-accredited programs for life-long learning.



Advanced Diabetes Certificate Program: Use of Pattern Management in Tele-Practice

This program is designed to prepare pharmacists with the knowledge, skills, and practical training to use pattern management and technology to provide patient centered diabetes care. It provides comprehensive didactic instruction on key concepts for managing complex diabetes patients using current standards of practice and technology as well as practical training where pharmacists apply concepts in actual pharmacy practice settings.

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Register for Life-Long Learning in Pharmacy (LLLP) International Conference today!

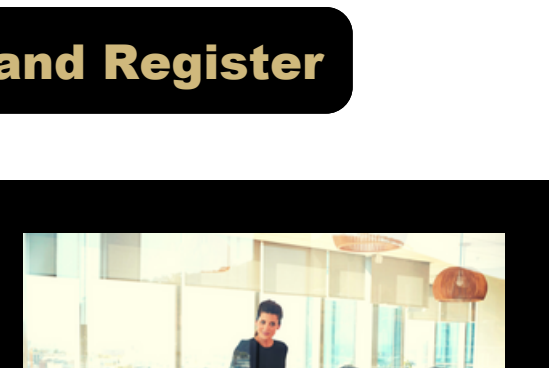
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Thought Leaders

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



In The News

- **State of Reform**, Colorado legislature considering bills to regulate PBM practices, improve access to prescription drugs, feat. Dr. Gina Moore, PharmD
- **Help Save Lives Today**, Concertgoers Allowed to Carry Narcan Into Some Festivals. [View the Photo](#)
- **USA Today**, Narcan at music festivals? The life-saving drug naloxone is coming to a concert near you, feat. Rob Valuck, PhD
- **AP News**, The 411 on marijuana use and cardiovascular health ahead of Free Day, feat. Robert Page, PharmD
- **STAT**, Led by students, a nascent climate movement is taking hold in medical education, feat. Dr. Tina Brock's collaborative class

Research Roundup

For more publications, check out our new feed on the CU Pharmacy Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences website.

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