

Faculty Promotion and Tenure

The Manchester University Board of Trustees has approved tenure status for the following Pharmacy Program faculty that will become effective July 1, 2016:

- Ozlem Ersin
- · Jennifer Henriksen
- David Kisor







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Advancing Pharmacy Practice through Interprofessional Education



On April 1st, the Pharmacy Program hosted medical students from Indiana University in an Interprofessional Education (IPE) event. Drs. Kisor and Calinski worked with members of the IU faculty to produce complex patient cases that relied on pharmacogenomics knowledge. The students worked in

interprofessional teams to solve the cases; they determined which genotypes should be tested based on the patient's medical background and recommended doing adjustments.





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Collaborative Practice Competition



The Manchester University ASHP chapter, along with nursing students from IPFW participated in a "Collaborative Practice Competition" (CPC). The competition was designed to simulate a collaborative rounding experience. An

interprofessional team of students were first given a part of a patient case. Then the team interacted with a standardized patient to gather more information such as labs, medication history, etc... The teams then came up with a diagnosis and care plan. Finally, each team presented their care plan to judges. After judge deliberation, an award ceremony followed announcing the winners, Stephanee Schrader (Pharmacy student), Ford Lee (Graduate Nursing student), Amy Barnes (Graduate Nursing Student), and Heidi Buffenbarger (Graduate Nursing student).



The winning team, Stephanee Schrader, Ford Lee, Amy Barnes, and Heidi Buffenbarger.



P1s (seated L to R) Natalia Suhali-Amacher, Bo An, Lexi MacDowell, Alex Barrett, and Sara Shahdoost Moghadam. P1s (standing) Shaun Say and Adrian Leos.

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APhA-ASP at Senior Day



Tuesday, April 12th, the Manchester University Chapter of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP) hosted a table at a local Walgreens during their monthly Senior Day event. Student pharmacists provided information about diabetes education and vaccinations along with blood pressure screenings. Thank you Walgreens.

Pharmacy Program's Annual Health Fair



The Pharmacy Program's annual Health Fair took place this Saturday, April 16th. This free event took place at the Downtown Central Branch YMCA in Fort Wayne, and featured student organizations providing free health information, screenings, and education to bring awareness to the importance of living a healthy lifestyle. Over 40 participants attended - great job to all who were involved in making this an excellent event!

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Cancer Day

April 6th marked the second-ever Cancer Day experience at Manchester University. Cancer Day is a three-hour experience, where students function in cross-class teams (i.e. – P1, P2, and P3) to complete and present a complex patient case. The presentations are evaluated by faculty members, with over 10 faculty members volunteering for the 2016 Cancer Day. The experience is a true integration of basic and clinical sciences, and it emphasizes peer-teaching, and engaged student interactions. In order for Cancer Day to be a success it relies on the participation of Fort Wayne community members, as standardized patients, faculty, staff, and of course the students. Thank you everyone for your involvement!

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2016 Spring Day of Service



April 27, 2016 was the Pharmacy Program's biannual Day of Service, which provides students with an opportunity to further develop their communication skills by presenting a poster on one of their service projects during the given semester. Half the student body presented a poster during the Fall semester and now the rest present this Spring. In addition, Dean Raylene Rospond

provided the keynote address, and several mini-sessions were offered to present new service opportunities in our region. Great job and thank you to all who participated!





P3 Sumer Hussein



P1s Tabarak Wutwut and Hanin Khatib

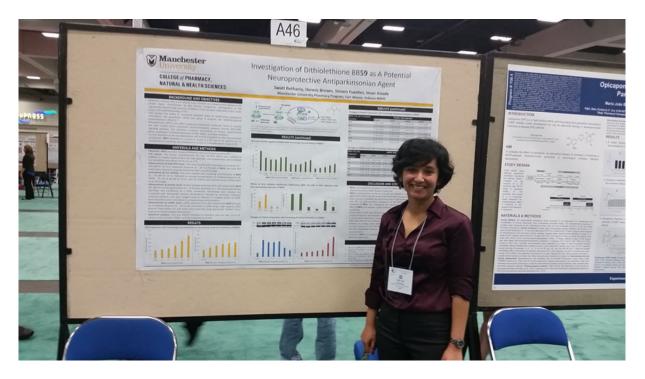


P3s Chudi Chukwudi and Scott Thurston giving their presentation.

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Fort Wayne Campus Faculty in the News



Dr. Swati Betharia attended the 2016 Experimental Biology meeting in San Diego in the first week of April. Here, she presented a poster based on research conducted in collaboration with Dr. Dennis Brown at Manchester University. The poster was titled 'Investigation of dithiolethione BB59 as a potential neuroprotective antiparkinsonian agent'. A part of this work will also be presented by pharmacy students Steven Fuentes (P3), Iman Aoude (P3), and Yamini Patel (P2) at the 2016 Manchester University Student Research Symposium to be held on April 29th.



Özlem H. Ersin, associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences, returned recently from Washington, D.C., where she met with Sen. Joe Donnelly and Third District Congressman Marlin Stutzman as part of a delegation from the American Public Health Association (APHA). The group asked the legislators for their continued support for public health funding. They also thanked Sen.

Donnelly for his support of the Senate Bill 524, the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016, which is making its way to the House. The bill is a bipartisan effort to address the alarming prescription drug epidemic in the nation.

https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/524 (https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/senate-bill/524)



On April 22nd Dr. Thomas Smith was invited to present at Indiana Tech's "Eyes on Psychology Conference". His presentation was titled: "Appropriate Use of Pharmacotherapy in Psychiatric Illness".



Dr. Ahmed Abdelmageed, along with his colleagues from the Fort Wayne Area Interprofessional Consortium, presented at the Interprofessional Education and Practice Conference hosted by IUPUI on April 26th.

Published Articles

Pharmacogenomics: Overview of Applications and Relation to Infusion Therapy

(http://journals.lww.com/journalofinfusionnursing/Abstract/2016/05000/Pharm Drs. Dave Kisor and Thomas Smith

Toward Further Uptake of Pharmacogenomics: Education of Pharmacy Students and Pharmacists

(https://personalizedmedicinecoalition.wordpress.com/2016/04/20/towards-

further-uptake-of-pharmacogenomics-education-of-pharmacy-students-and-pharmacists/)

Dr. Dave Kisor, chair of the pharmaceutical sciences department and director of the new Masters in Pharmacogenomics program wrote about pharmacy education and pharmacogenomics. The Pharmacogenomics Program starts in May 2016.

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Congratulations to P3 student Kacie Knapp! She was awarded the Joseph E. McSoley Scholarship, offered through the Pharmacy Education Foundation and awarded to a pharmacy student from each of the three colleges of pharmacy in Indiana.



Congratulations to P2 Maame Wireku! Maame was selected to participate in the Student Research Fellowship Program (SRFP) 2016. This program is cosponsored by the Midwest Alliance for Health Education and Indiana University School of Medicine-Fort Wayne. Her role in the program will be to conduct data collection, prepare a poster and write a manuscript under the guidance of a mentor.

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Inaugural Chess Tournament



Seventeen participants, and many others cheering them on, were part of the inaugural chess tournament for the Pharmacy program in early April. Students, faculty, and staff all participated in this event. Congratulations to Aakash Patel (P1) on winning first place in this tournament and claiming the "Chess Master" title for this year.



P3 Dan Rafael with tournament winner P1 Aakash Patel, P1 Sarah Shahdoost Moghadam and faculty member Dr. Nadithe.



Dr. Nadithe and P4 Safi Kahn.



P1 Ivalin Yordanov and P2 Melissa Gasmen.

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