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- *Research Supplies Available*
- *Upcoming deadlines for grant applications*
- *Updated IRB consent forms now available*

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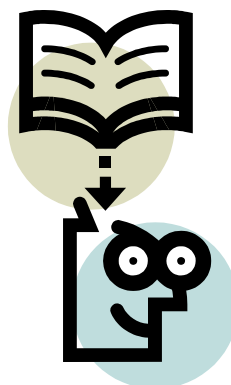
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The Graduate Program in Pharmaceutical Sciences

The name of the graduate department was changed in 2001 to "Graduate Pharmaceutical Sciences." Prior to that time, both the basic sciences department and the graduate department were designated as "Pharmaceutical Sciences", which resulted in considerable confusion.

As stipulated in the College bylaws, the Department of Graduate Pharmaceutical Sciences is chaired by the associate dean for graduate studies and research, currently Dr. Les Reinke.

The department offers graduate training in me-



dicinal chemistry, nuclear pharmacy, pharmaceuticals, pharmacology, pharmacy administration, and toxicology. Graduate training can also be provided in clinical sciences following development of an appropriate plan of graduate study. The Graduate Affairs and Research Com-

mittee of the College of Pharmacy serves as the advisory body for the graduate program.

New Graduate Students

This summer/fall, four new students are entering our graduate program. They are:

- Margarita Chebakova (PharmD/MS student)
- Shalley McDorman (M.S. program, Pharmacy Administration)
- Isaac Mitropoulos (PharmD/MS student)
- Kelly Williamson (Ph.D. program, Pharmacology/Toxicology)

Research Grants available from NCPA Foundation

The NCPA Foundation will provide pharmacy faculty up to \$50,000 to fund research areas of interest for 2003.

Each proposal should describe the need for the project and include a literature review, the research design, and the methodology used to

complete the project. At least one student in the professional pharmacy degree or graduate degree program must be included as part of the project team.

Preference will be given to applications that examine one of four areas germane to independent

community pharmacy practice: third-party payment programs, home health care, facilitating ownership, and innovation of technologies. **Application deadline is Aug. 15.** Inquiries and applications should be submitted electronically to Tom.Murry@ncpanet.org.

Graduate Faculty Appointments



Graduate faculty appointments may be requested by any College of Pharmacy faculty member. Guidelines for graduate faculty appointments and application forms are available at the Graduate College section of the OUHSC website.

Faculty members with unmodified titles should request appointment as a full member, while faculty members with modified titles may apply as asso-

ciate members. Four levels of responsibility may be requested: teaching graduate courses, serving on masters thesis committees, chairing masters thesis committees, or chairing doctoral committees.

Graduate faculty appointments must be renewed every five years for full members, and annually for associate members.

Please contact Dr. Les Reinke if you have questions about the procedure.

GRADUATE STUDENT NEWS!

Our returning students and their area of emphasis:

Tam Bui, Ph.D. candidate, Pharmacy Administration

Byron Curtis, Ph.D. candidate, Pharmacology/Toxicology

Gautam Damera, Ph.D. candidate, Medicinal Chemistry

Tara Jenkins, Ph.D. candidate, Pharmacy Administration

Yun Liu, Ph.D. candidate, Pharmacology/Toxicology

Sandeep Misri, Ph.D. candidate, Medicinal Chemistry

Quentin Phung, Ph.D. candidate, Pharmacy Administration

Rahul Pradhan, M.S. candidate, Pharmaceutics

Preeti Tendolkar, Ph.D. candidate, Medicinal Chemistry

In addition, Debra Gilmore is a Ph.D. candidate in Neurosciences, who is working in the laboratory of Dr. Rae Matsumoto.

Congratulations to Tam Bui and Tara Jenkins who passed their General Examinations earlier this summer.

Our first two Pharm.D. / M.S. students are now completing their first summer of graduate work.

Approval of the PharmD./MS Program

At their May 2003 meeting, the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents approved the dual degree program proposed by the College of Pharmacy. The advantage of dual degree programs is that a limited number of hours may be shared between two different programs, allowing students to work concurrently toward two degrees. Our dual degree program has been designed so that students may complete their Master of Science degree within 12 months of attaining their Doctor of Pharmacy degree. In order to be eligible for this program, students must complete at least one year of the Pharm.D. curriculum with a minimum professional grade point average of 3.0. Prior research experience is strongly recommended.

Our first two Pharm.D./M.S. students are now completing their first summer of graduate work. Rita Chebakova is working with Dr. Tracy Hageman in pediatric therapeutics, and Isaac Mitropoulos is working with Dr. Holly Hoffman in infectious diseases. Both Rita and Isaac are starting their P3 year in the College of Pharmacy.

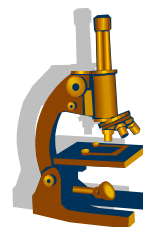
Managing Laboratory Personnel

Please remember that if a person leaves your laboratory and was supported by a sponsored account, it would be best for all vacation hours to be expended prior to the termination date. If an employee has accumulated any personal leave hours, it will be deducted from your grant account in the next month's payroll report.

The following is quoted from the Policies and Procedures Manual:

Employees appointed to grants and contracts accounts are expected to use all earned paid leave time during the specified period of their appointment, unless the grant or contract contains a separate account with sufficient funds to pay for accumulated leave time upon termination or the department to which the employee is transferring is willing to accept it. If such funds are not available, paid leave time must be transferred into the short-term disability account at the time the employee terminates or the grant or contract is discontinued."

Please check <http://admin-scb.ouhsc.edu/policy/policy/sec96.htm> for more information.



Change in biosketch pages

For applications using PHS398 form pages, take note that the "other support" section of your biosketch pages should no longer include information regarding (1) percent effort and (2) total direct costs of current support.

Change in status for laboratory personnel

If there is a change of status for personnel in your laboratory, please contact Paula Meder. Terminations, new hires or change in grant support all require a personnel action form to initiate the process. Your help would be appreciated in this matter.

Research Supplies Available

Over the past few months, vacant laboratories have been cleared of excess equipment and chemicals, and will soon be ready for occupancy by faculty members to be recruited in the near future. Supplies that may be used by many of our faculty have been placed in several centralized locations, and are available at no cost.

Chemicals and biochemicals: Many of the more "standard" materials have been added to Dr. Les Reinke's chemical inventory; check with him for items you may need.

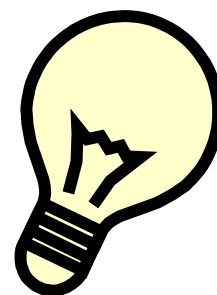
Organic solvents: A flammable storage cabinet formerly located in Rm 254 has been relocated to the dock storage area. We have an especially large inventory of HPLC-grade methanol and acetonitrile on hand.

Rm 254 has been established as a location for a variety of supplies and small equipment that may be useful to our faculty. Examples:

- Syringes (1 to 30 ml) and needles (18 to 27 gauge)
- Tissue homogenizers, many sizes and types
- Waters gradient HPLC system
- Various types of small equipment

Rm 357 can be used as shared laboratory space. A Shimadzu UV/VIS spectrophotometer is now available in this room, and we hope to acquire additional core equipment for this facility.

Three grant applications were submitted by the College of Pharmacy faculty during June & July 2003



More News You Can Use Regarding Grants & Contracts

UPDATED IRB CONSENT FORM

This is to inform Investigators who submit studies for review by the IRB, that a revised informed consent template has been posted on the IRB website:

[Http://w3.ouhsc.edu/ora/irb/IRB%202003/consent%20template%20071403%20word%20doc.doc](http://w3.ouhsc.edu/ora/irb/IRB%202003/consent%20template%20071403%20word%20doc.doc)

Revision #1 pertains to language required by the HIPAA regulations and can be found in the third paragraph of the section titled, "What Are My Rights."

Revision #2 pertains to an explanation of the witness signature requirement and can be found at the end of the "Signature" section.

If you are submitting a new project, submitting a study for continuing review that is still enrolling subjects, or revising a currently-approved consent, please download and use the new version of the consent template. The form itself has a version date on the last page of 071403. To answer any questions regarding this announcement, please feel free to contact Pamela Cedeno at 271-2045.

CONTRACT VS. GRANT APPLICATION

You'll be hearing more about the specifics involved in submitting a contract. But for now, if you are confused whether it should be a contract or a grant application—any research that requires IACUC, IRB, IBC or radiation safety approval should be processed as a grant. Please bring your proposal to Paula Meder (CPB 331) and she will help you determine the appropriate routing form template.

NEW GRANTS AWARDED

Matsumoto, Rae R. "Summer research with NIDA." 06/03 through 08/03, NIDA, \$7,750.

Matsumoto, Rae R. "Post-baccalaureate research supplement for underrepre-

sented minorities." 05/03 through 08/04, NIDA, \$33,310.

Student Grants

Emily Nguyen, (P4), Merck Research Scholars Program; "Effectiveness of a novel sigma receptor antagonists in attenuating the neurotoxic effects of methamphetamine in mice."

Debbie Gilmore, OUHSC Graduate Student Association; "Sigma receptors present a novel target for treating MDMA toxicity."

UPCOMING DEADLINES FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

Department of Homeland Security Broad Agency Announcement:

Initial University-Based Center of Excellence -

Call for White Papers -

Deadline November 25, 2003

http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/interapp/press_release/press_release_0220.xml

DEPSCoR - The timetable for the Oklahoma

DEPSCoR proposals has been changed.

DEPSCoR preproposals will now be due on August 18, 2003. Please go to the OSRHE website for additional information.

http://okepsc.org/DEPSCoR/depacor_fy04.htm

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY Yamanouchi Seed Grant Competition—due on October 1, 2003.

NIH grant applications (new) - due on October 1, 2003.

YAMANOUCHI SEED GRANT FUNDING

If you are awarded a one-year seed grant for \$5,000 through the Yamanouchi Seed Grant program, please remember to list your "other support" as **OUHSC College of Pharmacy, internal funding supported by Yamanouchi**. Your seed grant is administered through the College of Pharmacy, not the Yamanouchi company.