**AWARDS/HONORS**

**Maha Abdalla, a second year Graduate student in Somanath Shenoy’s lab**
Received the “Excellence in CET-Research award” at the Graduate Research Day, Georgia Health Sciences University for her presentation “Protein Kinase B (Akt)- Dynamic switch in myofibroblast trans-differentiation in response to bFGF and TGFβ”.

**Catherine Bourg, Clinical Assistant Professor**
Selected to attend the New Practitioner Leadership Conference, held through the Georgia Pharmacy Association and the Georgia Pharmacy Foundation.

**Susan Fagan, Jawdy Professor and Assistant Dean for MCG Programs**
Appointed to the Editorial Board of Stroke (Journal of the American Heart Association).

**J. Russell May, Clinical Professor**
Served as an ASHP site surveyor for the accreditation of the PGY-1 Residency Training Program at the VA Gulf Coast Joint Ambulatory Care Center in Pensacola Florida.

**Dee Dee McEwen, Public Service Assistant**
One of two UGA faculty selected to receive the 2012 Service-Learning Teaching Excellence award recognizing faculty for excellence in developing, implementing and sustaining academic service-learning opportunities for students in domestic and international settings.

**Merrill Norton, Clinical Associate Professor**
Selected as an inaugural member of the Georgia Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention Collaborative Steering Committee, ultimately responsible for disseminating education, monitoring, proper medication disposal, and enforcement materials to multiple consumer groups and healthcare practitioners across the state of Georgia.

**Bradley Phillips, Milliken-Reeves Professor and Head of Clinical and Administrative Pharmacy**
Elected as Treasurer of the Board of Regents of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, effective in Fall, 2012.

**Cathy White, Associate Professor**
Awarded a 2012 University of Georgia Innovation Instruction Faculty Grant for “Application of Team-based Learning Concepts in Large Classroom Settings,” as one of 15 grants given, at $5,000 each, in support of a faculty innovative instruction project. The purpose of the grants is to provide an opportunity for faculty to improve teaching and learning through innovative instructional projects, such as re-design of course curricula/ materials, integration of new techniques/pedagogical strategies into a course, or exploration of a new instructional technique.

Took Second Place and a $1,500 scholarship in the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy’s P&T national finals competition in San Francisco. Eight of the top 29 schools competed in the final round. First competition for chapter in seven years.

**GRANTS**

**Robert Arnold, Assistant Professor**
As CO-I received 40% share for academic effort toward $46,830 grant from Grayson-Jockey Club Research on “Liposomal Gentamicin for the Treatment of R. Equi”.

**Rajgopal Govindarajan, Assistant Professor**
Received $50,000 from Georgia Research Alliance for “LET-7 Regulation of Ribonucleotide Reductase and Chemoresistance in Pancreatic Cancer.”

**Shelley Hooks, Associate Professor**
Received $75,000 from Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer for “Silencing the Suppressor: How do ovarian cancer cells shut down expression of RGS protein tumor suppressors to promote cancer progression?”
David DeRemer, Clinical Assistant Professor
Awan FT, Kochuparambil ST, DeRemer D, Cumpston A, Craig M, Jillella A, Hamadani M. Plerixafor salvage is safe and effective in hard-to-mobilize patients undergoing chemotherapy and filgrastim based peripheral blood progenitor cell mobilization. Journal of Oncology. doi:10.1155/2012/931071

Lori Duke, Assistant Dean for Experience Programs, along with Assistant Professor Rahul Jain, and Public Service Associates Melody Sheffield, Whitney Unterwagner, and Charles McDuffie

Raj Govindarajan, Assistant Professor


Konstantin Kleyman, Class of 2012
Published “Monoclonal antibodies: Longitudinal prescribing information analysis of hypersensitivity reactions” in Landes Bioscience

Timothy Long, Assistant Professor

Mandi Murph, Associate Professor

Merrill Norton, Clinical Associate Professor

Matthew Perri, Professor

Han-Rong Weng, Assistant Professor

Robert Arnold, Assistant Professor
Presented a poster, Protective effects of phenylamoethyl selenide (PAESe) on doxorubicin-induced cardiotoxicity in vitro and in vivo, at the American Association of Cancer Researchers (AACR) National Meeting in Chicago on 4/2012 with Jeong Kang, J., Leah Costyn

Aaron Beedle, Assistant Professor
Eileen Kennedy, Assistant Professor

Presented “Synthetic Approaches to to Alter Spatiotemporal Cell Signaling” at University of California at San Diego

Presented a poster at the Experimental Biology meeting entitled “Designing Spatiotemporal Regulators of PKA in Prostate Cancer.”

Kalen Manasco, Clinical Associate Professor
Presented “Continuous infusions vs. scheduled antibiotics” with Jeffery Zobell, Pharm.D. at the Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG) Annual Meeting and Pharmacy Conference in Houston, Texas.

J. Russell May, Clinical Professor
Presented, “New Drug Update 2012: A Formulary Approach” at the Georgia Health Sciences University Family Medicine Regional Symposium

Michael Neville, Clinical Associate Professor
Neville, M., Fulford, M., Jarrett, B. (P4 student) Measuring the change in attitude about addiction in pharmacy students who attend mutual support groups, has been accepted for the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Annual Meeting, Pharmacy Education 2012 in Kissimmee, FL

Merrill Norton, Clinical Associate Professor
Psychopharmacology 2012, University of Alabama School on Alcohol and Other Drug Studies, Tuscaloosa, Alabama;

The Neuroscience and Treatment of ADHD; The Georgia Department of Education Summit Conference, Callaway Gardens, Georgia;

The Pharmacology of Substance Use Disorders; Georgia Addictions Counselors Association, Jekyll Island, Georgia; and


Somanth Shenoy, Associate Professor
Presented on Charlie Norwood VA Research Day on April 24-25, 2012:

Trina von Waldner, Public Service Associate
Presented The Farm Worker Family Health Program: A Collaborative Service Learning Opportunity for Pharmacy Students at the University System of Georgia Teaching and Learning Conference at Unicoi State Park in Helen, GA on April 13, 2012.

Han-Rong Weng, Assistant Professor
Presented “Glial mechanisms of pathological pain” at the UGA Vet School Department of Physiology and Pharmacology on 4/16/2012.

Jason Zastre, Assistant Professor
Presented a poster entitled “Adaptive Post-translational Regulation of the Thiamine Transporter, THTR1 in Breast Cancer cells During Hypoxic stress” at the 2012 American Association for Cancer Research annual conference in Chicago

OTHER NEWS
Tara Fogleman and Sarah Smith, Class of 2014
Selected from a national pool of applicants for summer internships with the Indian Health Service in Oklahoma; Fogleman will be working at an Indian Health Service hospital in Lawton and Sarah at a hospital in Claremore

Cory Momany, Associate Professor
Won “Employer of the Year 2012, Work-based Learning” from the Oconee County School System for his mentoring work with high school students in his research laboratory; he has hosted four high school students from the various area schools through the Young Dawgs program.