AWARDS/HONORS

**Dexi Liu, Head, Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences**

Joined the Editorial Board of Molecular Therapy – Nucleic Acids

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Appointed as the Member of the Scientific Review Committee on the Cell & Molecular Track for the term of 2013-2015, The Obesity Society

Online Grant Reviewer for the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences (AAAS) - King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology (KACST) Research Competitiveness Program

**David Mullis, Associate Professor and Director, BioPharma Regulatory Affairs Graduate Education**

Inducted as a Fellow (FRAPS) into the Regulatory Affairs Professional Society at its annual meeting held in Boston. The RAPs Fellow program recognizes senior regulatory affairs professionals for their significant contributions and leadership in advancing the regulatory profession.

**The fourth Annual Southern Translational Education And Research (STaR) Conference**

This conference, jointly sponsored by the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy and the Medical College of Georgia, Georgia Regents University, had 62 poster and platform presentations highlighting translational research. This year’s conference highlighted the collaborative research between UGA and GRU, particularly in the area of Neuroscience. Keynote addresses were given by Phillip V Holmes, Director of the Neuroscience program at UGA and Kris Dhandapani, Co-Director of the Neurovascular Research Lab in the Department of Neurosurgery at MCG.

The winner of the Young Investigator competition was Alexis Stranahan, Ph.D., Assistant Professor in the Department of Physiology at MCG, for her work on obesity and neuroplasticity. The postdoctoral fellow award went to Fei Gao, Ph.D, from UGA COP (Shenoy lab) and runner up was Ninu Polouse, Ph.D., from UGA COP (Segar Lab). In the student category, Cam McCarthy from GRU Department of Physiology was first and Dorothy Rodenbeck, a second year medical student at MCG (El-Remessy Lab).

GRANTS

**Eileen Kennedy, Assistant Professor**

Received $191,160 from the National Institutes of Health for probing the role of AKAPS in breast cancer using stapled peptide inhibitors

**Yuhun Zheng, Associate Professor**

Received $238,431 from the National Institutes of Health for study of chemical approaches to protein arginine methylation
**PUBLICATIONS**

**Michael Bartlett, Interim Assistant Dean, Nontraditional Education and Outreach**


**Sally Huston, Assistant Professor**


**Michael Neville, Clinical Associate Professor**


**Matthew Perri, Professor**

An experimental examination of consumer attitudes, behavioral intentions, and information search behavior after viewing a predictive genetic test direct-to-consumer advertisement. In the International Journal of Pharmaceutical and Health Care Marketing.


**PRESENTATIONS**

**James Bruckner, Professor**

Gave an invited presentation entitled “Ensuring Data Quality for Studies Generated in Academic Research Laboratories” at a symposium of the American Chemical Society in September in Indianapolis, IN. The title of the symposium was “Pesticide Regulatory Science in the 21st Century Merging Research and Regulations.”

**Brian Cummings, Associate Professor**

presented “Nephrotoxic Effect of Epigenetic Inhibitors Used for Cancer Treatment” at the Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Toxicity Gordon Research Conference at Proctor Academy, Andover, NH, with Natalie Scholpa (Graduate Student).

**Mandi Murph, Assistant Professor**

Presented: “MiR-30c-2-3p participates in a regulatory feedback loop to inhibit the progression of chemo-resistant ovarian cancer cells” at Advances in Ovarian Cancer Research: from concept to clinic (American Association for Cancer Research - special conference), Miami, Florida • September 18-21, 2013

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