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Join Us This Year in Orlando

Residency Showcase

The University of Kentucky will be at booth 01 at the Residency Showcase on Monday, December 6, from 1:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. Interested candidates are encouraged to stop by and speak with current residents and faculty.

Kentucky Reception

The University of Kentucky Reception will be held Tuesday, December 7, from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Peabody Orlando Hotel. The annual reception provides an opportunity to recruit new residents, network, and meet with past residents and faculty members. We hope to see everyone there!

Paul F. Parker Award Reception and Luncheon

The annual Paul F. Parker Award Reception and Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, December 7, from 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at the Rosen Centre Hotel in the Signature 1 Room. All present and past residents, as well as current faculty and staff, are invited to attend.

Pharmacy Practice Residency, Specialty Residencies Recommended for Full Accreditation

The University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center Pharmacy Residency Programs have been recommended for continuing accreditation, based upon the results of a recent on-site survey conducted by the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists on October 11-13, 2004. The final accreditation decision will be determined by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Commission on Credentialing in Spring 2005.

Full accreditation, which is six years in duration, was recommended by ASHP surveyors for residency programs Pharmacy Practice, Critical Care, Oncology, Pediatrics, and Primary Care. A special thank you is extended from the residency program to all involved in the process. Congratulations to program directors Kelly Smith, P. Shane Winstead, Val Adams, Robert Kuhn, and Aimee Adams for your accomplishments and for continuing to provide an exceptional educational opportunity in pharmacy practice.

Appointments and Promotions

- Dr. Val Adams – Fellow of American College of Clinical Pharmacy; outgoing chair of hematology/oncology PRN for American College of Clinical Pharmacy
- Dr. Scott Akers – Associate Professor at UK College of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science; recipient of research grant from the American Heart Association
- John Armitstead – President-elect for Kentucky Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists
- Dr. Susan Butler – Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Clinical Pharmacy Specialist
- Dr. Tim Clifford – Solid Organ Transplant Clinical Pharmacy Specialist
- Dr. David DeRemer – Fellowship in hematology/oncology under the direction of Dr. Val Adams
- Dr. Holly Divine -- appointed to KPhA Board of Directors
- Dr. Thomas Foster -- chair of the Nominations Committee for the United States Pharmacopeial Convention 2005-2010 Quinquennium
- Dr. Nina Farhoudi – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Clinical Pharmacy Specialist
- Dr. Jimmi Hatton -- Fellow of the American College of Critical Care Medicine
- Dr. Mikael Jones – Clinical Assistant Professor at UK College of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science
- Dr. Robert Kuhn -- Chairman of Board of Directors of Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG)
- Dr. Jennifer Oh – Cardiovascular Fellowship under the direction of Dr. Scott Akers
- Dr. Charity Price – Fellowship in Drug Information under the direction of Dr. Kelly Smith
- Dr. Robert Rapp – Pharmacology section editor for *Orthopedics*
- Dr. Frank Romanelli – Associate Professor at UK College of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science; appointed to NIH HIV Emphasis Panel Study Section; appointed to editorial board of *Pharmacy Today*
- Dr. Melody Ryan – Chair of Central Nervous System PRN for American College of Clinical Pharmacy; appointed to editorial board of *Pharmacy Today*
- Dr. Kelly Smith -- Fellow Subcommittee of the Credentials Committee and Chair of Drug Information PRN for the American College of Clinical Pharmacy; Chair of the Standards Subcommittee and Vice-Chair, American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Commission on Credentialing

2004 Awards

Antimicrobial Management Program wins Best Practice Award

The Antimicrobial Management Team, which is a collaboration of the Infectious Diseases Division and Pharmacy Services, received the 2004 Best Practices Award in Health-System Pharmacy for their submission, *Improving Antimicrobial Use at a University Hospital: Results of the First Five Years of a Multidisciplinary Antimicrobial Management Program*. The award, which will be presented at the Opening Session of the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting in Orlando, recognizes "outstanding practitioners who have successfully implemented systems to improve patient care and demonstrate best practices." Congratulations to Dr. Craig Martin, Pharm.D. (R284) and to Dr. Ardis Hoven, MD for this accomplishment.



Dr. Craig Martin

Award for Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program

Congratulations to Dr. Frank Romanelli (R242) and Dr. Kelly Smith who were declared winners of the 2004 AACP Council of Faculties Innovations in Teaching Competition for "Development and Implementation of a Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program for Pharmacy Residents." The goal of the program is to provide a forum for program participants to gain knowledge of contemporary health professions and pharmacy education issues and to demonstrate experience and accomplishment in this area. Faculty, residents, and graduate students are invited to participate and the program has expanded to include participants from UK Community Residency, the Lexington VA Hospital, Humana Healthcare, University of Louisville, Kosair Children's Hospital, and the Health Alliance (University of Cincinnati).



Dr. Frank Romanelli



Dr. Kelly Smith

Awards, cont.



Dr. Jeremy Flynn

Investigator Development Research Award

Dr. Jeremy Flynn (R265) was recently acknowledged for receiving the Sanofi-Synthelabo Thrombosis Research Award at the American College of Clinical Pharmacy Annual Meeting in Dallas, Texas. Dr. Flynn was recognized for his research entitled "Clinical Utility of the Rapid Platelet Function Analyzer." He was also selected as winner of the *Best Student, Resident, Fellow Paper Award* at the 24th Annual Meeting of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy, Atlanta, Georgia last year for his submission entitled "Differential Activation of Mitogen Activated Protein Kinases by Angiotensin II Receptor Subtypes During Myocardial Ischemia-Reperfusion Injury." Congratulations to Dr. Flynn for receiving national recognition for his research endeavors.

Dean, Director of Pharmacy Services Recognized for Achievements

University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy Dean Kenneth Roberts recently received the President's Award at the Kentucky Society of Health Systems Pharmacists Fall Meeting in Lexington, KY. Mr. John Armitstead was also recognized as KSHP Pharmacist of the Year for his efforts in coordinating a pharmacist counter-terrorism proficiency program sponsored by a federal grant. Mr. Armitstead also received the Kentucky Pharmacists' Association Professionalism Promotion Award this past year and will serve as president-elect for KSHP this upcoming year. Congratulations to Dean Roberts and Mr. Armitstead for being honored as leaders in the pharmacy profession.



John A. Armitstead

Technology and Construction Update

Computerized Physician Order Entry

The UK Healthcare team is proud to announce the arrival of our Computerized Provider Order Entry system (CPOE). The Sunrise™ Clinical Manager client (SCM; Eclipsys Corp.) went live on July 21st on 3 North, Mother/Baby, Labor/Delivery, and 22 ancillaries. Since then, the Transplant, Neurology, Neurosurgery, and Renal services have also gone live. Although not currently interfacing directly with the pharmacy order entry system (WORx; Medware Inc.), this feature is a planned part of the Integrated Clinical Information System (ICIS) project.

The mission of ICIS is to successfully implement an integrated clinical information system as a tool to facilitate business process redesign, maximize benefit realization and support high quality patient care in a fiscally sound manner across the UK HealthCare Enterprise. While the implementation of this system has not been without its share of hardship, Pharmacy Services has once again demonstrated its commitment to providing high quality care to patients.

Every day is a new challenge, with several SCM emails sent and forwarded to share tips and knowledge to become more efficient and apt in implementing SCM into our everyday work activities. With the help of key pharmacy staff and pharmacy residents we have been able to work with the system to identify and prevent errors as well as making several improvements. This effort will likely continue for the coming years until the project is completed.

Kentucky Clinic Installs ScriptPro® Automation Technology

ScriptPro® automation technology is a prescription dispensing system that automates the repetitive, manual dispensing tasks

most subject to human error. This system, interfaced with the pharmacy computer system, delivers filled and labeled vials for up to 150 prescriptions per hour. The system also prints and applies the prescription and auxiliary labels as well as delivers uncapped vials for final inspection using on-screen drug image verification. Bar codes are used throughout the process for accuracy and quality control. Pharmacists manage the dispensing process from prescription entry to approval of the finished product. The installation of ScriptPro® automation will reduce prescription filling and waiting time and allow our pharmacists to focus more on patient education to promote the best use of medications.

Gill Heart Institute Opens

Following a two-year construction process, the Gill Heart Institute building was opened in April 2004. This five story building houses outpatient and non-invasive procedure clinics, cardiac catheterization suites for inpatient as well as outpatient treatment, an electrophysiology laboratory, and administrative and faculty offices. It will also offer ambulatory, outpatient, and minimally invasive surgery services. The Gill Heart Institute building is equipped to provide novel options in cardiovascular patient care and will prove to be a great addition to the medical center.



College of Pharmacy Recruitment Update

Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science

- Tenure-track position: Pharmacogenetics and/or Pharmacogenomics/Pharmacokinetics
- Two faculty positions (in conjunction with the Martin School of Public Policy & Administration): Epidemiology
- Tenure-track position (in conjunction with the Martin School of Public Policy & Administration): Behavioral Science

For further info, please contact Don Perrier, Chair, Pharmacy Practice & Science, College of Pharmacy, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40536-0082 or by e-mail to dgperr2@email.uky.edu

Residency Program Pearls

Professional Development Experience

Each year the specialty residents and pharmacy practice residents each depart on a voyage of discovery, the Professional Development Experience (PDE). The PDE was developed as a means for UK residents to observe practices at other institutions, and share ideas among colleagues. In September the Specialty Resident Class visited Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Moses Cone Health System, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In November the Pharmacy Practice Residents headed to the University of Illinois in Chicago, Cook County Hospital, and Clarian Health System in Indianapolis. These opportunities allow the residents to create a network of resources, and to participate in roundtable discussions with residents and preceptors from other sites. Through these experiences we hope to open the doors of communication among residents, and promote the exchange of ideas and thoughts on issues we face in clinical pharmacy practice.



Above: Specialty Residents with preceptor Aaron Cook (R275) at UNC College of Pharmacy in Chapel Hill.

Residency Exchange

Specialty residents were afforded the opportunity to exchange ideas with other residency programs this past summer at the annual Residency Exchange hosted this year by the Health Alliance in Cincinnati, OH. The event kicked off with a social event on Sunday, August 2nd and included other residents from The Ohio State University, University of Wisconsin, Clarian Health Systems, and the Health Alliance. The next day, residents presented institution-specific interpretations of policies and procedures aimed at improving medication safety. Other program topics included dealing with intimidation and evaluating processes to reach goals of practice established by ASHP. The event provided a forum for discussion regarding the future of the pharmacy profession and also gave residents a networking environment early in the residency year. The Residency Exchange will be held at Clarian Health System in Indianapolis next summer.

Pig Roast

The annual event was served with a different twist this year as the pork was roasted at the home of Drs. Jeremy and Julie Flynn (R265 and R277) with a barbeque sauce tasting on the eve prior to the event. The next day, the crowd gathered in the Orange Lot at Commonwealth Stadium to enjoy food, football, and friends. Although scattered rain showers seemed to be theme of the afternoon, nothing could dampen the good time had by all in attendance. After a fun-filled day, all eyes turned to the UK football team who was taking on Ohio University that evening. The weekend festivities provided a welcome venue to catch up with old friends and introduce new faces to a new spin on an old UK tradition.

Below: Past/Present Rs, faculty and friends at Pig Roast 2004



Resident Awards

The Pharmacy Residents would like to congratulate the following recipients of the 2004 Awards:

- **Extra Mile Award**, the award for the resident who always "goes the extra mile" and keeps a positive attitude: **Kara Birrer, Pharm.D.**
- **Impact Award**, the award to the specialty resident most likely to have the greatest impact on professional pharmacy practice: **Aimée LeClaire, Pharm.D.**
- **Outstanding Resident Award**, given to a resident maintaining high standards of professionalism, serving as a positive role model, and promoting pharmacy education: **Aimée LeClaire, Pharm.D.**
- **Preceptor of the Year**, given to a preceptor who consistently goes above and beyond the call of duty for the residents: **Jeremy Flynn, Pharm.D.**

Resident Publications and Presentations

Sheth A, Smith KM. Is this patient penicillin allergic? Orthopedics. 2004 Jul;27(7):719-20.

Trapskin PJ, Smith KM. Herbal medications in the perioperative orthopedic surgery patient. Orthopedics. 2004 Aug;27(8):819-22.

Lawson AP, Smith KM. Are all opioids created equal? Orthopedics. 2004 Sep;27(9):909-10.

Lopez ID. Alternatives treatments for MRSA in the pediatric patient. Orthopedics. 2004 Oct;27(10):1051-4.

Trapskin PJ, Smith KM, Armitstead JA, Davis GA. Use of an audience response system to introduce an anticoagulation guide to physicians, pharmacists and pharmacy students. Am J Pharm Ed. In Press.

Flynn JD, Wendall AS, **Jones M**, Stevkovic N, Waid T, Mullett T, Jahania S. Treatment of respiratory syncytial virus pneumonia in a lung transplant recipient: case report and review of the literature. Pharmacotherapy 2004;24(7):932-938.

LeClaire AC, Martin CA, Hoven AD. Rash associated with piperacillin/tazobactam administration in infectious mononucleosis. Ann Pharmacother. 2004 Jun;38(6):996-8.

ACCP-ESCP (Paris, France April 2004) Poster Session

- **Weant KA**, Smith KM, Lewis DA. Prescriber Compliance with Established Heart Failure Guidelines at a University Hospital.
- **Rhee DH**, Flynn J, Davis GA, Ramaiah, C, Akers WS. Drug Therapy for Secondary Prevention Following Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery.

AACP (Salt Lake City, UT August 2004) Poster Session

- **Trapskin, PJ**, Smith KM, Armitstead JA, Davis GA. Use of an Audience Response System to Measure Physician and Pharmacist Knowledge of Anticoagulation Guidelines.

ACCP (Dallas, TX October 2004) Poster Session

- **Lawson AP**, Armitstead JA, Smith KM, Cashman, H, Adams, VR. Effect of Iron Supplementation on Hematologic Response in Hematology/Oncology Patients Receiving Epoetin Alfa.
- **Lopez ID**, LeClaire AC, Smith KM, Lewis DA, Rapp RP, Martin CA. Influence of a Urinary Tract Infection Empiric Treatment Pathway on Physician Prescribing in an Academic Medical Center.
- **Trapskin PJ**, Smith KM, Armitstead JA, Davis GA. Use of an Audience Response System to Measure Physician and Pharmacist Knowledge of Anticoagulation Guidelines.
- **Jones MD**, Ryan M, Miles MV, Tang P, Fakhoury TA, Baumann RJ. Antiepileptic Drug Saliva Concentration Stability in the Postal System.

- Smith, KM **Lawson AP**, Cornett HH, Tujeta S. Effect of Internal Reporting Criteria on Suspected Adverse Drug Reactions Submitted to MedWatch.

ASHP (Orlando, FL December 2004) Poster Session

- **Lawson AP**, Armitstead JA, Smith KM, Cashman H, Adams, VR. Effect of Iron Supplementation on Hematologic Response in Hematology/Oncology Patients Receiving Epoetin Alfa.
- **Sterling ES** Impact of Pharmacy Services on Antiretroviral Medication Errors in Hospitalized HIV-seropositive Patients.
- **Trapskin PJ**, Hite K, Reagan R, Hamlin A, Armitstead JA. Implementation of a Personnel Training and Assessment Program for New Standards in the United States Pharmacopeia General Chapter <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding of Sterile Products.
- **Lopez ID**, LeClaire AC, Smith KM, Lewis DA, Rapp RP, Martin CA. Influence of a Urinary Tract Infection Empiric Treatment Pathway on Physician Prescribing in an Academic Medical Center

ASHP (Orlando, FL December 2004) Platform Presentation

- Smith KM, **Lawson AP**. Effect of Internal Reporting Criteria on Suspected Adverse Drug Reactions Submitted to MedWatch.

Other Highlights

Pharmacy Awards

Congratulations to this year's winners of awards from the UK Pharmacy Department:

- Pharmacist of the Year: Julie Flynn, Pharm.D.
- Technician of the Year: Len Wright, C.Ph.T.

Residency Website

<http://www.mc.uky.edu/pharmacy/residency>

The residency webpage continues to evolve. The current residents, along with residency alumnus Philip Empey, have been working diligently to ensure the webpage continues to be a useful tool. New pictures from the residency year are constantly being added. Some new features on the website include the "Pharmacy Grand Rounds" page, as well as pages dedicated to pictures from resident events, including Pig Roast. The alumni database continues to be developed. Please refer to the residency website for updates on the progress of the alumni database.

Pharmacy Grand Rounds Update

Pharmacy Grand Rounds is currently in full swing for the 2004-2005 session and several residents and faculty members are slated to present in the upcoming months. The fall session has covered resident research proposals, clinical pearls, specialty resident seminars, and topics of interest to faculty members including early treatment of sepsis and navigating database analysis. The forum provides residents with the opportunity to improve presentation skills while receiving feedback from members of the faculty regarding research ideas and methods. Upcoming topics include resident presentations on their respective professional development experiences. Continuing education credit is also available for a number of sessions. Pharmacy Grand Rounds are held every Friday at noon, excluding major holiday and pharmacy meeting weeks, and former Rs are always welcome to attend if in the Lexington area!

Meet the Residents 2004-2005

Amber Lawson, Pharm.D. (R305)

Dr. Lawson, originally from Norton, VA, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy in 2002. Dr. Lawson completed a pharmacy practice residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center last year and is currently the Hematology/Oncology Resident at Lucille P. Markey Cancer Center. She is a member of the Social Committee and serves as chairperson for the Recruitment Committee. Dr. Lawson's research project for this residency year is titled "Correlation of Plasma Substance P levels with Gastrointestinal Toxicities in Patients Receiving Highly Emetogenic Chemotherapy." In addition, she aids in precepting Pharm.D. students on clerkships and has served as group facilitator and guest lecturer for the College of Pharmacy and College of Allied Health. Dr. Lawson's current practice interests include hematopoietic stem cell transplantation and supportive care issues. Upon completion of her oncology residency, she hopes to obtain a position that integrates academia, research, and clinical services.

Ibis Lopez, Pharm.D. (R306)

Dr. Lopez, originally from Bogota, New Jersey, graduated from Rutgers University with her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in May 2003. Dr. Lopez's primary area of interest is Pediatric pharmacy. In 2004 she completed her Pharmacy Practice Residency and is currently the Pediatric Specialty Resident at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. In addition to clinical responsibilities, Dr. Lopez has a strong interest in teaching and is actively involved with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy as a facilitator for the elective course, Medical Spanish for Pharmacists, and a preceptor for fourth-year students on clinical rotations. Dr. Lopez is Chairperson for the Social and Scheduling committees and House Staff Coordinator. She also serves on the Residency Recruitment Committee. Ultimately, she hopes to obtain a position that integrates academia, research, and clinical services.

Anjly Sheth, Pharm.D. (R308)

Dr. Sheth, originally from Des Plaines, Illinois, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana in 2003. Dr. Sheth completed a pharmacy practice residency in 2004 and is currently the Infectious Disease Specialty Resident at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. Her primary areas of interest include Infectious Disease and Academia. Dr. Sheth presently serves on the Kentucky Konnection, Social, Recruitment and Experiential Education Oversight Committees. She is also involved at the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy where she serves as a small group facilitator and precepts Doctor of Pharmacy Candidates on clinical rotations. Her current area of research entails identifying the clinical and economic impact of reducing MRSA resistance at the University of Kentucky.

Emily Sterling, Pharm.D. (R309)

Dr. Sterling, originally from Seattle, Washington, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Washington School of Pharmacy in June 2003. She completed her pharmacy practice residency at the University of Kentucky, and is currently completing a critical care specialty residency. Her current areas of interest include trauma and infectious disease with a

focus in HIV/AIDS medicine. Dr. Sterling is actively involved in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation and is a guest lecturer at the UK College of Pharmacy. She also presently serves on the Residency Social, Recruitment, Scheduling, and Pharmacy Grand Rounds Committees. Dr. Sterling is currently involved in investigating the safety and efficacy of using a clinical pulmonary infection severity (CPIS) score to determine length of ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP) therapy in the neurosurgical population. Upon completion of her Critical Care Specialty Residency, Dr. Sterling hopes to obtain a position at an academic medical institution with clinical, didactic and research responsibilities.

Philip Trapskin, Pharm.D. (R310)

Dr. Trapskin, originally from Minneapolis, MN, received his B.S. Pharmacy and Pharm.D. (2000) degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in 2004. Presently, Dr. Trapskin is a Pharmacy Practice Management Resident as well as Chief Pharmacy Resident. He is involved with the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy facilitating small group discussions and teaching didactic lectures. His residency research project is entitled, "Implementation of a Personnel Training and Assessment Program for New Standards in the United States Pharmacopeia General Chapter <797> Pharmaceutical Compounding of Sterile Products." Upon completion of the pharmacy practice management residency he will seek a position as an assistant director of pharmacy services.

Kyle Weant, Pharm.D. (R311)

Dr. Weant is originally from Salisbury, North Carolina and received his Bachelors of Science in Science Education in May 1998 and his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in May 2003 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He completed his Pharmacy Practice Residency in 2004 and is now a Critical Care Specialty Resident at the University of Kentucky. He is Chairperson for the Social and Computer Committees, as well as the coordinator for this year's Professional Development Experience. Dr. Weant is actively involved in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on rotation as well as facilitating small group activities and lecturing at the UK College of Pharmacy. Dr. Weant's current research involves evaluating platelet function following coronary artery bypass graft surgery. His interests include cardiothoracic surgery, cardiology, and critical care medicine. Upon completion of his Critical Care Specialty Residency, Dr. Weant will seek a position at an academic medical institution that will provide ample clinical, research, and teaching opportunities.

Jill Blancett, Pharm.D. (R312)

Jill Blancett, originally from Paintsville, KY, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy in 2004. Dr. Blancett is actively involved with the College of Pharmacy, serving as a facilitator for small group discussions, precepting fourth year pharmacy interns and serving as a member of the Awards and Recognition Selection Committee. Her current practice interests include critical care medicine and hematology/oncology. As a research project, Dr. Blancett is examining the efficacy of differing antibiotic regimens used in the empiric treatment of neutropenic

fever. Future goals include completion of the scholarship of teaching and learning certificate program. Upon finishing her pharmacy practice residency, she will pursue a specialty residency in oncology at UK.

Jared Fremi, Pharm.D. (R313)

Dr. Fremi, originally from Creston, IA, received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy in 2004. In addition to his clinical responsibilities, Dr. Fremi is a member of the Pharmacy Grand Rounds, Computer, and the UK College of Pharmacy Curriculum Committees. He is actively involved with the College of Pharmacy serving as a facilitator for small group discussions and precepting fourth-year pharmacy students on clinical rotations. Currently, Dr. Fremi's research efforts are focused on maintaining euglycemia in critically ill patients. He plans to use his pharmacy practice residency to round out his skills in all areas of pharmacy and to pursue a specialty residency in oncology next year at UK.

Peter Johnson, Pharm.D. (R314)

Dr. Johnson, originally from Ridgeland, MS, received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy in 2004. His current practice interests include pediatrics, infectious diseases, and hematology/oncology. In addition to clinical responsibilities, Dr. Johnson serves on the Pharmacy Grand Rounds, *Kentucky Konnection* and Recruitment Committees, along with being the coordinator for the pharmacy practice residents' *Professional Development Experience*. Dr. Johnson is currently evaluating morbidity outcomes with postoperative albumin supplementation in liver transplant recipients. He also is involved with the UK College of Pharmacy helping to facilitate small group discussions and to precept fourth-year students on rotations. Upon completion of the pharmacy practice residency, Dr. Johnson will complete a specialty residency in pediatrics at UK. Ultimately, he hopes to obtain a position with a mixture of academia, research, and clinical services.

Trenika Mitchell, Pharm.D. (R315)

Dr. Mitchell, originally from Luka, MS, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Mississippi College of Pharmacy in May 2004. Her current practice interests include hematology/oncology and pediatrics. She also has a strong interest in teaching and is currently involved with precepting fourth year pharmacy students and facilitating small group discussions. She also hopes to have the opportunity to develop her teaching skills by providing didactic lecture to UK pharmacy students. Dr. Mitchell is currently a member of the Social Committee, Recruitment Committee, and the Kentucky Konnection Committee. Upon completion of her pharmacy practice residency, she desires to complete a specialty residency. She ultimately hopes to obtain a position that integrates academia, research, and clinical services.

Kazumi Morita, Pharm.D. (R316)

Dr. Morita, originally from Tokyo, Japan received her B.S. Pharmacy degree & M.S. Clinical Pharmacy degree from Kitasato University (Tokyo, Japan) in 1997 and 1999, respectively. Dr. Morita then served as a staff hospital pharmacist for three years prior to entering the Pharm.D.

program at the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy, and received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2004. She is currently a member of the Social Committee, the Recruitment Committee, and the Pharmacy Grand Rounds Committee. Her current practice interests include infectious disease and hematology/oncology. Upon completion of her pharmacy practice residency, she is going to pursue an infectious disease specialty residency at the University of Kentucky. She ultimately hopes to obtain a position that integrates academia, research, and clinical services.

Lisa Taylor, Pharm.D. (R317)

Dr. Taylor, originally from Florida, received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University Of Florida College Of Pharmacy in May 2004. She is currently a member of the Social, Recruitment, Kentucky Konnection, MUE Subcommittee, and the Nominations Committees. In addition to her clinical responsibilities, Dr. Taylor has a strong interest in teaching and is actively involved with the College of Pharmacy at UK by serving as a small group facilitator for the PY1 students, providing lectures, and precepting fourth year pharmacy students. She plans to complete *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program* this year. Dr. Taylor's primary areas of interest are pediatric pharmacy, infectious disease, cardiology, and academia. Upon completion of her pharmacy practice residency, she will begin a pediatric specialty residency at the University of Kentucky.

Felix Yam, Pharm.D. (R318)

Dr. Yam is originally from Providence, Rhode Island and received his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in May 2004 from the University of Rhode Island. His current areas of interest include cardiology, primary care and teaching. Dr. Yam presently serves on the *Kentucky Konnection*, Computer, and Recruitment Committees. He is also actively involved with the College of Pharmacy, helping facilitate small group discussions with PGY1 pharmacy students and precepting fourth-year students on clinical rotations. He plans to complete *The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Certificate Program* this year. He is currently completing his pharmacy practice residency and will pursue a specialty residency in primary care next year.



2004-2005 Pharmacy Residency Class

Work Hard, Play Hard

Over the past year, the residents took time to get away from rigorous schedules in order to celebrate holidays and milestones together. The festivities kicked off in June with a picnic hosted by Drs. Robert and Margaret Rapp. Dr. Tim Clifford also invited the residents to his home at the beginning of the year. As holidays approach, Thanksgiving and Christmas gatherings allow residents to get in the holiday spirit. John and Ima Armitstead were excellent hosts when they opened their home for a superbowl extravaganza.



With spring approaching, the end of the residency year was in sight and the annual 100 days party was held at Comedy Off Broadway. Dr. Kelly Smith also invited the residents to a spring fling celebration at her home. When fourteen birthdays are thrown into the mix, a lot of celebrations take place throughout the year!

The year ends as it begins, with Lampoon showcasing the quirky qualities of residents and faculty members. This year, the specialty residents roasted the pharmacy practice residents to the theme of *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*. The pharmacy practice residents took a shot at the departing residents with a spinoff of *The Apprentice*. This event also provides incoming residents their first exposure to life as a UK pharmacy resident.



Finally, the year-end celebrations culminate in the dinner and awards ceremony at Spindletop Hall, where each resident receives a residency certificate and reflects on the year with a mirage of photos. The year seems to go by very quickly, but memories will forever remain.



2003-2004 Pharmacy Residency Class

(Left to right, from front):

Anjly Sheth, Mehrnaz Pajoumand, Emily Sterling, Ibis Lopez, Kara Birrer, Diane Rhee, Laura Gerard, Mikael Jones, Aimee LeClaire, Kim Novak, Amber Lawson, Philip Trapskin, Kelly Smith (Residency Director), Kyle Weant, David DeRemer, and John Armitstead (Director of Pharmacy Services).

Where Are They Now?

Faculty

George Davis (R213) has taken a position with Sanofi Aventis as Medical Science Manager (Pulmonary/Antinfectives) for Kentucky and S. Ohio.

Residents

Kara Birrer (R296) is a Clinical Pharmacist with the Trauma/General Surgery team at Orlando Regional Medical Center in Orlando, FL.

David DeRemer (R297) is a Postdoctoral Oncology Fellow with the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington, KY

Laura N. Gerard (R298) is a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Houston College Of Pharmacy in Houston, TX.

Mikael Jones (R299) is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science with the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington, KY

Aimée LeClaire (R301) is a Surgical Intensive Care Clinical Pharmacy Specialist with Shands at the University of Florida and an Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of Florida College Of Pharmacy in Gainesville, FL.

Kimberly Novak (R303) is a Pulmonary Clinical Specialist with Columbus Children's Hospital in Columbus, OH.

Mehrnaz Pajoumand (R304) is a Medicine Intensive Care Clinical Pharmacy Specialist with the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore, MD.

Diane Rhee (R307) is Assistant Professor, Inpatient Specialties, Albany College of Pharmacy, Albany, NY.

Marriages and Engagements

- Jay Cole, M.D. & **Bonnie Rosbolt (R285)**: Married on October 7, 2004.
- **Keith Hecht (R290)** & **Jingyang Fan (R287)**: Plan to be married April 2005.
- Manish Puri & **Sandy Cuellar (R286)**: Married on September 25, 2004.
- Dr. Christine Kempton, M.D., and **R. Donald Harvey III (R237)**: Married on April 3, 2004

Future UK Residents

- Luke Thomas Adams: Born 4/13/04 to **Val Adams** and **Aimee (Gelhot) Adams (R220)**.
- Anna Catherine Jones: Born 2/24/04 to **Mikael Jones (R299)** and Mandy Jones.
- Grant Charles Clifford: Born 11/22/03 to **Tim Clifford** and Laura Clifford.
- Eli James Williams: Born 4/16/04 to **Julie Williams (R244)** and Craig Williams.
- Katelin Hope Gorrell: Born 3/9/04 to **Jennifer (Justice) Gorrell (R255)**.
- Carter James Williams: Born on 2/2/04 to Mike and **Jennifer Williams (R243)**. He joins big brother Matthew (4 yrs old).
- Teagan Anne Fowler: Born 2/21/04 to Philip and **Merritt Fowler**.
- **Julie Flynn (R277)** and **Jeremy Flynn (R265)** are expecting a child in May 2005.
- Valerie Martin and **Craig Martin (R284)** are expecting their second child in January 2005.
- **Heather Cornett** & Eric Cornett are expecting a child in Spring 2005.
- **R. Donald Harvey III (R237)** & Christine Kempton are expecting a child in March 2005.

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