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**FROM:** Charles D. Hufford, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs

**DATE:** October 10, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Research News (#3)

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The following **GRANTS/CONTRACTS** have recently been awarded:

1. **Dr. Mitchell Avery** (P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry) – Development and Testing of New Antimalarial Drugs (Department of Health and Human Services/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/National Center for Infectious Diseases), \$3,000,000.00 – August 1, 2005-July 31, 2006.
2. **Dr. Mitchell Avery** (P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry) – Development and Testing of New Medicines for Treatment of Emerging Infectious Diseases – Year 3 (Department of Health and Human Services/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention), \$1,500,000.00 – September 15, 2005-September 14, 2006.
3. **Dr. Joseph Byrd** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – Agreement for Clinical Liaison (University of Mississippi Medical Center Department of Medicine), \$57,840.00 – April 1, 2005-March 31, 2006.
4. **Dr. Joseph Byrd** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – Contract for Residency Training Program Support (University of Mississippi Medical Center), \$25,000.00 – July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006.
5. **Dr. Joseph Byrd** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – UM School of Pharmacy and Baptist Memorial Hospital – North Mississippi Agreement (Baptist Memorial Hospital – North Mississippi), \$56,250.00 – July 19, 2005-July 18, 2006.
6. **Dr. Joseph Byrd** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – Delta Diabetes Project (University of Mississippi Medical Center), \$38,973.00 – August 1, 2005-July 31, 2006.
7. **Dr. Alice Clark** (P.I. – School of Pharmacy/Office of Research and Sponsored Programs) and **Dr. Ameeta Agarwal** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) – New Drugs for Opportunistic Infections (National Institutes of Health/National Institutes of Allergy and Infectious Diseases), \$314,593.00 – July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006.
8. **Dr. John Cleary** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – Amphotericin B High Purity for the Treatment of Opportunistic Infections in Patients with AIDS (STTR & Cumberland Pharmaceuticals/National Institutes of Health), \$60,137.00 – July 13, 2005-March 31, 2006.
9. **Dr. John Cleary** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – Pharmaceutical Company Support (Clinical Microbiology Institute), \$2,400.00 – July 20, 2005-July 19, 2006.
10. **Dr. Victor Dostrow** (P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) and **Dr. Brian Crabtree** (Co-P.I. – Pharmacy Practice) – Optimization of Extended-Release Divalproex in Mentally Retarded Patients with

- Comorbid Epilepsy and Psychiatric Illness (Abbott Laboratories), \$62,450.00 – September 9, 2005-November 8, 2006.
11. **Dr. Melissa Jacob** (P.I. – NCNPR) – Anti-Fungal Testing of New Drugs (Florida A & M/National Institutes of Health), \$20,470.00 – June 1, 2005-May 31, 2006.
  12. **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (P.I. – NCNPR) – Optimizing Therapeutic Ratios of Herbs: Gingko as a Model (Harvard University/National Institutes of Health), \$87,917.11 – July 1, 2005-September 30, 2005.
  13. **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (P.I. – NCNPR) – Mechanisms of Gingko biloba Neuroprotection (The University of Southern Mississippi/National Institutes of Health), \$38,000.00 – September 15, 2004-May 31, 2006.
  14. **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (P.I. – NCNPR) – Optimization of Large-Scale Production of Value-Added Standardized Medicinal Plant Extracts (Civil Engineering Research Foundation), \$7,000.00 – August 25, 2005-June 30, 2006.
  15. **Dr. Thomas Lombardo** (P.I. – Psychology/Office of Research and Sponsored Programs) and **Dr. John Bentley** (Co-P.I. – Pharmacy Administration) – “ACT Now” Tobacco Intervention Program (University of Mississippi Medical Center/Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi), \$101,666.25 – June 1, 2005-May 31, 2006.
  16. **Dr. Soumyajit Majumdar** (P.I. – Pharmaceuticals) – Berberine Project (Next Pharmaceuticals, Inc.), \$12,500.00 – October 7, 2005-December 6, 2005.
  17. **Dr. Rae Matsumoto** (P.I. – Pharmacology) – Sigma Ligands for the Treatment of Cocaine Overdose (National Institute on Drug Abuse), \$250,418.00 – August 1, 2005-July 31, 2006.
  18. **Dr. David Pasco** (P.I. – NCNPR), **Dr. Nirmal Pugh** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR), **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) and **Dr. Rita Moraes** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) – New Immuno-Active Compounds for Optimizing Echinacea (National Institutes of Health/National Center for Complementary & Alternative Medicine), \$284,203.00 – September 15, 2005-July 31, 2006.
  19. **Dr. Marc Slattery** (P.I. – Pharmacognosy) – The National Institute for Undersea Science and Technology – 2005 Research – Phase II (U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), \$1,499,792.00 – July 1, 2005-September 30, 2006.
  20. **Dr. Larry Walker** (P.I. – NCNPR), **Dr. Dhammika Nanayakkara** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) and **Dr. Babu Tekwani** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) – NPC 1161B – Year 2 (Medicines for Malaria Venture), \$619,800.00 – July 1, 2005-December 31, 2005.
  21. **Dr. Larry Walker** (P.I. – NCNPR) and **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) – Botanical Dietary Supplements: Science-Base for Authentication and Analysis (Food and Drug Administration), \$855,881.00 – September 30, 2005-September 29, 2006.
  22. **Dr. Larry Walker** (P.I. – NCNPR) and **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (Co-P.I. – NCNPR) – Botanical Dietary Supplements: Science-Base for Authentication and Analysis – Supplement (Food and Drug Administration), \$493,453.00 – September 30, 2005-September 29, 2006.
  23. **Dr. Barbara Wells** (P.I. – RIPS/School of Pharmacy) and **Dr. Charles Hufford** (Co-P.I. – RIPS/School of Pharmacy) – National Center for Natural Products Research – Phase II Auditorium (Department of Health and Human Services/Health Resources and Services Administration), \$2,553,369.00 – September 1, 2005-August 31, 2006.
  24. **Dr. John Williamson** (P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry), **Dr. Mitchell Avery** (Co-P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry), **Dr. Ronald Borne** (Co-P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry), **Dr. Christopher McCurdy** (Co-P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry) and **Dr. John Rimoldi** (Co-P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry) – IGERT-Entrepreneurship at the Interface of Polymer Science and Medicinal Chemistry (The University of Southern Mississippi/National Science Foundation), \$322,120.00 – October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006.
  25. **Dr. John Williamson** (P.I. – Medicinal Chemistry) and **Dr. Mary Haasch** (Co-P.I. – RIPS/ECHR) – INBRE Mississippi Functional Genomics Network (MFGN) (The University of Southern Mississippi/National Institutes of Health), \$100,800.00 – July 1, 2005-March 1, 2006.
  26. **Dr. Jordan Zjawiony** (P.I. – Pharmacognosy) – Semisynthesis of Salvinorin A Derivatives and Analogs for k-Opioid Receptor and Related Studies (Case Western Reserve University/National Institutes of Health), \$75,000.00 – July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006.

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2. J.L. Arbiser, **Xing-Cong Li**, **Chowdhury Hossain**, **Dale Nagle**, D.M. Smith, P. Miller, B. Govindarajan, J. DiCarlo, K.R. Landis-Piowar and Q.P. Dou – “Naturally Occurring Proteasome Inhibitors from Mate Tea (*Ilex paraguayensis*) Serve as Models for Topical Proteasome Inhibitors”, *The Society for Investigative Dermatology*, 207-212, August 2005.
3. **Premalatha Balachandran**, **Feng Wei**, R.C. Lin, **Ikhlas Khan** and **David Pasco** – “Structure activity relationships of aristolochic acid analogues: Toxicity in cultured renal epithelial cells”, *Kidney International*, **67**, 1797-1805, 2005.
4. J.T. DiPiro, R.L. Talbert, G.C. Yee, G.R. Matzke, **Barbara Wells**, and L.M. Posey (editors) – Pharmacotherapy: A Pathophysiologic Approach, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, McGraw-Hill, 2005.
5. **Daneel Ferreira**, **Jannie P.J. Marais** and **Desmond Slade** – “Heterogeneity of the interflavanyl bond in proanthocyanidins from natural sources lacking C-4 (C-ring) deoxy flavonoid nucleophiles”, *Phytochemistry*, **66**, 2216-2237, 2005.
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9. W.J. Geldenhuys, P.R. Lockman, **Ashok Philip**, J.H. McAfee, **Bryan Miller**, **Christopher McCurdy** and D.D. Allen – “Inhibition of choline uptake by *N*-cyclohexylcholine, a high affinity ligand for the choline transporter at the blood-brain barrier”, *Journal of Drug Targeting*, **13**, 259-266, 2005.
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11. **Xiuhong Ji**, **Ikhlas Khan**, J.A. Mosjidis, H. Wang and P. Livant – “Variability for the presence of pyrrolizidine alkaloids in *Crotalaria juncea* L.”, *Pharmazie*, **60**, 620-622, 2005.
12. **Vaishali Joshi**, P.V. Srinivas and **Ikhlas Khan** – “Rapid and Easy Identification of *Illicium verum* Hook.f. and Its Adulterant *Illicium anisatum* Linn. By Fluorescent Microscopy and Gas Chromatography”, *Journal of AOAC International*, **88**, 703-705, 2005.
13. **Vaishali Joshi** and **Ikhlas Khan** – “Macroscopic and Microscopic Authentication of Chinese and North American Species of *Ephedra*”, *Journal of AOAC International*, **88**, 707-713, 2005.
14. J.T. Kando, **Barbara Wells** and P. E. Hayes – “Depressive Disorders”, Pharmacotherapy: A Pathophysiologic Approach, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, 1235-1255, 2005.
15. C.K. Kirkwood, E.H. Makela and **Barbara Wells** – “Anxiety Disorders II: Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder”, Pharmacotherapy: A Pathophysiologic Approach, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, 1307-1319, 2005.
16. **Jannie P.J. Marais**, **Daneel Ferreira** and **Desmond Slade** – “Stereoselective synthesis of monomeric flavonoids”, *Phytochemistry*, **66**, 2145-2176, 2005.
17. S.M. Mustafa, S.A. Bavadekar, G. Ma, B. Moore, **Dennis Feller** and D.D. Miller – “Synthesis and Biological Studies of Yohimbine Derivatives on Human Alpha2C-Adrenergic Receptors”, *Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry Letters*, **15**, 2758-2760, 2005.

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21. **Samir Ross**, M.A. Al-Azeib, K.S. Krishnaveni, F.R. Fronczek and **Charles Burandt** – “Alkamides from the Leaves of *Zanthoxylum syncarpum*”, *Journal of Natural Products*, **68**, 1297-1299, 2005.
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27. **Barbara Wells** – “The Greatest Injustice of All”, President’s Column, ACCP Report, **24(1)**, 3-4, 2005.
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#### TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER transactions:

(In the interest of protecting confidential information, the names and titles associated with School of Pharmacy invention disclosures and patent applications will no longer be published until after a patent has issued.)

Invention Disclosures Filed in 2005:	7
Patent Applications Pending:	33
Recent Patents Granted:	0

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