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TO: All School of Pharmacy and USDA Personnel  
FROM: Charles D. Hufford, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs  
DATE: May 14, 2009  
SUBJECT: Research News (#1)  

The following GRANTS/CONTRACTS have recently been awarded:

3. **Dr. Mark Hamann** (P.I.-Pharmacognosy). Determining the Phytochemistry of Sweet Extracts from Plant X2 (Kraft Foods, Inc.), $100,000, January 1, 2009-December 31, 2009.
4. **Dr. Erin Holmes** (P.I.-Pharmacy Administration/RIPS/CPMM) and **Dr. Benjamin Banahan** (Co-P.I.-Pharmacy Administration/RIPS/CPMM). RxSync Service Implementation and Evaluation Project (Cardinal Health), $125,000, January 5, 2009-December 31, 2010.
5. **Dr. Melissa Jacob** (P.I.-NCNPR) and **Dr. Khalid Ashfaq** (Co-P.I.-NCNPR). Development of New Agents Against Cryptococcal Infections (Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University/National Institutes of Health) $12,500, June 1, 2008-May 31, 2009.
7. **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (P.I.-NCNPR) and **Dr. Troy Smillie** (Co-P.I.-NCNPR). Isolation and Identification of Marker Compound from *Labisia pumila* (Holista Biotech), $60,000, July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009.


12. **Dr. Larry Walker** (P.I.-NCNPR), **Dr. Babu Tekwani** (Co-P.I.-NCNPR), and **Dr. Dhammika Nanayakkara** (Co-P.I.-NCNPR). Development of Safer Drugs for Malaria and Leishmaniasis (Years 2-3) (U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command), $2,884,909, April 1, 2009-May 1, 2011.

13. **Dr. Larry Walker** (P.I.-NCNPR), **Dr. Babu Tekwani** (Co-P.I.-NCNPR), and **Dr. Dhammika Nanayakkara** (Co-P.I.-NCNPR). Primaquine Revisited Part IV – Safety and Efficacy of Primaquine Isomers (Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation), $100,000, May 1, 2009-April 30, 2010.

14. **Dr. Barbara Wells** (P.I.- Pharmacy Dean’s Office). Walgreens Diversity Scholarship (Walgreens), $10,000, September 1, 2008-August 31, 2011.

15. **Dr. Kristie Willett** (P.I.-Pharmacology). Distribution, Bioaccumulation and Toxicity of Nanosilver Particles in Medaka (**Oryzias latipes**) - Year 1 (U.S. Army Engineering Research and Development Center), $139,114, February 27, 2009-February 27, 2010.

The following **PUBLICATIONS** have appeared:


38. **John Williamson**, “And the Rockets Red Glare”, *Phi Kappa Phi Forum (Summer 2009)*.


**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.)

Research Disclosures Filed in FY 2008-09: 0
US Patents Pending: 29
Recent US Patents Granted: *Novel Antigiardial Agents and Methods of Use Thereof.*


The following **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** are also listed:

- **Dr. Ikhlas Khan** (NCNPR) was presented with the Norman R. Fransworth Excellence in Botanical Research Award. The presentation was made to Dr. Khan during the Oxford International Conference on the Science of Botanicals, held in April 2009.
- **Ms. Monica Love** (Medicinal Chemistry) was awarded a Dissertation Fellowship by the Graduate School for the Spring 2009 semester.
- **Mr. Stephen Slauson** (Medicinal Chemistry) was awarded a Dissertation Fellowship by the Graduate School for the Spring 2009 semester.
- **Ms. Suvapun Bunniran** (Pharmacy Administration) and **Mr. Pankaj Daga** (Medicinal Chemistry) received the Graduation Student Achievement awards for 2008-2009.

Please continue to send me important research and graduate information so that I might share it with your faculty colleagues.

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    Ms. Dabney Weems
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