REPORT
ON 2017

PharmD Program Launched  |  Food and Nutrition Lab Opens  |  GSK-CIHR Research Chair  |  New Scholarships in Nutrition
The college has grown and great progress has been made in many important areas. We launched our Doctor of Pharmacy program and welcomed the first PharmD class last fall. We opened a state of the art food and nutrition lab, which was celebrated with a grand opening ceremony. We also secured the largest donation in the college’s history, which will help us provide rich and engaging opportunities for our students for years to come.

These accomplishments would not be possible without the dedicated work of our faculty and staff. Both our students and alumni have received prestigious national awards, which demonstrates their dedication to their professions. Our research funding continues to increase and we are Canadian leaders when it comes to fundraising for pharmacy education.

You’ll learn why we are so proud of everyone when you read about these accomplishments in the following pages. Our faculty, staff, students, and alumni were all very busy in 2017, and 2018 promises to be just as busy and exciting. We’ll bring in top talent to join our faculty and staff for both our pharmacy and nutrition programs, and the college will finally settle into its permanent home in the newly renovated Health Sciences A-Wing.

I look forward to continuing work in 2018 and beyond as the college grows and the pharmacy and nutrition professions evolve.

Dr. Kishor M. Wasan
R.Ph, Ph.D, FAAPS, FCSPS, FCAHS
Professor and Dean
Apotex Donation

The University of Saskatchewan and Apotex Inc. have renewed their partnership with a $1.6 million donation by the company to the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition. The gift, which is the largest donation in the college’s history, will be received over eight years and support college initiatives and activities.

The partnership between the college and Apotex extends back to the relationship built between former Dean Dennis Gorecki and former Apotex President Jack Kay. During his time as dean, support from Apotex helped Gorecki establish important initiatives in the college. “I am most grateful to Jack and Apotex for their gifts. Their generous donations allowed us to do things we would not normally be able to, and I sincerely thank Jack for making much of it happen.”

The most notable of these initiatives is the Apotex Pharmacy Professional Practice Centre, where students work in real-life pharmacy settings to learn to counsel patients and work as a team.

Pharmacy Accreditation

The Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy (BSP) program has been awarded accreditation and the new Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program has been awarded provisional accreditation, both for the four-year term 2017-2021 by the Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Program.

The nearly year-long accreditation process was led by Drs. Yvonne Shevchuk and Roy Dobson, with the site visit taking place in October 2016. Accreditors from The Canadian Council for Accreditation of Pharmacy Programs met with faculty, staff, students and external stakeholders as part of the review. The results were provided to the college in mid-2017 in time for the PharmD program to begin.

Welcome to our first Doctor of Pharmacy Class

The college’s new PharmD program began in late August with a week-long orientation for the new students. This new entry-to-practice degree will replace the existing BSP, which will graduate its final class in 2020, as the first professional degree required to practice as a licensed pharmacist.

The program is designed to provide the skills and knowledge necessary for pharmacists to practice as their roles in the health-care system expand. The new curriculum will include 40 weeks of experiential learning, with 32 weeks of advanced practice in the fourth year. The first three years of the program include two four-week practice experiences, as well as smaller weekly opportunities.
A celebration of a 20-year partnership using pulse crops and education to combat child malnutrition and increase farmer incomes for thousands in Ethiopia brought together international researchers and dignitaries on May 25 and 26 at the University of Saskatchewan.

New Scholarships

The college has established two new nutrition scholarships in honour of Drs. Shawna Berenbaum and Susan Whiting, who have made outstanding contributions to the dietetics profession and education of students in the field. The scholarships will recognize academic excellence and contribution to the dietetics profession of students in the second and third years of the Nutrition program.

Celebrating 20 Years with Hawassa University

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“Celebrating 20 Years of Empowering Ethiopia’s Healthy Future through an Ethiopian-Canadian Partnership in Global Agriculture and Nutrition” marks the success of an ambitious program. It is based upon promotion of pulse production and consumption, adoption of improved pulse varieties and agronomic practices, new processing technologies, nutrition education and training, and value chain and market development.
New Nutrition Faculty

The Division of Nutrition and Dietetics would like to welcome two new assistant professors to the faculty:

Dr. Lesley Moisey completed her BASc and MSc from the University of Guelph, and recently a PhD in Nutrition & Physiology from the University of Waterloo.

Dr. Jessica Liefers completed her BSc and MSc from the University of Alberta, and a PhD in Health Studies and Gerontology from the University of Waterloo.

Congratulations to the following faculty members on their promotions and renewals, which were effective July 1, 2017:

- Dr. Roy Dobson promoted to full professor
- Dr. Derek Jorgenson promoted to full professor
- Dr. Charity Evans promoted with tenure to associate professor
- Dr. Thomas Rotter promoted to associate professor
- Dr. Ellen Wasan renewed as an assistant professor
- Dr. Jessica Liefers promoted to associate professor
- Dr. Jessica Liefers promoted to full professor
- Dr. Charity Evans promoted with tenure to associate professor
- Dr. Thomas Rotter promoted to associate professor

Awards

Congratulations to the following faculty members who were recognized at the 2017 Celebration of Teaching on Friday, April 28:

- Dr. Gordon Zello received a University of Saskatchewan Long Service Award. The Long Service Awards exist to honor and recognize staff members who have demonstrated excellence in service to the University of Saskatchewan for 25 years.
- Sandy Knowles was the first recipient of the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition Dean’s Staff Award for Commitment and Excellence. The award recognizes those who demonstrate behaviours in the workplace which reflect University of Saskatchewan and the college values, or provide exemplary service toward fulfilling the college mission.
- Dr. Phyllis Paterson – Provost’s College Award for Outstanding Teaching
- Dr. Carol Henry received the George Ivany Award for Internationalization at the Fall Convocation ceremony on Saturday, October 28. The award is given for exceptional contributions of a faculty member or administrator toward the internationalization objectives of the university.
- Dr. Jonathan Dimmock received a 2017 University of Saskatchewan Retirees Association Continuing Contribution Award. The USRA created this award in early 2016 to recognize and express appreciation to persons who have retired from work at the university, but have continued to make contributions at an exceptional level.
- Dr. Jason Perepelkin – Provost’s Award for Outstanding Innovation in Learning
- Dr. Yvonne Shevchuk and her colleagues – Provost’s Prize in Collaborative Teaching and Learning
- Dr. Robert Lapriana, Amy Smith-Morris, and Holly Mansell were named winners of the 2017 CBC Saskatchewan Future 40. Fourth year pharmacy student Kaitlyn Tress and alumna Courtney Junop (BSP 2011) were also nominated by their colleagues for this honour. The CBC Saskatchewan Future 40 celebrates the province’s new generation of leader, builders and change-makers under the age of 40.
Victor Bartle (BSP 1963) bequeathed $250,000 to the college in his estate. According to his will, Bartle’s gift is to be used at the discretion of the Dean of the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition. The gift will be reserved for future pharmacy practice and research activities in the college.

Colleen Howard (BSP 1972) bequeathed approximately $195,000 from her estate to the college for continuing education and to establish the Colleen Howard Humanitarian Bursary. The Colleen Howard Bursary Fund has been established with $130,000 from Howard’s donation to the college. An annual award will be available to a third or fourth-year student enrolled in the Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy program. To be eligible, the students must demonstrate financial need and submit a statement which details their humanitarian interests and plans to continue those efforts in the pharmaceutical fields.

The remaining $65,000 of Howard’s donation will be directed towards the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition Continuing Education Fund. The funds will be used for education opportunities that related to advancing the vision and mission of the college.

Betty Corrine Riddell (BSP 1949) bequeathed $75,000 from her estate to the college to establish an award for graduate studies in clinical pharmacy. The award is part of a series of gifts left to the University of Saskatchewan by Betty and her late husband, W. Murray Riddell.

The Betty Corrine Riddell and W. Murray Riddell (Post) Graduate Pharmacy Award will recognize the academic and leadership abilities of a student who has completed a pharmacy degree at the U of S and intends to pursue a clinical pharmacy graduate degree, also at the U of S. Preference will be given to those with a research interest in oncology.

The college held alumni events throughout 2017, including Sask Night at the Canadian Pharmacists Association Conference in Quebec City, the dessert and hospitality suite at the Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan Conference, an evening mixer at the Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists Professional Practice Conference in Toronto, a reception at the Delta Bessborough in Saskatoon, and the new Dean’s Golf Tournament. Dates and locations for our upcoming alumni events in 2018 will be announced in our newsletter, on our website and on social media.

Thank you…

Alumni events
Reunions

The Pharmacy Class of 2007 held a 10-year reunion on Saturday, August 19 in Saskatoon at the Nutana Legion Hall.

The Pharmacy Class of 1997 held their 20-year reunion in Saskatoon during the last weekend of September. The weekend’s events included a tour by Dr. Fred Remillard of the college’s new facilities in the Health Sciences Building.

Alumni awards

Congratulations to the following alumni who received awards during the Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan Conference weekend May 5-7 in Saskatoon.

Saskatchewan College Pharmacy Professionals Awards Banquet

Honorary Life Member - Darryl W. Lesko (BSP 1975)
Presidential Citation Recipient - Kenneth Galloway (BSP 1952)
SCCP Staff Recognition - Ray Joubert (BSP 1974) for 40 years of service

Pharmacy Association of Saskatchewan Awards

Pharmacist of the Year – Brent Jensen (BSP 1988)
Award of Merit – Arlene Kuntz (BSP 1981); Dr. Amy Smith-Morris (BSP 2010)
New Horizon Award – Shelby Scherbey (BSP 2016)
Pfizer Consumer Healthcare Bowl of Hygeia Award – Vanessa Lendvay (BSP 2004)
Canadian Foundation for Pharmacy Past Chair Award – Julia Bureham (BSP 2008)
Certificate of Recognition – Julia Bareham (BSP 2008); Rod Amaya (BSP 1996); Lori Albers (BSP 2007); Amber Ly (BSP 2003); Kimberly Sentes (BSP 1996)

Natasha Haskey (BScNutr 1998, MSc 2007) received one of the Member Recognition Awards for Innovation at the Dietitians of Canada Conference.

Patricia Chuey (BScNutr 1989, MSc 1994) received the 2017 Ryley Jeffs Memorial Lecture Award. The Ryley Jeffs Memorial Lecture Award is an opportunity to recognize a Dietitians of Canada member who exemplifies the ideals of dedication to the profession and who has a proven ability to chart new directions in the field of dietetics.

Krystal Horudko (BSP 2003) received a 2017 Patient Focused Practitioner Award from the Prince Edward Island Pharmacists Association. The award recognizes a pharmacist who is friendly over and above the call of duty and is customer service focused.

Donald Kuntz (BSP 1981) was inducted as a fellow of the Canadian Hospital Pharmacists Society. Fellow status is conferred by the Fellows Recognition Committee upon CHP members who have demonstrated noteworthy, sustained service and excellence in the practice of pharmacy in an organized health-care setting.

College of Home Economics

A part of our history

The college hosted the annual luncheon for the Home Economics alumni at the Delta Bessborough on Friday, April 28. Approximately 70 alumni from across the province attended.

In honour of Judy Buzowetsky (BEd 1967, BScHe 1967), the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association has created a special award to annually recognize volunteerism, community service and contributions to the U of S. The first BUZ Award was accepted by Judy’s sister Ilene Wettergreen and Home Ec alumna Shirley Lambert (BScHe 1969).

The year 2016-2017 marked the 100th Anniversary of Home Economics at the University of Saskatchewan. A celebration was held as part of the University of Saskatchewan Alumni Association’s Alumni Weekend on May 19 and 20.

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2017-18 Saskatchewan Pharmacy and Nutrition Students Society

On Wednesday, January 25, our first-year pharmacy and nutrition students held their Pledge of Professionalism Ceremony in the Health Sciences Building. Each year the first-year students write these pledges, which are posted in the hallway near their classrooms.

Nineteen nutrition students attended the 2017 Dietitians of Canada Conference in St. John’s, Newfoundland and Labrador. The students earned their way to the conference by fundraising throughout the academic year to pay for their travel and accommodations.

The CSHP Western Branches Banff Seminar took place in March, and 18 of our students demonstrated their commitment to the profession by making the over 700 km trip to the conference.
Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the 2017 Pharmasave-Rubicon Pharmacy Student Business Plan Competition. A special thank you to our judges for taking time out their busy schedules, and to Pharmasave for hosting a reception after the competition.

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First place
Points Safe Injection Site
Daniel Bakke, Braden Edmunds, Ethan Emilie, Nadine Thompson, Kaitlyn Tress, Miranda Turnbull

Second place
Improving Drug Therapy Outcomes to Optimize Health in Saskatchewan’s Northern Populations
Jordan Kalsenikoff, Kelsey Powell, Taylor Raiche, Shay Smith, Kassandra Stahi, Adam Tomasiewicz

Third place
Regional Sterile Service Program
Sharif Bhimji, Nick Fattore, Danton Hallman, Friize Khoshandamgoli, Vanessa Laleleche, Brett Richter
Pharmacist Awareness Month

MR. PHARMACY PAGEANT
Congratulations to CAPSI USaskatchewan on raising money for The Children's Cancer Therapy Development Institute at another successful Mr. Pharmacy Pageant. Second-year pharmacy student Dylan Hope was named this year’s Mr. Pharmacy.

PAM BOOTHS
Throughout the month, CAPSI ran outreach booths on campus and in the community to help educate people about the role of pharmacists.

Professional Enhancement Day
Two joint Pharmacy and Nutrition Professional Enhancement Days were held in 2017.

The first was on Tuesday, March 14, at the German Cultural Centre. Dragana Skokovic-Sunjic, a clinical pharmacist and Canadian expert in probiotics, reviewed recent evidence and the role of probiotics as an intervention for critical issues faced in the health care system.

Congratulations to Annika Kolar and Steven Kary for planning the successful event!

The second event was held on Monday, October 2, in Marquis Hall. This event’s topic was “Exercise is Medicine” and included guest speakers Dr. Phil Chilibeck from the College of Kinesiology and Dr. Christopher Shields from Acadia University.

Congratulations to Jordan Kalesnikoff and Grace Weishaupt on planning a successful event!

Student awards

Kierra FineDay received the Award for Leadership for the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition at the Aboriginal Student Achievement Awards Ceremony on Thursday, March 2.

Lisa Toy won the patient counseling competition at the 63rd IPSF World Congress 2017 in Taipei, Taiwan.

RIBBON CUTTING
PAM got off to a strong start on Monday, February 27, with the ribbon cutting in the Health Sciences E-Wing Atrium. Over 100 students, faculty, and staff were in attendance to mark the start of the month.
2017 CAPSI Professional Development Week

With 75 delegates at the 2017 CAPSI Professional Development Week, the University of Saskatchewan had an impressive showing at the national conference. The conference took place January 4-7 in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The CAPSI National Council met during the four days of the conference and discussed pertinent topics and strategic planning for the upcoming semester. National Council members from U of S included Caitlin McGrath (National President), Sophie Châlifour (Finance Officer), Darren Reithmeier (CAPSI Editor), Samantha Cunningham (CSHP Liaison), Kaitlyn Tress (CAPSI Senior), and Shivani Trivedi (CAPSI Junior).

KEY RESULTS FOR THE U OF S INCLUDE:

- Congratulations to Heather Hodgson and Roya Nabi on earning first place in the 2016 IPSF Anti-counterfeit Drug Campaign.
- Jasmine Greenwald, Logan Underwood, Meghanne Rieder, and Andrew Groat earned second place in the Pharmafacts Bowl.
- CAPSI University of Saskatchewan earned second place in the Award for Professionalism for their efforts during Pharmacist Awareness Month 2016.

THE U OF S WILL CONTINUE TO BE ENGAGED WITH CAPSI ON A NATIONAL LEVEL DURING THE 2017-18 YEAR:

- Caitlin McGrath will transition to the CAPSI Past-President position.
- Kaitlyn Tress has been elected the CAPSI Secretary.
- Shivani Trivedi will transition to the CAPSI Senior position.

Congratulations to all those who proudly represented the U of S!
Congratulations to our students who were named to the Huskie Athletics All-Academic Team for the 2016-17 season:

- **Brooke Mentanko (BSP 2017)**
  - Huskie Athletics All-Academic Second Team

- **Justine Larson**
  - Second-year pharmacy
  - U SPORTS Academic All-Canadian

- **Rebecca Weckworth**
  - Second-year nutrition
  - U SPORTS Academic All-Canadian

- **Kaylee Halvorson**
  - First-year pharmacy
  - Huskie Athletics All-Academic First and U SPORTS Academic All-Canadian

There are three types of members on the team:

- **Huskie Athletics All-Academic First Team** includes student athletes, managers and trainers who have obtained a sessional average of at least 79.5 per cent on a minimum course load of 24 credit units.

- **Huskie Athletics All-Academic Second Team** includes student athletes, managers and trainers who have obtained a sessional average of at least 74.5 per cent on a minimum course load of 24 credit units.

- **U SPORTS Academic All-Canadian Team** includes athletes that had at least an 80 per cent average on a minimum of 18 credit units. These athletes used U SPORTS eligibility last year.

Photos by Josh Schaefer

Indigenous Activities Fund

The college was pleased to announce the new Indigenous Activity Fund to provide financial resources for activities to increase Indigenous representation and involvement through the weaving of Indigenous knowledges and practices within the college. The fund will provide $100,000 over three years for these activities, and has been secured through donations from various external sources.

Indigenous initiatives on campus are being prioritized as the university-wide integrated planning process continues at the university and college levels. Indigenization and reconciliation are emphasized in the university’s vision, values, principles, commitments, and aspirations.

“The outcomes of this fund will only strengthen the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition and the quality of care and service that graduates will offer Indigenous peoples.”

Jacqueline Ottmann, Vice-Provost Indigenous Engagement
Nutrition month

March was Nutrition Month across Canada and our nutrition students actively promoted the role of Registered Dietitians.

**DIETITIAN’S DAY**

Dietitians’ Day was on Wednesday, March 15, and the nutrition students held an information booth in the E-Wing Atrium, with healthy snacks and nutritional information.

**Nutrition Research Day**

The annual Dietitians of Canada Saskatchewan Research Day was held on Thursday, April 20, in the Wascana Rehabilitation Centre auditorium in Regina.

The day highlighted and celebrated the fourth-year nutrition students’ practice-based research project presentations, and featured presentations by leading experts in food and nutrition.
Congratulations to our first Doctor of Pharmacy class on receiving their white coats at a ceremony on Sunday, October 22.
Nutrition third-year send-off

The third-year nutrition celebration and send-off was held on Thursday, April 6 at the University Club. The celebration marks the end of the students’ campus-based learning and the start of their internships.

Congratulations and good luck to all of our third-year nutrition students!
The 24th Annual Academic Awards Ceremony was held on Sunday, March 19, in 1150 E-Wing. We were honoured to have President Peter Stoicheff in attendance.
The AAPS Visiting Scientist Day was held on Wednesday, September 13, included Dr. Andy Vick, Corporate Vice President, Safety Assessment, at Charles River Laboratories. Dr. Vick presented two talks titled “PK/PD Modeling of Peptide Drug Candidates: KAI-4169 case study” and “Continual Evolution of the Pharma Industry and Career Tips”.

The chapter was also part of a number of college events, including the Summer Student Research Internship Program Poster Presentation Day, the SPNSS Fall Welcome Barbeque, the Fall Graduate Program Welcome Barbeque.

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Sarah Finch was awarded a Saskatchewan Innovation & Opportunity Scholarship for the 2017-2018 academic year.

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Raj Rai
Mona Hamada and Mays Al-Dulaymi (Co-founders and Ex-chairs) will continue to provide their advice and support to the new executives.

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Welcome to Dr. Robert Laprairie as a tenure track assistant professor with a five-year term as GSK-CHIR Research Chair in Drug Discovery and Development. The chair is made possible through an endowment funded by GlaxoSmithKline, through its Pathfinders Fund for Leaders in Canadian Health Science Research and by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the Government of Saskatchewan, SaskTel, the University of Saskatchewan, and the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition.

Robert’s research focuses on cannabinoids and how they work by interacting with specific cannabinoid receptors throughout the brain and body. By studying the wide range of cannabinoids found in marijuana, his lab aims to develop new synthetic cannabinoid compounds which may be useful for the treatment of addiction, pain, spasticity in multiple sclerosis, Parkinson’s disease, Huntington’s disease, epilepsy, post-traumatic stress disorder, and anxiety.

A Saskatoon native, Robert holds a Bachelor of Science Honours in Biochemistry from the University of Saskatchewan in addition to a Master of Science in Neuroscience/ Pharmacology and a PhD in Pharmacology from Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia. He was a postdoctoral fellow at The Scripps Research Institute, Department of Molecular Therapeutics, in Florida prior to joining the college.

Notable grants

Dr. Kate Dadachova received $341,000 US in funding from Defense Threat Reduction Agency for the project Investigation of Radiation Resistance Mechanisms in Melanized Fungi.

Dr. Jim Fang was awarded a $196,000 grant from the Agriculture Development Fund for the project Longer-Term Effects of Saskatoon Berries in Elderly – a Placebo Controlled Study.

Dr. Meena SakharKar was awarded a $121,000 grant from the Agriculture Development Fund and SaskMilk for the project Treatment of Mastitis Infections in Dairy Cattle.

Dr. Hassan Vatanparast was awarded $129,126 from General Mills for the project Composition of a Healthy Breakfast for European and North American Children and Adults - Canadian Research Component.

Dr. Susan Whiting and colleagues were awarded a $100,000 grant from the GilaOxSmithKline Partnership program.

Dr. Dr. Kate Dadachova received a Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation (SHRF) Establishment grant in the amount of $120,000 for the project Developing Combination Therapy to Treat Androgen-Insensitive Prostate Cancer.

Dr. Dr. Meena SakharKar was awarded a three-year $120,000 SHRF Establishment grant for the project Developing Combination Therapy to Treat Androgen-Insensitive Prostate Cancer.

In Memorium: Dr. Adil J. Nazarali

Dr. Adil J. Nazarali, Professor, Laboratory of Molecular Cell Biology, joined the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition in July 1995. He was recently designated as a Fellow of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, and was only one of three Royal Pharmaceutical Society Fellows in Canada.

Adil was very committed to teaching and was awarded the Provost’s College Award for Outstanding Teaching in 2015. He was also a dedicated supervisor, and at the time of his passing he was supervising the following graduate students: Merlin Thangaraj, PhD candidate, Paul Iyyanar, PhD candidate, Kendra Furbee, Postdoctoral fellow, Natasha Breedew, MSc student, and Glazia Tan, PhD student.

Beginning in 2009, Adil provided opportunities for students from all health science programs for experiential learning in rural Uganda, providing venues for interdisciplinary collaboration outside the classroom and to promote opportunities for personal and professional development.

Adil was passionate about research and loved spending time in the lab alongside his graduate students. Adil’s passing is not only a huge loss to his family, but also the University of Saskatchewan community.
Spotlight on research

Throughout 2017, we highlighted the work of some of our top researchers and trainees. Below we present those we highlighted and the focus of their research or the projects in which they are involved.

RESEARCHER OF THE MONTH
FEBRUARY
Kerry Mansell
Diabetes and pharmacy practice with dementia.

RESEARCHER OF THE MONTH
JUNE
Jason Perepelkin
Marketing, branding, and service quality in pharmacy; social and administrative (managerial) aspects of pharmacy practice; teaching innovation in pharmacy management and marketing.

RESEARCHER OF THE MONTH
SEPTEMBER
Brian Bandy
Bioactive components of plants, the roles of oxidative metabolism in health and disease.

TRAINEE SPOTLIGHT
JANUARY
Laura McBreairty
Multidisciplinary clinical trial in women with the endocrine disorder polycystic ovary syndrome.

TRAINEE SPOTLIGHT
MARCH
Shenzhen Yao
Physicians influence on the level of medication adherence exhibited by patients.

TRAINEE SPOTLIGHT
APRIL
Waleed Mohammed-Saeid
Design and development of different lipid-based drug delivery systems and related analytical and characterisation strategies.

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JUNE
Jason Perepelkin
Marketing, branding, and service quality in pharmacy; social and administrative (managerial) aspects of pharmacy practice; teaching innovation in pharmacy management and marketing.

TRAINEE SPOTLIGHT
SEPTEMBER
Paul Pown Raj Iyyanar
Investigating the cellular and molecular mechanisms involved in cleft palate pathogenesis.

TRAINEE SPOTLIGHT
SEPTEMBER
Sarah Finchl
Maternal and child nutrition with emphasis on vitamin D.

For more information please visit https://pharmacy-nutrition.usask.ca/research/spotlight-on-research.php