

COLLEGE *of* PHARMACY *and* HEALTH SCIENCES

Winter 2017

Dean Milton hosts 2017 Induction & White Coat ceremony.

On Friday, October 20, 2017 Dr. Shirlette Milton, Ph.D., R.Ph., Class of 1975, interim dean at Texas Southern University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, hosted a ceremony inducting over 200 students into the college professional phase of their respective programs. The inductees were inspired by alum Dr. Jason Monroe, class of 2014. Our students recited a professional pledge for their respective programs and our pharmacy students were fitted with their first white coats in the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Our students took their first steps towards the responsibility of committing to being health care professionals. Students were given an early opportunity to network with industry leaders, allowing for professional mentorships.



Dr. Milton, Interim Dean &
Ahemad Ababor, Student



Dr. Jason Monroe
Guest Speaker



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Our students Hurricane Harvey Hero's

Jumped into action during and after Hurricane Harvey.

In the wake of Hurricane Harvey, students, faculty and staff from Texas Southern University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences programs put their skills to work to help those in need. "Our college is filled with eager, compassionate people who are always willing to lend a helping hand," Davis said.

Our students stated it was rewarding even though it was dirty, wet, and challenging work. We applaud all their efforts, they never lost their patience or compassion for serving the community during and after the aftermaths of Hurricane Harvey.

Equipped with tools and cleaning supplies, the students went in several homes and removed the interior of all its contents, including furniture, cabinets, sheetrock, and insulation.



COPHS students Good Luck Ijezie-Desbois Paul William, Tina Pham, Shirley Pham, Ryan Hughes Yun Hao and other volunteers, serving displaced residents in Houston.



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TSU COPHS Residency Placement 2017

Name	TSU Grad Year	Residency Name	Residency Location	Program Type
Okikioluwa Arojo	2016	Baylor St Luke's Medical Center	Houston, TX	PGY2-Critical Care
Janay Bailey	2016	Corpus Christi Medical Center	Corpus Christi, TX	PGY1
Betsy Benny	2017	Option Care	Lincoln, NE	PGY1
Jaryce Echols	2017	Capital District Physicians Health Plan Inc.	Albany, NY	PGY1 – Managed Care
Oluchi Emelogu	2016	Michael E. Debakey VAMC	Houston, TX	PGY2-Ambulatory Care
Abdul Gabisi Jr	2017	Harris Health System	Houston, TX	PGY1
Blanca Guerra	2017	Texas Southern University	Houston, TX	PGY1-Community
Jesse Harris	2017	Houston Methodist Hospital	Houston, TX	PGY1
Christine McNamara	2016	Avera McKennan Hospital	Sioux Falls, SD	PGY2-Oncology
Zahra Naini	2017	University Health Shreveport	Shreveport, LA	PGY1
Emmanuel Njigha	2017	OHSU Hospitals & Clinics	Portland, OR	PGY1
Esther Okoro	2016	John Peter Smith Health Network	Fort Worth, TX	PGY2-Ambulatory Care
Jeena Thomas	2017	University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB)	Galveston, TX	PGY1
Maureen Wanami	2009	Memorial Hermann Hospital System	Houston, TX	PGY1

COPHS 2017 New Faculty



Dr. Yun Zhang
Assistant Professor



Dr. Song Gao
Assistant Professor

Welcome!! Welcome!!

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Dr. Dong Liang, Dr. Sunny Ohia, Dr. Shirlette Milton, Dr. Bobby Wilson, Dr. Huan Xie, Dr. Adebayo Oyekan, Dr. Kasturi Ranganna (front row) Mrs. Joyce Chandler, Dr. Angabin Matin, Ms. Marie Toukam, Dr. Zivar Yousefipour, Dr. Yuan Chen, Dr. Omana Mathew, Ololade Awesemo Dr. Uche Anadu Ndefo (back row)

COPHS faculty & students attended the RCM Translational Science Conference in Washington DC. The overall conference team of Innovate, Translate, Collaborate and Engage community resonated with our college mission. Our faculty and students participation was critically important to advancing health equity in “under-represented communities across America. COPHS remain committed to uniting in the spirit integrity and accountability to ensure minority research is at the forefront of its efforts. Our participation as equal partners to reduce ethnic and geographic disparities in health for the great good of communities at large is most rewarding. Our students walked away with a better understanding of how they can utilize sophisticated technologies to transform traditional silo-science-based research. Job well done COPHS Dr. Dong special session on Academic Preparedness and Response to Natural Disaster and Dr. Oyekan session on Cardiovascular disease and Obesity.

“RCMI 2017 presents research opportunities to share new and innovative approaches, develop the next generation of biomedical scientists, and extend the reach and visibility of communities whose interest is improving health outcomes.”

COPHS RCM Abstracts & Presentations

Cooper. C.; Xie. H. “LC-MS/MS Assay Development of a New Anti-Infectious Molecule”

Chen, Y., Xie. H. “Hypoxia-Targeted Gold Nanorods for Photothermal Therapy”

Mathew, Omana Butyrate Effect on Vascular Smooth Muscle Cells (VSMC)

OP Matthew: K. Ranganna, C. Selvam; Z. Yousefipour, S.G. Milton TSU (OPM, KR, CS, ZY; SGM)

Yousefipour, Zivar Role of MTOR IL-6 and NRF2 in Acrolein Toxicity

Yousefipour, Zivar; M. Joseph, O Odina; D Xiao; K. Ranganna TSU (ZY, MF, OO, KR) Milton Academy (DX)

Awesemo, Ololade T. Development and Validation of LCMASAY for 5AMINO1 Methylquinolinium

O. Awesemo; H, Neelakantan; J Ma; S. Watowich; L. Dong University of Texas Medical Branch (HN, SW)

Toukam, Marie LC-MS/MS Method Development for OJT008 Marie Toukam, TSU; Jing Ma (TSU); Dong Liang (TSU) Omonike Olaleye (TSU)

M Choi, A.O Oyekan Ppara Interacts with PhD proteins in renal fibrosis

M Choi, A.O Oyekan Prolyl Hydroxy Binding Protein and MYD88/P65 in renal injury

A O Oyekanl E Ozurumba, O Matthew, K Ranganna Ppara/alt Diet Regulate Prolyl Hydroxyl binding proteins

College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences 2017 Homecoming Alumni & Students

COPHS students voted to be 2017 Mr. & Miss TSU Homecoming King & Queen.

Chad Zeno is a Respiratory Therapy student and Tramauni Brock is a P2 student in the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. The Mr. & Miss TSU is pictured with TSU President Dr. Austin Lane & his wife Mrs. Loren Lane.



COPHS Alumni Soiree

COPHS hosted Alumni soiree with over 70 alums and students during Homecoming week. We honored and recognized alum, faculty and students who are doing great things in the health care profession and the community-at-large. Thank you for generosity in giving of your personal time and resources to affirm and sustain students.



2017 Honorees: Freemon Walker, Patricia Pellerin, Warren Moody, Jada Gilbert, Lance Henderson and Mohamed Arafat. Inaugural Legacy Award - Dr. Andrew James Class of 1984

2017 ANNUAL COPHS ALUMNI HOMECOMING CE on the Opioid Crisis in America.



Interim Dean Dr. Milton greets and thanks Opioid panelist, Ms. Young, TSU Chief of Police, Dr. Angelique Harding, Houston Health Dept., Dr. Juanice Middleton Colwell, Menninger Clinic, Ms. Shannon G. Martin, Drug Enforcement Agency and Mr. Jones, Esq. and Dr. Etes of OET. The panels addressed the following; drug abuse related to opioid analgesics and the trends in medical use and abuse; the risk characteristic of persons dying of unintentional pharmaceutical overdose, types of drugs involved, and the role of drug abuse in the death; the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) plans to require opioid makers to provide training for physicians and patient-education materials on the appropriate prescribing and use of prescription opioid pain relievers and; ways to educate and promote drug abuse awareness at home, on the job, in schools. The event was a huge success over 50 participants received valuable information on the Opioid

COPHS Homecoming Parade & Tailgating

