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# Vanderbilt University School of Medicine Department of Pharmacology Highlights

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## Message from the Department Chair

*It is a pleasure to share with you some of our program's highlights and the accomplishments of our trainees. The support of our alums is truly overwhelming! Your enthusiasm for our program and your willingness to share your experience is one of the things that make our training program extraordinary. **Thank you!** to each of you for your support and continued accomplishment.*



David Sweatt, Ph.D.  
Professor and Chair  
Department of Pharmacology

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## Graduate Education Enhancement Award

The Pharmacology Graduate Education Enhancement Award was initiated by contributions from Pharmacology faculty to enhance training of graduate students. The award supports students in their endeavors to learn new technologies and techniques, participate in cross-institutional collaborations, and attend short courses or other endeavors complementing their training.

Aparna Shekar of Aurelio Galli's lab was granted funds from this award to attend the Membrane Transport Proteins Workshop at the Gordon Research Conference in Italy during June 2016.

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## 2015-2016 Awards to Pharmacology Trainees

Elizabeth Gibson	PhRMA Foundation Fellowship
Krystian Kozek	PhRMA Foundation Paul Calabresi Medical Student Fellowship
James Maksymetz	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Doctoral Foreign Study Award
Shan Parikh	NIH F30 Award
Nicole Perry	American Heart Association Fellowship
Megan Shuey	NIH National Research Service Award, F31

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## Save the Date: June 2, 2017

### 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Joel G. Hardman Student-Invited Pharmacology Forum

#### Special Topic: Department of Pharmacology Through the Decades: Over 80 Years of Impact

In conjunction with the BRET Office's 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion, the Pharmacology students have selected the Impact of Vanderbilt Pharmacology as their Student Forum topic for 2017. Scheduled events include talks and breakout sessions with Pharm alums and current students. To find out more or if you would like to be involved, please email [pharm.education@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:pharm.education@vanderbilt.edu). We hope you will make plans to join us! Please be on the lookout for additional information via email.

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## Recent and Upcoming Events

**October 26, 2016**

**Annual Departmental Retreat**



**November 3, 2016**

**Meredith S. and John A. Oates Lectureship in  
Clinical Pharmacology**

*"Bright and dark sides of immunity  
in stroke and dementia: The gut  
takes center stage" presented by*

**Costantino Iadecola, M.D.**

Anne Parrish Titzell Professor of Neurology  
Director (Chair), Feil Family Brain and Mind  
Research Institute  
Weill Cornell Medicine, New York

**May 4, 2017**

**Flexner Discovery Lecture/Elaine Sanders-  
Bush Lecture**

**Eric R. Kandel, M.D.**

- University Professor and Fred Kavli Professor, Department of Neuroscience Columbia Univ.
- Director of the Kavli Institute for Brain Science
- Co-Director of the Mortimer B. Zuckerman Mind Brain Behavior Institute
- Investigator, HHMI
- Member, National Academy of Sciences
- Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine in 2000

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