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Ireland is on the up and up. The economy has been turned around and thanks to an endless national debate we are a nation of financial experts.

How fares the finances of the College of Medicine and Health? As we come to the end of the academic financial year I can report with pride that we once again have met and surpassed the targets set. This reflects the hard work and graft of all our staff. I appreciate the efforts put in by all and I want to encourage you to keep it up. Better times are coming but, in my view, there will be a lag time of several years before the University sector benefits from a real increase in public expenditure. Pace yourselves, support each other and maintain high personal standards in all you do. It is a marathon not a sprint.

p.s. The South/Southwest hospital group has appointed its senior management team in August. Interviews for all posts were hosted in Cork in the CoMH. A big step forward towards a new Academic Health Centre. Catch up on the details in next months newsletter.

p.p.s. Mr Gerry O'Dywer was elected President of the European Association of Hospital Managers in Berlin on 12th September 2014. The association represents all the best hospitals in Europe. This is a great honour and achievement for Gerry and for our hospital group. We wish him every success. Maith thú Gearoid.

John R Higgins
Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology
Head College of Medicine and Health



UCC PARTNERS WITH ARCH THERAPEUTICS

The School of Pharmacy, University College Cork (UCC), has entered into a new collaboration agreement with Arch Therapeutics, Inc., Wellesley, MA (OTCQB: ARTH) developer of the AC5 Surgical Hemostatic Device™, focusing on development of hemostasis and sealant products.

Arch is a medical device company developing a novel approach to stop bleeding (hemostasis) and control leaking (sealant) during surgery and trauma care. Terrence W. Norchi, MD, President and CEO of Arch Therapeutics, said, “We are delighted to continue working with the team at the UCC School of Pharmacy. Since 2011, when we initiated the partnership, UCC has been an important part of our team. They have skilled scientists, enthusiastic PhD candidates and postdoctoral fellows who understand that academic institutions and industry can complement each other to fulfill unmet needs. They have a distinct model, not just in theory, but also in their ability to deliver on industry timelines. These collaborations are important steps for Arch’s planned footprint in Europe and we expect them to have positive implications for our Company and for the local Irish economy.”

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ANNUAL RESEARCH DAY

The College of Medicine and Health, in conjunction with the Alimentary Pharmabiotic Centre, Annual Research Day was recently held at the Western Gateway Building. The theme of this year's conference was - Food, Microbes and Molecular Medicine. Presentations were given in three different areas including 'Superbugs and Infection', 'Food and Medicine' and 'Extremes of Life'.

The best speaker in each area was awarded the Michael C Berndt Gold Medal for research in each category. Congratulations to Mike Harrison, Ruairí Robertson and Maria Donovan, who each received their own Gold Medal.

There was also a moderated poster session with 53 posters, and three awards were distributed for best poster at the Prize giving. Congratulations Guillaume Barrel, Jacklyn McCarthy and Karen McCarthy.

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Pictured above (l-r): Ruairí Robertson, Maria Donovan, Mike Harrison and John Higgins. Pictured below (l-r): Guillaume Barrel, Karen McCarthy and John Higgins. Photos: Gerard McCarthy





UCC NURSING STUDENT REPRESENTED IRELAND IN THE EUROPEAN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS IN ZURICH

First year BSc Integrated Children's and General Nursing BSc Student Phil Healy (bottom left in photo) represented Ireland (August 12th) in the National Track and Field Championships.

Phil is from Bandon Athletic Club and has been named the Evening Echo Ladies Sports Star of the month for July 2014. Congratulations to Phil.



CONGRATULATIONS TO MARIE DONNELLY 3RD YEAR BDS

Congratulations to Marie Donnelly 3rd Year BDS who was awarded the SURE award for 2014 within the School of Dentistry. Marie will work under the supervision of Dr Eimear Hurley. The title of the study is 'Transfer During Birth Study (TUBS)'.

The purpose of the TUBS study is to examine the bacterial composition of stool and saliva samples obtained from mothers and their babies born in Cork University Maternity Hospital & to establish whether there is a relationship between the microbial floras in their respective digestive tracts.

PEARL PRENDERGAST IS AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE HEALTH RESEARCH BOARD



Pearl Prendergast was successful in obtaining a HRB Summer Studentship – her project is titled “Health Literacy and Medication Adherence Among Older Community Dwelling Adults.”

This project is a collaboration between Dr Suzanne McCarthy and Dr Laura Sahm of the School of Pharmacy, UCC and Mr Keith O’Hourihane and the staff of Pharmacy First Plus. Pearl will be interviewing older patients about their medicine taking behaviour and linking this to patients’ demographics, patients’ health literacy and patients’ beliefs about medicines. We hope that this will provide some very interesting and useful information which will help in the future to devise interventions to improve patient care in the community.

Pictured (l-r): Mr David Fleming, Pharmacist Manager, Pharmacy First Plus Tower; Ms Pearl Prendergast, UCC Pharmacy Student; Mr Stephen Olden, Pharmacist, Pharmacy First Plus Tower; Dr Suzanne McCarthy, Lecturer School of Pharmacy UCC; Mr Keith O’Hourihane, Superintendent Pharmacist, Pharmacy First Plus



Pictured (l-r): Professor Richard Greene, Professor Louise Kenny, Dr Sinéad O'Neill, Professor Patricia Kearney and Dr Ali Khashan

Dr Sinéad O'Neill

Dr Sinéad O'Neill successfully defended her PhD research into Caesarean section and the likelihood of subsequent stillbirth, miscarriage and ectopic pregnancy recently, where she collaborated with researchers from the National Centre for Register-based Research (NCRR) in Aarhus, Denmark to conduct the largest study to date including over 832,000 women. Caesarean section is associated with a slightly increased rate of subsequent stillbirth and ectopic pregnancy, according to the study published in PLOS Medicine recently.

Professor Kenny, Consultant Obstetrician and Director of the Irish Centre for Fetal and Neonatal Translational Research (INFANT) in Cork University Maternity Hospital said "The findings of the current study are particularly important for expectant mothers as well as healthcare professionals as Caesarean section rates are increasing significantly worldwide. Whilst we showed that a previous Caesarean section is as-

sociated with a subsequent stillbirth and ectopic pregnancy, the overall risk of either is very low".

They add: "Furthermore, the findings will better inform women of the benefits and risks associated with all modes of delivery ... while the hazard rate is small, women 'electing' Caesarean section without any medical necessity should consider all options thoroughly."

Dr O'Neill is the recipient of a four-year scholarship on the prestigious Health Research Board Ireland PhD Scholars programme and was funded by the National Perinatal Epidemiology Centre (NPEC) in UCC. Sinéad was co-supervised by Professor Richard Greene of the NPEC, Professor Louise Kenny and Dr Ali Khashan of INFANT Centre and Professor Patricia Kearney of the Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, UCC.



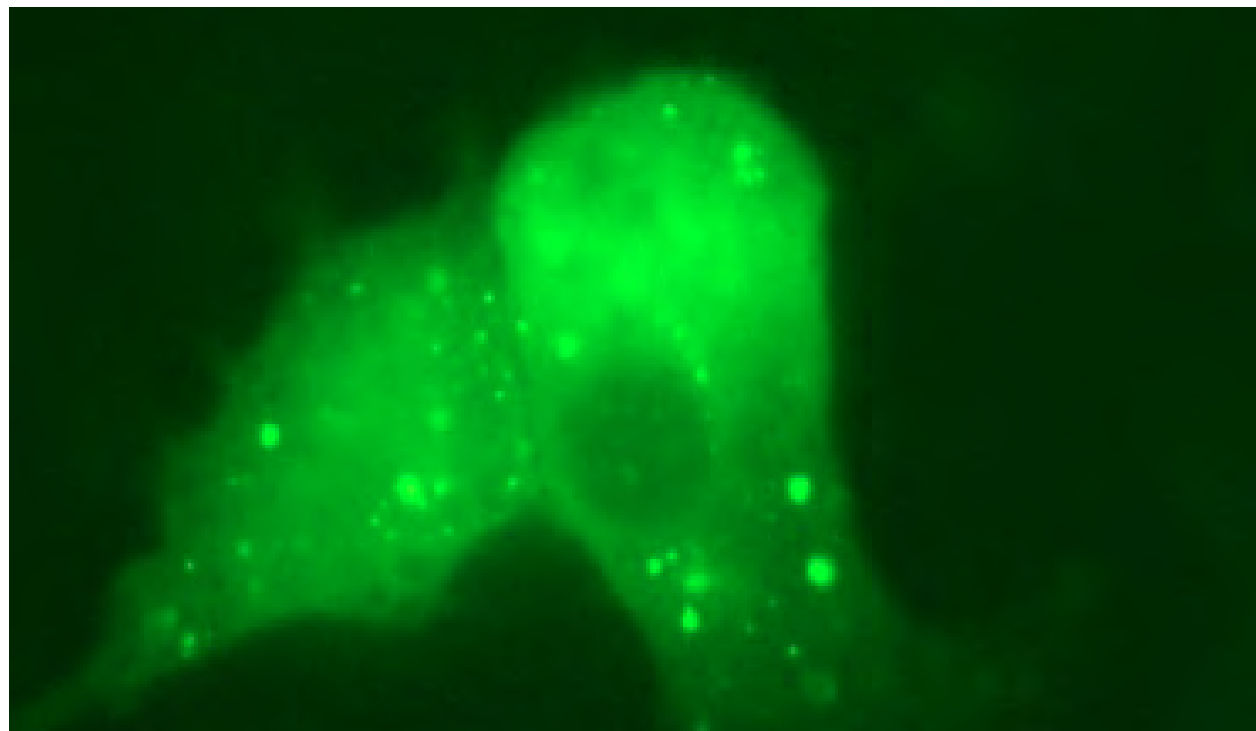
THE PROVISION OF SPIRITUAL AND PASTORAL CARE FOLLOWING STILLBIRTH

The first research study into the impact of stillbirth on healthcare chaplains who care for bereaved parents following the death of a baby has just been published in BMJ Supportive & Palliative Care.

This study was carried out by Mr Daniel Nuzum and Dr Keelin O'Donoghue based in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, UCC at Cork University Maternity Hospital.

The objective of this study was to research the lived experience of healthcare chaplains working in maternity hospitals as they provide spiritual and pastoral care for parents who have been given the news that their baby has died. The study involved 85% of maternity hospitals in Ireland.

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Above (l-r): Team Autophagy, Mr Michael Healy, Ms Chloe Falvey, Dr Michelle Nyhan, Dr Nina Orfali, Dr Sharon McKenna and Dr Tracey O'Donovan. Below: Two cancer cells undergoing autophagy leading to the accumulation of bright green vesicles (autophagosomes) within the cell

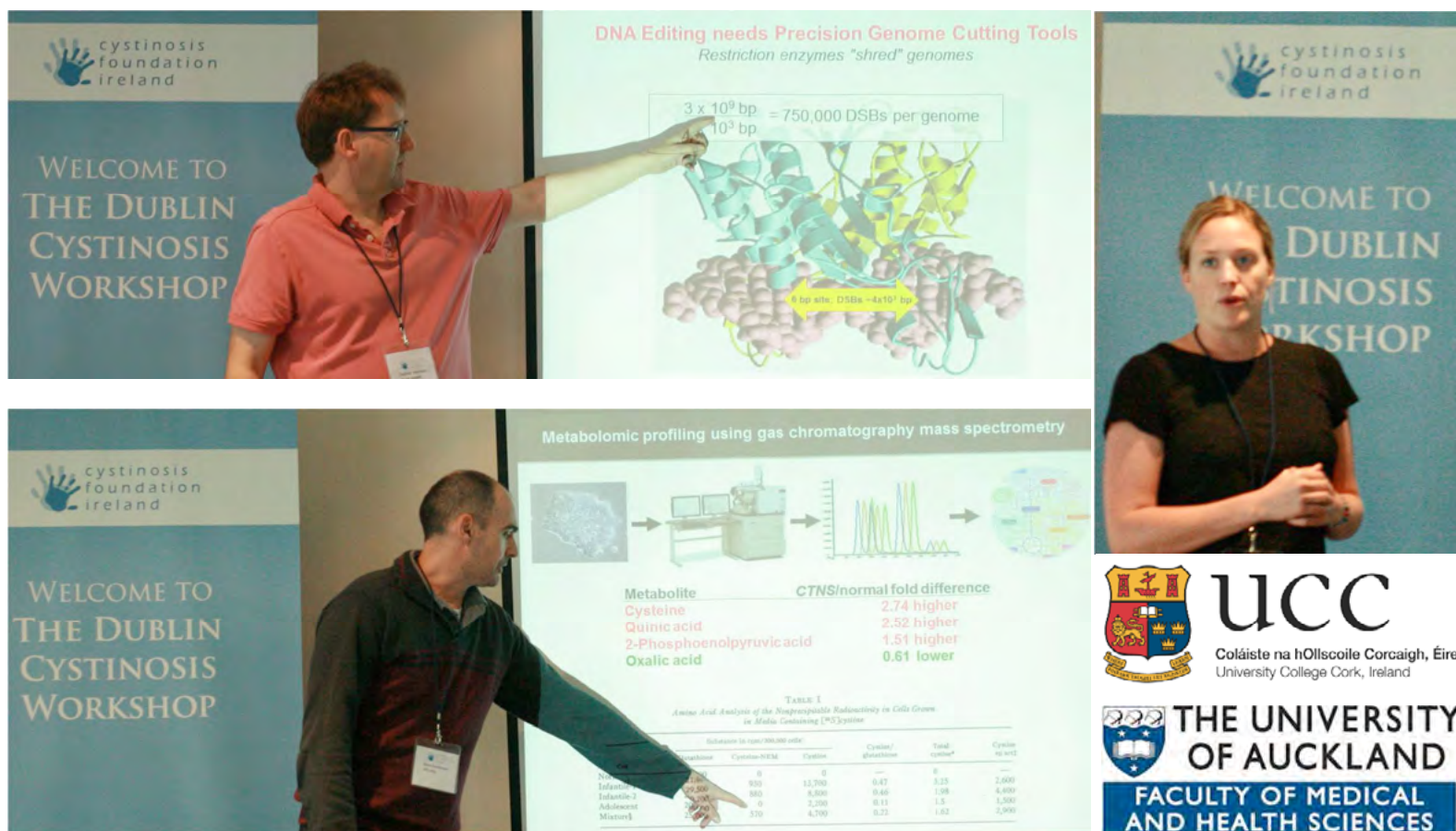
DR SHARON MCKENNA BSc PhD CORK CANCER RESEARCH CENTRE

Dr Sharon McKenna graduated from the University of Leicester in 1990 with an Honours Degree in Molecular Biology, and obtained her PhD at the Leukaemia Research Fund Laboratories 1995 in the University of Wales. She was appointed as a Lecturer in the Department of Biochemistry, UCC in 1999 and group leader of the Signal Transduction Laboratory.

In 2002, Dr McKenna joined the Cork Cancer Research Centre (CCRC) as a Principal Investigator, where she leads the Autophagy research program. Dr McKenna played a vital part in establishing collaboration with Weill Cornell Medical College – one of the United States' leading medical colleges. Components of this collaboration include a medical research fellowship where Irish students do part of their research in Weill Cornell.

The first medical PhD, Dr Nina Orfali, a haematology registrar is almost three years into the UCC/CCRRC/CUH/Cornell research programme and the collaboration is already producing new insights into novel targeting strategies for leukaemia. The research is focusing on how immature blood cells use the autophagy pathway during their differentiation into mature cells. According to Dr McKenna, "Autophagy can control cell fate in many ways, harnessing this process to induce differentiation or death is key to combating drug resistant cancers."

The work is being carried out in collaboration with consultant haematologist, Dr Mary Cahill, who is co-supervising Dr Orfali. The Cork Cancer Research Centre/CUH Collaboration with Weill-Cornell Medical College in New York provides a model for other groups within the College of Medicine and Health to draw in outstanding medical and science graduates and prepare for a translational angle on the bench science progress.



New Grant Funding - Modelling Cystinosis within CRISPR Engineered Human Stem Cells

Dr Harrison (top left), Dr Hollywood (right) and Professor Davidson (bottom left) presenting data at the Inaugural Dublin Cystinosis Workshop in June 2014 co-organised by Dr Harrison and Cystinosis Ireland



Dr Patrick Harrison (Department of Physiology, UCC) and Professor Alan Davidson (University of Auckland, NZ) recently teamed up to pool their respective expertise in CRISPR gene editing and inducible pluripotent stem (iPS) cell technology to study the rare kidney disease, cystinosis. They have now been awarded a joint HRB/MRCG/Cystinosis Foundation Ireland 3-year research grant for €295,000 to model cystinosis using CRISPR gene-edited human stem cells.

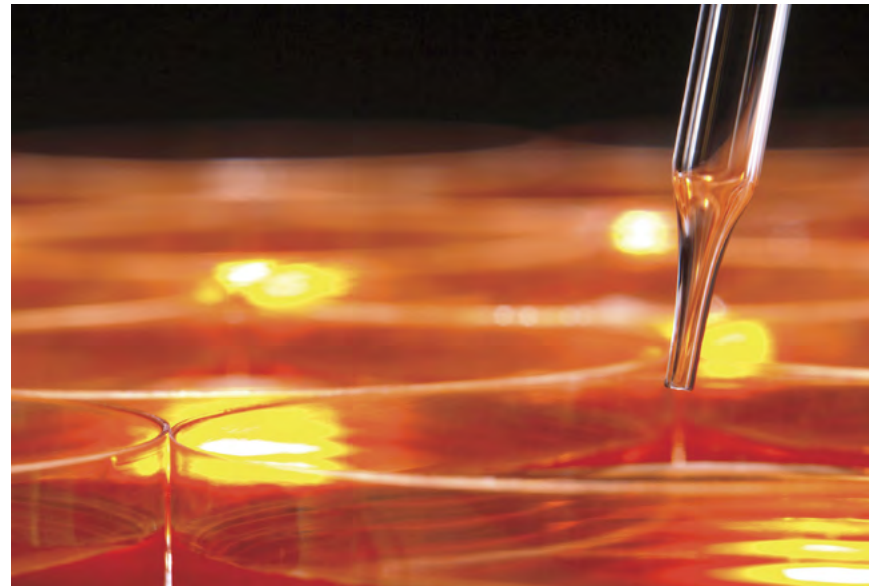
Cystinosis is a rare autosomal recessive disorder caused by mutations in the CTNS gene which encodes the cystine transporter in lysosomes. Lack of this transporter leads to accumulation of cystine in the lysosomes in cells throughout the body, and in the most severe form of the disease, patients develop renal proximal tubule dysfunction that progresses to end-stage renal failure before 10 years of age if untreated. The mechanisms by which cystine accumulation causes kidney damage are not well understood.

The ability to model cystinosis in wild-type and disease cells with an isogenic background provides a novel tool for studying the effects of cystinosis on the kidney and better understand the mechanism(s) by which cystine accumulation causes kidney disease.

Dr Jennifer Hollywood who led the development of the CRISPR gene editing technology in Dr Harrison's lab will join Prof Davidson's team in New Zealand in October 2014 to provide a link between the two research groups.

Harrison Lab, University College Cork:
<http://publish.ucc.ie/researchprofiles/C008/pharrison>

Davidson Lab, University of Auckland:
<https://unidirectory.auckland.ac.nz/profile/a-davidson>



QUALITY OF LIFE IMPROVING FOR IRISH CANCER PATIENTS RECEIVING CHEMOTHERAPY



Breakthrough Cancer Research recently celebrated the International Cancer Survivors Day with colleagues in UCC and University Hospitals with the first look at the health and quality of life of Irish patients receiving chemotherapy. The study has found that 65% of cancer patients rate their overall health as very good to excellent.

“The results of this very important study show the immense progress we are making in cancer treatment and gives much hope for the future of cancer care. All research and treatment aims to kill the patient’s cancer cells with minimal side effects to the patients. This study shows that modern therapeutic regimes are being better tolerated by patients with fewer effects on their quality of life. It’s heartening to see the results of this excellent study”, said Dr Declan Soden, Breakthrough Cancer Research, Principal Investigator.

The research team from the Cork Cancer Research Centre and University College Cork conducted their research at the Mercy University Hospital and Cork University Hospital on 503 patients. The study of 296 men and 208 women, aged between 17-88, examined the health and quality of life of patients with a range of cancers from upper and lower gastrointestinal, to lung, gynaecological, breast, urologic cancers and lymphoma. 56% were undergoing chemotherapy with palliative intent as their cancer was not curable and the remainder were undergoing ‘curative treatment’.

www.breakthroughcancerresearch.ie/



Above left: Pictured with Naomi Feil (centre) are Dr Jacqui O'Riordain (School of Applied Social Studies) and Dr Mark P. Tyrrell (School of Nursing & Midwifery). Above right: Pictured with Naomi Feil are a group of students from the Postgraduate Diploma in Gerontology Nursing



WORKSHOP BY NAOMI FEIL, FOUNDER OF VALIDATION THERAPY

UCC were delighted to host a workshop with the founder of Validation Therapy, Naomi Feil, on 30th May, 2014 at the Brookfield Health Sciences Complex, UCC. This was the first such workshop to be held in Ireland and it was Naomi Feil's first visit to Cork.

Validation Therapy is a way of working and communicating with older people who have dementia and it is particularly focused on people who are in later stages of dementia. It makes use of sensory methods of communication such as touch, song and movement,

to build relationships, and to connect with the interests people had, and the activities they engaged in at earlier times in their lives.

The workshop was attended by over 100 practitioners and students from a variety of disciplines such as nursing, care staff, social work and psychology, as well as by informal caregivers, staff from the Alzheimer Society of Ireland, and members of the Cork Carers Association.

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SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY BIDS FAREWELL TO THE BSc NURSING STUDIES STUDENTS

Pictured are the class of the BSc Nursing Studies 2013-2014 Group with Head of School, Professor Eileen Savage, Director of Post Graduate Education, Dr Alice Coffey, Course Co-ordinator, Dr Máirín O'Mahony and Director of Internationalisation, Mr Sean Kelleher. This multi-cultural group of registered nurses and midwives were from Ireland, India and the Philippines.



NURSING IN A GLOBAL COMMUNITY



To celebrate International Nurses Day the article 'Nursing in a Global Community', co-authored by Professor Eileen Savage, Head of School and Carol Condon, College Lecturer, School of Nursing & Midwifery, UCC, appeared in the Pharmabiz magazine.

www.pharmabiz.com/NewsDetails.aspx?aid=82083&sid=9

Nursing is an exciting, interesting, varied and satisfying profession which offers lots of opportunities such as continuing education, employment, a range of career pathways, and career progression. For individuals who love to travel and who wish to travel in the future, nursing is known to be one of the best professions to study abroad and to seek employment around the globe.

Globally, nursing represents a major workforce in the employment market and the international economy. As global mobility develops, the flow of nurses between countries also increases in tandem with this development. Nursing is considered a mobile profession as nurses continue to migrate to practice their profession and seek out new opportunities.



Above: Celebrating at the event at the Rochestown Park Hotel. Below: The National Intern Conference and Social Organising Committee. Photos: Emmet Curtin



NATIONAL INTERN CONFERENCE AND SOCIAL

A successful inaugural National Intern Conference and Social (#NICS14) took place recently in the Brookfield Health Sciences Complex, UCC. For this event, a team of medical interns from each of the National Intern Training Networks organised an exciting line-up of speakers who addressed the issue of the large percentage of Irish interns leaving our shores to seek better working conditions abroad. Following the conference, an Intern End of Year Ball was held at the Rochestown Park Hotel.



PROFESSOR HENRY SMITHSON ATTENDS 10 DOWNING STREET RECEPTION FOR UK EPILEPSY CHARITY SUDEP ACTION

Professor Henry Smithson, Department of General Practice, UCC, attended a 10 Downing Street reception hosted by Samantha Cameron for UK Epilepsy Charity SUDEP Action. The night launched the charity's appeal for research into a sleep monitoring device that could help prevent Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP).

Mrs Cameron met with SUDEP Action supporters and staff at the event that brought together SUDEP experts, policy makers and families bereaved by epilepsy. With the support of bereaved families the charity works to prevent deaths in epilepsy including SUDEP through research and awareness of risk.

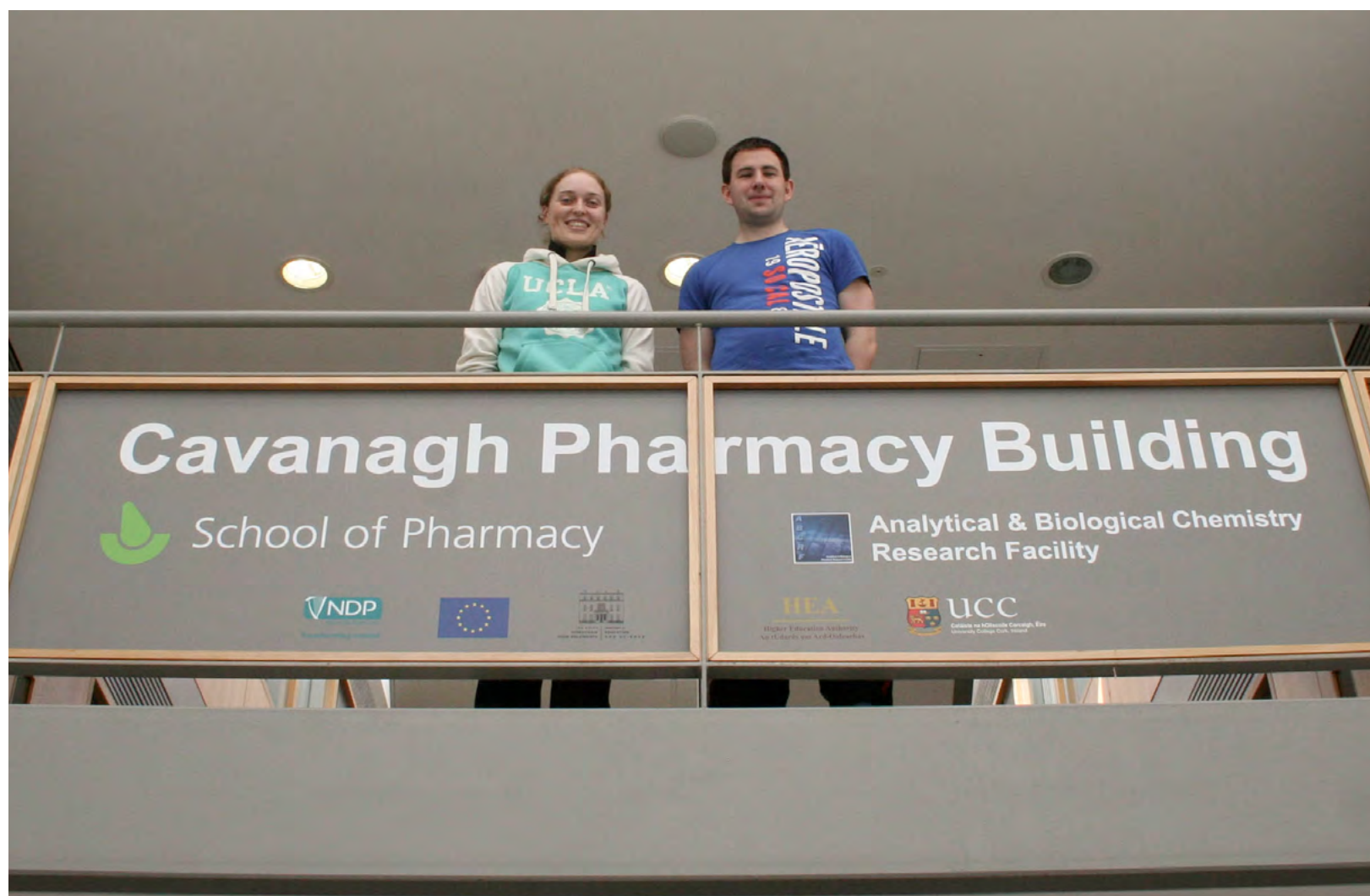
HSF VISIT MAY 2014

Earlier this year, the Hospital Saturday Fund CEO and Chairman visited the College of Medicine and Health, University College Cork. The Hospital Saturday Fund has provided €24,000 in funding to the School of Medicine in order to support overseas clinical electives for students, including €12,000 in 2014.

Pictured in the main Quadrangle, UCC are: Dr Colm Ó Tuathaigh, Lecturer, School of Medicine (Student Elective coordinator), UCC; Mr Cal Healy, Cork University Foundation; Mr Paul Jackson, CEO, Hospital Saturday Fund; Ms Aisling Doyle, Medical Student; Mr John Greenwood, Chairman, Hospital Fund; Mr Kevin Kenney; Dr Eileen Duggan, Medical Education, UCC. Photo: Tomas Tyner



EVIN ALLEN AND KATHLEEN FITZGERALD ATTEND THE ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY'S 'HOFFMANN MASTERCLASS'



Above: Pharmacy PhD students Kathleen Fitzgerald and Evin Allen

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Two PhD students of the School of Pharmacy, Evin Allen and Kathleen Fitzgerald, attended the 'Hoffmann Master-class' given by Professor Jules Hoffmann, Nobel Prize winner in Physiology and Medicine 2011.

These master-classes are designed to be informal, informative and motivational and give young researchers the opportunity to interact with a speaker who is a world leader in his or her field. The master-class was held at the Royal Irish Academy headquarters in Dublin City with Professor Jules Hoffmann as the guest speaker. Professor Hoffman spent most of his career working at the University of Strasbourg and much of his study has been devoted over the last 30 years to unravelling the mechanisms of antimicrobial defence in insects. The format of the master-class included an introduction by Professor Hoffmann into his area of research and career to date followed by an informal Q&A session with the PhD participants who were given the opportunity to ask questions and 'learn from a master'.



DIARMUID QUINLAN

The generosity of our wonderful Alumni supporters is well-acknowledged within the College of Medicine and Health. These individuals give much appreciated support to our college, helping us develop our healthcare education to achieve our goal of making families, communities and our country healthier. Our Alumni have had interesting career paths and numerous different experiences, showing how diverse the field of Medicine can be. They also offer invaluable advice to their younger peers, something that young healthcare students and professionals would find beneficial to listen to.

Dr Diarmuid Quinlan (Class of 1991) is an Alumnus and active Supporter of UCC College of Medicine and Health. He is currently a GP in Glanmire, in a group practice with five GP colleagues. He has gained considerable experience internationally as well, initially as a medical student in Tanzania, later working in England and Australia. Diarmuid's advice to junior healthcare practitioners would be to spend some time working overseas, as it is extremely beneficial and invaluable to gain understanding of other cultures and systems. His professional life encompasses several notable achievements.

Diarmuid's primary interest within Medicine is Diabetes. This dedication has led him to becoming the chair of Cork Diabetes In General Practice as well as the Clinical Lead for Diabetes in HSE South. As part of a Cork-based group

consisting of individuals from HSE management, UCC, Primary Care and Ophthalmologists, he and his colleagues undertook a successful Retinopathy Screen in 2011. This was published in the British Journal of General Practice. Diarmuid aspires to see diabetes to be properly managed and resourced on a national level and to see clear progress in integrated care.

Apart from diabetes, patient safety is something Diarmuid has dedicated energy and time to as well. He is the only Clinical Risk Assessor for the Medical Protection Society in Ireland, doing risk assessment for various GP practices in Ireland and the UK. Together with Dr Paul Ryan, Diarmuid won the National Quality in Practice Award 2013 for a Patient Safety initiative for their project titled 'Methotrexate: A novel approach to safer use of toxic medicines'.

Considering Diarmuid's active career, one might think he may not find the time to engage in free time activities. However, Diarmuid is a fan of Water Sports and enjoys surfing and kayaking in order to relax. He is also a dedicated father of four, making his numerous achievements all the more impressive. The College of Medicine and Health are proud to have this skilled and successful doctor as part of their Alumni network.

If you are interested in supporting the College of Medicine and Health, please contact Paul McCarthy - paul.mccarthy@ucc.ie

WHAT TO GIVE TO THE PATIENT WHO HAS EVERYTHING?

A knowledge exchange meeting on Medication Optimisation in Multimorbidity will take place 18th September 2014 in UCC.

Medical research produces evidence on the best medicines for specific diseases. However, this research is mostly done with single medicines in patients with single diseases. In real life, many patients have more than one disease (Multimorbidity) and applying research findings to these patients becomes complicated. For doctors, it can mean prescribing a medication that may lead to adverse effects, or avoiding a medication that may have potential benefits.

The factors that govern how best to prescribe for multimorbid patients are complex and are being researched by multiple disciplines in healthcare including General Practice (GP), Pharmacy



and Geriatric Medicine. By bringing these perspectives together, this meeting will provide a forum for sharing information and expertise to take advantage of interdisciplinary synergies in the area of medications management. A number of international experts in this field will attend: Dr Martin Duerden, GP and co-author of the Kings Fund report on Polypharmacy and Medicines Optimisation, and Professor Stewart Mercer, Professor of Primary Care Research, University of Glasgow, providing an opportunity for collaborative links and joint research proposals to take this important aspect of medical practice forward.

If you are interested in participating in this meeting, please contact csinnott@ucc.ie

MOUTH CANCER AWARENESS DAY



On Wednesday 17th September 2014, the staff and students of the Cork University Dental School & Hospital and Irish dental practitioners nationwide will once again offer FREE mouth cancer examinations to the public during Mouth Cancer Awareness Day (MCAD) and advice on ways to reduce the risk of developing this disease. Those wishing to attend the FREE Mouth Cancer Awareness Day in the Cork University Dental School & Hospital can book an appointment on the dedicated phone line 021-4901169, which is still open on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th September from 10am to 2pm.

The campaign aims to raise public and professional awareness of mouth, head and neck cancer in Ireland and to highlight the importance of prevention and early detection. The campaign is led by Mouth, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Ireland (MHNCAI), a collaborative group of HNC survivors, Cork University Dental School & Hospital, Dublin Dental Hospital, Irish Cancer Society, Irish Dental Association and the Dental Health Foundation.

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4TH YEAR DENTAL STUDENTS OFF TO GHANA

This July UCC 4th Year Dental Students have jetted off to Ghana to undertake a Dental Outreach Project with Projects Abroad. This project involves providing emergency dental treatment such as dental check-ups, fillings and extractions to endodontics and surgical procedures as well as teaching individuals from developing countries the importance of dental care. The students are working in both dental units within a large hospital and in remote communities, schools and orphanages.

During the past year the 4th Year Dental students have worked hard on fundraising with projects such as marathons, bake sales, waxing, raffles, and bucket shaking. This, including a gratifying amount of support, has contributed to their reaching their fundraising goal, enabling the group to carry out their outreach.

GRADUATE SCHOOL - BBQ

A very successful end of year BBQ hosted by the Graduate School of the College of Medicine and Health, UCC took place at Brookfield Health Sciences Complex earlier this summer. The BBQ was for all postgraduate research students registered in the College of Medicine and Health (PhD, Professional Doctorate, MSc by Research) and their Supervisors. One of Ireland's leading classical guitarists, Colin McLean of the Colin McLean Latin Trio provided this year's musical entertainment.





THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH GOES CYCLING

During National Bike Week, staff members from the College of Medicine and Health went on a lunchtime leisure cycle around Cork. This ignited a weekly exercise routine that has since encouraged staff members to keep up with this healthy habit throughout the summer.

Pictured above (l-r): Sean Kelleher, Eamonn Connaughton, Brendan Noonan, John Higgins, Kathryn Neville, and Aine Murphy

Health 2.0 Cork Chapter launch at the Health Innovation Hub

The official launch of Health 2.0 Cork Chapter, held in the Health Innovation Hub, was attended by healthcare professionals, IT professionals, patient groups and representatives from the Health Innovation Hub. This meet-up session was focused on Patient Engagement Technologies and included guest speakers from clinical, IT, and patient backgrounds. Guest speakers included Mr Kishore Doodakula, Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon, CUH, Mr Samuel Leslie Ross, Patient Representative, and Mr Pat O'Donnell, Founder and Executive VP of Global Operations, Lincor Solutions. Health 2.0 co-founders include Jim Blair, Myles Murray, Tanya Mulcahy, Cassan Cowman and Sajeesh Kesavan.





Left: 'Three Achill Children' by Hilda Roberts 1901-1982
Far left and below: Guests at the opening night of the exhibition.
Photos: Clare Keogh



'Irish Female Artists of the 20th Century'

This very special exhibition, hosted by the Jennings Gallery, Brookfield, UCC, features artworks loaned from a number of private collections and features what are considered the best Irish female artists of the 20th Century.

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SNIPPETS FROM THE DIARY OF THE HEAD OF COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH

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| 30 June 2014 | Visit to Mater Private Hospital, Mahon, Cork. |
| 2 July 2014 | IMO Information Session at CUMH. |
| 10 July 2014 | Bantry Hospital Outpatients and Theatre. |
| 11 July 2014 | Interviews for Chief Clinical Director, Chief Finance Officer and Chief Operations Officer. |
| 13 July 2014 | Interviews for Chief Director of Nursing & Midwifery. |
| 15 July 2014 | Interviews for the position of Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist, CUH. |
| Week 34 | Downtime in Enniscrone, Co. Sligo. |