

Dear UH College of Pharmacy alumni and friends,

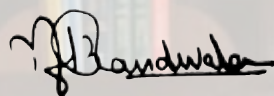
As we reflect on the past year, it's obvious that the past 12 months have resulted in outstanding individual and team accomplishments by our students, alumni, faculty, staff and supporters as well as many exciting initiatives for expanding the college's academic mission.

Some of the most significant highlights include state approval to offer two new degree programs, funding for an advanced drug screening system, numerous collaborations with our colleagues within the Texas Medical Center, and leadership positions, awards and other recognition for students, alumni and faculty.

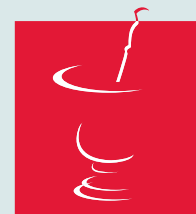
With the departure of Dr. Sunny E. Ohia and my appointment as interim dean during the search for permanent successor, 2008 also marked the beginning of a transition period for the college. One constant, however, is our commitment to provide an unparalleled education to our students, a source of pride for our alumni, a worthy beneficiary of our donors and friends, and leadership in scientific discovery and the health of our communities.

On behalf of everyone at the College, we wish you and your family continued health, happiness and success in the New Year.

Happy New Year,



Mustafa F. Lokhandwala, Dean



College of Pharmacy

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2008 YEAR IN REVIEW

- * Approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for two new degree programs: the B.S. in the Pharmaceutical Sciences and the Ph.D. in Pharmacy Administration
- * Faculty member Diana Chow and alumnus Dong Liang received a patent for nanoformulations of a promising compound in the fight against cancer
- * Installed an automated high-throughput drug screening system thanks to a \$240,000 grant through the Gulf Coast Consortia
- * Pharm.D. student Lindsay Prekosovich elected Regional Delegate of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists
- * UH Delta Delta Chapter wins Kappa Psi Province VII Chapter of the Year and Best Chapter Report awards as well as election of two Province officers
- * Mother/daughter and alumna/student duo of Carrie M. Sacky and Stacie Dacus elected Vice President and Student Representative, respectively, to Texas Pharmacy Association Board
- * Pharm.D. students won Research Poster and Clinical Skills competitions as well as the Glenda Lawson McRee Student Leadership Award from the Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists
- * Pharmacy Administration faculty, alumni and students received three awards from the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Research & Education Foundation and the International Society of Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research
- * Student Rashim Singh received a second-year renewal for \$30,000 for the Pharmacoinformatics Training Program through the Gulf Coast Consortia
- * Faculty member Vincent H. Tam honored with UH Excellence in Research & Scholarship Award
- * Received 15 new scholarship endowments, an endowment supplement and two planned gifts
- * Partnered with St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital to support a two-year fellowship in infectious diseases
- * Established a concurrent two-year M.S. and Residency program in Pharmacy Administration with five Texas Medical Center institutions
- * Launched Summer Research Program to encourage students to pursue the combined Pharm.D./Ph.D.
- * Welcomed six faculty members: Jessica M. Cottreau, Pharm.D.; Rustin D. Crutchley, Pharm.D.; Bradley K. McConnell, Ph.D.; Jason L. Eriksen, Ph.D.; Maria Victoria Tejada-Simon, Ph.D.; and Svetlana B. Tikunova, Ph.D.

