



□ **Welcome, Class of 2024** □ – While our annual White Coat Ceremony is traditionally held with students, faculty, family and friends in attendance, the COVID-19 pandemic forced a revamped version of the event this year. [Read the story here](#)

## From the Dean's Desk

As we welcome our newest class of pharmacy students along with our returning students, it is a different world in which we seek to continue to provide the best learning environment. As part of our efforts to provide a safe environment, I am pleased to announce that our lab has received CLIA certification and is seeking emergency use authorization (EAU) from the FDA that will allow us to conduct **rapid testing and diagnosis for COVID-19**. This testing ability will hopefully allow us to keep our university community even more safe. It is a great time to be part of the College of Pharmacy!



**Dean Stephen J. Cutler**  
College of Pharmacy



### Robot Boosts COVID-19 Testing Efforts

The Diagnostic Genomics Lab installed a robotic liquid handler to support the College's newly launched Saliva Assay Free Expedited (SAFE) Testing.

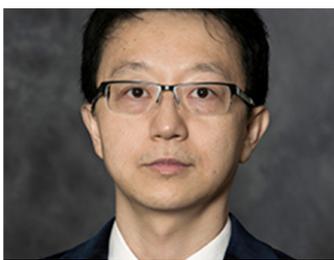
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### Professor receives second NIH R01 research grant

Professor Jun Zhu's grants have a meaningful impact on his work with HIV/AIDS, which affects nearly 38 million people around the world.

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### Pharmacy Researcher Receives Accolades

Associate Professor Kevin Lu hopes to take on drug policy challenges as a Fellow of the International Society of PharmacoEpidemiology (ISPE).

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### Q&A with: Pamela Quizon (2019, Ph.D.)

Alumna Pamela Quizon combined her scientific expertise with her passion for digital media to develop a career in biotech marketing.

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## Around the College

- [UofSC begins saliva-based COVID-19 testing for campus community.](#)
- [Graduate student Matthew Lucius receives 2020 Student-Initiated Research Project grant from SC INBRE](#)
- [Graduate student Matthew Strauss published in Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics and selected as highlighted trainee author for August 2020](#)
- [Alumna Anne Lord Bailey \('14\) competes in "Worlds Toughest Race," premiering on Amazon Prime](#)

## Events & Opportunities



[Register now for the #UofSCPharm5K](#)

Join us **September 1-7** for a back-to-school Virtual 5K run / walk. Your \$10 registration fee goes directly to the **Pharmacy Carolina Fund** which provides immediate and important support of the college's greatest needs.

## Let's Stay in Touch

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